



# The Courier



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### 5th Annual Cookoff Grosses \$10K for School Renovation

**The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Moosehaven Chili Cookoff was a success!** Cook teams from all over the nation competed in the International Chili Society (ICS) Division as well as the People's Choice Division. Our cookoff is a sanctioned Regional Cookoff and the 1<sup>st</sup> Place winners in the ICS Red Chili, Chili Verde and Salsa competitions will advance to the World Chili Championship in 2015. The People's Choice Division competes for trophies and prizes and, of course, bragging rights. What began as an opportunity to offer a fun event for our community, has turned into an opportunity to raise money for a great cause.

The People's Choice Fraternal Division at our cookoff has gotten pretty competitive. Teams from Florida-Bermuda Association, Georgia Association, Alabama Association, Washington-Oregon Association, Indiana Association, WOTM, the Inverness Chapter, Lakeshore

Lodge and Mooseheart all competed for a variety of titles as follows:

- 1st Place Red Chili (ICS Division) – Doug Roy
- 1st Place People's Choice – Alabama Moose Association
- 2nd Place People's Choice – Moosehaven Clinic
- 3rd Place People's Choice – Moosehaven Inventory Management Services
- 1st Place People's Choice Blind Judging – Florida Bermuda Moose Association
- 1st Place People's Choice Fraternal Fundraising – Georgia Moose Association
- 1st Place Best Decorated Booth – Georgia Moose Association
- 1st Place People's Choice Farthest Traveled Fraternal Team – Washington/Oregon Moose Association

The support of our fraternity for this great fundraising event is overwhelming. We had over 2,000 attendees and raised \$10,000 for the Mooseheart School Renovation Project! —*Marina Matthews, Mooseheart*



Above: Moosehaven Executive Director John Capes presents for 1st place People's Choice Blind Judging award to FBMA representatives: L-R, Moose Legion Ambassador and Past FBMA President Eddie Millwater, Jerry Monk, Territory Manager/FBMA Liaison, and John Reiter, Moosehaven Board Director. (More photos on page 7.)

*Photo courtesy of Moosehaven*

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April 9—12, 2015**

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Conference**

**Rosen Plaza  
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## Message from Territory Manager/F.B.M.A. Liaison



HAPPY 2015!! I hope everyone had a great Christmas and I am wishing all a happy and prosperous New Year.

Yes January is here and that means only 4 months left in the Moose Year.

Is your Lodge, Chapter or Moose Legion going to earn their respective awards this year? In some

cases, it is too late to make that happen due to reports being missed or late.

Are you going to have an increase in active members this year? Remember your membership goal for the year is PLUS 1; that's right, just one more active member than the year before.

Are your Moose Charity donations up for the year? If not, you still have time to make those donations. If you are not sure where you stand, just contact your Territory Manager and find out.

Will you reduce the amount owed to Moose International on your account? Once again, if you are not sure how you are doing toward that goal, contact your Territory Manager.

We have an uphill battle to finish the year with a gain in active members, but we have been here before and I know that we have the ability to make it happen. We are in the best time of the year for sponsoring new members, but it is also the time when we lose many of the ones we signed the year before. Every unit must be conscious of the members whose dues have expired. Every Administrator, Recorder and Moose Legion Secretary should be printing the arrears list each month and having the Retention and Recovery Team on the phones calling.

Our FBMA Membership Chairman has developed a short term campaign for the last 4 months of the Moose Year. "Counting On You" runs from January 1 to April 30, 2015. Look for the poster in your lodge and in this issue of *The Courier* (page 9). This campaign gives each LOOM member a chance to win some cash and great gifts. It also helps to build our membership and, by building membership, we help support Mooseheart and Moosehaven. This is truly getting "Back To Basics".

Thanks for all you do for our children and seniors. Let's finish the year with a bang and prove that we are the best Association in the fraternity.

Fraternally,  
Jerry



## From the Desk of the President

By the time this is published, the Holidays will be over and in the past. I hope all have had a pleasant and safe Holiday season. Thanksgiving through New Year's Day is my favorite time of the year. You make the time to be with family and friends, whom you may never see during the year, and of course attend the many functions that the Moose Lodge provides for its members.

The Executive Board meets the first weekend in December, and I am happy to report that many of our financial commitments have been fulfilled. Our commitments for the Moosehaven bus and the IM2L rehab program are fully funded, but we still need a little help with the Youth Congress that we are hosting. I want to thank the District Presidents, Lodges, Chapters, and Moose Legions who helped us reach these goals, We discussed several projects for the future but we have not finalized any. The Board decided to see if International has some new projects that are of a greater need. I am sure they will have some more things that need to be addressed by an Association with our ability to answer their call.

Of course, I cannot neglect to remind all of the membership needs of the FBMA. Brothers and Co-Workers, we cannot stop working on the expired and dropped members of our Lodges and Chapters. While new members are important, the retention of former members is very important. We need to find out why these people chose not to continue to pay their dues, and hopefully address these situations.



Fraternally,  
William B. Norris  
President, FBMA



## Message from the Deputy Grand Regent

I would like to start my article this month by thanking all my Moose friends that sent prayers my way since I have been ill. I felt each and every one and they worked, as I am on the mend and home now.

I would like to see each co-worker guiding and teaching and being a mentors in their Chapters. We need to make sure our Chapters and Officers are on the right path and remain strong, The stronger the Chapter, the better the future. Help build the Membership of the Order and support Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

Have a Great New Year of success and get **“Back to Basics”** with all you do.

Fraternally,

Donna A. Sargent,  
Deputy Grand Regent



## From the Desk of the Regional Manager



Happy New Year! I sure hope that each of you had a very merry Christmas and are off to a good start on a Happy New Year. I wish each member a very blessed year.

With Christmas behind us, we turn our attention to making our life better in the New Year. This is the time of year we each make resolutions.

As dedicated Moose members, let's make one of our resolutions be that all lodges will show an increase in membership by at least the PLUS ONE needed for the Premier Lodge Award. We can all do our part by signing a new member, volunteering on the Membership Committee, staying in touch with the members we sign, or just by treating all members as part of the family.

Each of us has a friend, co-worker, neighbor or family member that we can sign up. All we have to do is ask them.

Membership Committees can be made up of men or women but should always keep a record of the calls they make and the reasons given if dues are not renewed. Officers should look at these reasons and fix the ones they can. Moose International has been providing every lodge with an arrears list each month and sending campaign ideas and materials to promote membership. We need you to take the examples given to create new and exciting membership campaigns for each and every month for your lodge to use.

We also need to stay in touch with the members we sign up. Call them and invite them out for an upcoming function at the lodge.

One of the most common reason members do not renew their dues is because they were made to feel like an outsider when they visited their lodge. All we need to do here is make sure we greet every member while we are at the lodge home. If you don't know someone, go up to them and introduce yourself and let them know you are glad they came out.

Membership is the life blood of our Fraternity. Because we are in the people business, we need to treat each of our members with the best customer service we can. Just think of how you like to be treated when you are out and about.

Community Service is another way that assists in gaining new members. Giving back to others is what we are all about. When the Community sees the good we are doing they want to be part of it.

