



# Loyal Order of Moose Arlington #1315 Lodge Newsletter

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AUGUST 2020



**If you have not heard ... the Lodge is AGAIN OPEN!! We are taking baby steps and easing into some Social Events this Month.**

We understand anyone who is hesitant to come to the Lodge during these extraordinary circumstances of the coronavirus pandemic; therefore, we are also offering "to-go" boxes for each Social Event. **The Lodge needs your support**, so if you do not want to mingle among the members in the Lodge, please consider taking some food from the Social Events to eat at home. We will even bring the food out to your car in the parking lot if desired, but call ahead before you get to the Lodge. **A win-win situation for you and the Lodge!**



- August 1<sup>st</sup>  
Welcome Back Cookout
- August 15<sup>th</sup>  
Summer Bash
- August 29<sup>th</sup>  
Bull Roast

**It is noted that these events could be cancelled due to regulation changes by the Governor of Virginia**

## **SORRY! The Lodge changed our First Social Event in August**

It was expressed by our Brothers at the General Membership Meeting on July 21<sup>st</sup> that we should start off with something simple, in regard to a food menu, as our first Social Event. It was agreed that a hamburger & hot dog cookout event would be easier in cooking and serving; therefore, the **originally planned Bull Roast as the first event has been deferred until the end of the month.**



## **Our First Social Event since March!!**

AUGUST  
EVENT

## **Welcome Back Cookout – August 1<sup>st</sup> (2:00PM to 6:00PM)**

The menu is our basic cookout with hot dogs and hamburgers ... but the side dishes have not been determined at this time. Please support the Lodge in our first endeavor to get our members back to enjoy the Lodge and our comradery.

**Masks are required by Law to be worn within the Lodge at all times**



**EXCEPT when seated AND drinking or eating!**

**In keeping with baby steps at this time the Friday Night Dinners will not be offered in August**



## **Arlington #1315 to Participate Again at the VMA Heart of the Community Chili Cook-Off**

Due to the COVID-19 virus pandemic, a VMA District 4 chili cook-off could not happen this past spring or summer.

The VMA District 4 asked us if we would be willing to represent our District again this Year and **we accepted** (*Duh! It was a no brainer*). Having experience from last year, we hope that we learned some "tips" to compete at a higher level..



## **Congratulations to Kenneth McQuinn for attaining 50 years of Service in the Loyal Order of the Moose**

The Arlington Fraternity extends our appreciation of Brother Kenneth's continued dedication to support Mooseheart and Moosehaven. Brother Kenneth has earned a Lifetime Membership in the Loyal Order of the Moose. **We are PROUD to have Brother Kenneth in the Arlington Fraternity!**



**Did You Forget to Renew Your Moose Dues?**

We know that renewing your Moose Membership may not have been a priority during the past several months due to the world facing the COVID-19 virus pandemic and our members trying to survive day-to-day. However, as a private club, only members that possess an up-to-date “valid” Moose ID card can be within the Lodge and served to make a purchase (including any enjoyment of electronic gaming and paper pull tabs). **Want to be at the Lodge? Renew your dues!**

**TEMPORARY “Baby Steps”**

Arlington #1315  
Moose Lodge  
Hours of Operation

**Closing each day will be 9:00pm**

- Monday –**
- Wednesday**  
3:00pm to 9:00pm
- Thursday**  
Noon to 9:00pm
- Friday**  
Noon to 9:00am
- Saturday**  
Noon to 9:00am
- Sunday**  
Noon to 9:00pm

**Social Quarters & ABC Manager**  
Jane Kennedy  
**ABC Managers**  
Michael Pogue  
Kristin Medel  
Sara Wick

**AUGUST EVENT**



**Summer Bash Cookout on August 15<sup>th</sup> (2:00PM – 6:00PM)**

Another make it easy for our volunteers to provide a food offering to get our members to come back to the Lodge. The menu is our basic cookout with hot dogs and hamburgers ... but the side dishes have not been determined at this time. As a special surprise, the Lodge will be offering ice cream for free for any children and a requested donation by adults to be given to the Chapter for future events.

