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# Happy Merry Hallowthankmas Year!



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THE EVENT PLANNED FOR  
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**ON THE COVER**

It's that time of year again when the Holidays seem to run into each other in a mad dash of events!

**SEPARATE WAYS *The Band*— A grand event to benefit MD/DE/DC Moose Association to be held at Westminster Moose Lodge. POSTPONED UNTIL MARCH 27, 2021**

The **DEADLINE** for the next issue of  
“The Association Communicator” is

**May 10, 2021**

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## Thoughts from The Editor

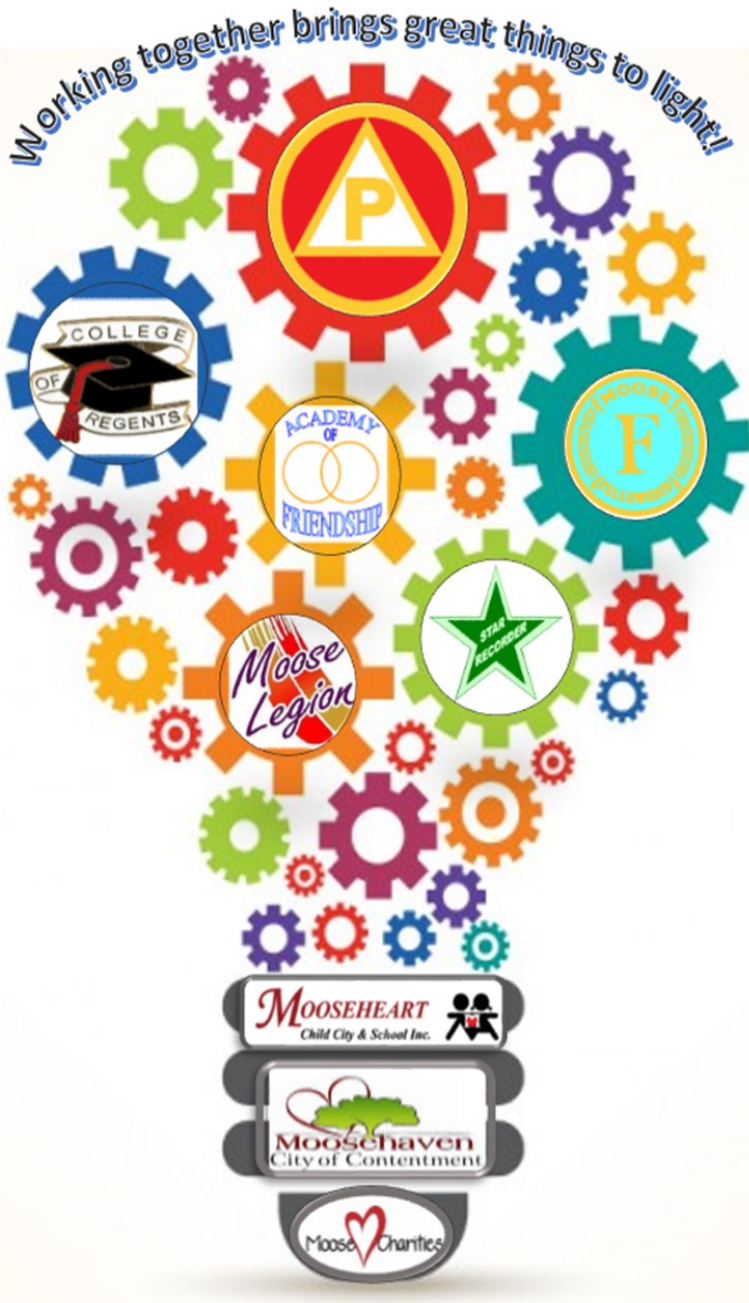
You may have noticed that this issue is “late”. First let me apologize with an explanation. This is the Association’s printed communication tool. I can only publish when there is enough to publish. Therefore, if news, articles and photos are not submitted to me in a timely manner, I cannot publish. Take a moment to brag about your good works! Spotlight a valued member or a team who may have made a public appearance at a fair or support of a local charity? Don’t hide their light within your lodge!

Don’t forget to share your news from Chapter, Legion, and Lodge events, both past and future. This is one of the best ways to keep everyone in the Association informed and to broaden your customer base for events you hold!

Not only that . . . But have you thought about how many of your regularly visiting members to your Social Quarters may not even know what we’re all about? What better way than to have a few issues of THE COMMUNICATOR on hand! It’s also a GREAT tool to have at hand when you’re discussing membership with a prospective candidate!

I hope you’ll share and hopefully the next edition will be chocked full of your holiday events and community outreach efforts!

Fraternally,  
Jean M. Neal, PDGR—Editor



### Future Deadlines:

May 10, 2021

August 10, 2021

October 10, 2021

January 10, 2022

## President's Message



Lodge Brothers and soon to be Lodge Sisters

First let me thank outgoing President Mike Boris and Deputy Grand Regent Dr. Deb Fry for dealing with an almost impossible year. With the closing of the Lodges came great hardships for our bottom lines, membership and especially donations to Moose Charities. One positive note from the whole mess is most Lodges had members and Chapter members come together to paint and repair our buildings during the down time. So far we are faring better than the nationwide average as we have not lost a Lodge due to the shut down.

Please, please support you're Lodge and any nearby Lodges that you can attend, also consider kicking in that extra dollar at the 9 o'clock ceremony.

I want to congratulate incoming Deputy Grand Regent Peggy Miles to her appointment and look forward to working with her this year. I also want to thank all of the Chairmen who have agreed to retain their existing positions and to the few that have requested a break I thank you for your service. I have appointed Kathy Weaver to Sgt. at Arms for the Association and told her to make sure she brings her little pink bat to all meetings. With the passing of Russ Anderson and Covid the Arrowhead award has been in limbo land. I have appointed Ron Thomsen to that position and he is currently recreating the Lodge packet and award as all of that info went with Russ. If anyone has an award please call me at 301-509-1276 as we have been unable to find one. Lastly Leo Custer and Ron Sweetman will be heading up the Scholarship committee so Lodges be on the lookout for both of these in the near future.

Lastly, Membership. I know Lodges are struggling financially and a lot of it is due to our numbers being way down. Let's face it we just don't have enough members to support the Lodges the way we need to. Mike will have announced the Day on the Rails trip at our virtual convention. We also have a current membership program that runs until May 2021. Sign 25 members and get a lifetime membership. The new campaign announced at the virtual is a trip for 2 adults and 2 children to Disney all inclusive. It will run from now until our next convention in October so please get out there and recruit!

Lastly I want to thank in advance all of the officers, chairmen and members of this great

Association that I will  
working with this  
year.



Fraternally,  
Jamie Vann



## Message from our Liason



Leadership – What will your Legacy be?

Just because you were elected or appointed to a position in the Lodge doesn't mean you are instantly sanctified with leadership skills. You need to act the part of a leader as well. After all, we are soon to be One Moose! It comes down to the behavior that will be allowed to take place in the Lodge all the way to how we treat our members and the public at large. We have a LEGACY to uphold. Your members need to know what boundaries are in place (General Laws and Social Quarters Rules), and when they have pushed them too far. Moreover, many problems could have been fixed before they grew out of control. It only takes a little accountability and a few difficult conversations. Most big problems didn't start out that way. They were allowed to fester too long because there was no line in the sand, or there was an officer(s) who simply decided to look the other way.

Your interaction with other members should be positive and productive. We have all been there when a member really "pushed our buttons". Your members and Officers need to know that as soon as they lose their cool, they lose all together. They should remain in control of their emotions and be calm during the storm. Be that level-headed person.

There are three things everyone one of us must consider when making a decision:

- Is it good for the Members?
- Is it good for the Lodge?
- Is it good for the Fraternity?

If that decision is going to have a negative impact on any of those three things, we better be very sure about what we are about to do and be ready to answer for the decisions we make. It is amazing how many hundreds of thousands of dollars have been "misused" and the trust that has been lost in our Community and our Lodge because we simply didn't act like professionals. Even worse, an Officer somewhere knew about it and failed to get ahead of it. Don't be that person. Foresee problems, have the hard conversations, and make sure your Officers and Members act professionally.

