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On The Cover: Exiting new venue for our Annual Convention! And aren't you glad? We're LIVE AND IN PERSON at the fabulous Grand Hotel & Spa on the Boardwalk in Ocean City. Make your reservations now!

ARE YOU READY? - New happenings for Chapters! Weigh in and let us know what you'd like to do at Chapter Rally Days!

The <u>DEADLINE</u> for the next issue of "The Association Communicator" is

October 10, 2021

Please email your articles to: Jean Neal Editor jean m.neal@Yahoo.com



Thoughts from The Editor

If anyone is interested in taking over the editorship of this magazine, please contact either Russ Robinson or Jaime Vann to take over the reins.

Fraternally, Jean M. Neal, PDGR—Editor

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Future Deadlines:

May 10, 2022 August 10, 2022 October 10, 2021 **January 10, 2022**

Message from our Liaison



During the Moose International Convention in Cincinnati, OH, Membership Director Mike Rios reported that although Member production had increased, <u>Member Retention</u> had declined. Below are some ideas that may help retain the most important resource your Lodge has. **IT's MEMBERS!**

1. Keep Member Retention in Mind from the Start

As my parents used to tell me, you never get a second chance at a first impression. Many organizations start their relationship off on the wrong foot — by talking too much about themselves, either during orientation or by diving right into hands-on work.

Instead, get to know your new members and their motivation for getting involved. Here are some questions you can ask:

How did you hear about us? What motivated you to get involved? What type of projects are you interested in? Do you have any special or technical skills? How do you prefer to be contacted? What resources do you need from us?

2. Provide Members with Needed Resources

Even though members are signing up to help your organization, there may be some resources or benefits that they need from you in return. Understand your volunteers' interests, so you can provide them what they need.

If you understand a member's needs, you can offer them something in return that makes their experience more valuable — and keeps them coming back.

3. Leverage Member Skills and Strengths

Another benefit of getting to know your member is uncovering their hidden talents. For example, one of your members may be a talented web designer — but if they only help out at your events, your organization may be missing out on a huge opportunity.

Data shows that leveraging member skillsets is one of the most important parts of member retention. In a <u>Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund survey</u>, 44% of respondents said they would rather volunteer elsewhere instead of staying with an organization that doesn't use their skills.

So make sure you put those valuable skills to work! And don't be afraid to have members team-up. If you have an ambitious member looking to learn new skills, consider finding a more experienced member with less time who might be able to mentor them. Be creative!

4. Follow-up and Stay in Touch

Member retention does not end after the volunteering is over. In fact, that's just the beginning of your member management strategy. Here's how you should follow-up with members:

Jeff's Message Continued

- **Thank them.** Your members are donating their time and skills to your organization. Make sure they know they're appreciated!
- Illustrate their impact. Provide members with data or stories that show the difference they've made. (Ex: If they helped with an event, let them know how much that event raised and how that money will be used).
- **Promote future member opportunities.** While you're telling members how awe-some they are, be sure to include any upcoming member opportunities. Hearing about their impact may inspire them to sign up again!
- **Get to know more about them.** If you weren't able to talk about their interests before a project, this may be a great time to get to know more about your members. Consider sending a survey, or set up a quick phone call or meeting.

Member retention should be about building a relationship with your volunteers. Communication is key to building relationships with your members, so be sure to touch base with them often to keep your organization top of mind.

5. Ask Your Members to Donate

I know what you're thinking — these people chose to volunteer because they don't want to support your organization financially. But the data shows that <u>members are actually twice as likely to donate to your organization</u> as non-members. (Members and Guests Only vs Open to the Public Events)

If you think about it, a financial donation only takes a donor a few minutes. But donating your time and skills to an organization can be a much larger commitment. This means your members maybe some of your most engaged supporters. Don't be afraid to leverage that for donations. This not only helps your organization but keeps your members engaged in a new way.

But you should never ask members to donate right after they've volunteered. That might come across as a slap in the face to someone who has just donated their time to your organization.

6. Thank, Thank, and Thank Again

The most important thing you can do to improve your member retention rate? Say "Thank You." And then say it again and again.

And remember: the average hour of volunteer work is worth about \$23. If you think about volunteering as an in-kind donation, your volunteers may actually be giving your organization more than some donors. Be sure to thank them appropriately!

Adapted from: Volunteer Retention Strategies: 7 Tips to Keep Your Volunteer

October 08, 2020

Tim Sarrantonio

Director of Strategic Partnerships, Neon One

President's Message



Our convention in Ocean City is fast approaching. As you know this will be an in person not a virtual event. We are in a new hotel the Grand, this hotel has it all coffee shop, pizzeria, ice cream shop, bar and grill, restaurant overlooking the bay, indoor and outdoor pools with bar, also happing that weekend is O.C. Sunfest. So, plenty to do and see and since the hotel is on the boardwalk you can hop on the tram and go anywhere you want on the boardwalk. Just remember with all this extracurricular activity overload we still need to attend the meetings. Unfortunately, at the time of this writing the hotel is full and so is the backup hotel, Dunes Manor. A third hotel is open but filling quickly. This year since we are now One Moose, we are having a Higher Degrees Luncheon for Men and Women. Hopefully this will be a well-attended event and will become something we can look forward to every year. The membership appreciation party this year will feature Johnny Seaton & Bad Behavior if you like Elvis you'll enjoy the show. As always 5 club members get priority seat-

ing. How do I make 5 club? Sign 5 new members. They don't have to be new members in your lodge you can sign them to any lodge and the great thing is you can do it online at Moose Internationals website! So, when you're out and about (not attending a Moose function) talk up the Moose you might be able to sign that new member.

Fraternally, Jamie Vann

Deputy Grand Regent Peggy Miles

Brothers & Sisters:

As the heat of the weather is upon us, we can get back to normal from the pandemic by having dances, dinners, and most of all greet our members with a friendly smile and hugs.

It was nice to see new and old friends at the International Convention in Cincinnati, OH. Grand Chandler Barbara McPherson made some very important announcements that you need to be aware. First, some will agree with this, but others will not, No hosiery with your Cap & Gown. That's right NO hosiery! Business attire now consist of capris and designer jeans. Also, you still need to have your Financial Review Committee (Audit Committee) to review the books monthly but submit them Quarterly by the 15th of the month. Congratulation to the newly elevated degree holders in our Association. There were 201 New Star overall but from our Association-Billie Banning (New Castle), Maureen Barker (Frederick) and Audrey Dewitt (Dundalk). There were 475 New Collegians overall but from our Association—Janet Tolson (New Castle), Vicki Scott (New Castle), Dana Harrison (Frederick), Karen Cooper (Frederick), Jennifer Wilson (Camden Wyoming), Ellen Shaw (Seaford), Helena Sue Taylor (Dundalk), Mary Dean (Dundalk), and Marilyn Steven (East Sussex). Congratulations to Victor Timmons (Seaford) and Jason Chase (Smyrna/Clayton) earning your Fellowship Degree. Congratulation on the 6 new Pilgrims- Russ Robinson (Williamsport 2462), William Watchman (College Park 453), Jimmy "Danny" Foster (Cambridge 1211), Emmett Bisnett (Wheaton 1775), Terry Bowden (Milford 2316), Warren Dittfield (Salisbury 654). Premiere Lodge Award goes to Cumberland, Williamsport, Elkton, South County Dale, Bel Air, Patuxent, Indian Head, Claymont, Salisbury, and for 10 years straight Smyrna/Clayton. Congratulations!!

Now let's talk about Annual Convention; will be held at The Grand Hotel & Spa on September 30th – October 3rd, 2021. Please make sure your reservation early they are fill up quick.

Don't forget to register early too. Congratulation to our new Green Cap matriculates. Make sure you register early; don't and wait to register on site it will cost \$50.00 plus matriculate fee. Just a reminder this meeting will be for Moose Members only. See you in Ocean City!

As my term comes to an end; I would like for everyone who stepped up to the plate to help me as your last Deputy Grand Regent.

Fraternally, Peggy Miles, DGR



Special Congratulations

I know this is the publication for Maryland/Delaware/DC Moose Association. But I'm here to tell you that most everything with the Women of the Moose wouldn't happen if it wasn't for this VERY hard working lady from Chickies Rock Chapter # 724 Pennsylvania.

Denielle Baile has worked for Moose International in various positions since 2006, including Assistant to the Grand Chancellor, until she became the Executive Project Manager in 2014. You will find her EVERYWHERE at the International Conventions. It is she who makes everything run smoothly. She is the author of many PowerPoint presentations and training aides that inform us how to operate our chapters. She's the lady with the answers and I always



know when I call her or email her, I'll get a prompt reply and it's correct. She creates an atmosphere of control and calm with an experienced diplomatic ease.

I've been in the business world for over 40 years, in management positions and I know the magnitude of work it takes to pull off events like the International Conventions; not to mention the day to day menisci of an International organization of women; let alone being a wife and mother of two!

On July 3rd at the International Convention, she took time out from zooming around and making everything run smoothly to be conferred with her Star Recorder Degree. Please join me in hearty congratulations to Denielle. For this achievement. Believe me . . . She doesn't get enough thanks!



MD/DE/DC Moose Association Pilgrim News



What a Beautiful (although very warm) day it was on June 5th at Mooseheart for graduation and Pilgrim Conferral. I would like to again congratulate our 6 newly elevated Pilgrims Emmett Bisnett Wheaton Lodge, Terry Bowden Milford Lodge, Warren Dittfield Salisbury Lodge, Danny Foster Cambridge Lodge, Russ Robinson Williamsport Lodge, and ED Watchman Collage Park Lodge. I was truly honored to be in The House of God to witness their conferral. Make sure to check out the "Longest-Shortest Day" article that our editor has put together in this issue. She did a fantastic job giving us her thoughts, observations, and pictures. Thank you, Jean.

Sadly, we had to say goodbye to 2 Pilgrims since our last issue

Lee Anderson	5/29/2021	Claymont	847
Vernon F Burkett	6/22/2021	Frederick	371

Be sure to submit your recommendation before September 30th. I look forward to seeing you at our Pilgrim Luncheon in Ocean City.

Brian Weaver

MD, DE, DC Pilgrim Chairman bweaver3316@hotmail.com

MD/DE/DC Moose Association Important Convention Deadlines

September 10, 2021 is the deadline for the following:

- ◆ Delegate Lists, Convention Pre Registration and Per Capita

 NOTE: Delegates must be qualified (past governor/president or past senior regent/recorder

 Delegate lists must have the qualified Delegate's MID#
- ♦ Per Capita, if not paid in advance your lodge will be NOT IN GOOD STANDING with the association and not be allowed to vote at convention.
- ◆ Mail all payments to association treasurer Joe Harrison jharrisonbeardedmoose@aol.com
- ♦ Ad book ads and Booster lists please send to Bob Lawson wvrs26@gmail.com

 NOTE: Booster lists must be typed in word format and submitted via email to Bob Lawson!

Important information:

- Convention Pre Registration can pay with credit card
- ♦ Voting at convention will be done with E Ballot NOTE: Need MID#, good email address, one vote for one email
- ◆ REMINDER those members booking rooms at The Grand or The Dunes but <u>NOT</u> registered for the Convention will not get the MOOSE RAT E

MD/DE/DC Moose Association

Ten of our Association Lodges achieved the **PREMIER LODGE AWARD** with special recognition going to Smyrna-Clayton for qualifying 10 years in a row! Well Done!



10th Year Qualifier
Smyrna-Clayton
Delaware
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Bel Air Maryland 1952

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The Longest-Shortest Day Of The Year

The Secret is FINALLY Out!