**Thank You Members for Complying with the Mask Regulations while in the Lodge ... You are ALL Great!**

**AUGUST EVENT**



**Annual Bull Roast on August 29<sup>th</sup> (2:00PM – 6:00PM)**

Many people have said that our Lodge is a “load of bull” (only kidding; but there are some recent exaggerations that come to mind). Well, on this day it is really true ... as we plan to cook tender and juicy red meat for our members. Again, the menu selections have not been determined as of this publication, but we plan to provide something similar to last year.

**American Family Day**



**Sunday August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

A non-paid holiday in several States to appreciate family members by spending time with themselves



**“To go” Food is allowed to be brought into the Lodge during August except at an Event!**

Want to enjoy some food while enjoying your favorite beverage at the Lodge? Since we will NOT be serving any food except at a planned event, we are allowing our members to bring “to go” food into the Lodge; however, all of our serving ware will be locked away. Our members who bring “to go” food or get the food delivered **MUST** provide their own serving “extras” (e.g.: paper plates, utensils, condiments, napkins, etc.) and cleanup after eating at their table! **SORRY, but the Lodge does not want any responsibly for food except during a planned event.**



**Support the Arlington Team**

**VMA Heart of the Community Chili Cook-Off Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at Lynchburg-South #1727**

**Arlington #1315  
Board of Officers  
2020-2021**

**Governor**  
Thomas Oderwald

**Jr. Governor**  
Joseph Russo

**Prelate**  
Dean Massey

**Jr. Past Governor**  
Bernie Cerroni

**Administrator**  
John Matis

**Treasurer**  
Brian Birtell

**Trustees**  
David Kish  
Jose Cortez  
Andre McFail

**Sergeant-of-Arms**  
Vacant

**Outer Guard**  
Vacant

**Inner Guard**  
Vacant



**Arlington WOTM  
Chapter #1253  
Board of Officers  
2020-2021**

**Senior Regent**  
Dionysianna "Anna"  
Ala'ilima

**Junior Regent**  
Sarah Shannon

**Jr. Graduate Regent**  
Linda Council

**Secretary/Treasurer**  
Elizabeth Coombs

**Recorder**  
Rose Russo

**Guide**  
Vacant

**Assistant Guide**  
Vacant



**Golly ... Surprise, Surprise, Surprise!!  
The New Name is the Washington Football Team**

Who would have thought that the new name for the burgundy & gold this season would be called the "Washington Football Team"? ONLY all the newspapers, local and national television sports channels, etc. who referred to any references of the team in the news since the team announced that they would change the name on July 3. From the experts, we have been reminded that it takes many, many months to change a professional name and associated trademark image; therefore, this is probably a good compromise to get us through the 2020 season while a "good" name is selected. But doesn't it sound like the name that was given for the athletes who represented Russia (who were not banned) in the 2018 Olympics under a neutral flag? In addition, can we sing the team song as "Hail to the Washington Football Team"? Not a sermon, just the opinion of the Editor ... a dedicated fan since 1974.



**The Arlington Fraternity ROCKS our Community!**



**Legion Breakfast and New LOOM & WOTM Member Orientation is Planned for Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**

It is not BUSINESS AS USUAL ... but we are going to try to come as close as possible to provide the outstanding breakfast selections. It's an all-you-can-eat breakfast for a reasonable price of \$8.00/adult and \$4.00/child. As usual, the event will consist of sausage patties/links, lots of bacon, heated maple syrup, fruit salad, and home fried potatoes. In addition, there will be "made-to-order" eggs (any way you want them including a variety of omelets), pancakes, and French toast. Furthermore, there will be at least one "surprise" food item, coffee, and orange juice.

The orientation will occur near the end of the Legion Breakfast. New members that plan to attend the orientation should come early to enjoy the breakfast offering, as the Lodge/Chapter will pay the breakfast fee. Attendance at the orientation is not mandatory for continuing membership, but we are hoping that everyone wants to know about our support to Mooseheart & Moosehaven ... and maybe learn some answers to questions about our Arlington Fraternity.

Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members

► Walter Coon ► Gary Blank



**Moose  
International  
Annual  
Membership  
Campaign**

**Think NEW Members**



**Nominate a Lodge &  
Chapter Member  
for Volunteer of the  
Quarter  
(July - September 2020)**

Deadline is September 30, 2020



**New Member Initiative:  
No Application Fee (July 1 thru September 30, 2020)**

The Supreme Council, Grand Council and Moose Legion Council have all approved "NO application fee" as an encouragement to build our membership during these trying times. Let's take advantage of this initiative and welcome our neighbors, friends, and family into our Moose Family (Lodges, Chapters and Moose Legions).



**Andre McFail**  
LOOM Volunteer  
of the Quarter  
(January –  
March 2020)



**Betty McLaurin**  
WOTM Volunteer  
of the Quarter  
(January –  
March 2020)



**Bringing a Guest to the Lodge?**

First, the Arlington Fraternity welcomes all individuals who are considering to be new members of our Moose organization. However, please make sure your guest is aware of all COVID-19 virus requirements, as well as, Moose requirements, while in the Lodge (i.e.: not being sick before he/she enters into the Lodge, wearing of masks while moving throughout the Lodge, 6-foot distancing is mandatory, cannot purchase any beverages or play the electronic gaming because they are not members, etc.), Show them the layout of the Lodge and describe our Moose Mission in supporting Mooseheart and Moosehaven, as well as supporting our local community. Remember that the guest is not known by our members and consideration should be given to protect the guest and our members.



**Please Contribute to the Endowment**

Even though we are taking baby steps in getting back into the swing of our gatherings, we still need to consider our main mission of supporting Mooseheart and Moosehaven. Therefore, we count on our social events to request contributions for the endowment.

**Expect the Nine O'clock Prayer to be conducted at all our social events.** The Arlington Fraternity needs to make up our support for the past several months. If you visit the Lodge for the social events and leave before we conduct the Nine O'clock prayer, please make a contribution in the endowment box on the bar near the purchase line. Any contribution will help support Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

It should be noted that we have received donations in honor of Andy Ogle and all funds were submitted as an endowment to Moose Charities.

**Watch the  
Nationals  
Games at the  
Lodge**



**Queen of Hearts and Bar Bingo  
will remain suspended until further notice  
(has been deferred for at least 1 more month)**



**Women's Equality  
Day**

**Wednesday,  
August 26<sup>th</sup>**

Anniversary of women  
getting the right to vote  
(19<sup>th</sup> Amendment)

**Are You a  
Veteran?**

**Register yourself  
with Moose  
International as  
a Valued Veteran**





The health and safety of our members are our top priority! Please comply with the directives of our governing authorities during these extraordinary circumstances, especially in maintaining the required 6-foot social distancing indoors & outdoors at the Lodge

Support The Salvation Army



No Senior Regent's Message or Governor's Corner this month

As the Editor, I have again fallen behind in my duties to request an article from our new leadership again for this Newsletter. Please accept my apology.

Support the Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts



We are really trying to give our Members the latest information!

The Arlington Fraternity is planning the best we can, but it seems that each day brings another surprise due to the ever changing conditions affected by the coronavirus pandemic. What we state in this published Newsletter could very well be cancelled/changed within the month. We will try to notify our members on a weekly basis, in sent emails, of any cancellations or revisions, but we are not perfect. Please accept our apology in advance.



Three Fellowship Conferrals announced in September

Due to various considerations surrounding and because of safety guidelines concerning COVID-19, the Association has made alternative plans (outside a typical in-person State Convention setting) to conduct the conferrals of approved Moose Legionnaire candidates into the Fellowship Degree of Honor.

A candidate may attend any one of the three planned Fellowship Conferrals for the Commonwealth of Virginia. Please note this is a closed meeting. Only current Fellows, Pilgrims, and approved candidates may attend the actual Conferral. All candidates are required to wear a coat and tie. Fellows and Pilgrims regalia are required.