Take care of each other! This is so simple, but so important. Just take care of each other. That's it! I think we forget just how much we count on each other to keep this LEGACY going. We are One Moose and we should act like one. We don't gossip and talk behind each other's back. Your members need to know that problems should be brought to the surface and handled at the lowest possible level. We pride ourselves in words like family, brotherhood / sisterhood, and fraternity. Ensure your members know how much you care for them. We must take care of each other so that each of us can take care of OUR LEGACY; they are the Children at Mooseheart, and the Seniors at Moosehaven.

**Ps: MEMBERSHIP, MEMEBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP!**

## Message from Outgoing President Mike Boris

Brothers and Co-workers:

### One Moose

I am looking forward to 1 May 2021 when our Fraternity, both men and women, become One Moose. Together we will make our great fraternity stronger. Bringing our membership as One Moose will be very beneficial to our Lodges communities and, our most important goal, to support Mooseheart and Moosehaven.



This has been a very trying year since March – Covid 19 has really put a crimp in our way of doing what we do as Moose members. I am looking forward to sunny skies in the coming year.

Membership we all know this past year did not help our membership number rise, lets go forward and work a little harder to bring our numbers up. We can do it. Retention is also a big part of our membership goal, so work hard to keep the members we have. With most of the Lodges in the process have limited access due to the pandemic. We can still work on retention. Take a few minutes at a meeting to contact our members that need to renew their dues. Everyone counts.

There are some great membership campaigns in progress – now is a great time to take advantage of them.

I sure hope everyone is staying safe. Wearing masks and practicing social distancing will help us beat this pandemic. Observe your state and local restrictions regarding this Covid 19 crisis.

Fraternally,  
Mike Boris - Junior Past President  
MD-DE-DC Moose Association



# Outgoing Deputy Grand Regent Dr. Deb Frye



Co-Workers and Lodge Brothers-

As you read this Communicator I will have completed my year as Deputy Grand Regent for the 2019-2020 year. My year was definitely one to go down in history! It started with my appointment during “Leap” year. Then our association accepted women into the organization and completed our first joint mid-year conference. And then...., the big SHUT-DOWN and now our first virtual convention! Can anyone say they have had such a year as Deputy? Yes, my year brought many uncertainties but look at us now, we are stronger together for Mooseheart, Moosehaven and Moose Charities.

Many thanks to those who helped me become successful during my year! My friend and colleague **Pat Cihak** lead the charge to make me stand on my two feet when my knees were jelly. I cannot thank her enough! Another friend and colleague, **Olivia “Libby” Schmidt**, the official visitor for our virtual convention was an inspiration to make my final commitment a blast. My dear friend and colleague, **Roz Bowman** provided the guidance and reassurance that friends do, even we you think you cannot do another thing! I want to thank **my own chapter, Frederick 347**, who stood beside me throughout the year and held one blast of party!! Last but not least, I want to thank **the men** who held their arms open and included me in their meetings, decision making and embracing me into their group as one of them. Thanks to you all!!

I congratulate our New Deputy Grand Regent Margaret “Peggy” Miles. She will represent us well. I am sure that she too will succeed in her role during the 2020-2021 year.

My sincere thanks to Smyrna-Clayton for accepting the challenge of being my hostess chapter for our virtual convention. I greatly appreciated you ladies joining me in our first virtual convention. You did it and I thank each of you from the bottom of my heart.

Congratulations to those green cap matriculants. You have represented your chapters well and you deserve the recognition of wearing the green cap necklace. I wish each of you, listed below, the success in continuing to strengthen our fraternity.

Patricia Beach	New Castle
Janet DeLeon	Indian Head
Karen Krouse	Camden-Wyoming
Jo A Matthews	Harrington
Marne Ruggles	Smyrna Clayton
Kathleen Schmon	East Sussex
Virginia Smith	Dundalk
Lenora Staley	Frederick
Tamera Timmons	Seaford

Fraternally,  
Dr. Deb ☐



## Deputy Grand Regent Peggy Miles



Co-Workers and Lodge Brothers:

From pumpkin-spiced-everything to hayrides and haunted houses, there is so much to love about the fall. Autumn represents change— the changing of the leaves, the start of a new school year, and maybe even the beginning of a few new resolutions. But somehow this season of change feels oh-so-familiar. Autumn represents the start of the holiday season, packed full of our nostalgic memories and traditions. And the annual shedding of the tree leaves holds the everlasting promise of new blooms to come.

Our Annual Convention was an unusual one this year; by holding it virtually. First of all, with COVID-19 pandemic our Deputy Grand Regent Dr. Debbie Frye did an outstanding (fabulous) job. I wish Dr. Debbie Frye, PDGR well wishes in her next Moose adventure.

Congratulations to all the Chapters that made their Award of Achievement. Moose International mailed your Top Sponsor certificates or seal to the Chapter usually we give them out at the Convention. Congratulation to those individuals who received Top Sponsors.

Congratulation to all our 9 Green Cap Matriculates and 1 from PA in receiving their degree. I encourage you to inspire other to support our Children at Mooseheart and our Seniors at Moosehaven. Congratulation to all new Fellows who received their degree on Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> or Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>.

Let's take advantage of our long-term Membership Campaign. The Top Sponsor chosen will win a trip for 2 Adults & 2 Children to a Disney all inconclusive.

Special congratulation to the Association Board and District Presidents on their position.

I look forward to working with all of you. One of my goals is to visit as many lodges/chapters in my term as your next Deputy Grand Regent.

Chris and I wish everyone a Happy Holidays! Be Safe! See you in the New Year as we become ONE MOOSE.

Fraternally,  
Margaret "Peggy" Miles  
Incoming Deputy Grand Regent



# MD/DE/DC Association



Association Officers stand in front of the Healing Waters Trailer. One of the target charities for the association. Pictured left to right: Larry Meade, Jeff Ringer, Mike Stumbaugh, Jamie Vann, Chris Miles, Chuck Neal, Russ Robinson and Mike Boris

Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, Inc. is dedicated to the physical and emotional rehabilitation of disabled active military service personnel and disabled veterans through fly fishing and associated activities including education and outings.

## CORE VALUES

We hold the following core values as central to our success

**Compassion** – Our organization enables the physical and emotional recovery of our participants as it restores the bond of trust that they built while serving this great Nation.

**Accountability** – Our organization remains accountable to our participants, to our volunteers, to our sponsors, and to our donors.

**Excellence** – Our organization reliably provides high-quality programs for all volunteers and participants based-upon well-understood standards of excellence.

**Community** – Our organization creates a sense of family by mentoring and supporting one another with dignity, passion, respect, and humility.

# MD/DE/DC Association

A first for our association, we held our Virtual Convention in October. Princess Royal Resort was wonderful; their staff worked continually to sanitize, clean and make ready any area in use by our members and other guests. Sealed rooms awaited us at arrival and any public areas like the pool atrium were cleaned throughout the day and while we slept. Top notch service for sure.



Sealed Rooms



Brian Weaver and Tommy Moose await the start of Convention



Fin and Tommy Moose welcome the Association to Ocean City for the virtual convention .



One of, if not the last, all male Association Officer Board invoke our higher power to watch over our members and convention.

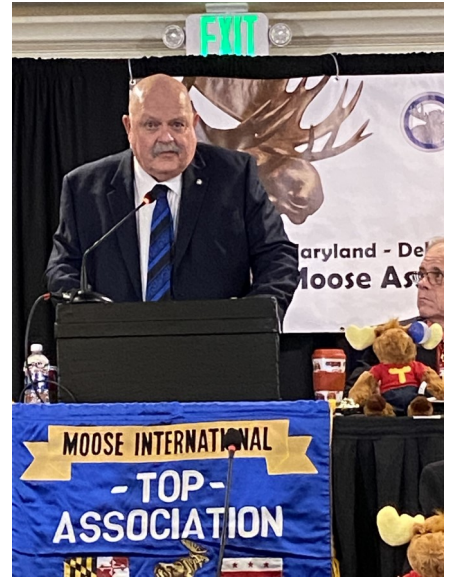
# MD/DE/DC Association



Mike Boris & OC Fire Chief



SAA Kathy Weaver presents OC Fire Chief with Tommy Moose



PDSG John Harkins offers remarks.



Chuck Neal lead Board Officers in Oath of Office



80° day offered a wonderful lunch Time break to enjoy the sunshine!



Right, Chuck Neal presents newly sworn Association President, Jamie Vann with his gavel.



# MD/DE/DC Association



Official Visitor PGR Libby Schmidt addresses membership via ZOOM meeting.