In the highly anticipated afternoon of June 6, 2021, six of our Association's Fellows were elevated to the coveted PILGRIM DEGREE of HONOR in the House of God on the campus of Mooseheart. Granted, each year the weekend is looked forward to by the 8th graders who are promoted to High School Students. Our senior class graduates and they embark on the life we've prepared them for. None of that is secret and it's talked about and advertised throughout the fraternity. But . . . This is also the weekend that qualified Fellows of the order are elevated to Pilgrim.

As is tradition with any announcement of appointment or honor bestowed upon a member by Moose International, recipients are notified at the beginning of the year and are forbidden to discuss this with ANYONE except their significant other and even then, some don't share that information! As with any "trade secret" the information is



withheld until the 'powers that be' break the news to the world in a grand celebration. It makes it fun and enjoyment of the bestowed honor that much more exciting when you finally get to share your good news with your Moose Family! Penalty for divulging this secret is loss of the intended honor.

What made it doubly difficult was Covid. The Class of 2020 had been notified and just weeks before they were to travel to Mooseheart, the ceremonies were cancelled. This meant they had to hold their secret for 18 months instead of only 5 or 6! UGH!

Being chosen as a Pilgrim is no small thing as the work each man has put into the fraternity is recognized by not only the Lodge and Association where he gives of himself daily, but it is recognized by Moose International. To put this honor in perspective, consider that there are only ever about 3,000 living Pilgrims in the world, at any given time, and the world's population in 2021 is 7.9 billion illustrates what an elite group this truly is.



L to R: Russ Robinson - Williamsport, William "Ed" Watchman - College Park, Jimmy "Danny" Foster - Cambridge Emmett Bisnett - Wheaton, Terry Bowden - Milford, Warren Dittfield - Salisbury

The Longest-Shortest Day Of The Year...continued

A very emotional day begins early at the Paul J. O'Holleran Centre for Tomorrow. There, the chosen Fellows line up to pick up their Pilgrim regalia and to sign "The Crypt" a book which holds the signatures of all his brother Fellows who have gone before him. The first signature in the book is none other than James J. Davis!

It's an antsy day that seems to crawl at points and just doesn't seem to be enough time to fit in everything you want to do at the same time. As those who wait in the lobby of the PJO Building, TV screens surround you. A photo display of our Fraternity's leaders who have held the position of Director General, along with their name and the Lodge they were from, rolls continually. Down a short walkway is the Museum where over a century of history is preserved for visitors. The Moose Gift shop is open, and you pop in to gather some tchockskies to take home or for a souvenir of your visit to Mooseheart. Golf carts are zooming back and forth ferrying elder or infirm members across campus.

At the Ohio Field House, the Senior Class is in their graduation robes and visitors and families are gathering in the Field House. People that you recognize from attending International Conventions and have created friendships with are welcome sights and you run to say hello and enjoy a rib crushing hug. You realize that you NEVER would have met these treasured friends had you not been a Moose!

Across the lawn, you see little 2 ft tall munchkins in their Sunday-go-to-meetin' finery herded by women you recognize to be family teachers and it hits home . . . These are the babies I care for! A squad of teens decked out in NJROTC uniforms are assembling to march into the field house and stand honor guard with raised swords for the graduating seniors to walk under. And you realize, it's you who have made that possible for them. The Mooseheart band strikes up the music and the procession begins. The seniors process two by two and at the end of the isle before they mount the stage, the pair perform a special handshake for the very last time as Mooseheart students. A friendship bond and memory that YOU have made possible for them. Then you see your graduates from the Home named for and supported by your State Association proudly walk . . . Or dance . . . to the steps and takes their seat on the stage. Their smiles so brilliant the self satisfaction just beams from each young adult. The pride you feel for

'your' boys somehow has lodged in your throat and a familiar sting in your eyes makes it hard to see and you know that all the work, all the time, all weariness has just walked down the isle under six raised swords. Then the Valedictorian and Salutatorian get up and to give their speeches to their friends, teachers, mentors and Moose Grandsparents. You hear harrowing story as to how they came to be in our care, their heartfelt thanks to you and your fellow Moose members for doing what we do and you thank the person who invented Kleenex!

MD/DE/DC Home Family: Eloy Munoz (white shirt) Class of 2020 and Gabe Munoz Class of 2021 pose after graduation with their family



The Longest-Shortest Day Of The Year...continued



L to R:

Anthony McIntosh, MD/DE/DC Home Class 2021,

PDGR Jeanne Gaverth,

Gabe Munoz, MD/DE/DC Home Class 2021,

Chuck Neal, Administrator Charm City East Lodge

PDGR Jean Neal

Alexis Wilkes, MD/DE/DC Home Family Teacher

After graduation, you make your way over to the pavilion next to the House of God. Refreshments are available as you wait. A sea of French Blue jackets ripple on the bleechers as the official photo for the Pilgrim Class of 2021 is staged. You see more young men who have graduated from Mooseheart. It's so nice to catch up on how they're doing. Not pictured here is one of our MD/DE/DC Home alumni, is Chicago native, Howard Neelon. He hasn't missed a graduation since his big day. Howard cemented himself in my memory a couple graduations ago as we gathered in the home for our annual get together. He casually said, "I thank God for you every day. If it wasn't for Moose members, I wouldn't be here today." "What do you mean, Howard?" "Simply that—I wouldn't be here. I went to bed each night wondering who would be coming through my window to kill me. I know I would have been dead if I hadn't come to Mooseheart. I have a good life now, thank you."

L to R:

Russ Robinson, Administrator Williamsport Lodge and Assn Secretary about to be conferred Pilgrim

Latif Adeboyejo, MD/DE/DC Home Class 2020,

Anthony McIntosh, MD/DE/DC Home Class 2021,

Joe Harrison, MD/DE/DC Assn Treasurer, Past President Frederick Lodge



The Longest-Shortest Day Of The Year...continued









Off in the distance you hear the beat of drums and you know it's time to grab your space along N. Pilgrim Drive, the parade is about to start. You see the drumline followed by the Color Guard. The Color Guard turns down the sidewalk to form an escort for the Parade of Pilgrims and Fellows. The ranks of NJROTC Cadets moves towards the House of God followed by the rest of the Mooseheart Student body; they form a gauntlet along N. Pilgrim Drive through which the Pilgrims and Fellows must walk. The youngest of which stop at the edge of the sidewalk (below left) where the line of Pilgrims and Fellows first emerge from the field. Traditionally, every single child shakes hands, fist bump, or high fives the rank and file of gold and blue jacketed men. But this year, they're not allowed to touch each other so we settle for a wave and one little dude does a dance (top right).





The Color Guard reemerges from the field, followed by Director General, Scott Hart (right) in full Pilgrim robes. The littlest in our care anxiously await the parade to commence; they don't have long to wait. The Pilgrim Degree Banner is next, leading the lines of Gold Jackets. We catch a glimpse of a couple of our Assn's Pilgrims, Brian Weaver and Chuck Neal (left). Soon the Fellows, wearing their French Blue Jackets for the second to the last time, flow onto the trail leading to the House of God. Mike Rios, Director of Membership is delighted to see everyone, blowing kisses and giving thumbs up.







The Longest - Shortest Day Of The Year...continued



We catch a glimpse of a couple of our Fellows, Emmett Bisnett from Wheaton and Russ Robinson from Williamsport; it's hard to miss their smiles! They all disappear into the house of God.

The long awaited hour has begun. What happens in the House of God is also a 'secret' as only Pilgrims and Fellows to be conferred are permitted to enter. The only thing known by other members, which is shared during

the Pilgrim reception ceremony at home, is at some point, the children of Mooseheart come into the House of God to give each Pilgrim a "cup of human kindness" from which to drink. These 'cups', now emptied of their symbolic grape juice are now permanent reminders of the good works they perform as Moose member that has brought them to this moment in time. The cups are mounted on personalized plaques and given to them, the tangible of this day, delivered to them by the children in their care.

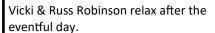


The emotions are high and raw. In a quiet moment once they've exited the solemn ceremony, smiles quickly give way to the tears that have threatened all day. I've seldom seen men hold it together after actually meeting the "stories" now morphed into tiny human beings who have just returned to them the 'cup of human kindness' that they and Moose members give them every day.



The Longest Shortest Day Of The Year...continued











Emmett Bisnett and Russ Robinson

Traditionally, everyone would adjourn to the MD/DE/DC Home for a barbeque or catered luncheon and cake from Harner's Bakery and to enjoy the company of the students at the home and Family Teachers. This year, Covid dictated otherwise so it was off to St. Charles Moose Lodge where we enjoyed a steak dinner arranged by Pilgrim Chairman, Brian Weaver (above Center with Russ Robinson). Suddenly everyone is flagging and anxious to get back to their hotel room to "hit the hay" what a day! It seemed like this day would never get here, then it seemed like your part of the day would never start; making the day seem long, then all of a sudden it's over and you wonder where it went after waiting so long! But there's nothing better than seeing your work come to fruition and being able to enjoy that revelation of success with great friends! Congratulations to everyone!

The general Pilgrim Presentation is tentatively schedule for the Convention for all Pilgrims on Friday, October 1, 2021 at 5:00 p.m..

Individual Pilgrim Presentations to be held at their home lodges scheduled thus far are as follows:

Russ Robinson September 11, 2021 Williamsport Moose Lodge #2462 Emmett Bisnett September 18, 2021 Wheaton Moose Lodge #1775 Terry Bowden September 19, 2021 Milford Moose Lodge #2316

Times and further dates will be announced as they become available.







MD/DE/DC Association Saying "Good-bye" To Yesterday

As many of you know, our Fraternity is struggling to maintain our hold in our ever changing world. Many lodges and chapters closed because of the recent Covid crisis. But even before the Pandemic visited its wrath upon us, lodges and chapters had all manner of obstacles to deal with; from mismanagement, apathy, downright thievery, and an aging member base just to name a few contributing factors. Lodges and Chapters continue to close at an alarming rate.

A once thriving lodge in Baltimore faced and succumbed to the yawning specter of certain death back in 2017. After years of working with this lodge, Moose International, appointed a custodian to help reorganize Sparrows Point-Dundalk Lodge. Unfortunately it was too little too late. After working with creditors, and trying to reopen, it was found that bad debt was insurmountable. BGE had not only cut off services but they actually cut the wires from the poles. The bank was literally hours from public auction of the property which prompted the IRS to move on a tax lein because of unpaid taxes. At the direction of Moose International Custodian, Chuck Neal was burdened with the task of overseeing the sale of the property and settling debts. This July marked its final end to what was left of its presence, when the wrecking crews razed the building. The property will now be home to a much need medical facility.

The Sparrows Point Lodge 1228 came to be at 4th and D streets in Sparrows Point and was instituted with 50 members on their Charter on March 2, 1929. They moved to Willow Spring Road and Cleveland Avenue in Dundalk becoming unofficially known as "Dundalk Lodge". However, by 1934 their rolls had dwindled to a mere 28. Through membership efforts, they increased their rolls to over 1,000 members by the late 1940's enabling them to purchase land and build a new Moose Home. The building that would become known as Sparrows Point-Dundalk Lodge 1228 was dedicated on Sunday, March 20, 1949. It was so popular that they were enrolling up to 50 new member A WEEK! In the round the clock heyday of Beth Steel, Westinghouse, General Motors and Martin Marietta, they enjoyed tremendous community support from local merchants and businesses.

This lodge was 'home' to notable personalities in Maryland, who served during the dedication Ceremonies. Such as William F. Broening. That's right—Broening - as in Broening Highway! William F. Broening was a Past Supreme Dictator of the Loyal Order of Moose, Baltimore City Councilman, Mayor of Baltimore 1919-1923 and again 1927-1931. The former Baltimore City Mayor served as Supreme Lodge Representative at the dedication of the new Moose Lodge.