The three Fellowship Conferrals are scheduled as follows:

- Saturday, September 12, 2020 @11:00AM  
Richmond East Moose Family Center #1947
- Sunday, September 13, 2020 @10:00AM  
Manassas Moose Family Center #1380
- Saturday, September 26, 2020 @11:00AM  
Roanoke Moose Family Center #284



International Left-Handers Day

Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup>



Coast Guard was established on August 4, 1790

Support Our Local First Responders



Moose of the Month



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Contributions

**Editor**

John Matis

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Thomas Oderwald  
Anna Ala'ilima  
John Matis

**Proofreading**

Elizabeth Coombs

**Volunteers are needed for future articles for the Newsletters**



**The Arlington Fraternity has NOT Forgotten about the Celebration of Life Ceremonies!**

We want our members and the friends of our members who have passed since March to be patient. We expect gatherings that could exceed the allowable attendance in the Lodge during these trying times with the coronavirus pandemic; therefore, the Arlington Fraternity has again postponed the Celebration of Life ceremonies in August. Please understand that we do not want to turn anyone away due to attendance limitations.



**VMA District 4 Meeting on July 18<sup>th</sup>**

The Arlington Fraternity did not encourage our members to attend this meeting, due to the pandemic conditions of our local Area; as we did not want to expose their health to an unnecessary possible hazard just to support "in name" our Lodge. For the record, the 6-foot distance requirement and masks were worn. The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank Tom Oderwald, Elizabeth Coombs, and John Matis for representing our Lodge and Chapter at the meeting.

Besides the Arlington Fraternity being voted to represent the VMA District 4 at the VMA Heart of the Community Chili Cook-Off in September, the Lodges within the VMA District 4 agreed to provide \$500.00 for food and lodging to Arlington Fraternity to represent the VMA District 4. We are discussing a "chuck wagon" theme this year for an improvement to our booth décor and a "tweak" in our chili offering.

It was implemented that each Lodge would contribute \$25.00/month in support of raising funds for the VMA District 4 (a total of \$300.00 per year). This would hopefully not require the VMA District 4 to have any fundraisers for expenditures during the year.

Nominations for new Directors were conducted by the Lodges prior to the meeting and elections were conducted in the VMA District 4 Meeting. Announcement of the new Directors will be published in the September Newsletter, as the Administrator did not take good notes to remember ALL of the new Directors.

**Important Reminder**

It is the responsibility of our members to make sure that their names are placed on every liquor bottle placed at the Bar within the Social Quarters. Our Fraternity must comply with this ABC rule!

**Be Prepared! This is Hurricane Season ...**



**why shouldn't we be spared another disaster to keep us away from the LODGE?**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Happy 42<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary to **Roxanne Coles-Matis & John Matis (8/12)**  
And



**Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding (GOLD) Anniversary to Betty and Terry Pamplin (8/22)!!**

**Simon Says: Come to the Lodge for a refreshing beverage!**

**One-Liner of the Month**

Why was it so hot in the stadium after the ball game?

... *all the fans left!*

(In today's world the stadium is always hot; as there are no fans when the games are played)



**National Relaxation Day Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup>**



What makes this day any different from any other normal day of our members?



**No Future Major Events are planned at this time as the Lodge is taking "baby steps" due to the pandemic Covid-19 virus**

**The Lodge will notify our Members as plans become known**

**Odie's Birthday**



August 6<sup>th</sup>

**Support our local businesses!**



**Lodge Repairs/Replacement**

The Lodge wants to thank the team of Andre McFail and Jane Kennedy for unclogging the sinks in the Men's Restroom of the Social Quarters. They used a plumber "snake" to perform the emergency work, and then for "good measure" poured Drano down each sink.