We have much to be thankful for and even more to look forward to as the old year goes out and the new one comes in. How long has it been since you have attended a function at your lodge, had a meal there, or attended a sporting event? Why not set a time to attend? You may find that you have been missing a lot of fun.

Spend a day at your lodge and get reacquainted with the other members and the benefits offered. If they don't have something you want to do, ask them to start it. Offer to head the committee for it. Make this the year we increase each and every one of our lodges.

If it is to be...it is up to me!

Sam Harris  
Regional Manager

# MOOSEHAVEN NEWS

## 8th Annual Halloween Was a Treat for the Community

### Moosehaven 8th Annual Halloween Trick or Treat

We had over 3,000 attendees and handed out 2,900 pounds of candy!

Heartfelt thanks go out to all of our fraternal families across the nation for their unfailing support of our Heart of the Community events that so enrich the lives of our visitors every year. Donations from Chapters and Lodges help us provide candy and fun for families of our surrounding communities. Every year, we get cards and letters from folks who are so thankful for a safe, family-friendly place to bring their children. They enjoy visiting our Haunted Zombie House, having a chance to trick or treat and meet many of our residents and, of course, getting lots of candy!—*Marina Matthews*



*Photos courtesy of Moosehaven*



# MOOSEHAVEN NEWS

## More Chili Cook-off Photos



Photos courtesy of J. Fedora and Moosehaven

## Where's the Moose Lodge?

**You know;** that place where the conversation in the Social Quarters is about raising funds, supporting, and giving to, Mooseheart, Moosehaven, our Community and our members in need. As well as, what can we do to make our lodge better? Not how bad the lodge is run, how bad certain members/officers are, or about confidential lodge business.

**You know;** where the Lord's name is used with respect and reverence, not in vain and vulgarity.

**You know;** where responsible adults gather for fun, games, and to socialize. Where responsibility is really practiced, - not just talked about.

**That place;** where alcohol and tobacco are used in a responsible manner and does not infringe on the rights of others.

**You know;** that place where, prejudice and personal agendas are replaced by pride and fairness for all.

**You know;** that place in town that we take pride in asking our family and friends to come to, and to join so they too can enjoy all that Moose has to offer.

Yes; **you know;** that place, it's where the entire family is welcome, where the children can participate in fun activities; and by helping around the lodge, they can learn from the adults, maybe how to cook a meal, or drive a nail, or even how paint their nails, fix a leaky sink, or just maybe the kids can teach the adults about computers, smartphones and other technology; or, how about; maybe, just maybe, we can have some social interaction, among our friends and family.

I'm looking for that place where courtesy is looked upon as a virtue; not a weakness. Where "what can I do to help" replaces "what's in it for me". Where age, young or old, is an asset, not a handicap.

Am I looking for Utopia? I think not, I'm just looking for our "Basic" Moose Lodge.

Borrowed From Territory Manager Jim Smardon

Go to [www.mooseintl.org](http://www.mooseintl.org)  
for more information

**BACK TO BASICS**

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**BACK TO BASICS**

**MAY 1, 2014 - APRIL 30, 2015**

**SIGN 1 MEMBER**  
"Moose - Back to Basics" Lapel Pin

**SIGN 5 MEMBERS**  
\$5 Donation to Build the Elementary Academic Center at Mooseheart

**SIGN 25 MEMBERS**  
Brick Dedicated in Your Name to the Mooseheart School Renovation Project





For more than 25 years, we have organized high school students into a highly effective speakers' bureau with the goal of educating preschool and elementary school-aged children on a variety of topics, including drug and alcohol abuse, child abuse, "stranger danger," bullying and peer pressure, and healthy habits and nutrition.

Through Moose KidsTalks presentations, participants in the program have reached an audience of more than 750,000 children throughout North America. Students also have a chance to compete for \$30,000 in college scholarship money that is awarded annually through this program.

For more information about how youth can participate and for the Association Youth Awareness Congress Schedule and lists of Loyal Order of Moose & Women of the Moose Youth Awareness Coordinators, please visit our [Forms/Documents](#) section.

<http://www.mooseintl.org/members/index.php/community-service-2/>

### Florida Bermuda Moose Association

We are **Counting on You** to increase our membership!

and **Mooseheart & Moosehaven** are **Counting on YOU** too.



The New Member YOU sign up will help Strengthen our Fraternity and Support Mooseheart & Moosehaven and can put \$\$\$ in Your pocket!

Sign up a member between January 1, 2015 and April 30, 2015 and your name will be entered in a random drawing to be held monthly, February thru May. Winners will receive a \$100.00 Gift Card!

Sign up 3 members between January 1, 2015 and April 30, 2015 and your name will be entered in a random drawing where Three Lucky Winners will each win a \$500.00 Gift Card!



Between January 1, 2015 and April 30, 2015 sign up 5 members and receive a zip up bottle koozie.

Sign up 10 members and receive a travel mug.

Sign up 25 members, you will receive a Super Sponsor Wind Breaker!

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Jerry Hopkins	Sebastian River	1767	John Koelling	Lake Shore	2020
Keith W. Headley	Port St Lucie	513	John Tucker	Sebring	2259
Gil Nalley	Venice	1308	James McCollum	Jacksonville	455
Christopher Michalek	Tice And The Shores	1297	Douglas Castleberry	Lake Shore	2020
John Johnson	Golden Triangle	874	Gary Peltier	Riverview	2158
Lee Ickes Sr.	Venice	1308	David Graus	Sarasota	1319
Scott Walka	Port Charlotte	2121	Michael Beck	Lauderdale Lakes	2267
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Al Hense	New Port Richey	1747	Rusty Sanderson	Jensen Beach	1690
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Claude Thomas Akers	Pine Island	1954	Bernard Sauer	Ocala Forest	2535
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Richard Thomas	Leisure City	2258	Darrell Nugent	Mandarin	42
Gary Chonka	West Pasco	2366	Roy Rawlings	Quincy	2672
Gainey Stone	Haines City	2083	Jay Andrade	Englewood	1933
Robert Green	Sebastian River	1767	Don Kincaid	Zephyrhills	2276
Wayne Murphy	Marco Island	1990	David Dube	Pine Castle	2345

### Circle of Distinction Qualifiers-2014-15

Name	Lodge	Total Apps
Ernie Casali, Jr.	Anna Maria Island 2188	104
Ed Connor	Fort Myers Beach 964	35
Jack Rafool	Daytona Beach 1263	29
Tony Perry	Wachula 1487	35
Nick Kostromin	Anna Maria Island 2188	32
Robert Hanrahan	South Lakeland Mulberry 2295	25

### Heart of Distinction Qualifiers-2014-15

Theresa Eckenrode	Daytona Beach 1019	28
Karen Green	Anna Maria Island 1601	33
Linda Chagolla	Port Charlotte 1619	47