Brigadier-General William C. Purnell who was the Assistant Division Commander of the 29th Division of the Maryland National Guard. During WWII, General Purnell served as Regiment Commander of Baltimore's own 175th Infantry; better known as the "Dandy 5th". General Purnell conducted the flag raising Ceremony. The magnificent single mast yardarm flag pole was donated to the Lodge by Bethlehem-Sparrows Point Shipyard. Guest speakers on that day included; Mr. F. Wrightson, representing Bethlehem Steel Co. and Congressman William Bolton.

During the dedication ceremonies, a corner stone etched with the year '1949' was installed. It was always rumored that there was a 'time capsule' in that stone. To preserve as much of the history as storage allowed, the Real Estate Agent, Johnny Unitas, Jr and Moose International's appointed Custodian, Chuck Neal removed the corner stone to retrieve the fabled time capsule. Much like the Geraldo Rivera Al Capone Vault, there was no "time capsule"; only the bug eaten remnants of the dedication ceremony program. I suppose they faired better than Geraldo Rivera because we did have a bit of tangible history. The corner stone was moved to the Charm City East Lodge and is on display as one of their Moose Memorabilia backyard ornaments.

Unfortunately, many hard feelings resulted from the closure of the lodge causing some members to cease their membership in the fraternity. However, the true fraternalists chose to merge in with the former Essex Lodge #70 or to transfer to other lodges. Not an easy thing to do as there was a long standing rivalry between Essex and Sparrows Point-Dundalk Lodges. Funny thing - no one could remember what caused the rivalry causing the members of both lodges to be "frenemies". To put an end to the dark chapter in our mutual histories, members chose to rename Essex Lodge to Charm City East, which continues to serve our combined communities and enjoy the brotherhood and sisterhood of our fraternity!

MD/DE/DC Association Saying "Good-bye" To Yesterday ... Cont'd



Above: Front elevation of the former Sparrows Point - Dundalk Moose Lodge #1228

Below: Same view as demolition crew razed the building. To the right of this photo near the guide wires, you can see the single mast/yardarm flagpole that was donated to the Lodge at the time of construction.



MD/DE/DC Association Saying "Good-bye" To Yesterday ... Cont'd









The only thing that remains of the Sparrows Point—Dundalk Moose is the single mast / yardarm Flag Pole.

MD/DE/DC Association Saying "Good-bye" To Yesterday ... Cont'd

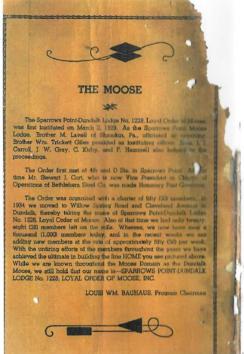
Right: removal of the 1949 corner stone

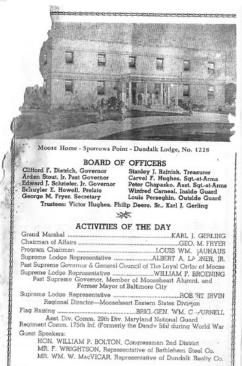
Below: the front/back cover of the dedication ceremony program hidden behind the corner stone.





Inside front cover and 1st page of the dedication ceremony program. As you can see it was heavily damaged by bugs but the photo was actually the architectural rendition of the what the planned Moose Lodge would look like.





MD/DE/DC Association Saying "Hello" To Today and Welcoming Tomorrow

On August 19, 2019, the Waldorf Moose Lodge #1709 located in White Plains, MD, experienced a devastating loss when their deep fryers ignited a fire, heavily damaging the building. Seventy-four firefighters battled the fire which took an hour to bring under control. What ensued was weeks of investigations by the insurance company. Unfortunately, almost a month later, they were finally allowed to begin clean up, but by then the rancid food in the powerless storage areas made clean up almost unbearable.

They were granted permission to bring in temporary structures to allow the Lodge to continue operation of their social quarters and meetings during reconstruction. It was a long 22 months but The hassle of insurance companies, construction companies, permits and county requirements was well worth the trouble.

The arduous journey to reconstruction traveled by Lodge Administrator, Robert "Hawkeye" Lewis, their boards of officers of the Lodge and Chapter and all members over the ensuing months have paid off big time! This is one beautiful lodge and the love and pride held by their members shine!





Above: The aftermath of the fire on August 19, 2019.

Below left: November 25,2020 new facility was still under Construction and right; Waldorf Moose Lodge day of their Grand Reopening Event on June 6, 2021.





Below, Hawkeye Lewis is flanked by officers of both the Lodge and Chapter during the Grand Opening Ceremony. Well Done!





MD/DE/DC Association Saying "Hello" To Today and Welcoming Tomorrow



A packed house for the Grand Reopening Event!

In the foreground, (1 to r):
Kath Young/Wheaton,
Chuck Neal/Charm City,
Larry Meade/Regional Manager,
Jean Neal, PDGR/ Bel Air,
Dana Harrison/Frederick
and
John Harkins/Bel Air
enjoy the June 6th Grand Reopening
Ceremonies at Waldorf Lodge.





A well appointed Kitchen and gorgeous social quarters complete a top notch and modern Facility.



MD/DE/DC Association Saying "Hello" To Today and Welcoming Tomorrow



Pleasant patio seating allows members and guests to enjoy outdoor fellowship

Lawn and horseshoe pits welcome all who enjoy outdoor activities





An illuminated electronic programmable billboard keeps the community up-to-date on upcoming events!

Greetings from the Chapter Advocate!



A Message from our Chapter Advocate

WOW! What an exciting first Quarter we have had as being "Moose". Everyone knows that effective May 1, 2021 the men and women became "Moose". Is there confusion; you bet your life there is!, but, we will overcome and be better in the end. The question comes up "if we are one why are there still chapters/lodges?" Sisters, as we are referred to now, the women are a "unit" of the Moose and our mission is still the same. Some people may say we are a "committee" of the Moose and that is far from being correct. It may have been easier to change our name to "units". There have been officer title changes but their duties remain the same. We still need to have meetings, only one a month plus an officers meeting, we still do fund raising projects to support Mooseheart and Moosehaven but now we even have a voice in the Moose. I remember hearing time and time again, a woman could do that job better; the women know how to make money, well as the saying goes "Be Careful What You Wish For". If you are considering running for an office in the Moose please be sure you either attend a "Leadership Training Session" or you take it on line. Just remember, with on line training there's a test which has to be taken in order to receive credit.

Now, let's get back to talking about the women. Since May 1, 2021 two chapters have been closed, one is in the process and there may be more to come. Why are we closing chapters; in most cases it is lack of participation. Why is there a lack of participation, do they not know what the women are all about, and do they say "been there – done that – not doing it again". This is why it is important to hold Orientation so we can educate our members. In can remember Collegians saying "I wish we could run for office again like the men", well now you can so why aren't we stepping up? Let's keep our chapters "alive", the children need us, the Seniors need us and our communities need us!

I am really excited about the new "Rally Day". Since we don't have sessions at the mid-year conference and the annual convention this is a way to get women together in a fun filled environment in order to gain information, have fun and share ideas. These Rally Days are what we make them, there are no rules or guidelines, so if anyone has any suggestions of what they might like to have please email me at pcihak92@verizon.net and let me know. Every Chapter must have "representation" at a Rally Day in order to qualify for the Award of Achievement, it can be anyone, and the officers are not required to attend. Our first Rally Day is set up to be held in February. We have a lot of fun things lined up as well as information and recognitions. Keep a watch for more information. I'm sure you wouldn't want to miss it.

Be Safe and Be Kind to One Another

Fraternally,

Patricia Cihak

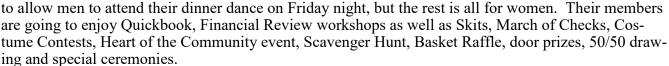
Are you ready for Chapter Rally Days?

As Chapter Advocate, Pat Cihak has been tasked with coordinating the newly revived *Chapter Rally Days*. Many years ago, Chapter Rally Days served to bring chapters within each State Association together. As our Fraternity moves through a growing process, it's more important than ever to establish the bonds of Sisterhood within and among our Chapters.

Chapter Rally Days is a REQUIREMENT for the Award of Achievement.

BUT...here's the really cool thing about Chapter Rally Days— We get to say what happens in our event! That's right! We don't have a set detailed, timed, scripted, regiment that we are required to follow like we see at Conventions and Conferences! While there may be some required information to share, we get to decide the majority of the calendar of events, theme and content!

As other Associations are already hosting their Rally Days, we're watching to see what they're doing while formulating our own UNIQUE events for Chapter with the MD/DE/DC Association. For example, Florida is hosting their Rally Days in a Pirate Theme. They are electing



Since our Association is so spread out, we're looking to find a Chapter in an area that is centrally located to everyone so more members are inclined to join us. Since our Annual Convention is the beginning of October, then the Holidays, and MidYear convention is in March we were zeroing in on the first weekend in February to break the house bound winter doldrums.

We have already been asked to host a workshop on how to produce professional flyers. That workshop is already approaching completion and ready to present to our members. But what else do you want to learn? What fun events would you like to participate in? Or you can bring your questions as we'll have several Q & A sessions to help you. Is there an area where you'd like to be considered for this or future Rally Days?

Here is where you all come in and your chance to have a REAL say in how this event can be tailored to our needs. Check out the survey on www.mdmoose.org and send us your input on what you'd like to see, do, learn etc.

We've had to submit preliminary agenda and timelines to Moose International but we're considering Workshops, competition games, 50/50, prizes, fun, guest speakers, special meals and an opportunity to honor our higher degree holders and newly elevated matriculates and lots of networking among chapters. We're looking forward to hearing from you! Please feel free to contact the committee members:

pcihak92@verizon.net moosetie90@yahoo.com jean_m.neal@yahoo.com



2021 Annual Convention in Ocean City





Starting with this year's Convention to be held September 30 thru October 3rd will be held at the Grand Hotel and Spa on 21st Street. The Grand's many amenities feature on boardwalk access, tram and bike rental areas, on site restaurant and separate pub, as well as within walking distance of many major popular restaurants. They also have an ice cream shop and a 24 hour café/coffee shop! Rooms include a kitchenette with mini fridge, microwave and 12 cup coffee maker. Each room has a private balcony and our members will have their option of three levels of room cost depending on where you want to be, ocean front, bay view, or ocean/bay view.

We have been given the go ahead to allow those wishing to, to contact the hotel for advanced reservations.

Grand Hotel and Spa on 21st St. 410.289.6191 or 800.447.6779

Mention MD DE DC Moose Association, first night room and tax due at time of registration and is fully refundable if convention is cancelled 72 hours prior to arrival.

Moose Legion Ambassador's Message

What a great time it is to be a Proud Moose Legionnaire. A big congratulations goes to Jamie Vann for being runner up Top Moose Legion Secretary. I was very proud to hear your name called in Cincinnati. Also, congratulations to Western Maryland 218 for the highest finishing moose legion in our association in the Moose Legion Award of Excellence. Way to go!

Be sure to check out all the activities that your lodge moose legion activity committee is doing and has planned for the future. You say your lodge does not have a moose legion activity committee, well just ask one of your moose legion ambassadors we will be more than glad to help you set one up.

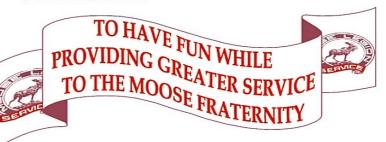


Brian Weaver

Moose Legion Ambassador bweaver3316@hotmail.com



OUR MISSION. . .



Congratulations to Brian Weaver, Named Runner Up as the 2020-2021 Top International Moose Legion Ambassador

Win 2 nights accommodations in OC PLUS \$250 cash

<u>OR</u>

if not attending \$450 in cash.

