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The Leader

Your Monthly Newsletter

LODGE 898
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BEST TASTING AND MOST UNIQUE— PEOPLES CHOICE!



At the Virginia Moose Association Chili Cook-off. September 8, 2018
THE PORTSMOUTH PEPPERS cooking up some great food and fun at Lynchburg South Family Center # 1727 Left to right: Francis “Peck” Seader, Nancy Crum, Mary Kay Benjamin, Bob Benjamin, Denise Stremmet Lancaster, Becky Weeks, Bob Weeks, Jimmy Balkcom, the Guy from Appomattox Lodge, and Larry “Taco” Ballance. Note: Top Photo Credit, Don Ridenhour from VMA website.

From the Governor,

Brothers and Co-Workers,

As the fall season approaches, let's all take the time to properly prepare and make sure we are ready for the colder weather and if you know of someone that may need a little help preparing, please let us know.

Halloween is getting close. Please keep a watch out for the little ones as they go trick-or-treating.

A lot of work has been and continues to be done around the lodge. I want to thank everyone for their patience during this time. A big thanks goes out to Jay for a great job on the floor and to Ida on painting in the Game Room, they both really look great.

With that being said, we all need to pitch in to keep our lodge neat and organized and to return all the tables and chairs back to the way it was setup. This goes a long way in keeping our lodge presentable to the visitors and guest.

We had our third Joint Orientation on September 18 and we welcomed eight new people: Craig Cary, Kristina Rozier, Larry Cullipher, Evelyn Cullipher, Mark Ecobichon, Robert Bugg, Jimmie Garcia, and Gary Street. Our next Orientation is scheduled for November. If you know of someone that would be a good member or would like to become a member, bring them out and show off your lodge.

In closing, remember to keep an eye on the calendar for all the up and coming events, there is a lot going on over the next couple of months.

Fraternally yours,
Robert Logan
Governor

NOTICE

Effective the first week of October, the book will be called on Saturday Night instead of Friday. All other rules for the Book will not change.

Senior Regent

Happy Fall co-workers! September brought with it mid year conference, the fear of hurricane Florence, our Star Recorder Chapter Activity Night, and the beginning of the Strides Monday night laps. Our children and grandchildren all started school, all of our teaching and bus driving co-workers went back to school, and those of us with school aged children sent them off to school. We also purchased and donated over \$900.00 worth of school supplies to local children through the Write Stuff School Supply Campaign, thanks in large part to donations from the LOOM and the chapter. It was such a busy month. We walked in the Alzheimer's Walk and raised money for Strides Against Breast Cancer through our Bald-a-Thon and Moose Stock. Once again, I am so proud of our chapter.

Congratulations to September's coworker of the month, Susan Whitehurst. Susan is often seen running our pull tabs at bingo and working hard to make a successful bingo game each week. She does it with a smile on her face and is one of the main cogs in making our bingo sessions profitable and successful. Thank you Susan!

October marks the beginning of our busy holiday schedule. I know at times it will probably seem like we aren't stopping for breath, but I always love to watch our co-workers come together in these months to make huge differences in the lives of the children in our lodge as well as the children and families in our community. In these months, we really are "Moose on a Mission." I can't wait to work with each and every one of you to start making these special holiday projects a possibility. In order to make one of our projects (the holiday meal baskets) a possibility, we will begin collecting canned goods and non perishable food items in the bus by the dining room on October 1. Bring the items to a meeting or bingo session for raffle tickets for a \$25 Walmart gift card! Also, at our Chapter Activity Night on October 4th, we will have the annual march of checks so we can send money to our child city and city of contentment for their holiday celebrations.

Movie Night at the Lodge

Is your Family enjoying our Family Movie Night on the Second and Fourth Friday of the Month. If not, come out and join the fun with other Moose Families and enjoy free Popcorn!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL LOOM
MEMBERS AND CO-WORKERS WHO
HAVE OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

Sr. Regent continued...

This month we will have the Community Service/Secretary Treasurer Sunday game party on October 7, 2018. Proceeds from the game party will go to help with the costs associated with holiday meal baskets and our Underprivileged Kid's Christmas Party. Doors will open at 12:00 noon and the game party will begin at 1:00 pm to allow our church going members the opportunity to attend. We look forward to seeing each of you there with your side dishes. Remember, these events and their success help to determine our ability to make the holidays brighter for underprivileged children and families.