# MEMBERSHIP



## WOTM International New 5 Club Qualifiers 10/01/2014 TO 11/30/2014

NAME	CHAPTER NAME	CHAPTER #	NAME	CHAPTER NAME	CHAPTER #
Susan Chandlee	Crescent City	1825	Linda Zebley	Englewood	1582
Brenda Brady	Stuart	1651	Judy Johnson	Pompano Beach	600
Gena Crumbliss	Zephyrhills	1682	Shirley Davidson Deppert	Pompano Beach	600
Rene Asuncion	Marco Island	2438	Theresa Ledin	North Hillsboro	1763
Rachael Lachell Bennett	Marco Island	2438	Suzanne Hart	Interbay Tampa	1254
Noreen Petras	Crescent City	1825	Leora Wilson	Interbay Tampa	1254
Dianna Schoenian	Bradenton	1072	Paula Castleberry	Lake Shore	1495
Collina Buckley	Daytona Beach	1019	E. Anneda Stone	Winter Haven	1152
Jean Ickes	Venice	758	Doris Hendricks	Merritt Island	1544
Marina Mathews	Lake Shore	1495	Sherri Osborne	West Volusia	2202
Theresa Eckenrode	Daytona Beach	1019	Anna Holmes	Venice	758
Sallie Fisher	Pompano Beach	600	Barbara Gruber	Port Charlotte	1619
Patti Davis Eckerson	Pompano Beach	600	Kelly Buckhalter	North Port	1892
Janice Brogdon	Sanford	1404	Sheila Stover	Englewood	1582
Susan Jacobs	Inverness	1773	Margie Czajkowski-Wendzel	Pine Castle	1917
Joanne Bishop	Palm Beach Gardens	1471	Catherine Ross	Port Charlotte	1619
Lenore Paterson	Davie	1686	Gloria Harrod	Highlands County	2256
Karen Hall	Venice	758	Tammy Beth Bader	Palatka	1915
Robin Reichelt	Tice And The Shores	562	Diane Rains	Daytona Beach	1019
Judith Nadine Conard	Zephyrhills	1682	Joann Nadler	Marco Island	2438
Juliana Henderson	Fort Myers Beach	551			

### BACK TO BASICS WINNERS

Month	Name	Lodge	Gift Card
May	Terry Graham	Big Pine Key 1585	\$100.00
June	Rick Seavoy	Fort Piece 248	\$100.00
July	Kevin Johnson	Jupiter Tequesta 2237	\$100.00
1st Quarter	Richard Thomas	Leisure City 2258	\$500.00
Aug	Travis Clark	Melbourne 1406	\$100.00
Sep	Paul Faulk	Cocoa 1717	\$100.00
Oct	Frank Karas	Marianna 1026	\$100.00
2nd Quarter	David Sampson	Lauderdale Lakes 2267	\$500.00
Nov	Michael Cullen	Spring Hill 521	\$100.00

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# MEMBERSHIP

## Top 25 Producing Lodges As of 11/30/2014

Lodge #	Lodge Name	Total Apps	Rank National
2188	Anna Maria Island	350	1
1308	Venice	247	2
1933	Englewood	160	8
964	Fort Myers Beach	135	9
2199	Cape Coral	129	10
2276	Zephyrhills	112	12
2121	Port Charlotte	111	13
764	North Port	98	18
2151	Islamorada	98	18
1263	Daytona Beach	92	22
2267	Lauderdale Lakes	87	25
1990	Marco Island	81	27
813	Ruskin	79	29
766	Orlando	68	39
1297	Tice And The Shores	68	39
874	Golden Triangle	66	41
2237	Jupiter-Tequesta	66	41
2374	Lake Placid	64	43
1822	Vero Beach	63	44
2157	Pompano Beach	62	45
2073	Merritt Island	60	46
1223	Bradenton	59	47
1693	Punta Gorda	59	47
1899	Fort Myers	59	47
184	Palatka	58	48
1023	Winter Haven	58	48
2010	Palm Beach Gardens	58	48
2427	County Line	58	48
1880	Brandon	57	49
2020	Lake Shore	57	49
1782	Naples	51	55
42	Mandarin	47	59
1690	Jensen Beach	46	60
1767	Sebastian River	45	61
1954	Pine Island	45	61
2352	Nassau	45	61
2554	Gulf Cove	45	61

## Quota Busting Lodges 2014-2015

Lodge #	Lodge Name	Quota Assigned	Quota Achieved	Percent
2151	Islamorada	65	98	150.77%
764	North Port	89	98	110.11%
1933	Englewood	152	160	105.26%

# MEMBERSHIP

## Top 25 Producing Chapters As of 11/30/2014

Chapter #	Chapter Name	Total Apps	Rank National
1601	Anna Maria Island	266	2
758	Venice	183	3
1619	Port Charlotte	126	8
815	Cape Coral	125	9
1715	Islamorada	119	10
1682	Zephyrhills	108	12
2438	Marco Island	106	14
551	Fort Myers Beach	104	15
1582	Englewood	101	16
1544	Merritt Island	100	17
1915	Palatka	93	20
1699	Lauderdale Lakes	87	22
1718	Ruskin	83	24
600	Pompano Beach	79	26
1019	Daytona Beach	79	26
1072	Bradenton	69	32
1020	Fort Myers	65	35
1471	Palm Beach Gardens	64	36
1002	Orlando	58	42
1495	Lake Shore	57	43
562	Tice And The Shores	56	44
1103	Tallahassee	52	48
1764	Sebastian River	50	50
1046	Melbourne	46	54
1917	Pine Castle	45	55
1152	Winter Haven	43	57

## Quota Busting Chapters 2014-2015

Chapter #	Chapter Name	Quota Assigned	Quota Achieved	Percent
1715	Islamorada	45	119	264.44%
2322	Land O'Lakes	23	37	160.87%
1917	Pine Castle	29	45	155.17%
1582	Englewood	82	101	123.17%
1286	Marianna	15	18	120.00%
1404	Sanford	33	39	118.18%
2103	County Line	34	36	105.88%

### Nov 2 - 8 FBMA Member Retention Week Winners

**\$500.00 Winner:**  
Palm Beach Gardens, FL Lodge 2010

**FBMA Honorable Mention Grab Bag Qualifier:**  
Jupiter-Tequesta, FL Lodge 2237

# HIGHER DEGREE—Pilgrim

## Pre-Thanksgiving Pilgrim Presentation at Melbourne Lodge



Left: Bill Pelisari addresses the audience. Above: Bill Pelisari and family with Liguori Saladin, Past Supreme Governor, and FBMA Secretary Scott Cushing

It was a full house at the Melbourne Lodge 1406 for a Pilgrim Presentation for Bill Pelisari on the weekend before Thanksgiving. Congratulations, Bill.

*Photos courtesy of Bill Mulligan*

## Tallahassee Lodge Honors New Pilgrim in Mid-November



On November 15, the Tallahassee Lodge 1075 honored its new Pilgrim Tony Allbaugh with the traditional Presentation Ceremony. Congratulations, Tony.

Above left: Tony Allbaugh speaks to those in attendance. Above right: Tony Allbaugh and family members with Past FBMA President Steve DelCorso and FBMA Secretary Scott Cushing.