For Tickets Contact: Brian Weaver or Chuck Neal

UPDATE TO DRAWING LOCATION:

Drawing will be held at the District 2 meeting in Cumberland on September 26

MD-DE-DC Moose Association Pilgrim Committee FRIDAY & SATURDAY LODGING + \$250 CASH AT THE GRAND HOTEL & SPA

During Association Convention 10/1/21 & 10/2/21 or \$450 Cash Prize

Drawing: Sunday September 26, 2021

At Association Meeting

\$ 10.00 Per Ticket

(Accommodations are for a "City View" Room)

Updates from our 'Kids'

Everyone remembers U-Conjay Nelson, Mooseheart Class of 2013, and chef onboard the CVV72 Abrahm Lincoln aircraft carrier, stationed in Norfolk VA.

Nellie Manning was the Mooseheart Marketing Representative when U-Conjay was applying to Mooseheart. When U-Conjay was reticent about leaving her mom, Nellie told her, "U-Conjay, you have important things to do in and with your life. But you'll never do them here, in this situation."

U-Conjay is a delightful young woman and could banter with the best of them and was an absolute hoot when she and Gary Urwiler were around each other.

She joined us in 2019 at our March convention, with her daughter, Umonee (UJ), who stole everyone's heart with her adorable constant smile and bubbly personality - just like her mama!

Several of you may be on her Facebook Page, and many of you have asked me about how she's doing as she's in your thoughts and prayers. I contacted U-Conjay and she sends her greetings!

Hey my Moose and Moosettes,

I hope all of you are doing great and staying healthy out here with Covid. The world shut down but not for me. UJ is currently living in Africa. I sent her because my ship was going out to sea a lot and I couldn't be with her due to that. When I was going to bring her back we got hit with Covid and I didn't want her to come back and have to be stuck in the house. The cases in Liberian have been so low that they didn't have to shut down there. My goal is to have her back in October. Due to Covid flights aren't coming from Africa like they used to and they have up the price so much it's ridiculous. It's been hard to set a date for her return but I'm hoping to have her here by October 19th.

I recently came back from deployment. I got to see the UK, Greece and Italy. My favorite thing was eating the food being that I am a culinary specialist. I've never had a burger that made me cry because it was so good until I had one in Greece. I plan on going back soon. I am lucky to have made it back from deployment but it did take some time adjusting to my home life.

I recently transferred to Charleston S.C and let me tell you IT IS HOT. Let me not forget the bugs, I found a frog in my garage and wanted to burn everything down. As I was unpacking my stuff I ran across my box filled with my Mooseheart stuff and the tears began to flow. I was truly blessed to have experienced something so unique. I often think about my Mooseheart sisters I lived with. Crazy cause it's almost been ten years and THEY STILL GET ON MY NERVES but I love them anyway. Thank you for that experience.

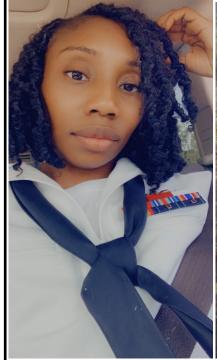
I start school in September majoring in accounting. I am really excited to do that. I love talking about money and how to manage it better. I recently started my own financial company too. We go to neighborhoods and teach financial literacy. This includes credit education, banking and budgeting and so much more. I love seeing people work their way up from nothing. It's truly rewarding being able to see a person's growth.

I can't say what the future holds for me. I'm just taking things one day at a time.

Love:

Culinary Specialist 2nd Class U-Conjay Gifteev Nelson

Updates from our 'Kids'







U-Conjay Nelson, Class of 2013

Umonee (UJ) - U-Conjay's Daughter

U-Conjay with Supply Officer LT Gale







U-Conjay's Culinary Group from her ship



Brothers and Sisters,

By the time you read this, District 1 will have hosted our International Chairman, Paul Curtis, at three of the Lodges in our District. On August 26, Brother Curtis will visit Marlboro Lodge in the afternoon for lunch and the newly completed Waldorf Lodge in the evening for dinner. On August 27, he will visit South County Deale in the afternoon for lunch and maybe share a lot of fishing stories with the members.

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, the Covid Delta Variant may change those requirements on a moment's notice, so it is extremely important that we follow CDC guidelines on wearing masks and social distant in our Lodges, so we don't return to stricter rules. The State is hopeful we will be able to continue to gather again in small groups and our schools being open to in-personlearning this fall. Many of our Lodges are beginning to book rentals at last year's pace, and if we want to see this progress, we need to adhere to the basics, masks and social distancing.

We will again be able to meet in person this year for our Annual Convention at our new location, the Grand Hotel and Spa on the Boardwalk in Ocean City. BE ADVISED, you must be registered for Convention to receive the Convention room rates and attend the Association Hospitality Room. As in past years, District 1 will be providing the food in the Hospitality Room. Thank you to men and women of Indian Head Lodge for stepping up to provide this for all. Looking forward to seeing all In OC.

Kenneth "Ken" Hunt District 1 President



Indian Head Moose Lodge 1712 Presents

Rockin with the Jude

CRAB FEAST

Saturday, September 11th 2021 ~ Gates Open @ 12:00pm ~ Crabs Served: 12:30-3:30 Location: Indian Moose Lodge, 11 Moose Lodge Way, Indian Head, MD 20640

Live Bands:

Back Stage Pass @ 1pm
Social @ 2pm
Maryland Monroe @ 3pm
Hate the Toy @ 4pm
Sound by Progressive Sound!

All-U-CAN EAT MENU:

Crabs/Hot Dogs/Hamburgers/Sides/Soda/Water/Beer



All U-Can Eat - \$45.00 Adult w/o Crabs - \$15.00 Kids Under 12 - \$6.00

Purchase Tickets: Indian Head Moose Lodge, 301-743-7555 or https://jmdevent.wufoo.com/forms/rockin-with-the-jude-crab-feast-2021-event/
Sponsor Information: John Carlson (240) 286-5260

All proceeds benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Indian Head Moose Lodge 1712 on Facebook! They do a wonderful job of positing current and vents! Please visit support them often! Well Done Guys and Gals!

OCTOBER 2021								
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT		
NOTES: ** OneMoose Officers only meeting o LODGE PHONE: (301) 7 LODGE HOURS: Mon- 8:00pm	on 4 th Thursday (MS =N 43-7555	1 Dinner: Steak & Shrimp	2					
Breakfast 8-11am Texas Hold'Em Poker @ 1pm	4 Queen of Hearts drawing at 7pm! Dinner 5-7pm	5 Taco Tuesday 5 to 8pm	6	7	8 Dinner:	Hunter's Extravaganza 1-7pm		
10 Texas Hold'Em Poker @ 1pm	Queen of Hearts drawing at 7pm!	Taco Tuesday 5 to 8pm	13	14** MEETING NIGHT OneMoose (MS) Meeting - 6:30pm	15 Dinner: Stuffed Flounder	16		
17 Breakfast 8-11am Texas Hold'Em Poker @ 1pm	18 Queen of Hearts drawing at 7pm! Dinner 5-7pm	19 Taco Tuesday 5 to 8pm	20	21** Chapter Meeting - 6:30pm	22 Dinner: Chili & Cornbread	23 Texas Hold'Em Poker Tourney @ 7pm		
24 Texas Hold'Em Poker @ 1pm	Queen of Hearts drawing at 7pm! Dinner 5-7pm	Z6 Taco Tuesday 5 to 8pm	27	28** MEETING NIGHT OneMoose (OM) Meeting - 6:30pm	29 Dinner: Thanksgiving Day Casserole	30 Halloween Party??		



District 2—Westminster

For over 47 years Lodge members have been feeding the Westminster high school football teams.



Newest Lodge Trustees : Brenda Jones and Mary Ann Vann



Brothers and Co-workers:

You are invited and encouraged to attend the District 2 meetings at 11:00 am. The upcoming dates and locations are as follows:

District 2 Meetings:

September 12, 2021 Cumberland November 14, 2021 Williamsport

The Western Maryland Moose Legion Committee for each lodge will hold an all you can eat breakfast on the meeting days from 8 to 11am. Come early for a great breakfast!

Moose Legion 218 Meetings 9 a.m.:

September 12, 2021 Cumberland November 14, 2021 Williamsport

Fraternally, Brandon Kidwell District 2 President

Williamsport



Williamsport Moose held pool tourney fundraiser on July 17 for Ray Malone who was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. Players raised \$1,300 to assist with his medical bills



Williamsport is known for their plethora of "jars". Some are for great prizes such as the beautiful smoker rig and accourrements recently raffled off. At right, winner Scott Keefer poses with his new backyard beast!

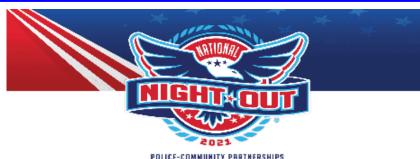




Williamsport is Truly a 'Family Fraternity"

Meet our newest Moose! This is Regan Issac, born to Brittany. Brittany's mom, Holly, is often see at Lodge functions or behind their bar. Administrator, Russ Robinson, apparently has problems with names, because he nicknamed this little guy "Rhode Island". (they both begin with R and I...





Tuesday, August 3, 2021



Administrator Russ Robinson presents WCSD Deputy Sullivan, with a donation of \$1,000.00 for the event and some Tommy Moose to boot!

National Night Out is an **annual community-building campaign**, held every first Tuesday each August, that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. ... Furthermore, it **provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.**

Williamsport Lodge will again participate and support this community activity night. They have asked the MD/DE/DC Moose Association Child/Senior ID team to set up their equipment on August 3rd to offer this important service to community members.

In addition, the Williamsport Lodge, Legion, and Chapter have all stepped up to make sure this event is fully supported with not only monetary donations, but donations of Tommy Moose dolls as well.

District 2—Did you know?......

That Frederick Moose #371 has their own app that you can download to your personal phone?

Stay informed of Lodge Happenings

To sign up, search Frederick Moose Lodge #371 in your App Store, click to get the app, then setup your account by answering a few questions! You can set your notifications, earn rewards, view the calendar, etc.





Congratulations to Livingston "Jaime" Vann for being named

TOP MOOSE LEGION SECRETARY FOR 2020-2021

Jamie received this honor at the International Convention in Cincinnati.

WELL DONE!





Fredierick Chapter has a lot to celebrate!



Congratulations to Karen Cooper & Dana Harrison of Frederick Chapter who were conferred with the College of Regents Degree on Friday July 2, 2021 at the International Convention held in Cincinnati, Ohio



Congratulations to Maureen Barker of Frederick Chapter who was conferred with the Star Recorder Degree on Saturday July 3, 2021.

Maureen will be celebrating with her Chapter on their Star Recorder Activity Night to be held on August 7th at 2 p.m. 828 E Patrick St, Frederick, MD 21701-3117. If you plan to attend, please let them know by responding to their event invite on their Facebook page.





District 2—Frederick Lodge



Sunday, October 10, 2021
Frederick Moose Lodge Family Center
828 E Patrick St. Frederick, MD

Doors open at 12pm - Bingo starts at 2pm Buy advanced tickets \$20 - \$25 at the door

Admission includes: 10 regular games Specials & Jackpot game - extra cost

zes will be – Lego sets

Members & Qualified Guests (Not affiliated with Lego)

Steak Dinners Are Back!!

- 1st Tuesday of every month
 - 5 8 p.m. Until Sold Out
- Includes: baked potato, green beans & roll



Join us at Frederick Moose Lodge 828 E. Patrick Street Frederick, MD

Sept 7th, Oct 11th, Nov 13th



All you can eat breakfast buffet!

Join Us 3rd Sundays of each month!
Oct 17 - Nov 21 - Dec 19
8 a.m. ti 11 a.m.

\$8 per person Children Under 12 - \$4

Members & Qualified Guests

Frederick Moose Lodge 828 E Patrick St. Frederick, MD



District 2—Frederick Lodge



WOTM Spaghetti Dinners are back!