On October 20th, we will have our children's Halloween party with a twist. This year, we are going to combine the Halloween Party with our Fall Festival and have one super big event for the lodge and chapter's children and grandchildren to attend. The event will be from 1-5 pm and will be slam packed with games, activities, and much more. Be on the look out for fliers and more information in the lodge. We can't wait to see all of the kids dressed up for this party!

Enjoy the month with family and friends as you prepare to gear up for the holidays. I look forward to seeing you around the lodge!

Upcoming Events:

- 10/1 Strides Laps for a Cure 6:00pm lodge
- 10/2 Audit 6:00pm
- 10/4 Chapter Activity Night- March of Checks
7:00pm
- 10/7 Sunday Game party Doors open at
12:00pm
- 10/8 Strides Laps for a cure 6:00pm
- 10/9 Board/Joint Board 6:30pm
- 10/11 Community Service Jitney/Game Party
6:00pm
- 10/13 Strides against Breast Cancer walk
- 10/14 District Meeting at Aragona Moose Lodge
12:00
- 10/18 WOTM business meeting 7:00pm
- 10/20 Kids Halloween Party/Fall Festival
1:00-5:00pm
- 10/23 Friendship 7:00pm
- 10/25 WOTM business meeting 7:00pm

SEE A VET - THANK A VET

Never pass up a chance to thank a Veteran for his or her service. Let them know that we appreciate their sacrifice and dedicated service.

Moose Legion – The Degree of Service
HRML #199 Board of Officers voted to donate \$1000 towards the purchase toiletry items for the Hurricane Florence victims in N.C. Thanks for being a Moose Legionnaire so we can make that happen!

Let's continue to build our herd; it costs only \$15 for sponsoring or re-enrolling members into the Moose Legion.

The next HRML #199 Conferral of Moose Legionnaires will be at the Newport News Moose Lodge on Saturday, October 13; new member orientation begins at 11 AM and Conferral begins at 11:30

Join us for a fun night out at the next Moose Legion dinner meeting on Saturday, October 6. Meeting begins at 6 PM, followed by Cocktails and Dinner. Bring you steak, chicken, fish, etc. for the grill. We will provide salad and potato for \$6.

We are selling raffle tickets at a cost of \$5 for two nights and breakfast for two on two mornings at the Holiday Inn Greenwich Road during the Winter Celebration in February 2019. Drawing will be on December 8 and you do not need to be present to win. See me for the tickets.

Thanks for your support.

Bob Benjamin
HRML 199 Assistant Secretary

Higher Degree

The Star Recorder Chapter Activity Night has very nice and thank you to everyone who took part in the program.

College of Regents have been busy with their fundraisers of sales of RADA cutlery. If you are interested please see me or a college member. We would gladly help you as the proceeds are going to our college scholarship. It is some really nice cutlery and dip mixes too.

Congratulations to the Portsmouth Peppers on their win at the State Chili Cook off. They won first place peoples choice award and also won most unique chili, I think it was the hush puppies.

Friendship members our meeting will be October 23rd at 7pm in the dining room.

Have a wonderful fall.
Rebecca Weeks
Higher Degree Chairman

MEMBERS 'SPECIAL' MEETING

The Lodge will hold a "Special Meeting" on October 9, 2018 at 7:00PM to discuss Lodge Financial Expenditures for Lodge Capital Improvements. All members in good standing are notified of this meeting.

From the Administrator:

What a great month September was. So much going on at the Lodge. New Vinyl Plank Floors in the Game Room and Social Quarters. The Social Quarters and business office have been completed carpeted. Then you will also see new paint in the game room (thanks Ida). To top it off, we are getting all new floors on the Annex. Everything looks so great. Thanks to everyone who helped move furniture out and back in. Everyone worked so hard to complete these projects.

Now it's on to the Bingo Hall
The roof on the Annex is done !!!!!

We did not receive any Grant money from Moose International for Lodge improvements, so we will be looking for other ways to fund our renovations and upgrades.