*Photos courtesy of Scott Duncan*

## HIGHER DEGREE—Pilgrim

### Florida Pilgrim Weekend Getaway 2014



The Pilgrims and their wives (girlfriends) enjoyed the weekend on October 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> at the Rodeway Inn in Kissimmee. It was a time to renew old friendships and make new ones. Three of our new Pilgrims were in attendance.

On Friday evening we played “Show Me the Money”. On Saturday morning, a group of our brothers played golf. The rest of us enjoyed pizza for lunch.

Saturday afternoon there was a short meeting. The new Pilgrims were introduced and the rest of the Pilgrims got

up and told what Lodge they were from, year they received their degree, and introduced their wife or girlfriend. The list of those Pilgrims that passed away since the Weekend Getaway of 2013 was read.

After the meeting, the drawings for the Basket of Cheer and 50/50 were held, after which the Chinese auction took place and a lot of items that were brought by members found a new home. This is a popular event held each year, and it seems to get bigger every year. Books left over from the Book Exchange were taken to Moosehaven.

Saturday evening, we were taken by bus to the Sleuth Theater for dinner and a show.

You had to solve the crime. Afterwards, we returned to our hotel and most went to their rooms.

Keep the second weekend of October open next year for our weekend getaway. If you haven’t been to a weekend getaway, maybe it is time to come see how much fun we have. For those who have attended in the past, we would like to see you come join un.

*Article by Robert F. Coleman-Pilgrim Secretary*



*Photo courtesy of Laurie Catlow*

### Updates to 25 Year Pilgrim List

There are two corrections to the list of Pilgrims that received their Pilgrim 25 years or more, which appeared in the last issue of *The Courier*. Robert Stillwell should have had the designation “PSG” (Past Supreme Governor) after his name. Also, Arthur Hart should have been included as a member. He received his degree in 1980.

**A request to all Pilgrims: Please advise me of change of beneficiary, address, lodge, or whatever.**

*Robert F. Coleman-Secretary  
Florida Moose Pilgrims*

# FBMA ARCHIVES NEWS

## FBMA Archives Reopens on Moosehaven Campus

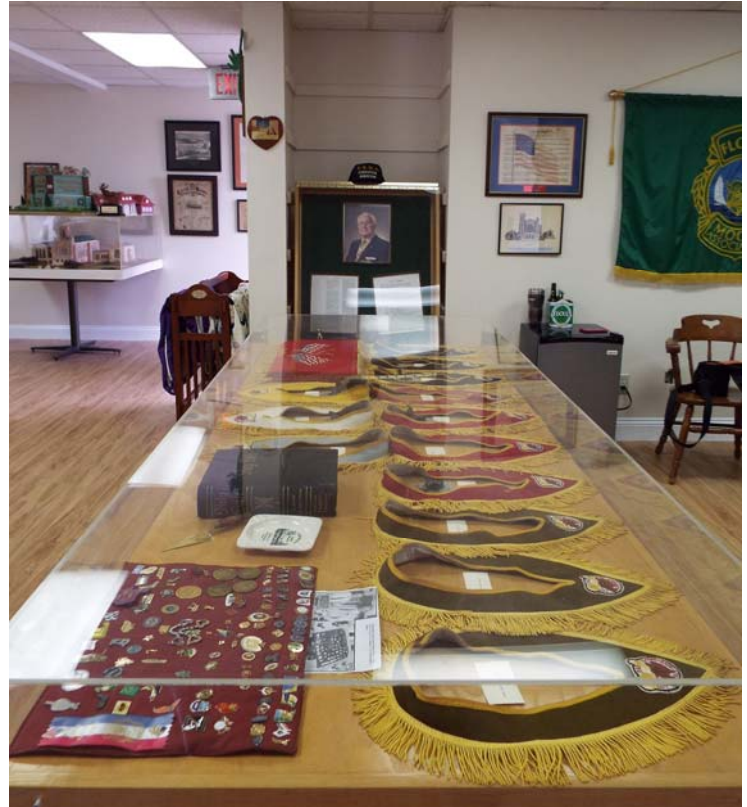


After considerable remodeling and renovations, the FBMA Archives, located in the Cal/Nev building on the City of Contentment grounds of the Moosehaven campus, was opened. The original carpeted floor has been replaced with a vinyl planking, much more conducive to wheeled appliances. The walls were totally stripped of exhibits, repainted, and rehung. Also various items were reframed, some with older frames where available.

To increase wall space, the photographs of past state presents were taken down and two plaques were commissioned with details of name, year, and lodge. The original photos are now appropriately wrapped in binders that can be looked at. This also has the added benefit of preserving the original images.

There is now a small but considerable area that presents regalia from the past and is a joyful reminder of rituals and ceremonies and also a small seating area where these and items such as past issues of *The Courier* and old ritual, rules, and regulations books can be enjoyed.

Top: Director General Scott Hart with Charlie Titheridge.  
 Top Right: View of newly renovated Archives.  
 Below: WOTM quilt rack and regalia area.in background.



The Archives welcomed many visitors during its opening day and included, but was not limited to, Director General Scott Hart and Gary Urwiler, Executive Director of Mooseheart, who both spent considerable time looking at and asking questions (some that were answered . . . some even correctly!)

I have not been to a convention for at least 2years where someone hasn't come up to me or handed me something for our retainment of history. One of my favorite people to see is Nancy Lanigan, who has a seemingly endless supply of memorabilia. Nancy, thank you and your co-workers for everything including the beautiful quilt rack.

Thanks to the Moosehaven staff, who have been splendid in supplying both time and knowledge to these renovations. Thanks to Ed Franks (2020) who sometimes did nothing except tell me I was wrong or that something needed to be moved...something that only proved he was "wronger". To the FBMA State Board for allowing me this opportunity—A task I thought that I would enjoy, now a task I know I do enjoy with passion.

But, most importantly, we all need to thank and appreciate our forerunners, because if not for them, there would be no history and therefore no future for this fantastic fraternity.—*Charlie Titheridge, Chairman Historical Committee/Curator*

*Photos courtesy of Joan Fedora*



## FBMA Mid-Year Conference



### **Florida Bermuda Moose Association 2015 55th Annual Mid-Year Conference Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, April 9th—12th**

**Friday Night Karaoke Contest—7:00 PM  
Saturday Night Banquet honoring:  
Ritual Competition Winners, Past District Presidents,  
Moose, Co-Worker and Moose Legionnaire of the Year—Open to All  
(Purchase Tickets in Advance) - 7:00 PM**

(Registration and event ticket forms on pages 18 and 19)

*Photo courtesy of Rosen Plaza Hotel*

**Are YOU The Next Moose Musical Star?**

**Qualify for a chance to compete in the first Moose Karaoke Contest at the 2015 International Moose Convention with a top prize of \$5,000!**

**Look under Activities for further information.**

Florida Bermuda Moose Association

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NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE

This form is to be used for the Florida Bermuda Moose Association 2015 55TH Mid-Year Conference Meal Activities, April 9-12, 2015 for Purchase of Breakfast and Banquet Tickets in advance.