Below, DGR Dr Deb, welcomes incoming Deputy Grand Regent Peggy Miles.



CoChairmen Joe and Dana Harrison welcomes U.S. Kennels, Inc.'s trainers and service dogs for check presentation. U.S. Kennels rescues shelter dogs, and train them as service dogs for Veterans. Their tag line: ***"Saving lives one paw at a time"***!



# MD/DE/DC Association



## *Green Cap Convocation Ceremony*



### Maryland/Delaware/District of Columbia 2020 Green Cap Recipients

New Castle	Patricia Beach
Camden-Wyoming	Karen Krouse
Harrington	Jo Matthews
Smyrna Clayton	Marnie Ruggles
East Sussex	Kathleen Schmon
Dundalk	Virginia "Ginny" Smith
Frederick	Lenora Staley
Seaford	Tamera Timmons

It is a testament to these Coworkers who persevered with their chapter members to complete all the requirements to attain the Green Cap. Congratulations to you all and we encourage you and your chapters to continue your hard work so we may celebrate with you further for the coveted cap and gown!

# At the end of the day



# MD/DE/DC Association



On November 14th we celebrated the appointment of Peggy Miles to the office of Deputy Grand Regent. The Coworkers of Harrington Chapter 1229 did their usual exceptional job in throwing this fete for Peggy. The food was top notch and the entire event absolutely perfect.



# MD/DE/DC Association



Peggy and Family



PDGR Carol Eckenbrecht



PGCM Pat Cihak



PGR Libby Schmidt



TM Jeff Ringer



Assn Pres Jamie Vann



Coworkers of Harrington Chapter 1229



Peggy's Sons and Grandsons Rhett, Spencer, Beau, & Bryan Miles



Deputy Grand Regent Peggy



## Youth Awareness

Brothers and Co-Workers,

This will be an unusual and different year for our Youth Awareness Program. As we all know, International requires our High School students to attend a YA Congress in one of our Districts. From there, they go out into their local communities and present Kid's Talks to our target group, 4 to 9 year-olds.

Well, that presents some adjustments. A lot of our school districts have not opened to face to face learning. Most are either all virtual or a hybrid of both.

My Co-Chair and I look upon this as an opportunity, not an obstacle. We have come up with a plan to host Congresses in the Districts as before but also do a virtual Congress on Zoom. Most of our students are familiar with Zoom presentation from their own classroom activities. We feel it will be an easy transition. I will report on how well it worked in my next article.

Last year, our International Congress was held virtually with 59 students participating. Students provided a thumb drive with their presentation and all the students participating viewed them and voted for the winners. Next year's Congress will be held in Myrtle Beach, SC April 22-26 where they will compete for five scholarships totaling \$30,000. Hopefully, we will be on the other side of this pandemic and our representatives will be able to attend.

I was not on the agenda this Convention so I will be providing information on our website. Please continue to make your donations to the Association to fund our scholarship program and expenses to send our representatives to International.

Kenneth "Ken" Hunt  
Youth Awareness Co-Ordinator

## Moose Legion Ambassador's Message

I was looking forward to seeing all of you at the International Moose Legion Conference and Ritual Competition in Pittsburg on Halloween weekend, but it was another event that had to be canceled due to COVID-19. We need to be working on the Moose Legion projects for this year, The Moose Legion House of God Renovation Project, and the 2020 Presidents Project a new transportation vehicle for Moose Haven.

I would love to see an ACTIVE Lodge Moose Legion Activity Committee in every lodge. Not only are they a great help to their Moose Legions but they are a huge asset to the lodge. I have seen several in action as I attended their functions during these unusual times, and I know that their lodges are very appreciative of their help.

Don't forget to be working toward earning your Key Club.

Fraternally,  
Brian Weaver



## Here's some good news!

### **2020-2021 Moose International Convention Appointments and Awards for MD-DE-DC Moose Association**

International Life Time Achievement Award: **Bill Trice III**

Deputy Supreme Governor: **Robert L. Hall Sr.**

Deputy Grand Regent: **Margaret Miles**

### **Premier Lodge Award**

**Wheaton #1775, Mechanicsville #495, Waldorf #1709, Patuxent #2393, Bel Air #1952, Annapolis #296, Rockville #1540, Elkton #851, Cambridge #1211, Seaford #1728, Smyrna-Clayton #2046, East Sussex #2542**

# District 1

Brothers and Co-Workers,

By the time you read this, the Association will have completed our first ever Virtual Annual Convention from Ocean City, MD. I am excited by the opportunity to share all the information about our fraternity to more of our members who don't normally attend Convention. International provides us with several videos about Mooseheart, Moosehaven, Membership, and other topics. Hopefully, as I had suggested, you hosted a Convention Party at your Lodge.

All our Lodges in the District are up and running and adhering to the Covid-19 requirements by the Governor and the County they reside in. As we all know, those requirements can change on a moment's notice so it is extremely important that we wear masks and social distant in our Lodges so we don't return to stricter rules.

Congratulations to Margaret "Peggy" Miles, our new Deputy Grand Regent. I have had the pleasure to work with Peggy and Chris Miles over the last several years with our Youth Awareness Program and a few Kid's ID outings. Peggy will be an excellent DGR and lead us into the next phase of One Moose.

Congratulations to all the new Fellows conferred during Convention weekend. Please take this next step in fraternalism seriously and work in your communities and support Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

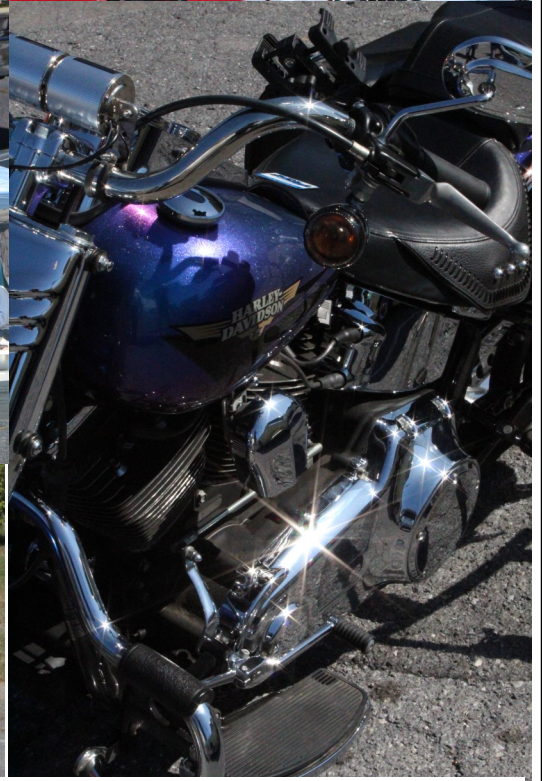
I hope all had a happy and safe holiday season and I am looking forward to working with everyone in the coming year.

Kenneth "Ken" Hunt  
District 1 President



*By their example  
they shall lead...*

## District 2



## Williamsport Moose Lodge 2462 Hosts 1st Car Show!

This car show was the 1st organized by Trustee Ed Shirley. We couldn't share all the photos of the sea of chrome and paint but here are a few. All photos were courtesy of Manley B Harris Photography. The event included a chicken barbeque. Attendees of all ages had a ball! The event raised over \$1,000.00 for our New Pavilion Project. Fifteen members volunteered to pull off this wonderful event!

## District 2

The Williamsport Moose Legion committee.

Held its monthly breakfast on the 4th of October. We donated to Moose Charities Veterans Walk in the names of Tom Robison, Donald Barthel and Harry AKA "Sonny" Welty. Sonny is in the photo holding the Moose Legion polo. Sonny is part of the Volunteer Army in Williamsport, without those like himself we would not be where we are today.



The Williamsport Moose was recently approached by the Washington County Fire Police, in need of new signs etc. Of which are used when there volunteers are called out to accident and fire scenes. To assist local authorities with traffic management. The lodge, Moose Legion committee and Chapter 2116 answered with matching funds of \$470.00 each. Tommy Moose were also given in the possibility of their interactions with families and small children while performing their duties.



Lodge officers Governor Curt Stevenson, Jr Governor Warner Quick, Treasurer Mike Cramer, Prelate Gary Pensinger, Trustee Steve Mowen, Jr Past Governor Clint Rawlings.