We were very lucky to miss Hurricane Florence, but some of our neighbors to the south did not fare so well. In the Spirit of the Moose we are going to make a donation to help them out. Hampton Roads Moose Legion 199 is also collecting toiletries, pillows, blankets, diapers, wipes, flashlights, batteries, work boots and clothes. Bring items to the Lodge and a truck will be taking all these items to North Carolina.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Our Bingo income needs to be increased and the only way to do that is to sell more pull tabs. That means selling in the second half. We need to increase participation in volunteers at the second half of our Bingo sessions. So, the Board has authorized giving \$10 in Moose Bucks to any one who volunteers and stays til the end of the session. Hopefully this will give us the needed volunteers to sell all the way thru the session and increase our revenue. This program will go into effect October 3, 2018.

Fraternally,
Bob Knight - Administrator

Golf League News

Well, Hurricane Florence postponed the VMA State Tournament to October 19th-21st. Hopewell felt it was best to reschedule for everyone's safety. They are looking forward to a good turnout at

Dogwood Trace.

Since the state tournament was rescheduled I was able to move the October 21st outing at Riverfront in Suffolk to October 7th at 9:00 am. This will allow everyone that was planning on attending the tournament a chance to play both. I also changed the last outing (Best Ball) to our third league tournament. From there, we are off to Suffolk Golf Course on October 13th at 9:00 am, which will be our 1st tournament followed by the Moose International the weekend of the 26th.

With the Moose International Golf Tournament #2 this month, several volunteers will be needed to help with player Check-in/Welcoming table, contests around the course, and a scoring supervisor for each course. You don't have to be a golfer, volunteers are needed October 26th, 27th, or 28th between 7am-3pm. We are expecting over 180 golfers coming from all over the country, including Canada. The weekend will be packed with several activities on each course and at the lodge. There are still sponsorships available, the beverage cart (\$50 a side), each hole (\$100), Welcoming/Check-in Table (\$50), and Putting Green (\$50), and Driving Range (\$50). Contact myself or the lodge for more information about the sponsorship or participating in the tournament.

We hope to see you all for a fun filled weekend of golfing!

Robert Logan
Golf League Administrator

Back to School, Back to Scouts!

Don't let your family miss out on the fun!!

Our Pack meets on Monday nights..7 pm until 8 pm. Our Troop meets on Tuesday nights..7 pm until 8:30 pm.

Come on by and check us out!

GIRL SCOUTS

GS 5125 is a multi-level troop that meets every other Thurs. until cookie season. Our first meeting was Thurs. Sept. 13 from 6 to 7pm at the Scouting cabin in the back/Bingo parking lot. Continuing meetings of GS 5125 at Scouting cabin every other week. Please call or text for dates.

This year's theme is "From Start to Finish."
Uniforms are \$45, troop fees are \$ 75, and GS membership is \$25. You need to registrar at GSCCC.com and list Service unit 330 and Troop 5125. Please come out and support scouting. Chery Smith Co-Leader text 757-292-8293 or email cendrasil40@hotmail.com.

ANNOUNCEMENT

BOOSTERS

The Boosters next meeting will be on OCTOBER 7, 2018 at 9:00 AM. If you are interested in learning about what the Boosters do, come on out and get free Breakfast.

PILGRIMS / FELLOWS

The next meeting for the Fellows will be OCTOBER 9 in the dining room on at 6 PM. All Fellows welcome. Next Pilgrim Luncheon, 1 TO 3 PM Date TBD

MOOSE RIDERS

The Moose Lodge 898 Moose Riders next meeting will be at Zino's 10/28/18- 9 AM.

LODGE LEGION

Lodge 898 Legion next mtg 6 pm, OCTOBER 6,

BUNCO

2ND & 4TH Monday Nights in the Social Quarters at 7:00PM

CORN HOLE

We play **EVERY Monday night at 7:00 PM**
All active Moose and WOTM Members welcome.