Moose Legion Luncheon & Panel Session \_\_\_\_\_ \$12.00 each  
April 10, 2015, Noon

Friday night, April 10, 2015 open except for the Karaoke Contest at 7:00 PM

Lodge Officers Luncheon an Panel Saturday \_\_\_\_\_ \$12.00 each  
April 11, 2015 Noon **(Any lodge member may purchase tickets)**

Banquet honoring Ritualist Staffs; Competition Results; Presentation of Moose of the Year, Co-Worker of the Year and Moose Legionnaire of the year, Honoring Past District Presidents Saturday April 11, 2015, at 7:00 PM \_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00 each  
Everyone invited – **ALL** must have tickets.

Return form and check or money order made out to the **FBMA** to:  
Scott A. Cushing  
PO Box 278017  
Miramar, FL 33027-8017

Tickets may be picked up in the area of the Men’s registration desk area during the hours of registration as listed in the convention proceedings.

**PLEASE NOTE:** We must have advance notice so as to contract these meals with the hotel. We thank you very much for your cooperation.

**YOUR NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge/Chapter Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

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FLORIDA BERMUDA MOOSE ASSOCIATION  
55TH MID-YEAR CONFERENCE  
ROSEN PLAZA HOTEL, ORLANDO, APRIL 9-12, 2015

MEN'S PRE-REGISTRATION

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE AT FLORIDAMOOSE.COM

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED FORM TO:  
Scott A. Cushing, PO Box 278017, Miramar, FL 33027-8017.

PRE-REGISTRATION FEE IS \$10.00 PER NAME AND CAN BE INCLUDED WITH ANY MEAL  
REGISTRATION FORM AND CHECK, TWO CHECKS ARE NOT NECESSARY.

**NOTE: REGISTRATION FEE EFFECTIVE MARCH 30 ONLINE OR AT THE CONVENTION WILL BE \$15.00**

Make checks payable to the Florida Bermuda Moose Association (FBMA)

LODGE NAME \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
 NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 CURRENT LODGE OFFICE HELD \_\_\_\_\_  
 PAST GOVERNOR: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_  
 CURRENT ASSOCIATION OFFICE OR COMMITTEE \_\_\_\_\_  
 CIRCLE ONE:          PILGRIM                  FELLOW                  MOOSE LEGIONNAIRE

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**PLEASE DO NOT CUT UP THIS FORM**

# MOOSE CHARITIES

## **ROCKER FUNDRAISER**

To help your Lodge/Chapter raise additional **Endowment Fund collections** in honor of Moosehaven the entire month of **February, 2015.**

**Step 1: LODGE/CHAPTER** may choose to hold the Rocker Fundraiser together or each hold separate Rocker Fundraiser campaigns the entire **month of February, 2015.**

**Step 2:** Make copies of the paper rockers and then discuss where the paper rockers should be prominently displayed with high visibility, i.e. the Social Quarters. Keep your paper rockers and collection envelopes in a convenient but secure location when not in use.

**Step 3: ASK** every member/guest to become an Endowment Fund donor. Write his/her own name or the name of someone they wish to honor or memorialize on the paper rocker after making a donation. **Promote and encourage everyone to participate the entire month of February, 2015. Collect cash - \$1, \$5, \$10 and up.**

**Step 4:** Post the paper rockers prominently in your Lodge home.



Ideas/Suggestions:

- ✓ Challenge others to participate. Accept all donations in front of an audience.
- ✓ Lodge and Chapter Officers meet and agree to hold a friendly competition.
- ✓ Challenge other Chapters and Lodges. Use different color paper rockers for each group.
- ✓ "Work" the Rocker Fundraiser every day and every night in February. Use Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day, Presidents' Day, and Flag Day as special fundraiser focus days.
- ✓ Meal functions – place a paper rocker at each table setting and/or provide a paper rocker at the same time as providing liquid refreshment at a table or bar.
- ✓ **Keep the fun in Fundraiser – hold a 'Rock(er)-a-Thon', a '50's-'60's Rocker (Sock) Hop, a Rocker Trivia Contest, Musical Rockers (Chairs), sit in a Rocker with a collection can!**
- ✓ **Keep a running total, ring a bell, bang a gong, blow a horn, or do a happy dance when a donation is made. Post pictures on Facebook and show them throughout the month.**

IMPORTANT – all cash donations must be remitted to Moose Charities by Lodge or Chapter check – payable to Moose Charities and **ear-marked "Rocker Fundraiser 2015"**. Mail to Moose Charities in the return envelope provided in your fundraising packet – **postmarked by March 15<sup>th</sup>**. Also, include any personal checks written to Moose Charities in the same envelope.

Materials are also available at [www.moosecharities.org](http://www.moosecharities.org)

Log In: Charities, Password: Chairman.

**Thank you** for your support of this important Fundraiser.

Please contact Moose Charities (630) 966-2200 with any questions.



Moose Charities

## MOOSE CHARITIES

### New Program to Benefit Mooseheart

By MIKE SULLIVAN, Moose Charities Special Events & Programs Manager

#### Mooseheart, IL, Oct. 23 -

On behalf of Mooseheart Child City & School, Moose Charities has joined **tix4cause.com**, an e-market place that gives each one of us, as well as all our supporters, friends and relatives, an opportunity to make a difference for Mooseheart each time we go out!

Here's how it works:

Any time anyone has tickets for sports, entertainment, theater, and music events they can't use, they can go to **tix4cause.com** and donate them online to Mooseheart and receive an automatic tax deduction letter for their donation. Each time a donated ticket sells, Moose Charities receives 90% of the proceeds!

In addition to donated tickets, through its partnership with a national ticket exchange, **tix4cause** also offers millions of tickets each day for the sports, music, and theater tickets people are looking for every day. What's special about these tickets is that they can be for seats no longer available for sold-out events. Would you like to see Fleetwood Mac or Garth Brooks up close and personal? Picture yourself at rink side for a Blackhawks game or court side for a Bulls game! Anytime you want to purchase an event ticket, get them through **tix4cause** and choose Mooseheart to receive over 40% of the service fees. It's that easy!

Everybody can do something!

- **Donate Tickets:** Or connect us with donations to support our mission.
- **Purchase Tickets:** Every time you want to go to sports, theater, or concert events anywhere in the country go to **tix4cause.com** first and support Mooseheart at the same time!
- **Spread the Word:** Tell everyone you know about Moose Charities' membership with **tix4cause** and ask them to tell their friends! Don't forget to mention us on Facebook and Twitter.

Check out Mooseheart's personal **tix4cause** page [here](#). Let your purchase make a difference for Mooseheart by making **tix4cause.com** the first place you go to for event tickets!



# MOOSE LEGION NEWS

## St. John's River Moose Legion 227 Board Receive Key Club Pins



On Sunday, Oct 26th, the St John's River Moose Legion 227 Board of Officers received their Director's Key Club Pins. This was during the St John's River Moose Legion 227 meeting and Conferral at the Astor Lodge.

They were the first Board in the State and 2nd in the Fraternity to accomplish this and receive their Key Club Pins.