Moose Legion Committee Chair Don Barthel, Ed Shirley and Curt Stevenson.



Sr Regent Vicki Robinson and Past Regent Cathy Minnick



## District 2



Williamsport Staff have some Halloween Fun: Left to right, Vicki Robinson, Teresa Minnick, and Holly Showe

Nursery Rhyme comes to socially responsible masked life! THREE BLIND MICE AND THE BUTCHER'S WIFE!



# District 2

Williamsport's 12th Annual  
**FREE**  
Community

Thanksgiving Dinner

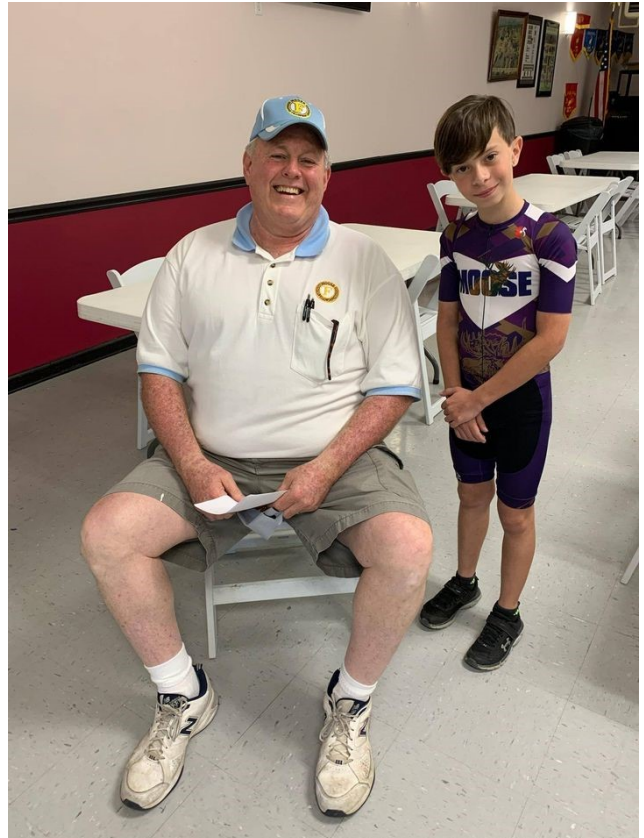


## District 2



Williamsport Lodge held a spaghetti fundraiser for FAST FORWARD SPEED SKATING on November 14th. Williamsport sponsored Kayden Castle and he posed with Russ Robinson. Kayden is sporting his personally designed Moose Racing Suit! Check young Kayden out on Youtube, he'll give you a tour of 'his office'!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JPpGYXWMfVc>



*Many thanks to Williamsport Moose Lodge for supporting your community youth!*





## District 2

Williamsport Lodge held a fundraiser for Berkeley Bike Bash Bikes for kids at Christmas with over 50 attendees.



OH WHAT FUN

*It is to Ride*



MERRY CHRISTMAS



# District 2



SANTA!!! I KNOW HIM!!!



## District 3



Charm City East Lodge #70 held a raffle for a fishing trip for 6 people. A very successful event, and quite a haul of fine fish! Charles Goldsmith and Taylor Schisler were the winners.

They enjoyed the day with their friend and they've eaten most of the fish and cooked them a variety of different ways, including baked and pan fried, but Taylor reports she likes the smoked striped bass best. Charles and Taylor are frequent visitors/guests who support Charm City Moose with their baby Liam. When Liam is on hand at the Lodge, he is usually involved in collecting the Endowment fund during the 9 O'clock Ceremony! Taylor has 'grown up' in the Moose and will become a member of Bel Air Chapter this coming March when she turns 21 and Charles will follow next October when he becomes a members of Charm City East Lodge.

The officers and members of Charm City East wish to thank everyone who participated in the raffle and hope to offer a similar trip again in the future!



## District 3



District 3 swears in new officer board. From left to right: Gloria Mitchell, Sergeant at Arms, John Kremins, President, Rick Robbins, Vice President, Jean Neal, Secretary, Robbie Isaacs, Prelate. Not pictured, Debbie Michocki, Treasurer



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*but*  
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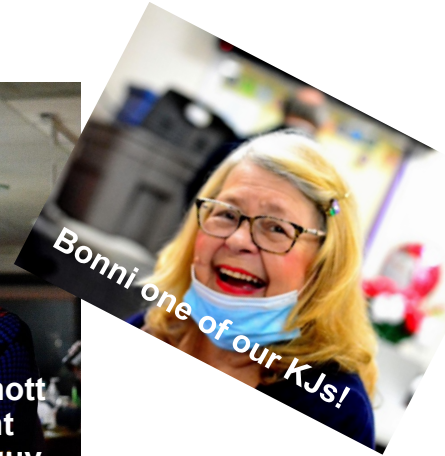
**Dundalk Chapter 97  
does it again!**

Ethel Cedrone stands with the delivery of nonperishable food items. Small but mighty, stand alone Dundalk Chapter #97 collected their annual "advent calendar" food drive.

A huge THANK YOU goes out to all the co-workers of Dundalk Chapter 97 and lodge brothers of Charm City East Moose Lodge 70 for all the food that was donated. Plus hats, gloves, scarves and socks You all are awesome! Thanks to Mary Dean for helping to put the food in bags. Also to Wilse Price for coming and help to load Pat's vehicle with all the food. And our own Patricia Cihak for taking her time to help deliver the food to Scared Heart of Mary. The young lady in the office could not believe we had all this food.

# District 3

## Charm City



## District 5

Stay well and stay safe!  
Emmett Bisnett  
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## District 6

I hope everyone is staying safe as our lives start to get back to some sense of normalcy.

District 6 Lodges and Chapters have all been picking up steam and are showing positive signs of progress. Congratulations to our 5 Star award winners Claymont and Elkton Lodges. It comes well deserved for all your hard work and I know you will not stop now as you keep pushing forward. It seems like it has been forever since we were able to step foot in New Castle Lodge but they own property now and it should be just a very short time before their lodge will be open for all to enjoy (they have already started scheduling events for the new building). I know it has been a LOT of hard work, it will all be worth it to be able to enjoy their OWN lodge home again. We are looking forward to this years Virtual Youth Awareness congress on November 22 hosted by Elkton Lodge. I can't wait to see the new process.

I wish everyone a Safe Healthy and Happy Holiday Season.

Brian Weaver  
District 6 President

## District 6

### A.I. DuPont Child Life Toy Drive.

The Endeavor proved to be a fantastic success with the help, of the following:

New Castle WOTM 1418 and LOOM 1578, Mason lodge Ionic #31, with a special recognition to Christiana Meadows Apartment Complex, tenants, and staff for their substantial contribution.

The Campaign began early November and a substantial quantity of toys, games, and activity books for the children to enjoy were collected.

On Friday December 4, 2020, with respect to COVID guidelines the toys were dropped off at A. I. DuPont Hospital holding room.

Through the Combined Efforts, Dedication to Community, and the Conviction to Charity, Over \$2,050.00 in gifts were donated.



## District 7

Brothers and Co-workers:

I hope everyone is doing well in this time of crisis, if not I send out my prayers and hope for you well being.

As we start opening our lodges back up, I hope we are working hard at getting our members back in. In our time of shout downs, I know we lost members, either for lack of money or not wanting to pay do to the shout down. As we reopen we should be working hard getting them back in. Bring our members back is is a big deal keeping our fraternity strong. We need all the help we can get. If it's the money we bring in from them to help Mooseheart or Moosehaven or volunteers to help our lodges, we need them back. This is our time to work on retention. Keeping our member numbers up is keeping the moose strong. The stronger we are the more we can help our kids and our ladies and gentlemen at Moosehaven. So, get your committees together and work on your retention.

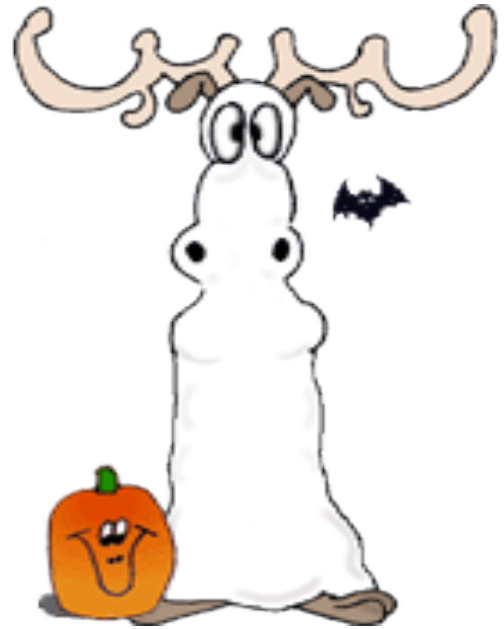
Let's becoming one make a difference, and bring us stronger than ever. Being unity as one can only make us stronger.