'FREE' POKER NIGHT AT THE LODGE

If you like to play Texas Hold-me Poker you are invited to join your Lodge Brothers and Sisters for Poker at 7:00. Come enjoy the fun & fellowship on 10/6 AND 10/20 SATURDAY

VETERANS

Are you a US Military Veteran? You can be recognized by your Moose Brothers by signing up for the Valued Veterans program. It's very easy to do. Go to Moose International website, scroll down on the right to 'RESOURCES', click on 'My Membership Record', sign in and in the Membership box on the top right check the box next to 'Valued Veteran'. You will be invited to a Dinner Ceremony to receive a Valued Veterans certificate and lapel pin. Then when you renew your membership, you will receive a new membership card identifying you as a 'VALUED VETERAN'

MOOSE CHARITIES

Have you heard of the M+M Club ?

You can set up a monthly draft for as little as \$10 to donate to Moose Heart or Moose Haven.

Automatically taken and given to help the people who we have committed to cars for. It's quick, easy and painless. Check it out on the

SOCIAL QUARTERS HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY	3:00 PM –10:00 PM
TUESDAY	3:00 PM –12:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	3:00 PM –11:00 PM
THURSDAY	3:00 PM –11:00 PM
FRIDAY	3:00 PM –12:00 PM
SATURDAY	11:00 AM -11:00 PM*
SUNDAY	11:00 AM -9:00 PM

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Please consider volunteering for Bingo, the additional income helps us meet our obligations to MooseHeart, Moose Haven and our local community charities.

BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY NIGHTS 5:30 – 10:00 FREE DINNER !!!!

Pool Leagues say Thanks! We are proud to announce our newly remodeled social quarters, which feature the finest pool tables in the entire area. They are 4 Valley 7ft tables with Champion Blue Cloth. The lighting, the tables, the balls make our social quarters pool room a fabulous addition to our Lodge. Our first tournament with just word of mouth brought 22 players to the Friday Night Tournament. And this is only the beginning of how this wonderful pool room is going to benefit our Lodge. We have an in house league with 8 teams playing on a professional operated APPA pool league and of course we have our traveling Sunday teams enjoying all the benefits of playing pool on excellent conditions. We strongly believe that when other Moose lodge players play in our "Room" they will want to come to all of our events.

Soon we will be announcing a regular schedule and monthly tournament which will make our "Room" the show place for all Moose players to enjoy.

If you would like more information of our exciting Pool activities please contact the following Moose Brothers, John V. Ruggiero (JR) our Monday night league director 681-1815, Tommy Scott our Friday night tournament Director 553-2624, they can fill you in on all the great pool news and activity our Lodge is offering.

To submit an article or email the Lodge at lodge898@mooseunits.org and/or me directly at goosewench@gmail.com. Please put "newsletter" or something similar in the subject box of the email.

Deadline: OCTOBER 20. All articles will be approved by the Lodge Administrator prior to printing of each issue of 'The Leader'.