*Submitted by Bill Mulligan*

Left to right: St John's River Moose Legion 227 Board of Officers, David Butler, Carl "Primo" Comeau, Mike Linders, Paul Corp, Keith Bradshaw, Everett Goodwin, Bobby Baker. In the rear, Roger Beukema, Moose Legion Ambassador, who presented the Awards.

*Photo courtesy of Bill Mulligan*



## Past President of Indian River Moose Legion Honored at Orlando Celebration



International Moose Legion Councilman Dan O'Neal being presented his Honorary Past President Pin by International Moose Legion Ambassador Eddie Millwater. Pictured with them are Indian River Moose Legion 178 Directors; Tommy Nichols, Matt Holthusen, John Haystead, James Nadeau, President Michael Olmstead and Deputy Supreme Governor Harry Gautsch. Other dignitaries included Supreme Councilman Rodney Hammond, Moose Legion Area Manager David Flood, Florida Bermuda Moose Association Junior Past President Richard Jones and Harold Pogue.

It was a great day to be in the Orlando Moose Lodge #766 for the Indian River Moose Legion Celebration this December. Not only were we able to see a ritual performed by an award winning team, seven new Moose Legionnaires were conferred. This enrollment was in honor of Dan O'Neal, who was appointed to and installed as a member of the International Moose Legion

Council at the International Convention in July. As an additional honor, the Board of Directors bestowed the title of Honorary Past President for the Indian River Moose Legion. On hand to present him with his pin was International Moose Legion Ambassador Eddie Millwater. After presenting the pin Ambassador Millwater yielded the floor to Moose Legion Area Manager David Flood. Pilgrim Flood elaborated on being a mentor and introduced us all to some of Dan O'Neal's many accomplishments. The list was long, as Dan has been and is currently a Lodge Administrator, Moose Legion Secretary, Florida Bermuda Moose Association Finance Committee Chairman, is part of the Credentials Committee at our conventions, and has been instrumental with the online registration process we now use to pre-register for our Association Conventions. He has been recognized by Moose International for his excellent Moose Legion Publications, as a Top Moose Legion Secretary, and currently serves on the International Moose Legion Council. As a closing remark, and with much emotion, Dave Flood ended his time on the floor, by turning to Dan and saying, "you did good Grasshopper"... We all have a new idea for what we are trying to become. Dan O'Neal is a great Moose role model and watching his accomplishments in the future should be exciting.

*Submitted By W. Scott Duncan*

*Photo courtesy of Scott Duncan*

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

### New Port Richey—Socks for Students



Two members of the New Port Richey Lodge (Jan Popp and Tina), who work for the Pasco County School District, informed the Lodge that many students at Hudson Elementary were underprivileged and in need of socks and underwear.

During October and November posted signs and announcements urged members to make donations, resulting in 191 pairs of socks and 109 pairs of underwear. The community and school were thankful for this generosity.

*Submitted by Richard Shuttly*

Lodge members in front of Hudson Elementary School.

L-R: Jan Popp, Tina, John Distefano, John Spain, Susan Shuttly, Lisa Ganes, and Rich Shuttly.

*Photo courtesy of Richard Shuttly*

### Tommy Moose Comes to Pembroke Pines Community Outreach



On December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014, Pembroke Pines Moose Lodge 1844 had a Community Outreach for Moose Charities at the Burger King drive-through at Douglass and Taft in Pembroke Pines, Florida. Tommy Moose was there to greet every car that drove through. Carloads of children pulled over and had their picture taken with Tommy. Even a small dog didn't bark at Tommy,

but sniffed him then licked his nose. Tommy really is a friend to adults, children and small animals. The volunteers passed out over 125 brochures about the Moose and gave away Tommy Moose Book Marks. Best of all, patrons gave their change after purchase, which within four hours amounted to over \$35, for Moose Charities. Thank you for all the volunteers of the Pembroke Pines LOOM for your help.

*Submitted by Dale Davies, Trustee, LOOM 1844*



Above left: Tommy Moose greets a four-legged friend. Above: Tommy Moose in front of the Lodge.

*Photo courtesy of Dale Davies*

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

### Naples Moose Family Center Shares Tommy Moose with Community



On Oct 27, 2014, members of Naples Moose Family Center visited

Pictured (front l-r) Principal Christopher Marker and Scott St. John; (rear l-r) Vin Principe, Sr., Al Newcomb, Dan Sullivan, Asst. Principal Christen Krembs, Tim Sullivan and Theresa Principe.

Lake Park Elementary School in Naples and presented 500 Tommy Moose Halloween Treat bags to the students. Each bag included helpful and timely tips for safe trick or treating.

On Dec 1, 2014, Lodge 1782 made its annual Christmas donation of two dozen Tommy Moose dolls to the wom-

en's and children's shelter at St. Matthew's House in Naples. Most of the youngsters arrive at the shelter with only the clothes on their backs and the Tommy Moose dolls provide a little comfort to them during the holiday season.

*Text by Al Newcomb*



Pictured (front l-r) are shelter staff JoDee Hanssen and Robert Burns; (rear l-r) Tim Sullivan, Al Newcomb, Dan Sullivan and Joe Newcomb.

*Photos by Patti Finch-Hesketh*

### Titusville Moose Lodge Helps Local Family

Titusville Moose Lodge #84 and Chapter #1097 supported Grady's Decision, a nonprofit that provides financial, emotional, and spiritual help to families dealing with premature births or children who need specialized medical attention.

From October 8th through October 25th, the men and women from Titusville Moose collected baby items and cash donations for Grady's Decision, a local charity.

Grady's Decision provides an avenue for people to donate and assist these families during this difficult situation and also provides help with parking costs, food, housing near hospitals, and transportation needs.

After organization founders Ryan and Katrina Smith, local Titusville residents, visited the Moose Lodge and shared their story about having premature twins and losing one of the babies, they asked the Lodge to help out by collecting diapers. The Titusville members not only collected diapers and other baby items, but also donated \$1,500 to Grady's Decision and held an additional fund-



raising event to raise awareness about the organization. We congratulate the Titusville Lodge # 84 Chapter #1097 on their efforts and urge all of our members to keep up their good work!

*Source: Moose International Website*



# COMMUNITY SERVICE

## Winter Haven College of Regents Committee Gives to the Community



Above: L-R: Faye Zelonky, Keysha Ford, Adrienne Borah, Geneva Nash and Sherry Stubbs at Auburndale Oaks Health Care.



Above: L-R: Sherry Stubbs, Faye Zelonky, Geneva Nash and Ken Fortney.



Above.: L-R: Ketia Itacy, Sherry Stubbs, Faye Zelonky, and Geneva Nash deliver goodie bags to Consulate Health Care.

The College of Regents Committee also organized a coat drive at the Lodge. Donations were given to Burlington Coat Factory for their “Warm Coats Warm Hearts” Annual program. They collect gently-worn coats in all store locations and work with local agencies to distribute the coats to those most in need within the community. This is the 5th year the Co-workers have participated. Finally, in support of the United States Marine Corps “Toys for Tots” campaign, Sherry Stubbs delivered toys collected to the USMC on December 8th. The recruiters love seeing the ladies and enjoy having their photos taken with us.