Thank you District 7 President  
Tommy II

## Boooooooo Moose!

We all know that many of our Moose Buildings are almost as old or older than our fraternity. With age, comes stories of buildings being haunted. Sure, some things can be put down to building settling or the furnace being cranky, but some . . . Well there's just no other explanation!

Many of us remember the Old Dundalk Moose Lodge. Many whispered of a cranky spirit roaming in the area of the bar and pool room. But I can tell you personally, that several of us had been sitting at the bar having just been served our beverages and ready to have a Moosey old time, laughing, carrying on and of course enjoying some Moose Milk or an alternative adult beverage. The Bar Steward had just placed our drinks on the bar and moved along to serve other members. All of a sudden, a beer glass flew from under the bar where I was sitting and smashed into the Column four or five feet away. The flight of the glass was so forceful that the glass splintered into shards. There was no one in close proximity from where the glass was stored and no reason for it to fly from the storage area.



The old Essex Moose Lodge was well known to be haunted. Often we'd walk into the building, knowing we had shut down everything in the lodge, tv's lights, etc. only to find every game, light and TV on in the old card room being used as the kids room. Perhaps some of the "past" members weren't crazy about their card room being mobbed by kiddies!

But I can also tell you that full bodied shadow man, was frequently seen by several members. Hopefully the new owners of the building sanctified the building... Essex Moose sold it to a Nigerian Church which sold it to a Latino Church. So hopefully our restless spirit has been given peace.



I ain't afraid of no ghost!



# Membership Retention

## *MD/DE/DC Moose Association—Life membership Campaign*

All Lodges and Chapters within the MD, DE and DC Moose Association, we need to embrace this idea so we can not only strengthen our Moose units but bring our Beloved One Moose Fraternity together ( LOOM / WOTM ) working as one unit for the greater good of our Lodges and Chapters. Going forward after May 2021 we will be a one Moose Lodge, a Chapter (or whatever the name will be) and Moose Legion.

We have seen that Frederick Chapter of the WOTM has a Lifetime Membership campaign running, this is an awesome deal not only for the chapter but also, for the Lodges as well for the future of our beloved Moose Fraternity. Any member that purchases a Lifetime membership assures our units of a member for life, obviously. It also, shows a commitment to the organization and going forward it may incite that individual to be involved more, either being an officer or chairman or just supporting the lodge in their endeavors in supporting our cause or maybe they have greater things in mind. They may like to take office on the Lodge, Chapter, Moose Legion, District or Association Levels. At all levels we need to encourage this momentum that Frederick Chapter has initiated and grow and expand on that.

To expand on this campaign, we propose that the lodges and chapters run a similar campaign. Possibly, have the Lodge and Chapter contribute, equally to the discounted amount. As an example; both Lodge and Chapter could contribute 25 % of the total and then the member would be responsible for the remaining balances. The women would benefit in the short term as they will be getting the ABCD (per capita) back from each lifetime membership that is received by Moose International which would offset the discount, and the LOOM will benefit with a member who will not be lost after we become One Moose in May 2021. Coworkers that are already Life members of the WOTM will become Life members of the Lodges, and forever be on the rolls (retention). A “WIN-WIN” for both the Lodges and Chapters. Not, being a negative Nelly, but we know that when this One Moose becomes history, we are going to have WOTM that will not renew their dues because they have no interest in the extra dues or just cannot afford the additional cost. In addition, some will just say why do I want to pay dues when I can come in as a guest of my spouse. It appears that the Women currently pay from \$25.00 and up to renew annually. Under the One Moose they will be paying the Lodge Dues of approximately \$40.00 or more and after 3 years an additional \$15.00 to remain a Chapter Member. That is over double what they were paying. The Women of the Moose support the Lodges in many ways and for the Lodges it is imperative to have the Chapters in place to help with costs and contribute to the future of the fraternity. We all know that “The Women can get it done”. I believe we owe it to our members and our fraternity to protect these memberships however we can. Remember coworkers, once you have your Life Membership in the Chapter you will be a life member of the Lodge under the One Moose in May 2021 and you will also benefit from the fact that your Lifetime Membership will also include the chapter dues, so no additional dues will be required. There may also be a way that Lodges can do the same and possibly offer a similar campaign. I do not suggest the chapters offer the same additional discounts to share with the lodges as the chapter funds may not support that offer, but if the chapters would have the funds and would like to offer it would be a welcomed bonus. You could possibly establish a fundraiser to help offset the cost for these discounts, however, the lodge will also receive the ABCD per capita from each Member that can offset the discounts too.

I know there are times when we have conflicts on the Lodge and Chapter Levels with agreements on the exact way to handle things, but this is for the greater good of Your Fraternity and we are ONE Moose and we can do this ... “It’s What We Do, We’re Moose“ ... Bruce Berger.

# Membership Retention—*cont'd*

The WOTM Chapters will need to submit the Dues as one payment, payable to Moose International Dues Processing Center P.O. Box 88065 Chicago , IL 60680-1065, for this information you can visit the website [www.mooseintl.org](http://www.mooseintl.org) Member information/Campaigns/Membership Information/Life Membership. The Lodge would need to write a check for their portion to the chapter, as well as the member would need to write a check to the chapter for the remaining balance and then the Chapter would submit one check to Moose International with the members information. Receipts will always need to be issued to everyone. See the table below for Pro-Rated Options

## Life Membership Pro-Rated Options

Effective August 1, 2019, the pricing of Life Memberships have changed. The option to purchase a Life Membership at a reduced rate is now available, based on your years of service. Below is a chart indicating the current pricing for a Life Membership. Payments should be mailed via our Lockbox.

Years	WOTM	LOOM	Moose Legion
0-14	600	1200	500
15-19	400	960	400
20-24	350	840	350
25-29	300	720	300
30-34	250	600	250
35-39	200	480	BUYOUT
40-44	150	360	
45-49	BUYOUT	BUYOUT	

Additional information is available on Moose International website, [www.mooseintl.org](http://www.mooseintl.org), under Member Information/Campaigns/Membership Information/Life Membership. If you have any questions, or if you have members inquiring about the costs for this pro-rated option, please contact Member Services at 630.906.3658 for assistance.

*This information can all be found on the MD, DE, DC Moose Association Website under the Membership button.*

*If you have any additional questions about how this could benefit and work for your Lodge or Chapter feel free to contact Membership Chairmen Dean Mc Dermott or Brian Weaver and we will be glad to assist you with anything you may need. Our numbers are available on the MD, DE, DC Moose Association Website.*

Fraternally yours,

**Brian Weaver**

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# Moosehaven Statistics



## *Moosehaven Statistics* As of September 30, 2020

**Average age**  
82.1 years

**Average Length of Stay**  
4.8 years

**Oldest Resident**  
Glenna McClain  
Mandarin, FL Chapter 1218  
98.6 Years

**Longest Length of Stay**  
James Thomas  
Grass Valley, CA Lodge 2217  
22.4 years

**Moosehaven has  
45 Married Couples**

**Jack and Louise Purtee**  
Lakeshore, FL Lodge 2020  
will celebrate their  
75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on  
October 18, 2020.