Nancy Crum

OCTOBER 2018 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 CORNHOLE POOL LEAGUE	2 QUEEN OF HEARTS	3 BINGO	4 WOTM ACTIVITY	5 BINGO	6 LEGION MEETS 6:00
	IDA Subs/Chips \$8.95	FRIED SHRIMP BASKET W// FRIES HUSHPUPIES \$7.95	DANCE CLASS 8 OZ Strip Steak Baked Potato / Salad \$8.95	CLUB SANDWICH W// FRIES \$7.95	OPEN POOL NIGHT DJ- DAVID HERRIN ALL YOU CAN EAT SPAGHETTI & SALAD BAR \$8.95	POKER NIGHT 7:00 KJ- DAVID HERRIN BBQ Sandwich w/ french fries \$6.95
7 Liver & Onions 2 Veggies \$8.95	8 CORNHOLE POOL LEAGUE BUNCO 7:00	9 FELLOWS MEET 6:00 MEMBER MEETING 7:00 JOINT BOARD MEETS QUEEN OF HEARTS	10 BINGO	11 WOTM JITNEY/GAME PARTY	12 BINGO	13 STRIDES FOR LIFE! BAND
	IDA Subs/Chips \$8.95	FRIED FISH BASKET W// FRIES HUSHPUPIES \$7.95	8 OZ Strip Steak Baked Potato / Salad \$8.95	MOOSEBURGER WITH OR WITHOUT CHEESE/ W FRIES \$6.95	Red Beans & Sausage w/ RICE & SALAD \$8.95	BBQ Sandwich w/ french fries \$6.95
14 Liver & Onions 2 Veggies \$8.95	15 CORNHOLE POOL LEAGUE	16 QUEEN OF HEARTS	BINGO	17 WOTM MEETING 18	19 BINGO	20 POKER NIGHT 7:00 Kids Harvest Party 1-5 KJ- KNS
	IDA Subs/chips \$8.95	FRIED SHRIMP BASKET W// FRIES HUSHPUPIES \$7.95	DANCE CLASS 8 OZ Strip Steak Baked Potato / Salad \$8.95	BOWL OF SOUP & SANDWICH W/ CHIPS \$7.95	OPEN POOL NIGHT DJ- KNS	BBQ Sandwich w/ french fries \$6.95
21 VCMA DANCE Liver & Onions 2 Veggies \$8.95	22 CORNHOLE POOL LEAGUE BUNCO 7:00	23 WOTM FRIENDSHIP MEMBER MEETING 7:00 QUEEN OF HEARTS	BINGO	24 WOTM MEETING 25	26 BINGO	27 Moose Open House 898 Halloween Party DJ- MIKE P
	IDA Subs/chips \$8.95	FRIED FISH BASKET W// FRIES HUSHPUPIES \$7.95	8 OZ Strip Steak Baked Potato / Salad \$8.95	(2) PORK CHOPS & VEGGIES \$8.95	OPEN POOL NIGHT MOVIE NIGHT MEATLOAF & VEGGIES	BBQ Sandwich w/ french fries \$6.95
28 WOTM Paint Party 3:00 MOOSE RIDERS MEET Cubs Halloween Party Liver & Onions 2 Veggies \$8.95	29 CORNHOLE POOL LEAGUE	30 QUEEN OF HEARTS	31 BINGO			
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WELCOME NEW MOOSE 898 MEMBERS

<u>MEMBER'S NAME</u>	<u>SPONSORS' NAME</u>
Chance Davies	Linda Bagwell
Jammie Garcia	David Herrin
Nathaniel Sherer	Corbin Perkins
Gary Street	Robert Eilenberger

ENTERTAINMENT FOR OCTOBER 2018

OCTOBER 1	POOL LEAGUE
OCTOBER 1	CORNHOLE
OCTOBER 5	OPEN POOL
OCTOBER 5	DJ/KJ DAVID HERRIN
OCTOBER 6	DJ/KJ DAVID HERRIN
OCTOBER 6	TEXAS HOLD EM
OCTOBER 8	POOL LEAGUE
OCTOBER 8	CORNHOLE
OCTOBER 8	BUNCO
OCTOBER 12	MOVIE NIGHT
OCTOBER 12	OPEN POOL
OCTOBER 13	KJ- MIKE P
OCTOBER 15	POOL LEAGUE
OCTOBER 15	CORNHOLE
OCTOBER 19	OPEN POOL
OCTOBER 19	DJ/KJ K N S
OCTOBER 20	DJ/KJ K N S
OCTOBER 20	TEXAS HOLD EM
OCTOBER 22	POOL LEAGUE
OCTOBER 22	CORNHOLE
OCTOBER 22	BUNCO
OCTOBER 26	MOVIE NIGHT
OCTOBER 26	OPEN POOL
OCTOBER 27	DJ/KJ MIKE P
OCTOBER 29	POOL LEAGUE
OCTOBER 29	CORNHOLE

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MEMBERSHIP AND RETENTION

Let’s not forget that we need to increase our membership for the coming year.

New Lodge members only \$40.00.

Remember to renew your dues early. It is very easy: by mail, online or at the lodge home.

WOTM - Please see a chapter Board Member.

Do you like to cruise or would you like to take a cruise but are not sure where to start? Bruce Smith has obtained info for a May 12– 17, 2019 cruise. PLEASE contact Trish Bunting at 757-499-9920 or trish@lescapetravel.com or talk to Bruce.

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Sunshine Chairman– Zada Reardon	545-7922

Musician-	
Moose Charities-	
Audit Committee-	TBD
Moose Charities	TBD
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Application Review-	TBD
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