- 2nd Monday of each month 5 to 7 p.m.
- Sept 13, Oct 11th, Nov 8th, Dec 13th
- Includes: AYCE Salad, Spahetti, garlic bread & dessert

** During the dinner each month we will collect donations for local organations.**

Join us at Frederick Moose Lodge 828 E. Patrick Street Frederick, MD



Great Frederick Fair Parking September 18th - 25th

Show your Moose Card and parking is free or you can make a donation - this is our biggest annual fundraiser of the year *All Lodge events are canceled* but the social quarters will be open.

828 E. Patrick Street Frederick, MD



College of Regents **Meeting and Celebration**

November 13th @ 5pm. if you plan on attending Please RSVP by November 1st

<u>chapter347@mooseunits.org</u>

We are so proud of Dana Harrison and Karen Cooper on their accomplishments and wish to honor them for receiving their College of Regents Degree at the Moose International Convention in Cincinnati.

Cruise In 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. 3rd Sunday of each month Starting October



Car Show at The Moose
Frederick Moose Lodge #371
828 E. Patrick Street, Frederick MD
October 16th - 9am - 2pm
For the benefit of:

Shop with a Cop of Frederick County

FREDERICK LODGE CALENDAR OF EVENTS DAY EVENT

Dates and Times subject to change – call the Lodge to confirm or get the Lodge app for notifications		
Like/Follow us on Facebook and stay up to date on Additions or Changes to our Calendar!		
	nd appreciate your support!	
07 September 2021	Steak Dinners are back! 5 to 8 p	
		to you by the Membership Committee
13 September 2021	WOTM Spaghetti Dinners are back! 5 to 7 p.m.	
18 September 2021	Social Quarters is open	
19 September 2021	The Great Frederich Fair Social Quarters is open	
20 September 2021	Social Councis is open	
21 September 2021	September 17-25, 2021	Social Quarters is open
22 September 2021		Social Quarters is open
23 September 2021	Fair Parking	Social Quarters is open
24 September 2021	9/18 thru 9/25	Social Quarters is open
25 September 2021		Social Quarters is open
05 October 2021	Steak Dinners are back! 5 to 8 p	o.m. <u>untill</u> sold out
	Bar Bingo 7 to 9 p.m. Brought to you by the Membership Committee	
10 October 2021	Bingo Doors Open @ 12 –for Hartley House	
11 October 2021	WOTM Spaghetti Dinners are back! 5 to 7 p.m.	
16 October 2021	Car Show 9 a.m. to-2 p.m. Benefit shop with a Cop of Frederick County	
17 October 2021	Moose Legion Breakfast 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.	
	Cruise In 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	
19 October 2021	Bar Bingo 7 to 9 p.m. Brought to you by the Membership Committee	
26 October 2021	Halloween Trunk or Treat 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Heart of the Community Project	
02 November 2021	Steak Dinners are back! 5 to 8 p.m. untill sold out	
	Bar Bingo 7 to 9 p.m. Brought to you by the Membership Committee	
05 November 2021	10 Man Pool Tourn	ament //
06 November 2021	Sponsored by Reisterstown Moose	
07 November 2021		
08 November 2021	WOTM Spaghetti Dinners are back! 5 to 7 p.m.	
13 November 2021	College of Regents Meeting & Celebration 5 p.m.	
	Night at the Races — Armchair Horse Race Night doors open at 7 p.m. – Races start at 8 p.m.	
16 November 2021	Bar Bingo 7 to 9 p.m. Brought to you by the Membership Committee	
21 November 2021	Moose Legion Breakfast 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.	
	Cruise In 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	
27 November 2021	WOTM Pool Tournament More details to come	
07 December 2021	Bar Bingo7 to 9 p.m. Brought to you by the Membership Committee	
13 December 2021	WOTM Spaghetti Dinners are back! 5 to 7 p.m.	
19 December 2021	Moose Legion Breakfast 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.	
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21 December 2021 Bar Bingo 7 to 9 p.m. Brought to you by the Membership Committee		

District 2—Frederick Lodge



10 Man pool Tournament

sponsored by Reisterstown Moose

being held at the Frederick Moose Lodge November 5-7th

Night at the Races Armchair Horse Race Night

November 13th
doors open at 7pm - races start at 8pm
Anyone interested in owning a horse or
sponsoring a race, please email
Maureen Barker

dolphins6835@comcast.net



WOTM Pool Tournament

Saturday, November 27th *More details to come*

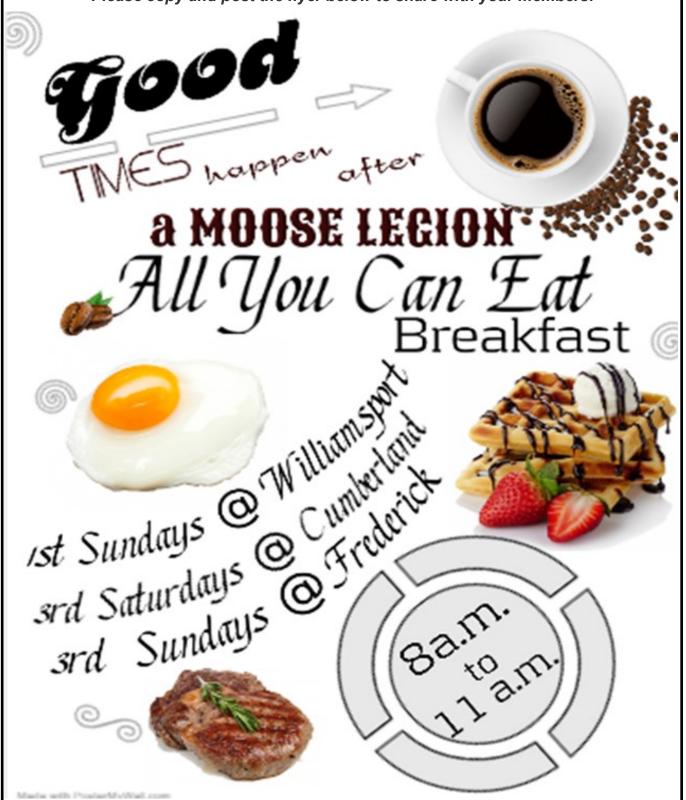
being held at the Frederick Moose Lodge



DON'T MISS THE MOOSE LEGION ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFASTS!

Please join us at the following locations on 1st Sundays at Williamsport Lodge, 3rd Saturdays at Cumberland Lodge and 3rd Sundays at Frederick Lodge of every month from 8-11am.

Please copy and post the flyer below to share with your members!



District 2—Williamsport





Williamsport Moose Lodge #2462, Chapter 2116 and our Moose Legion Committee stepped up and donated \$1,700.00 to the Mason Dixon Council of the BSA to have their Rock Climb Wall

recertification to be able to have at the National Night Out in Williamsport WD Byron Park August 3rd from 5 till 8. *Job well done* a shining example of Stronger Together! #MOOSEPROUD





District 2—Williamsport

Williamsport 2462 Event Calendar

Important Dates <u>2021</u>

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Day	Event	Event Type
01 September 2021	\$1 Burger Night 6 till 8	Member/Guest
02 September 2021	Lifeline Screening ALL DAY Appointments NEEDED	Member/Guest
03 September 2021	Steak Night 6 till 8 \$12	Member/Guest
05 September 2021	Moose Legion Breakfast 8 till 11 AYCE \$8 12 & Under \$4	Member/Guest
08 September 2021	\$1 Burger Night 6 till 8	Member/Guest
10 September 2021	Karaoke with "Klap" 8 till 11	Member/Guest
11 September 2021	Pilgrim Ceremony Russ Robinson	By Invitation
15 September 2021	\$1 Burger Night 6 till 8	Member/Guest
17 September 2021	Steak Night 6 till 8 \$12	Member/Guest
22 September 2021	\$1 Burger Night 6 till 8	Member/Guest
24 September 2021	Membership Appreciation Dinner 6 till 8	Member/Guest
25 September 2021	Quarter Auction	Member/Guest
26 September 2021	District II meeting @ Cumberland 11 General Membership	Member/Guest
01 October 2021	Steak Night 6 till 8 \$12	Member/Guest
03 October 2021	Moose Legion Breakfast 8 till 11 AYCE \$8 12 & Under \$4	Member/Guest
06 October 2021	\$1 Burger Night 6 till 8	Member/Guest
08 October 2021	Karaoke with "Klap" 8 till 11	Member/Guest
09 October 2021	25 Year Anniversary PARTY with the band "Jester" 7 till 11	Member/Guest
11 October 2021	Red Cross Blood Drive 12:30 till 6 Appointments Needed	Member/Guest
13 October 2021	\$1 Burger Night 6 till 8	Member/Guest
15 October 2021	Steak Night 6 till 8 \$12	Member/Guest
16 October 2021	Pool Appreciation with DJ Susie	Member/Guest
20 October 2021	\$1 Burger Night 6 till 8	Member/Guest
22 October 2021	Karaoke with "Klap" 8 till 11	Member/Guest
23 October 2021	US Kennels Pool Tourney Fundraiser 10 till ?	Member/Guest
27 October 2021	\$1 Burger Night 6 till 8	Member/Guest
29 October 2021	Membership Appreciation Dinner 6 till 8	Member/Guest
30 October 2021	Lodge Adult Costume Party DJ Susie 8 till ?	Member/Guest

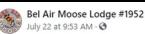
International Convention—Cincinnati, Ohio



Moose Units and Members Give Back

As with all International Conventions, the members of our fraternity do some good for the community we're visiting. This year, our Heart of the Community project was to raise funds for the Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Our members never cease to disappoint and they give from the heart. When we had first counted, we expected to give over \$50,000. That amount rose to \$64,384 which was presented on Monday July 5th to the hospital. Since coming home from the convention another \$2,975 has been donated. Making the total donation from The Moose - \$67,359! Everyone should be proud of the money raised and donated. Thank you!

District 3



Another successful blood drive is in the books. Thanks to all that came out to give the gift of life yesterday. With all that is going on these days, it was great that we had a full schedule of donors. Keep an eye out for the next one that we will have.



















Meet Fred!

A full mount moose now calls the Bel Air Lodge vestibule "home"! Fred is Bel Air's new mascot. Be sure to stop in and 'Say hello!' and pose with Fred. We ask that you be respectful—do not climb or sit on Fred. Also - don't touch Fred - he is very particular about his hair, kind of like Fonzie or John Travolta in Saturday Night Fever, "Don't touch da hair!"... He doesn't like that, but he won't mind if you stand next to him so you can see what a big beautiful majestic animal he is. We don't know how old Fred is, as the only way to truly tell how old a Moose is by his teeth and he's not prone to dental examination these days. But, Fred was probably approaching his "prime" as a bull moose .

Moose are the largest animals of the deer family. Just as with buck deer, a bull moose's antlers begin as buttons or spikes and antlers are shed after the mating season or "rut". A yearling male usually has two or three points on each side and a three and half year old bull will begin developing the larger palmate

structure of the upper antlers. As they approach the prime of their life, a bull's antlers will take on the butterfly or split-palm formation of the antlers. Each set of antlers will grow bigger and fuller until the Moose is aging and then the newer set of antlers will begin to recede in size.

Fred's antlers don't look to have his full "palmate" structure, so his photo makes him look like a younger bull. We have it on good authority that these are NOT Fred's true antlers. His were too large to mount! No matter how old he is, Fred welcomes you to visit Bel Air Moose Lodge and looks forward to your visit!

When a local Taxidermy shop was closing, the owners notified Bel Air that "Fred" was for sale. A handful of Bel Air Moose Lodge members generously purchased "Fred" and then donated him to the lodge.