Sponsoring States	
Alaska	2
Alabama	2
Arkansas	1
Arizona	2
California	9
Colorado	1
Connecticut	1
Delaware	1
Florida	178
Georgia	5
Illinois	19
Indiana	7
Kansas	1
Kentucky	3
Louisiana	1
Massachusetts	3
Maryland	2
Michigan	3
Minnesota	3
Mississippi	1
North Carolina	2
New Jersey	3
New Mexico	1
New York	3
Ohio	6
Oklahoma	1
Oregon	3
Pennsylvania	5
South Carolina	6
South Dakota	2
Tennessee	2
Virginia	10
Washington	2
Wisconsin	6
Wyoming	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>298</b>

**CAMPUS CENSUS**

**Total Residents**  
298  
121 Men  
177 Women

**Moose  
Life/Traditional**  
211 Residents

**New Life/Brandon  
Place**  
87 Residents

**Moose Life/Traditional**  
**Admissions: 2**  
Larry & Judianne Gray  
Crawfordsville, IN Lodge 6

**Deaths: 1**  
Rosemary Taylor  
Daytona Beach, FL  
Chapter 1019

**Voluntary Discharges: 0**

**New Life/Brandon Place**  
**Admissions: 2**  
William and Lucy Moss  
Lakeshore, FL Lodge 2020

**Deaths: 0**  
**Voluntary Discharges: 0**

# From The Heart



If you've ever visited Mooseheart and had the chance to tour the on campus Mooseheart Museum, you may have had the opportunity to meet Bob Zaininger. He loved sharing information to folks touring the museum. The following piece is from the latest edition of "From the Heart"

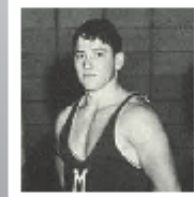
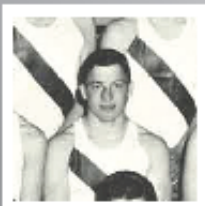
## Enter to Learn ...

Mary grew up in Africa where, in the face of war, she and her family were forced to leave their home for a refugee camp. She was later granted political asylum and settled in the USA. The adjustment was difficult and she struggled to provide stability for her young family as a single mother. After several moves and many different jobs, Mary met and married Ralph. When Ralph became abusive, Mary found herself alone and now embattled with depression and other health problems. After a failed attempt at reconciliation with her husband, a friend told Mary about Mooseheart. Her children now enjoy the stability and structure of Mooseheart while Mary puts the pieces of her own life back together.



## ... Leave to Serve

Robert "Bob" Zaininger and his twin brother Dick were 5-years-old when they lost their father and came to Mooseheart in 1951. After a two-year stay, the boys returned home to be with their mother. In 1960, following the death of their mother, the pair returned to Mooseheart. Bob and his brother Dick graduated in 1965 and the pair were named by their class as "most likeable." Bob graduated from Lakeland University in Plymouth, WI, where he excelled as both a student and athlete. He was inducted into the Lakeland University Athletic Hall of Fame in 2016. Bob returned to Mooseheart, where he taught and coached football and wrestling. Bob married his college sweetheart Gaye in 1970. The couple settled in Aurora, IL where they raised a son and daughter. As Mooseheart's first Recreation Director, he created programs for children of all ages that offered opportunities for field trips and many on-campus activities. Bob later served Mooseheart as Assistant Superintendent of Mooseheart for 11 years. In 2005, he was honored as a Distinguished Mooseheart alumni and was inducted into the Mooseheart Athletic Hall of Fame. Bob was the Museum of Moose History curator from 2006-2015. He died peacefully at home in November, 2019. In the words of Mooseheart Executive Director and 1987 Mooseheart graduate Gary Urwiler, "Bob Zaininger was a man that many students looked up to. He provided activities that were fun and memorable to this day. I admired his passion for Mooseheart and especially the kids. I will never forget Mr. Zaininger playing walking tackle football with us and bringing a busload of Mooseheart kids to my last two college football games in Missouri and Kentucky." Bob was perhaps best described in a reference letter from 1968 by then-Superintendent of Mooseheart Walter Ketz, who referred to Robert A. Zaininger as an "Exceptional young man and a devoted student. He has a magnetic personality, is an excellent athlete, and to our knowledge has no bad habits of any type. He is the kind of young man this nation needs at this moment."



Class Of 1965  
Most Likeable



He certainly was the kind of man Mooseheart needed.

## 5 Star Award News

### Lodge Brothers and Coworkers:

I am bringing you sad news and good news at the same time. I will give you the sad news first; we are not having the “Shining Star” Program this year. Now for the good news for the Lodge Brothers we are having the “5 Star” Program being held a little differently.

Due to COVID, social distancing, masks and the fact that we are not having a face to face Annual Convention the “5 Star” awards were distributed to the District Presidents to be presented to the Lodges. Now keep in mind this is for the 2018-2019 Moose Year. The criteria for the “5 Star” Program is based on endowment fund, enrollments, Youth Awareness participation and Governor/Administrator attending the mid year and annual conference. There is a total of 68 points that can be earned, but you only need 60 to qualify for the award. I believe the criteria are posted on the website.

It is my pleasure to announce that 18 Lodges out of 35 qualified this year; that’s a fraction over half. The Lodges are: Annapolis 296, Bel Air 1952, Camden Wyoming 203, Charm City East 70, Claymont 847, East Sussex 2542, Elkton 851, Harrington 534, Indian Head 1712, Marlboro 1856, Mechanicsville 495, Milford 2316, Patuxent 2393, Seaford 1728, Smyrna Clayton 2046, South County Deale 2279, Waldorf 1709 and Williamsport 2462. Congratulations and keep doing the job that you’re doing.

This year instead of purchasing flags again we purchased chevrons with the year that can be attached to a flag you already have. I gave these awards to the District Presidents to present to the Lodges at a District Meeting or a Lodge meeting.

We will continue with this program but may change the criteria in the future. Hopefully we can bring back “Shining Star” next year since it will be the last time the Lodge and Chapter will be separate. Once we become “One Moose” I’m sure the standings are going to be different.

From our house to yours, “May you all have a super Thanksgiving, the Merriest of Christmases and May the New Year bring us peace and happiness”!

God Bless, Be Safe and Be Kind to one another!

In friendship,  
*Pat Cihak*



# Moose Charities by Past Grand Regent Libby

Message from Libby ---

Well, here we are – still trying to cope with the trying times, we are still facing! As Moose, we have overcome many obstacles in our lifetime, but nothing like what is going on in today's world. We have learned through the years to have a positive attitude but have to face the fact that things are not quite as positive as they have been in previous years. So, as Moose members, I'm sure we all know what our twin cities are also going through.

So how can we help? We can help by surfing the Moose website and checking out some upcoming and potential events, that can be greatly beneficial to our beloved Mooseheart and Moosehaven!

If we check the "Moose Charities" area, there are many current events that you can participate in now, along with many upcoming events. What are they you ask?

- 1) I am still collecting "Box Tops for Education" and if you have any, you can send them to me, so I can remit them by November! Or you can scan them yourselves and donate to Mooseheart City and School.
- 2) If you like to "Run" (or "Walk") - why not put together a 5K Virtual Team and Run/Walk for Mooseheart. Check the Moose website for details!
- 3) Participate in the "Holiday Lights 5K Run/Walk @ Mooseheart – Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>."
- 4) Donate to the new "Mac Center" – The Mooseheart Activities Center – a new place for our kids to play, learn and grow!
- 5) Donate to our very own MD-DE-DC Home which is located at Mooseheart. Our boys need us to be there for them!
- 6) Has your Chapter or Lodge thought about adopting a Sunshine Child or a Grandparent?

Not sure how to go about doing so - contact me for details. Keeping in touch with them, (sending cards, letters) is heartwarming and gives them a rewarding feeling to know there is a Lodge/Chapter that cares about them.

And, more importantly, you can still make your own donations – either online or writing a personal check. Moose International is working on a smaller scale, but still there to help with your questions or needs and if you run into problems with making your donations.

Together we can make a difference and we are here to keep our twin cities strong, as we remember: "A burden heavy to one is borne lightly by many." Let us not forget who we are and why we are here – Stay safe and look forward to seeing you soon----



In Friendship,

*Libby*

P.S. Don't forget to keep collecting those Box Tops, playing "Box Top Games" when they are available, enter those sales receipts on "Shoparoo", those Coke codes under "My Coke Rewards" and make Mooseheart or Moosehaven your charity of choice on "Amazon Smile"! -- And, please let me know of any other programs available! Thank you for all you do-- You're the Greatest!



## Government Relations Message by Bessie Staab Hickman

Needless to say we have an election coming up regardless of who you want in office, please take the time to look carefully at past record. Those running for office will tell you exactly what you want to hear and do something opposite when they are elected. At this point in time I take very little of what the media has to say. The days are long over where a reporter would report factual news, if they had an slant they would state at the end “ this is my opinion” so you knew what was news and what was editorial. Please do use your right to vote, help if you can by providing transportation or working at the poles. Just my thoughts that we need to be more than careful when voting, I have a feeling things will not go smoothly if certain ones have their way.