*Submitted by Sherry Stubbs*

Below: Sherry presents Sgt. Chanse Myers (l) and Sgt Jose Cruz with toys.



Members of the Winter Haven Chapter 1152 College of Regents Committee have been preparing and delivering goodie bags to nursing homes for 5 years. This year’s Chairman is Geneva Nash and her committee included Sherry Stubbs, Faye Zelonky and Vicki Murray. 92 bags were delivered on December 15th to Auburndale Oaks Health Care and 120 bags to Consulate Health Care for residents so that each would be sure to have a little something for Christmas. Reward for co-workers was the joy in their eyes.

*Photos Courtesy of Sherry Stubbs*

# LODGE AND CHAPTER NEWS

## Macclenny Lodge Hosts Moosehaven and Local Seniors Thanksgiving Dinner



The Holiday Season started off with a big bang for the ladies and men of the Macclenny Moose Lodge 2412 taking the Moose Mission to their community. On Saturday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, the men deep fried 35 turkeys, while the ladies made the dressing and all the fixings for their yearly Seniors Thanksgiving Dinner. But it did not stop there. The Women of the Moose had a local Day Care Center in on the fun, making place mats for the tables; boy were they nice! Then came a local Youth Dance Club, with the kids helping to serve the seniors their dinner and dancing for them later. Moosehaven sent three buses over with around 75 residents, and our

local Baker County Council on Aging sent two buses with 45 seniors.

The ladies and men

did not stop their carrying out of the Moose Mission there. Members of the Macclenny Lodge helped the City of Macclenny install its Christmas lighting on the streets and in the parks. Then the ladies built a large float for the Light Christmas Parade to educate the public on Mooseheart and Moosehaven. Before the parade, during the day, the Lodge and Chapter manned a booth with Moose Legion Seminole 81 Cop-N-Box, finger printing 46 kids. Plus, they sold hot dogs and items for funds for the upcoming Christmas-4 Kids Christmas Party held at the Lodge Saturday December 13<sup>th</sup>.

*Submitted by Buddy Dugger*

Above L-R: Moosehaven residents enjoying dinner; Macclenny WOTM serve up the food.

Below L-R: Seniors arriving; plates being served, volunteers from Youth Dance Club.

*Photos courtesy of J. Fedora*



## LODGE AND CHAPTER NEWS

### Port St. Lucie Chapter 1236 Completes Christmas Community Service Project



The Women of the Moose of Port St. Lucie Chapter 1236 donated toys for Castle which is a non-profit organization who prevents child abuse and neglect through education and awareness. This was a community service project for the WOTM for Christmas.

Pictured are coworkers from W.O.T.M. Chapter 1236 and also the Administrative Assistant from Castle, Kathi DeGroat who spoke at our Chapter Meeting on December 17<sup>th</sup>.

*Submitted By: Phyllis Gainer*

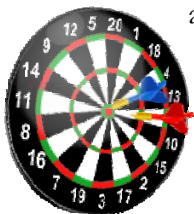
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## FMBA WOTM SPORTS

### New Florida WOTM Sports Chairman Announced



Hello WOTM & LOOM. Let me introduce myself; I am Joy Nekola, your new Florida State WOTM Sports Chairman. The International Office believes that our program needs to have annual sports tournaments, both attractive and available to all members of the WOTM & LOOM. Our main concentration should be Pool, Darts, Bowling, Golf, Horseshoes and Corn Hole. These sporting events are part of our International Sports Program and they would like Florida to have more participation in the International Program. In addition we are encouraged to involve our Children in annual tournaments, such as Bowling, Darts Etc. I'm excited to get these tournaments going. Please contact me if you would like to become a Hostess Chapter. Let's get Florida Rocking!!!! Let's Show them how it's done.



*Joy Nekola, 352-210-1738, xpectations4u2@att.net*



Above: Joy Nekola, new FBMA WOTM Sports Chairman

*Photo courtesy Joy Nekola*

# MOOSE RIDER NEWS

## Mandarin Moose Riders Donate a Day of BINGO and Fun to Moosehaven



Christmas is the season of “giving”, which is exactly what our Riders are all about. So we decided give the Moosehaven residents this year a Christmas Bingo with BIG prizes. With the help of many Riders and members that baked some wonderful cookies, we put together goodie bags for each resident that attended. I’d like to thank ALL the Riders that came out for a fun day at Moosehaven. Don’t think we ever had so many THANK YOU’S and HUGS from a group as we did that day. The residents also had an open refreshment bar for which the

Above: Mandarin 42 Moose Riders pose with Moosehaven residents.

Riders picked up the tab. Their weekly bingo doesn’t pay out much at a “nickel a game”, so we made sure they had BIG winnings. We had almost 100 attend. It was a great day of giving and most important, the warm hugs and thank yous were awesome.

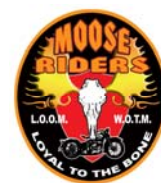
*Submitted by Linda Rodgers*

*Photo courtesy of Mandarin Moose Riders*

### From Moose International:

#### Moose Rider Recognition

Hopefully we can work towards a New Year of more and better Moose Rider information and celebrate more Moose Rider success stories than ever. To help ensure your group gets the recognition it deserves and is identified on the Official Moose Rider website, we have undertaken an effort to allow all Moose Riders to be recognized on their personal Moose Membership Identification Records. Moose Rider Presidents and Secretaries are encouraged to contact me at [cecker@mooseintl.org](mailto:cecker@mooseintl.org) to request an excel file template in which they can list their Moose Rider roster and send it back to me. Your Group member’s information will then be uploaded to Moose International’s MMMS system and you’ll be recognized as a Moose Rider.



# Sponsor a Member for a Shot at the King of Hearts Jackpot!



Throughout the month of January, any member who sponsors a new or former member into the Loyal Order of Moose, the Women of the Moose or the Moose Legion has the chance to win BIG in a special King of Hearts promotion.

For every new or former member you sponsor in January, you are awarded one credit to play the King of Hearts game online at [www.mooseintl.org](http://www.mooseintl.org). Jackpots start at \$100 and for every member who plays and doesn't win, \$1 is added to the pot until someone claims it all. January is one of our busiest membership months, so jackpots could easily reach into the thousands!

To play the game you must first sponsor a member and they must be recorded by your Lodge, Chapter or Moose Legion. Then log onto the Moose website and follow the links to the King of Hearts game in the Member's Area. The game login requires your member ID number – then it's time to play! Simply select a card from a standard deck of 52 playing cards to see if you're a winner. If you select the King of Hearts, you win the jackpot! If you select the King of Diamonds, you're an instant winner of a cash gift. Once someone wins the jackpot, it automatically gets reset to \$100 and the process starts all over again until the promotional period ends.

If you are a winner, your member information is automatically sent to the Membership Department at Moose International, where a representative will arrange payment. You don't need to do anything but click on a card. It's so easy and you can use your winnings to pay off your holiday bills or next year's dues.