Fred's Journey to Bel Air Lodge, was ... well shall we say, inauspicious. His size posed an obstacle to Neil Huber, Pat Piper and Mark Hanna who muscled good ol' Fred from the Taxidermy Shop to the Lodge. They managed to get him into the bed of a pick up truck but he really didn't fit all that well, so poor Fred's head and antlers hung off the side of the bed. Once arrived at the Lodge, he had to reside in the Pavilion Building until warmer weather.

Once nice weather was upon us, Mark Hanna and Neil Huber wrestled the beast into the Lodge Ballroom where Fred will temporarily receive guests until alterations can be completed to the mounting base and vestibule where Fred will permanently reside.

As we say to our kids and Seniors arriving into our care at Mooseheart and Moosehaven . . .

Welcome Home Fred!













Congratulations to
Dundalk Chapter 97 members:
Audrey DeWitt who received her Star Recorder Degree, Helana "Sue" Taylor and Mary Dean who received their College of Regents degrees when they attended the International Convention in Cincinnati in July.

Well Done Sisters!

Always remember Endowment when you have a crowd!

How can you say "No" or ignore this little face?
Meet Ariel. She doesn't talk much yet, but she gets her point across! She's frequently in attendance on Friday Nights with her parents, Tyler and Krystal Schisler, members of Charm City Moose. Ariel's sister Aurora was collecting but got side tracked when they encountered the Cornhole players; so Ariel took over. She went to everyone and enthusiastically held up the bucket for members to drop their donations in. It didn't matter to her if you already gave, she still held up the bucket. One member said, "Again?! Geez! You're so cute I can't say "No!". Here's another \$1!"



God bless him! God bless Ariel and Aurora and God Bless Mooseheart and Moosehaven!



District 3 - Charm City East

Charm City East #70 Event Calendar

Important Dates - Come Join Us!

We welcome and APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT

Summer/Fall

2021



Friend us on Facebook to stay up-to-date with us and learn about any schedule changes and exciting additions!

Day	Event	Event Type
Quarterly Event:	HEART OF THE COMMUNITY:	Heart of Community
	Non - Perrishable Food donations	Donations Please!
20 August 2021	Friday Night Karaoke	Members/Guests
27 August 2021	Friday Night Karaoke	Members/Guests
27 August 2021	Shrimp Night - Be sure to sign up!	Meal Specials
Quarterly Event:	HEART OF THE COMMUNITY - Mitten Tree:	Heart of Community
	Warm items: blankets/scarves/mittens/socks/hats	Donations Please!
	*See Flyer!	Donations Please!
03 September 2021	Friday Night Karaoke	Members/Guests
04 September 2021	Pot Luck Dinner	Members/Guests
	* Bring your best A-Game Meat/Veggie/Side to	Donations Please!
	Night at the Races	Members/Guests
10 September 2021	Friday Night Karaoke	Members/Guests
11 September 2021	Russ Robinson's Pilgrim Presentation @ Williamsport	Off Site Event
17 September 2021	Friday Night Karaoke	Members/Guests
18 September 2021	ESSEX DAY - Come see us at Essex Day -	Off Site Event
	Emmett Bisnett's Pilgrim Presentation @ Wheaton	Off Site Event
19 September 2021	Terry Bowden's Pilgrim Presentation @ Mildford	Off Site Event
24 September 2021	Friday Night Karaoke	Members/Guests
25 September 2021	Moose Legion Breakfast 7 a.m 11 a.m.	Meal Specials
	* Sign up for reservation!	Please support us!
	Shrimp Night - Be sure to sign up!	Meal Specials
	Movie Night	Members/Guests
30 Sept - 3 Oct	Convention in Ocean City - Make your Reservations	Off Site Event
01 October 2021	Friday Night Karaoke	Members/Guests
08 October 2021	Friday Night Karaoke	Members/Guests
09 October 2021	Mike McManus - Enjoy a variety of music	Members/Guests
15 October 2021	Friday Night Karaoke	Members/Guests
16 October 2021	Jon Perry Show - The best of Lennon & McCartney	Members/Guests
22 October 2021	Friday Night Karaoke	Members/Guests
29 October 2021	Friday Night Karaoke	Members/Guests
30 October 2021	Shrimp Night - Be sure to sign up!	Members/Guests
	Halloween Party	Members/Guests
UPCOMING:		
December	SOCK IT TO ME! - Christmas fun (see the flyer!)	Members/Guests

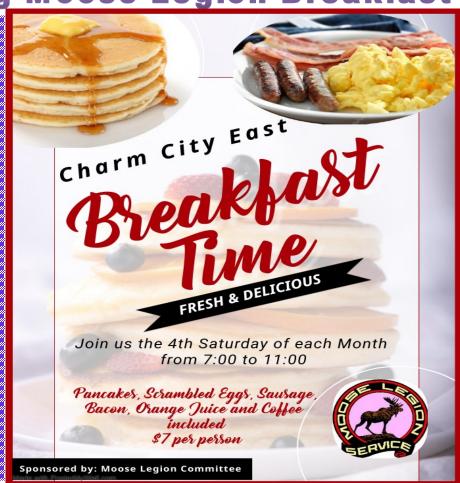
District 3 - Charm City East

Announcing Moose Legion Breakfast

Beginning Saturday September 25th

7 to 11 a.m.

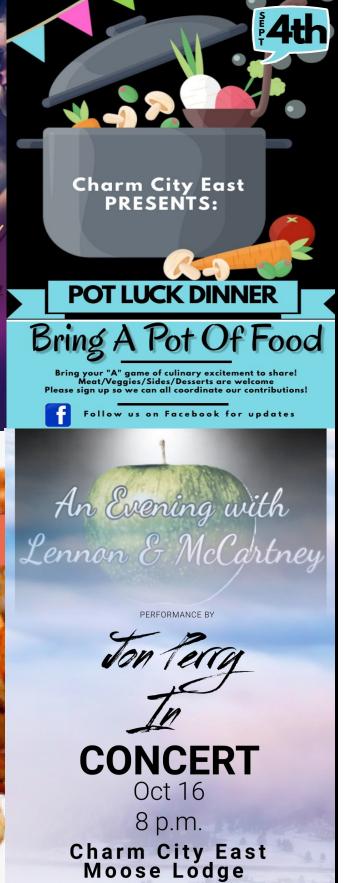












Message from 5th District President

I want to say thank you to all the 5th District lodges for hanging in there over the last year. We survived a global pandemic and it's time to get back to business. I also give a big welcome to the women who have joined with us in The Moose. We're ready to work together for the future of our fraternity in the Fabulous 5th District. Now, as one of my final messages after 3 years as District President, I give my sincere thanks to our secretary, Chuck Adams. Chuck has been District Secretary for about a decade and has kept our board straight and focused the whole time. Thanks Chuck and please keep up the good work for future boards.

Fraternally, Emmett Bisnett



Greetings from the 6th District

Let me start with a HUGE Congratulations to the Board of Officers and Members of Claymont Lodge #847 & Elkton Lodge #851 qualifying for the 2020 – 2021 Premier Lodge Award. This is an awesome achievement for both lodges with the very tough year we just went through and 2 of only 10 qualifying lodges in our association.

I hope everyone had a great vacation season. The temps will start falling and the leaf's will be changing color before we know it, which means it is time for our Youth Awareness Congresses. I trust that your lodges and chapters are searching for this year's students to send. I will have more details to follow

Let's all have a great Convention in Ocean City. Brian Weaver District #6 President

District 7



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021 SEAFORD MOOSE LODGE DOORS OPEN @ 6:00 PM

KARAOKE CONTEST

EACH LODGE SHOULD SEND TWO CONTESTANTS

CASH PRIZES FOR THE TOP THREE SINGERS

1ST: \$250.00 2ND:\$150.00 3RD:\$100.00

EACH CONTESTANT SHOULD HAVE 4 SONGS PREPARED







New Collegian, Jennifer Wilson (top Left) proudly sports her green tassle, pictured with Camden-Wyoming Chapter Sister, Bobbi Brogan. Top right, Ellen Shaw of Seaford Lodge was conferred as well in Cincinnati.

When Covid brought the world to a halt, the Class of 2020 conferral was cancelled. The New Castle mother and daughter team of Janet Toulson and Vicki Scott didn't mind the delay too much because they enjoyed being conferred with their College of Regents Degree together on Friday, July 2nd!

Below right, Billie Banning of New Castle was conferred with her Star Recorder Degree Saturday July 3rd in Cincinnati. Congratulations All!







Moose Charities Sweepstakes Winners

July 14, 2021

Marine \$500 DF James

Hey! You know those Sweepstakes tickets we get in the mail? Well someone from our Association was a lucky winner of one of the prizes! Congratulations to James Marine from Delaware!

Thank you for your support!

Youth Awareness



Brothers and Sisters:

I am proud to announce that our International Youth Awareness Congress Representative for 2021, Bria Reed, will attend Cornell University this fall, and because of your caring and generosity, she will receive a \$1,000 scholarship her freshman year from the Association. She met some incredible high school students at the International YA Congress and she will maintain long, lasting friendships with them. Bria and her Mom had a Meet and Greet with the Officers and members of District 6 at their District Meeting on August 4 at Newark Lodge and had a wonderful time. Many thanks to District 6 for sponsoring Bria's personal expenses at the Congress.

Our 2021-2022 campaign will begin this fall in early October. Your District President will arrange a date and location with me to present your Congress. As of this date, District 2 will hold theirs at Frederick Lodge 371 on October 17, 2021, and District 6 will hold theirs at Elkton Lodge 851 on November 21. 2021. I will post other Congresses as I receive them on the website.

All students, grades 9-12, are eligible to participate in our program. Their parents are not required to be members of the Moose. ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND A YA CONGRESS TO PARTICIPATE. I will, upon request, hold Congresses at other Lodges or locations (i.e. high schools). All Congresses must be completed by the end of November.

After attending a Congress, the students are asked to perform Kid's Talks in their communities to mentor 4 to 9 year-old children on subjects of their choice. To be eligible to attend the International Youth Awareness Congress, the students must complete three Kid's Talks. Next year's Congress will be in Orlando, Florida where they will compete for five scholarships totaling \$30,000 with a top prize of \$12,000. The students are asked to complete their Kid's Talks between their Congress and February 28, 2022. They must complete written reports of their Talk's and submit them to me.

We are asking all members and co-workers to assist the students in arranging groups for them to present their Kid's Talks. There are numerous sources for these groups: elementary schools, day care centers, Sunday School Classes, scouting units, and Boy's and Girl's Clubs just to name a few.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule a Congress, please contact me.

Ken Hunt YA Co-Ordinator khuntmdmoose@verizon,net



Government Relations Message by Bessie Staab Hickman

Brothers and Sisters:

First I am honored to continue as Coordinator for Government Relations for our association. Second congratulations to all who received honors for their work, the past couple of years have been a trial but you rose above the difficulty.

I will again caution everyone to please make sure you check with all rules to find if you need a permit or license. Maryland you have to not only the Federal you also have state and county rules. In Maryland there are only 4 counties that have permission for "slots" also the rules for raffles, quarter auctions and etc vary from county to county. My suggestion is go to Maryland Charitable Gaming Laws, scroll down to your county and it will have guidelines. If you don't see what you are seeking pick up the phone and call. Better to be safe than sorry.

For Delaware the issue of Queen of Hearts is tabled until the pandemic is over. In addition the Quarter Auction is not legal. This was brought up three or four months ago at the State Board for non-profit gaming in Delaware. We have a to sponsor to introduce a bill to make this game legal but the inspector was advised to take his time because they wanted no large crowds at this time. They just opened the meetings to the public this month.