I know things are difficult but we need to keep watching the things in small print that keeps coming out in small community papers. Folks are so focused on the Covid that they are overlooking some of these things that could bring problems in the future.

Please follow all the guidelines given by the state for your being able to open and stay open. I know one non profit was visited by some official after hearing they had a reception for an member and family, was reported they did not observe safe distancing and more were there than should have been, many without masks.

Some of you have halls large enough to start up flip five again, and maybe outside areas. Please visit Professional Charitable Gaming for Delaware for guidelines, license for these games are all done on line now. Enter information for the person who will be in charge of Flip Five that will give you a link to follow to the lodge click on image of head it should connect you to association or facility enter a code that was sent to you. Enter the name exactly as it appears on the license, click on submit your old license records should show up. Follow the directions. If you have a problem please contact Mary at the professional gaming site.

God Bless America

December 16, 2020

### Just a few thoughts

Life has been tough on everyone this past year. Our lodges and chapters have been struggling to keep bills paid and programs going. I know we have lost some along the way. The state mandates change so rapidly it's difficult to keep up and comply. Folks have been creative in trying to stay open and comply. In warmer weather with those who have the outdoor facilities you could utilize those spaces if you had a gathering license. Now it's trying to stay open with the current mandate. Those of you who have a hall may consider shutting the social area if it's small, then opening a service bar and using the hall to accommodate more folks and keep your kitchens open. Would be somewhat inconvenient but it's better than no income at all.

Delaware gaming has gotten its computer up and running so you may apply for any and all legal gaming on line. The first application is a lot of paperwork but afterwards it's easy. Go to Delaware professional Gaming, then to gaming for non-profits, there are plenty of instructions there. I firmly suggest before starting any new game to check and determine if you require a license. Asked about a game actually a game formerly known as Bar Bingo, ( no drinking when you are playing bingo) so it required a name change,

## Government Relations Message by Bessie Staab Hickman

That is the name the state knows, it can be played differently by different sites and called by different names BUT the state knows flip five. In order to obtain a license, you will be asked, the name, (put whatever you call it in parenthesis) they will want to know your rules, the cost per play, who is in charge, the method for card distribution, how many volunteers, how many decks of cards and etc. Then they want to know how it will be played and the rules, whoever is dealing go over the rules, of how it's being played, how much per hand, how the pot is split, can you exchange cards, how many hands you play and etc. Rules are to be posted on the wall. License to be displayed. Then you will follow up with the after event report. I will promise you once you receive that license usually on the first time the inspectors will be there, they want to see all that plus the volunteer badges on those who are working.

Still have heard nothing about the queen of hearts, their meetings have not been held on a steady basis many have been postponed or cancelled and no visitors to some they have held.

After any election and change of officers there are changes in Legislature governing issues and non-profits. So we will continue to monitor. We already know they will be looking for more revenue and we as a non-profit the seniors and veterans are the usual go to place. The cost of living raise in social security was offset by the raise in Medicare as it always happens just like clockwork for many the cost per month has risen along with cost of prescriptions and what they cover.

There is one other subject that I think we should take a look; we take the time to honor all our veterans past and current at the end of our meetings. However there is a group that we never mention. They are the Gold Star Wives and Families. These are folks who have lost a husband or immediate family member in conflict or lost them later because of the injuries received in conflict. They are a national organization I feel they should be recognized as well.

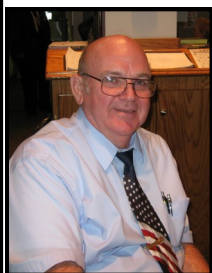
If I can assist in any way please call or e-mail I'll do my best.

God Bless America  
Bessie





## Moose Legion



Since our last article the International Moose Legion Conference that was to be held in Pittsburgh, PA. was cancelled due to Covid – 19. The next Moose Legion Conference will be held in 2022 in Jacksonville/Moosehaven Florida area is now in the planning stages. The Pittsburgh Pennsylvania M/L Conference will be rescheduled for the year of 2024 with the approval of the Supreme Council.

Locally Baltimore Moose Legion #10 had to cancel the Annual Association Moose Legion Celebration for May 2nd & 3<sup>rd</sup> this year Covid – 19. This has been rescheduled for a one “Fun Day Picnic” on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 for all Moose Legionnaires of our Association – FREE. Yes, that’s right FREE. The only cost to you will be your drinks at the bar. The location should be Westminster Moose Lodge. We’ll let you know more information in the next “Communicator”.

As you read this we are over 6 months into our year which will end on April 30, 2021. Let’s make sure all our obligations are being paid in advance and lets all try to obtain the “Key Club” by every Director signing two Moose Legionnaires for the current year. Let’s all “Live by Example” in our fraternity. Thanks for all you do and Stay Safe out there !

Fraternally,  
Danny Williams, Sr. PIP



## Enquiring minds want to know . . .

I received the following email from Amazon Smile. I had a question for Moose Charities. I wanted to if Moose Charities actually gets the money Amazon says they send. I contacted Pam Amundsen of Moose Charities. She confirmed that they do receive monies from Amazon! However, I also questioned about the ‘fund raisers’ some folks sponsor through Facebook. Unfortunately, there is no way that they can verify if the person sponsoring the fundraiser receives credit or even if Moose Charities get all funds donated through the on line fundraiser.

Dear Jean M. Neal,

This is the quarterly AmazonSmile notification to inform you that the charity you’ve selected, **Mooseheart Child City & School**, recently received a donation of **\$1,860.81**, at no additional cost to you or other customers.

Thanks to customers shopping at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), or with AmazonSmile turned on in the Amazon shopping app, everyday purchases generated over **\$236 million** in donations to charities worldwide so far.

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- **\$217,644,976.48** to all charities in the US
- **\$237,615,915.89** to all charities worldwide

To track donations or change your charity, simply visit [Your AmazonSmile Impact](#) page.

## Moose Charities

With all the problems in this world, I hope this message finds all our Brothers and Sisters out there healthy and safe !

You know the MD DE DC Moose Association has an obligation to Moose Charities for \$60,000.00 each year for our MD DE DC Home Project. Sorry to say since the first of this Moose year we have only donated as of August 31, 2020 - \$2,736.21 of this amount, which leaves a balance of \$57,263.79. If each Lodge would just have one or more raffles or a 50/50 and forward proceeds to Moose Charities toward the MD DE DC Home project, no matter how small or large. All donations will help. So please give it a try and let's get this amount reduced ASAP !

Currently we are requesting for donations to our Cradle Fund. I'll let all know how we did in a future publication of the Communicator.

Thanks for all donations to Moose Charities and keep up the good work. Stay safe and healthy !

Danny Williams Sr. PIP  
MD DE DC Moose Charities Co-chairman



## Pilgrim Degree



I hope that all of you submitted your new Pilgrim applications on time. Now is the time to start thinking about next years candidates. Lets all help our Fellows to strive to the level of service that gives the consideration to be elevated to the Degree of Merit. It is our job to lead by example so we need to help as much as we can to mentor fellows to be considered for elevation.

Don't forget November is the month for the Lodge Fellowship Committee (all pilgrims and fellows of the lodge) to meet and submit the recommendation form for the Fellowship Degree from each lodge. The recommendation forms were mailed to the lodges in the beginning of October.

Sadly, we have lost 2 Pilgrims since the last issue:

Paul E. Tomko Sr	8/18/2020	Lower Eastern Shore
Ralph Massey	9/16/2020	Salisbury

Fraternally yours,  
**Brian Weaver**  
MD, DE, DC Pilgrim Chairman  
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## Association Membership Campaigns

### MD,DE,DC Moose Association

#### WIN A LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Sign 25 members male or female to any Lodge/Chapter within the MD,DE,DC, Moose Association and win a life membership to your Lodge or Chapter. This program is retroactive from May 1st 2020 and runs until April 30th 2021.

Winners will be announced in May 2021



### Growing Together Campaign

The Maryland, Delaware and D.C. Moose Association is introducing a Long Term Membership Campaign which will retroactively run from May 1, 2020 until April 30, 2021.

This Campaign will be called Growing Together and will be based on Moose International Year end Totals. The winning Lodges will each receive \$1,000 which can be used for overall operations. Any Chapter of a winning Lodge who has helped that Lodge by signing Male members will receive \$500. As an incentive for the Districts to see this project thru you will receive \$100 for each Lodge making this achievement. Below is listed the categories that each lodge will have to achieve to qualify for the Association Award.