Now is a great time to sponsor a member and potentially win cash for doing so. Good luck to all who participate and play. ■



*Join us next year in Nashville  
for the 2015 International Moose  
Convention to be held July 3rd-7th!  
Check the International website for  
Information about registering and  
booking your room.*





**Moose International has secured a limited number of tickets** for the 4th of July Evening Fireworks Cruise aboard the General Jackson Showboat. This is an excellent way to view one of the most spectacular fireworks displays in the country. If you are interested in purchasing tickets for this cruise, you must order your tickets on the online registration form. Please note: This option is only available if you register online. Once all tickets to this cruise have been reserved, this option will no longer exist on the form.

- Boarding is at 6:15pm; Departure 7:00pm; Return approximately 11:00pm
- Cost \$95.00
- All seating for the dinner is inside and air conditioned

**On Sunday, July 5th the Moose 25 Club program** will be an evening at the Grand Ole Opry. If you have earned or anticipate earning 25 Club status by April 30th, 2015, you will automatically receive complimentary preferred-seating tickets for you and a guest at this evening's performance. Unless you are purchasing additional seats to this performance, do not buy tickets at this time through your registration form. If you fail to earn 25 Club status, there will likely be tickets available onsite for this performance, although this cannot be guaranteed.

**For those individuals who do not anticipate earning 25 Club status by April 30th,** you may purchase tickets to this event at any time (while quantities last) either through the registration form or onsite at registration

- All tickets are \$30.00
- As is the Grand Ole Opry tradition, performers will not be announced prior to the show but could include any current member who indicates a desire to perform that evening



# 2015 International Moose Convention

## Preliminary Schedule

(subject to change)

### Thursday, July 2, 2015

Registration Opens PM

### Friday, July 3, 2015

Registration Open  
Moose International Gift Store and Displays Open  
WOTM Academy of Friendship Conferral  
WOTM and Moose Legion Ritual Competition Begins  
Moose Legion Conference Opens  
WOTM Opening General Session  
Men's and Women's Joint Grand Opening Session

### Saturday, July 4, 2015

Registration, Gift Store and Displays Open  
Supreme Lodge Opening General Session  
WOTM College of Regents Conferral  
Pilgrim Luncheon

### **Evening Open for 4th of July Festivities**

### Sunday, July 5, 2015

Registration, Gift Store and Displays Open  
WOTM Star Recorder Conferral  
LOOM Workshops and Moose Legion Topical Sessions  
Ritual Luncheon and Program  
Men's and Women's Joint Session  
Moose 25 Club Party

### Monday, July 6, 2015

Registration, Gift Store and Displays Open  
LOOM Fellowship Breakfast & Conferral  
WOTM Workshop Sessions  
Supreme Lodge General Session  
Men's and Women's Heart of the Community  
Events  
Karaoke Finals

### Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Registration, Gift Store and Displays Open  
WOTM Closing General Session  
LOOM Workshop Sessions  
Men's and Women's Joint Installation Session  
League of Guardians Event







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<http://www.moosecharities.org/schoolPrograms.asp>

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01/09 - 01/11/2015		Northwest 182 Celebration	Quincy Lodge 2672
01/10/2015	Reg 8 AM Class starts at 9AM	MLEC So Fla 46 Host	Lauderdale Lakes Lodge 2267
01/16 - 01/18/2015	1:00 PM Gen Mtg on the 17th	FBMA State Riders Spring Mtg	So Lake County Lodge 1615
01/17 - 01/19/2015		Gulfstream 189 Celebration	Perrine Lodge 380
01/17 - 01/19/2015	8:30 AM	2-Day HOTT Class	Arcadia Lodge 1327
01/23 - 01/25/2015		FBMA Full Board Mtg	Moosehaven Campus
01/31/2015	Reg 8 AM Class starts at 9AM	MLEC Sailfish 197 host	Vero Beach Lodge 1822
01/31/2015	Reg 8 AM Class starts at 9AM	MLEC Northwest 182 Host	Panama City Lodge 1389
02/07/2015	Reg 8 AM Class starts at 9AM	MLEC Manatee 58 Host (125 & 201 incl)	Venice Lodge 1308
02/14/2015	Reg 8 AM Class starts at 9AM	MLEC Cypress 202 Host	Lake Panasoffkee Lodge 1179
02/21/2015	Reg 8 AM Class starts at 9AM	MLEC Gulfstream 189 Host	Marathon Lodge 1058
02/21 - 02/23/2015	8:30 AM	2-Day HOTT Class	Pensacola Lodge 557
02/28/2015	9:00 AM	Moose Legion Ritual Competition	Orlando Lodge 766
02/28/2015	Reg 8 AM Class starts at 9AM	MLEC Seminole 81 Host	Lake City Lodge 624
03/04/2015		Supreme Governor visit	Sebastian River lodge 1767
03/05/2015		Supreme Governor visit	North Port Lodge 764
03/06/2015		Supreme Governor Visit	Bradenton Lodge
03/07 - 03/09/2015		So Fla 46 Celebration	Hallandale Lodge 668
03/07 - 03/09/2015		Indian River 178 Celebration	Kissimmee 2056
03/07/2015		Supreme Governor visit	Dade City Lodge 397
03/14 - 03/16/2015		Thunderbolt M/L 201 Celebration	Winter Haven Lodge 1023
03/21/2015		Manatee 58 Celebration	Bonita Springs Lodge 1454
03/22/2015		Florida Days	Moosehaven Campus
03/27 - 03/29/2015	Note date change	Gulfstream 189 Celebration	West Dade Lodge 1825
03/28/2015	Note date change	Orange Blossom 125 Celebration	Riverview Lodge 2158
03/28 - 03/30/2015		Cypress 202 Celebration	Lake Panasoffkee Lodge 1179
03/28 - 03/30/2015	8:30 AM	2-Day HOTT Class	Pompano Beach Lodge 2157
04/09 - 04/12/2015		FBMA Mid-year Conference	Orlando Rosen Plaza Hotel
04/18 - 04/20/2015	8:30 AM	2-Day HOTT Class	New Smyrna Bch Lodge 1835
04/24 - 04/26/2015		Northwest 182 Celebration	Wakulla Lodge 2510
04/29 - 05/04/2015		Int'l Student Congress	Orlando Rosen Plaza Hotel
05/16 - 05/18/2015	8:30 AM	2-day HOTT Class	Tarpon Springs Lodge 1429
06/06 - 06/08/2015		Thunderbolt 201 Celebration	Anna Maria Island Lodge 2188
06/06 - 06/08/2015		Indian River 178 Celebration	Cocoa Lodge 1717
06/06 - 06/08/2015		Cypress 202 Celebration	Sliver Springs Lodge 1199
06/06 - 06/08/2015	8:30 AM	2-day HOTT Class	Big Pine Key Lodge 1585
06/11 - 06/13/2015		Gulfstream 189 Celebration	Key West Lodge 1760
06/12 - 06/14/2015		So Fla 46 Celebration	Naples Lodge 1782
06/20/2015		Manatee 58 Celebration	Gulf Cove Lodge 2554
06/27/2015		Orange Blossom 125 Celebration	Largo Lodge 2205
06/27 - 06/29/2015	8:30 AM	2-day HOTT Class	Riverview Lodge 2158

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