The one thing I am concerned about is congress wants to tax more of the wealthier and businesses. Yes, the way money is being spent they will need a lot more income. However, one word being tossed about that has me concerned is "equity". There are several meanings for that word but here's the one that concerned me. Equity the ownership of any asset after any liabilities associated is paid. For example If you buy a car for \$25,000.00 you still owe \$10,000.00 your equity is \$15,000.00. So, what is the current value of your home? Some folks owe nothing on their home. Your salary? Your retirement worth? Any savings or bonds? Add all this together it could be hurtful. We need to be sure they put the starting bracket very high so we don't get stuck paying more and higher taxes.

God Bless America Those in harm's way and those left behind waiting.

Bessie Staab Hickman

Government Relations

Maryland/Delaware/DC Moose Association



MD-DE-DC MOOSE ASSOCIATION September 30 thru October 3, 2021 Convention Agenda – Grand Hotel Ocean City, MD

THURSDAY, September 30, 2021

3:00-8:00 PM Registration Open

1 PM Association Executive Committee Meeting with hotel staff

2 PM Association Board Meeting with District Presidents

2:30 PM Finance, Rules & Order, Resolution, Registration & Credentials Committee
Audit Committee

4:00 PM Nomination Committee Meeting

FRIDAY, October 1, 2021

8:00 AM – 8:00 PM Registration Open 8:30 AM Opening – BUSINESS SESSION 1

•	Call to Order	Mike Boris
•	Invocation	John Harkins
•	Presentation of Colors	
•	Pledge of Allegiance, National Anthem	Mike Boris
•	Safety Briefing	Mike Boris
•	Credential Committee report	Peggy Miles
•	Association Oath and Obligation	
•	President's Obligation & Presentation of Gavel I	
•	Declare Convention Open	
•	Welcome remarks by President	
•	Introduction of Ocean City, MD Officials	Jamie Vann
•	Roll Call of Officers/Chairmen by Sign -in sheet	Russ Robinson
•	Report of Rules & Order Committee	Jamie Vann
•	Introduction of Deputy Grand Regent	Jamie Vann
•	Welcoming Remarks – Deputy Grant Regent	Peggy Miles
•	Presentation to outgoing DSG	Jeff Ringer
•	Association Presidents Report	Jamie Vann
•	Financial Review Committee Report	Stanley Windsor Sr.
•	Nominating Committee Report	Stanley Windsor, Sr.
•	Minutes of Association meetings	Russ Robinson
•	Introduction of First Time Attendees	Jamie Vann
•	Introduction of Military Veterans and Active Duty	Jamie Vann

	Secretary's Report/ Announcements	Russ Robinson
	 Reading of Association Board Minutes and Approval 	Russ Robinson
	Election Report (E-Ballot election if required)	. Russ Robinson
	Mooseheart/Moosehaven	Jean Neal
	 Videos from Moose International Mooseheart - Gary Urverbergerer Executive Director of Mooseheart 	
	 Videos from Moose International Moosehaven - Helen Ta Executive Director of Moosehaven 	aylor
	Moose Charities <u>Workshop</u> and Report	Danny Williams Libby Schmidt
	 Mooseheart MAC Project Endowment Special Giving Programs March of Checks 	
	Introduction of Official Visitor Official Visitor remarks	
	<u>LUNCH</u>	
11:30 AM	Higher Degree Luncheon - <u>No Polos, Vest or shorts.</u> Degrees: include <u>Business attire required for:</u> Collegians, Academy of Friendship, an <u>Regalia Required for:</u> Moose Legion, Fellowship, or Pilgrim	
1:30 PM	BUSINESS SESSION 2	
	Call to Order	
	 Nomination Committee Report (E-Ballot election if required). 	Stan Windsor
	Report of the Treasurer and Presentation of 2021/22 Budget	Russ Robinson for approval Joe Harrison
	By-Laws Committee Report	John Cihak
	Resolutions Committee Report	John Cihak
	Endowment Fund	
	Scholarship Presentation	Leo Custer
	Training Report/ Reports of online Training	
	Risk Management Power Point	
	Roll Call/Lodges	District Presidents
5:00 PM	Pilgrim Presentation all invited Higher Degree holders (Regalia Reg	quired)

SATURDAY October 2, 2021

7:30 AM	Fellowship Degree of Honor Breakfast, Candidates (ticketed event)	
	Fellows and Pilgrims Only. Conferral to Follow (Candidate Coat and Tie)	
7:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Registration Open	
9:30 AM	BUSINESS SESSION 3	
	Call to Order	
	 Parade of <u>NEW</u> Higher Degree Collegians, Star Recorders, Fellows 	_
		Pat Cihak
		Brian Weave
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	Introduction of Moose International Videos Scott Hart - Chief Executive Officer - The Moose	Jamie vann
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	Mike Lover Chief Compliance Officer	
	Mike Leuer - Chief Compliance Officer Ross Chastain – NASCAR	
	1035 Clidstalli – NASCAN	
	First Steps to a Higher Degree; Academy of Friendship, Moose Leg	gion
		Brian Weaver
		Pat Cihak
	Guidelines for Achieving Premier Lodge Award and	
	Criteria for Leadership Award	Pat Cihak
	DGR Remarks	
	Moose Valued Veterans Program & How to Self-Identify	
	Territory Manger Comments	Mike Stumbaugh
	o Premier Lodge Award Winners	
	Lodge Leadership Award Winners	
	Lifetime Achievement Award	
	Moose Legion Updates and Comments	Danny Williams
	Moose Activities and Sports, Moose travel program and Lodge Activities.	Dilly Hildsbrand
	Moose travel program and Lodge Activities	-
	Membership Report Production	Brian Weaver
	Plus "1" Goal for every Lodge Monthly Management	
	A plan to get back dropped/expired members.	
	Roll Call	Russ Robinson
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LUNCH

11:30 AM	Pilgrim Luncheon (Regalia Required) No Polos, Vest or shorts. (Holders of the Pilgrim Degree-only) Fellowship Applications & Pilgrim Degree recommendations
1:30 AM	
	o Eliminate Gender Bias - Our Members
	Regional Managers RemarksTroy King
	Address of Official Visitor Harry Johnston
	 Report of the Heart of the Community Project – <u>US Kennels</u> Dana Harrison Joe Harrison
	Youth Awareness Ken Hunt
	Election of Officers results (E-Ballot) Russ Robinson
	Final report of Credentials Committee Peggy Miles
	Roll Call of LodgesRuss
	Installation of Officers Mike Boris
	Announcements Chris Miles
	Benediction John Harkins
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Adjourn Sine Die

MEMBER APPECIATION NIGHT

5:30 PM	Five Club Members Preferred Seating	
	District Fundraising to start and finishing at 8	
6:00 PM	ALL other members may enter	
8:00 PM	Entertainment "Johnny Seaton and Bad Behavior"	

SUNDAY, October 3, 2021

9:00 AM Association Planning and Goals

Executive Board Officers, District Presidents, Appointed Officers and Chairmen

- Review duties and responsibilities
- Outline business goals
- Set dates for meetings and events
- Discuss fraternal programs
- Establish fraternal goals for coming year & develop plan to meet established goals

10:00 AM WOTM - Convocation

*** NOTE: Roll Call may be called at any time during sessions***

Association Convention & Conference March of Checks

MD-DE-DC Home (payable to Moose Charities - Earmarked on memo (MD DE DC Home Project)

we have a \$60,000 per year commitment every year for Our House!

Endowment (payable to Moose Charities)
MAC Center (payable to Moose Charities0
Safe Surfin' (payable to Moose Charities).

MD DE DC Moose Lyons/Krass Scholarship Fund (payable to MD DE DC Moose Association)

Youth Awareness (payable to MD DE DC Moose Association)

US Kennels (payable to MD DE DC Moose Association)

2021 ANNUAL CONVENTION NOTES & RULES:

- Smoking and consumption of alcoholic beverages are prohibited in any meeting or event smoking must be done only in designated areas of hotel – attendees must properly dispose of all butts and trash in designated containers.
- Roll Call of Lodges will include a separate call for the attendance of the Administrator and President (It must be the Governor and President of record and not an alternate representative) they will be individually identified before the full count of lodge attendees.
 - ☑ Hospitality Rooms must operate only the hours allowed by the Association and follow all rules established by the Association. All operations must be considerate of all hotel guests.
 - Hospitality Rooms shall be available ONLY for registered members and qualified guests. Note: Non-registered Members do NOT qualify as guests.
 - Decorum MUST be maintained at ALL times no action(s) by members and guests should bring any disgrace upon the Moose fraternity.
 - Only LOOM members who are delegates to the Convention may make motions, seconds, and vote. When recognizing someone for purposes of a motion or second, the Chair should ask they state their Name, Lodge, and title for the official record.

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Moose Charities by Past Grand Regent Libby

Message from Libby -

Gosh, it doesn't seem possible that August is here. Since COVID 19, with us being curtailed in our fundraising, hopefully, your Lodge and Chapter is back to a somewhat normal operation and looking forward to a successful year of fundraising with your chairmen. And, I certainly hope you have all your positions filled, including that **especially important Moose Charities** Chairman. Pertaining to the chapter, she is a "Special Chairman"- not installed as one of your regular chairmen - but will be extremely helpful with fulfilling the Chapter's obligations to take care of the "Cradle" and "Rocker" Funds and holding other fundraisers to support our beloved Mooseheart and Moosehaven, which is so vital for their survival.

Let us not forgot what we are here for and why we are members of this great "Moose" fraternity. Our children at Mooseheart and our seniors at Moosehaven depend on us for their future care.

As I mention "Moose Charities", again --I want to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for all your help at our past Mid-Year and Annual Conferences. We have good Co-Chairman that are always on a mission, roll up their sleeves, and help prepare the future survival of our "Twin Cities" by raising money for Moose Charities. At our past conferences there was always a lot going on and I know most of you donated your hard-earned money, which absolutely helped make us be successful! Still, I cannot thank each of you enough for your participation and help in making our past fundraisers so successful. It wouldn't have happened, if you hadn't been there to help us, either by donating, purchasing, or working. This shows what we can do when we all work together – **As a Team** - to accomplish what needs to be done to ensure the future of our Twin Cities, by supporting our programs and most importantly Moose Charities.

I am seriously considering having basket raffles – if approved by the Association. Hopefully as "ONE MOOSE" ALL UNITS will consider participating. When and if approved, you will be getting an e-mail from me requesting a donation from you, your Lodge or Chapter, if possible. Every bit helps!

Again, I remind you that our very own MD-DE-DC Moose Association has taken on the responsibility of a **YEARLY** commitment of **\$60,000**, to fund our very own MD-DE-DC Home at Mooseheart. To date we are still committed and need approximately \$38,000.to fulfil that commitment. That is why it is so important to have your "Moose Charities Chairman" in place and active through the entire chapter year. Along with the chapter's donations, you can also help with your personal donations throughout the year. Regardless of how large or how small your check will be, all donations are welcome **and** tax deductible, **if** made payable to "**Moose Charities**" earmarked MD-DE-DC Home and please be sure to include your Moose membership ID number on your personal check, so you get credit for it. Remember these are "our children" who reside at Mooseheart and our "senior members" at Moosehaven – they are what we are all about!

And YES - we are all about Money and Members! Our membership is still not where it used to be in our Chapters and Lodges. **Members are our survival**, so let's work on this weak spot – Now that we are "**ONE MOOSE**" - working together – we can make those personal phone calls, help make those necessary changes in our Chapter and Lodge home, which will bring our members back into our fold and make our Association #1. **We can do it – When we all work together!**

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" and those Coke codes under "My Coke Rewards." See other programs available on the Moose website. Thank you for all you do-You're the Greatest!



Moose Charities

Moose Charities......August Report......

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You all for your donations that were turned into Moose Charities during our recent convention held in Cincinnati, Ohio. We are still are a few dollars to go for the "Mooseheart Activities Center". We broke ground on June 5th, at our 2021 Graduation.