- ◆ Increase in members 1 more than last year
- ◆ Increase in endowment by \$1 over last year cannot miss more than 3 payments
- ◆ Must receive grades of good or better on HOC reports (all 4)
- ◆ Decrease in AR to Moose International
- ◆ Submit Moose of the Year on time
- ◆ Transmit **ALL** Financials to MI by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month
- ◆ Register for International Convention/ Association Convention
- ◆ Hold no less than 6 enrollments or orientations; minimum 1 every 2 months
- ◆ Preferred member percentage of 5% or more

MD DE DC Moose Association



## 2020-2021 Membership Campaign

The person, man or women signing the most members to any Lodge from October 15th 2020 until October 15th 2021 and any Chapter from October 15th 2020 until April 30th 2021 within the MD DE DC Moose Association will win a trip to Disney Orlando. The trip will be for 2 adults, 2 children, Airfare, Disney property hotel and 3 day hopper pass. The winner of this trip will be announced at the Association convention in 2021.



Due to Covid, trip date window will be announced at a latter date



Day trip to Camp Ross for the children of Baby Village's Susquehanna house.

Camp Ross is supported by Moose Legion and it's a wonderful get away for the kids. It's a full camp that features not only a lovely stream, boat lake, but an in ground pool! The camp also is equipped with a beautiful chapel, cabins with indoor plumbing and bunkbeds, as well as a gathering lodge with full kitchen facilities and game room.

The children are treated to trips year round for summer fun, fall bonfires and winter sledding!

Photos by Darryl Mellema—Mooseheart Photographer



**Everybody likes to get a birthday card - especially our children and seniors!! Here's a list of our Mooseheart and Moosehaven residents. Let them know**

**Our Boys at Mooseheart:**

**SENIORS CLASS OF 2021:**

- Julian Martinez - 8/8
- Anthony McIntosh -1/28
- Gabriel Munoz -6/28

**JUNIOR CLASS OF 2022:**

- Sean Chaney -11/30

**Family Teachers:**

- Alexis Wilks—8/7  
(Mooseversary June 2018)

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

Child's Name  
c/o Karie McShea  
115 James J. Davis Drive  
Mooseheart, IL 60539



Please remember your commitment in the Sunshine Program. If you have 'adopted' a child at Mooseheart or a grandparent at Moosehaven, please don't forget to send them cards/ gifts regularly.

**Our Residents at Moosehaven:**

Drena Mae Jenkins - 3/26

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

Resident's Name  
1701 Park Avenue  
Orange Park, FL 32073

# International Membership Campaigns



**May 1, 2020 - April 30, 2021**

Working together toward the same goal, side by side as equals, on the same team. Stronger together as we work to build our Fraternity for generations to come.

**Sponsor 1 Member** One Moose pins are presented by your Lodge, Chapter or Moose Legion to individuals that sponsor their first member during the campaign.



**Sponsor 5 Members** Funds will be donated toward the purchase of new golf carts for use throughout the Moosehaven campus. Plans are to purchase one multi-person golf cart and two regular golf carts. Contributions are courtesy of your Association, the Women of the Moose and the Moose Legion.



**Sponsor 25 Members** Members attaining Sponsors of Distinction status by sponsoring 25 members during the One Moose membership drive will receive free basic registration for our 2021 International Moose Convention in Cincinnati, OH. Additional information can be found on [www.moosintl.org](http://www.moosintl.org).



The program has been extended until 2022! Earn Rewards simply for doing things that strengthen the Order: sponsor a member; serve in office; renew your dues or complete training. Each activity generates points automatically that you can use to pay dues, contribute to Mooseheart/Moosehaven, or redeem for Moose gift store purchases. Check your Moose Rewards points total today at [www.moosintl.org](http://www.moosintl.org) to see how many you have earned! Also, look for special promotions throughout the year for your chance to earn greater rewards.

# MD/DE/DC Moose Association Event

Don't miss the ultimate **JOURNEY TRIBUTE BAND** . . . Appearing at Westminster Moose Lodge

**POSTPOSED TO MARCH 27, 2021**

Opening by DJ Kevin Ray "Neil Diamond Tribute" Starting at 7 pm.

Separate Ways Show starts at 8:30 p.m. Donation \$35/pp

**SEPARATE  
WAYS**  
the Band

Meal available at lodge from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. for only \$10 (2pc fried chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy green beans, roll/butter, Iced tea/coffee)

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW!**



<http://www.separatewaystheband.com/>

Get to know a little more about Separate Ways The Band!

Have you ever wished you could have the authentic Journey experience in the days of the masterful voice of Steve Perry and the supreme musicianship and chemistry of Neal Schon, Jonathan Cain, Ross Valory and Steve Smith? Are you ready to be taken on a Journey like never before? Now is your chance! Separate Ways The Band, the Ultimate Tribute to the music of Journey, truly defies description, featuring Dan Gagliano, Jason Mitchell, Mick Loro, Jim Kull and Dave Ramani, five amazing musicians recreating the music of Journey.

This is the closest you'll get to see the early-mid 80's line-up of Journey live, ever. An accurate portrayal of the Steve Perry era is duplicated in every way. Experience all of the subtle nuances, inflections, harmonies and visual gratifications of seeing the original Journey show. Separate Ways The Band brings the highest level of musicianship to the audience while showing a true respect for the music of Journey. An evening with Separate Ways The Band is truly an "unforgettable" experience, which is why they are "the next best thing to Journey!"

Don't miss the Ultimate Tribute to the music of Journey with Separate Ways The Band...

It's worth the **J O U R N E Y**

**March 27, 2021**

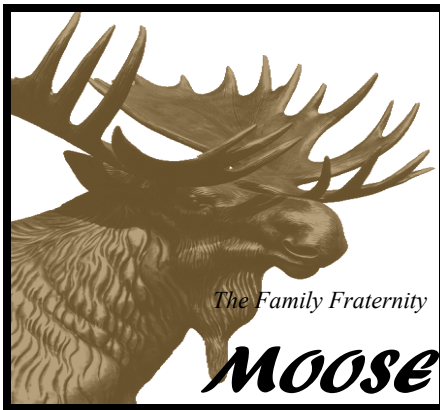
Kevin Ray as "Neil Diamond" Tribute 7:00 —Separate Ways Journey Tribute 8:30

# Upcoming Schedule

1/10/2021	<b>**COMMUNICATOR SUBMISSION DEADLINE**</b>
1/24/2021	Association Meeting Bay Country Lodge #831 Officers 9am, Dist. Pres. & VP 10am, Association Chairmen 11am.
3/27/2021	<b>Association Fundraising Event:</b> Journey Tribute Band Show — \$35/pp Opening by DJ Kevin Ray as “Neil Diamond” Meal available separately from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. \$10—includes: 
4/10/2020	<i>Blue Hen Moose Legion #186 Fundraiser Event for MD/DE/DC Home. Camden Wyoming Moose Lodge #203 Cash Bar 5pm Dinner 6pm. Music, Silent &amp; Live Auction, Pull Tabs, Cake Wheel 50/50 and \$1000.00 Raffle. <a href="#">Flyer &amp; Info</a></i>
4/15/2021	<b>Maryland Business Personal Property Tax Form 1 Due</b>
5/10/2021	<b>**COMMUNICATOR SUBMISSION DEADLINE**</b>
5/23/2021	Association Meeting Bel Air Lodge #1952 Officers 9am, Dist. Pres. & VP 10am, Association Chairmen 11am.
8/29/2021	Association Meeting Camden Wyoming Lodge #1381 Officers 9am, Dist. Pres. & VP 10am, Association Chairmen 11am.
10/3/2021	Association Meeting Westminster Lodge #1381 Officers 9am, Dist. Pres. & VP 10am, Association Chairmen 11am.

**ALL DATES, LOCATIONS & TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

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## Moose - the Family Fraternity

**The Moose** - A fraternal and service organization of 1.5 million men and women in four nations, dedicated to bettering the lives of children and elderly in need, to helping our communities on both the national and local level, and to providing family recreation at a modest cost.

**“No Man Stands So Straight and Tall  
As When He Stoops To Lift Up A Child.”**

*James J. Davis*

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