It's original cost was approximately 8 million dollars. Fraternity wide we have raised and donated over 5 million dollars to date. Just think this is our 3rd year in raising funds for this MAC project and should be completed by the time we go to the Convention in Orlando to celebrate the 100 year anniversary of Moosehaven next year in June/July.

Just to note we take care of our "MD DE DC Home Project" each and every year. Our obligation was reduced from \$60,000.00 to \$30,000.00 for this past year and the current year we are in because of Covid pandemic. Please donate what you can at our Annual Association Convention which will be coming up very soon.

Thanks for all you do.....

Fraternally,
Danny Williams Sr. PIP
Moose Charities Co-chairman



Moose Legion

Moose Legion Report......August 2021.....

Cincinnati Convention A great time was had by all who attended. As Moose Legionnaires we only missed growing the Endowment Fund for the 14th consecutive year by \$3,900.00. With Covid and the pandemic they were the problems with a lot of our meetings being cancelled. That's the past and we started a new year May 1st.

Congratulations to 2020 – 2021 Top International Moose Legion Ambassador Runner Up Brian Weaver and Congratulations to 2020 – 2021 Top International Moose Legion Secretary Runner Up Jamie Vann of Western MD. Moose Legion #218. When you see Brian or Jamie congratulate them for a job well done! Just to note your Area Manager, Danny Williams, Sr. was also Runner Up as 2020 – 2021 Top International Moose Legion Area Manager.

Most of you know, currently there are NO FEE'S in the Moose Legion and NO requirements to join the Moose Legion. So let's advance those male Moose members who aren't Moose Legionnaires to join "The Degree of Service".

Our last report showed we are a + (plus) for this year and we would like to keep it that way all year long. Let's all work the "Retention" lists that every Secretary of your Moose Legion can provide to you. That's the only way we will make it together as a team "Doing some good thing for someone each day".

Keep up the good work and maintain your M/L dues! Fraternally,

Danny Williams, Sr. PIP

MD DE DC & WV Moose Legion Area Manager

Moose Legion

Don't Miss this!

Let's Celebrate Fun and Fraternity
Chesapeake Bay Moose
Legion 183



Summer Picnic at Bel Air Moose FC 1952

310 E. Jarrettsville Rd., Forest Hill, MD 21050

August 22nd 12:00 pm Conferral

Fun and Food to follow 12:00 pm-4:00 pm

Menu:

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Salads, etc.

Fun:

Giant Jenga, Horseshoes, Cornhole

Price: Free to all Chesapeake Bay 183 Moose Legionnaires and their families.

We will have a donation jar and a 50/50 to cover the cost of the food

Questions

Contact President Hugh John Dougherty 443-243-0298

Association Membership Campaigns

MD/DE/DC Moose Association Short Term Campaign

May 1, 2021 through October 3, 2021







Merry, Bright & Hersheypark Happy®

We've decked the halls with more than 5 million lights for the most merry event of the year, Hersheypark Christmas Candylane®! Enjoy your favorite rides and coasters, a visit with Santa, festive Hershey Character experiences, and more. Plus, for the first time ever, explore Hershey's Chocolatetown in the winter!

Holiday Rides & Coasters

Oh, what fun it is to ride! Enjoy holiday thrills on your favorite rides and coasters including the allnew Candymonium, Sidewinder, Wild Mouse, Wildcat, and Cocoa Cruiser.

More Lights Than Ever

More than 5 million twinkling lights deck the halls of *Hersheypark®* in celebration of the season! Get in the holiday spirit with our guests' favorite show, NOEL, featuring more than 250,000 lights dancing to classic holiday tunes. Then, stop by the *Kissmas Tree* display, see our iconic *Kisses* Fountain decked out in its holiday best, take a festive photo with your favorite *Hershey* Characters, and more.

Santa & His Reindeer

Did you know Santa and all 9 of his reindeer make a special stop at *Hersheypark Christmas Candylane*® event each year? Plus, enjoy an up-close look at your favorite reindeer, including Rudolph, at Santa's Reindeer Stables complete with newly expanded viewing platform. Visit Santa through December 24 before he makes his way back to the North Pole.

New! Hershey's Chocolatetown

Explore the all-new *Hershey's Chocolatetown*, home to our biggest coaster ever, *Candymonium*, our historic Carrousel, the iconic *Kisses* Fountain, Starbucks, and more.

New! TREEville At The Boardwalk

A new holiday experience has arrived at Christmas Candylane! We've decked The Boardwalk with a festive trail of more than a dozen trees that share the stories of The Sweetest Place On Earth. While you explore, don't forget to take a family selfie and play along with our all-new photo scavenger hunt to receive a complimentary treat.

*** TOP SPONSOR will receive 1 Day Pass along with 1 night lodging for a family of 4. ***



Association Membership Campaigns



MD/DE/DC Moose Association Long Term Campaign



MAY 1, 2021 - APRIL 30, 2022



Take a relaxing cruise on the Mississippi River for 5 days for 2 people.

- Leaving New Orleans to Baton Rouge and return to New Orleans with stops in between.
- o Airfare included for 2.
- Trip will be awarded in May 2022 to the TOP SPONSOR for the 2021-2022 Moose Year.





Every Little Bit Helps!

If you use Amazon, please consider shopping through Amazon Smile and designating Mooseheart Child City & School as your charity of choice. A few pennies of your purchase will be donated through Amazon. As they say...Pennies from Heaven...They do add up!



As of March 9, 2021:

This is the quarterly notification to inform you that the charity you've selected, **Mooseheart Child City & School**, recently received a donation of **\$3,176.49** from AmazonSmile -- at no cost to you or other customers.

Thanks to customers shopping at smile.amazon.com, or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon Shopping app, everyday purchases have generated over **\$266 million** in donations to charities worldwide so far.

AmazonSmile's impact:

\$19,005.01 to Mooseheart Child City & School*

- \$241,928,506.19 to all charities in the US
- \$266,896,659.48 to all charities worldwide

To track donations or change your charity, simply visit **Your AmazonSmile Impact** page.

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 2022:

Sean Chaney -11/30 Reik Atayole—12/24

JUNIOR CLASS OF 2023:

Idris Lawal—11/20

Class of 2024:

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



SUNSHINE PROGRAM:

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

From the Heart

Enter to Learn . . . Allison's mother and father were in a tragic automobile accident when she was a young teenager. The accident claimed the life of her mother and started her father on a road of addiction to pain medication that plagued him and eventually claimed his life. Allison began her own experimentation with drugs a few years later. She dropped out of school and met Todd. The couple struggled with mutual drug addiction. While they welcomed the birth of Stacy, the pattern of drug use continued. Todd spent time in and out of jail while Allison tried to make ends meet bouncing from place to place with different relatives. Eventually, the couple divorced. Stacy spent time in the foster system while Allison worked on her sobriety. Although Allison was able to stay clean and sober, she was unable to provide a stable home for herself and Stacy. Humbly, Allison reached out to Mooseheart for help in providing stability for her child

..Leave to Serve



Ghyslaine "Gigi" Galindo was a 9th-grader in Chicago. Her mother and father, first generation immigrants, were concerned with the direction their daughter appeared to be going. Her grades were slipping, she was increasingly disobedient and argumentative and she was starting to follow the wrong crowd. When Mr. and Mrs. Galindo learned about Mooseheart from an alumnus of the school, they applied on behalf of their 14-year-old daughter. Gigi arrived at Mooseheart on October 24, 2001 as a high school sophomore. She immediately accepted the structure of her new home and embraced the teaching of social skills from her Family Teachers. Gigi said, "It was a positive transition for me. I was lucky to come to Mooseheart when I

did."

Shortly after her arrival, Gigi began working at the Fifth Third Bank branch located on the Mooseheart campus, a position she kept her entire time at Mooseheart. In addition to her work at the bank, Gigi grew as a part of Mooseheart's Home Economics vocational program, where she worked with the children of Baby Village. Gigi also worked as an administrative assistant during the campus' summer recreation program. Over the next three years Gigi's was an honor roll student and she graduated in 2004. After graduation, she remained on the Mooseheart campus in the Transitional Living program. She accepted full-time work with Fifth Third Bank and attended a local community college.

Gigi credits the development of her social skills at Mooseheart as a key to her professional career that has included promotion to management, owning and managing her own small business and serving in her current position as part-time Director of Operations for a manufacturing compa-



ny. Gigi and her husband Francisco have been married for 11 years and are the proud parents of two girls. Gigi enjoys volunteering at her daughter's school and fostering three rescue dogs. "I look back at my time at Mooseheart as a foundation," Gigi said. "My work ethic and desire to serve was developed there. It is an incredible organization that gives without expecting anything in return. It is astounding to me. Mooseheart taught me how important family really is. My parents have a better daughter, my husband has a better wife and my children have a better mother because of that foundation laid at Mooseheart."





From Helen Taylor, Executive Director of Moosehaven



Things Are Looking Up!

It's been a whirlwind these last 16 months, but things are looking up! Our on-campus activities are back to normal. We are once again enjoying all of the wonderful amenities and services Moosehaven offers. While the long road behind us brought us many challenges and setbacks, we are moving forward with optimism.

We do not have a crystal ball to tell us the future, but we do know that we can successfully make lemonade out of lemons and make it sweet! While our campus was buttoned downed tightly, we found ways to have fun and count our blessings. Our staff pulled together with a "nothing to it, but to do it" attitude and we didn't miss a beat in providing everything our residents needed and more!

Residents are now enjoying weekly off-campus shopping trips and are enjoying doing their own shopping. While they were grateful to our staff for meeting their every need they are happy to experience some normalcy.

Many residents are also traveling to visit family and friends for much needed time together.

This past year has also filled our hearts with gratitude and generosity. Thanks to the many Moose members for your thoughts and prayers and for the special things you did to make things a little brighter. Also, a huge thank you to the two Brandon Place Moose Life residents who sponsored a complete meal for all residents to enjoy. One, a delicious fried chicken lunch at the Michigan Building and the other, a private dinner at Lodge 2020. Residents gathered around the tables to fill their craving for Moose Lodge 2020's famous fried chicken! Thanks for the delicious meals and the fellowship.

We discovered we are truly "STRONGER TOGETHER."

It's just me....Simply Helen

Statistically Speaking...

As of the July Moosehaven Newsletter:



- Our oldest resident is Glenna McClain at 99.2 years!
- Our resident living at Moosehaven the longest is James Thomas at 23.09 years!
- We currently have 43 married couples living at Moosehaven
- Our longest married couple is Jack & Louise Purtee at 75.8 years!



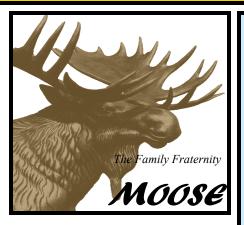
Association Meeting Camden Wyoming Lodge #1381 Officers 9am, 8/29/2021 Dist. Pres. & VP 10am, Association Chairmen 11am. Russ Robinson's Pilgrim Presentation @ Williamsport Lodge 9/11/2021 Emmett Bisnett's Pilgrim Presentation @ Wheaton Lodge 9/18/2021 Terry Bowden's Pilgrim Presentation @ Milford Lodge 9/19/2021 Annual Convention @ The Grand Hotel and Spa21st St. 9/30—10/3 410.289.6191 or 800.447.6779 Call now for reservations Association Meeting Westminster Lodge #1381 Officers 9am, Dist. 10/3/2021 Pres. & VP 10am, Association Chairmen 11am. Chapter Rally Days Hosted by Annapolis Chapter 2/5-6/2022

ALL DATES, LOCATIONS & TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE



Check out the various events and special meals at your neighboring lodges! Go on a Moose hop, and see what other lodges are doing! Expand your world and meet some new friend! Go on a Moose Tour!

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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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