The Lodge wants to thank Billy Hensley for coordinating the efforts for a plumber to fix the leak of the toilet within the Women's restroom of the Social Quarters. They tried to duplicate the leak by flushing each of the 3 toilets in the restroom "50 times"; but no leaks were observed. Maybe the unclogging of the sinks in the Men's Restroom had fixed the problem? Who knows how the plumbing was installed when the Lodge was built (or possibly modified over the many years of existence). It should be noted that the plumber did not charge the Lodge for his service ... *but the Administrator does not want to see the bill for the water!*

The Lodge paid the annual fee for the Fire Prevention Code Permit while the Lodge was closed in May 2020. This renewal always results in an inspection by the Fairfax County Fire Department ... which happened on July 20<sup>th</sup>. The Lodge did well, but we did not pass. A few electrical extension cords plugged into other extension cords were fire code violations, but the main reasons for not passing the inspection were that the fire extinguisher inspections and the cleaning of the kitchen hood would expire at the end of July 2020. Appropriate vendors for the fire extinguishers and kitchen hood have been scheduled to perform the work in the end of July (Note: this Newsletter is being written before the work is completed). Another inspection by the Fire Department is scheduled for the first week of August.

The Administrator happened to come to the Lodge as the Fire Marshal was leaving after his inspection on July 20<sup>th</sup>. An "open" issue has been brewing over the past three years pertaining to the fire code compliance of the kitchen hood extinguisher system. The vendor that services this system each year (and is operational) has repeatedly informed the Lodge that it is non-compliant with current fire codes; however, many members have argued that the Lodge is "grandfathered". **SO** the Administrator, who probably had a "are you crazy moment", asked the Fire Marshal about the kitchen hood extinguisher system being non-compliant. It is official ... there is no "grandfather" clause and the Lodge must upgrade. The Lodge will be negotiating with the vendor to upgrade the system, as the subject to upgrade was approved by the membership at the General Membership Meeting on July 21<sup>st</sup>.



**Volunteers are needed!**

Even with limited events at the Lodge, we ca not expect our "normal" event members to be at the planned events, as they also have other priorities (personal & business). PLEASE volunteer to help the Lodge.

**Think Natitude!**



**Watch the Washington Nationals Games at the Lodge**

Games are televised in August

**Support the WOTM**

Participate in the Basket Raffles & Purchase Delicious Desserts in the Bake Sales





**You can Pay Your Moose Dues Online – It's Easy!**

Go to Moose International Website; you need your Moose ID number & a credit card.



**VMA Short Term Membership Campaign  
Win one of three Super Prizes!  
[May 1, 2020 – August 14, 2020]**

If a member sponsors and enrolls five members into the LOOM during the short-term period, the sponsor's name will be entered into a **drawing**  
**(Date and location to be determined as the VMA Convention has been canceled)**

The prizes to be won are ... Yeti Tundra Haul Cooler  
Blackstone 36" Flat Top Grill with Accessories  
\$400 Bass Pro Shops Gift Card



**in August 2020**

**SUN, AUG 2nd**

Foxwood Resorts  
Casino 301  
@ New Hampshire  
Motor Speedway

**SAT, AUG 8th**

FireKeepers  
Casino 400  
@ Michigan  
International  
Speedway

**SUN, AUG 9th**

Consumers  
Casino 400  
@ Michigan  
International  
Speedway

**SUN, AUG 16th**

NASCAR Cup Series  
Race at Daytona RC  
@ Daytona  
International  
Speedway

**SAT, AUG 22nd &  
SUN, AUG 23rd**

Daytone 311  
@ Dover  
International  
Speedway

**SAT, AUG 29th**

Coke Zero  
Sugar 400  
@ Daytona  
International  
Speedway

**Watch the  
Races at the  
Lodge!**



**Let's Talk About Gaming (A Message from the Administrator)**

In keeping with guidance from Moose International, the Lodge requested Powerhouse Gaming to provide a new one-year contract that does not have an automatic renewal clause. In March 2020, the new one-year contract was sent to Moose International and was approved for the Lodge to sign. The Arlington LOOM general membership approved to sign the contract on July 7, 2020 (the first LOOM General Meeting since we were closed due to the coronavirus pandemic).

The decision to stay with Powerhouse Gaming was three-fold. They were the only vender at that time to have portable gaming terminals which our members enjoy to move around within the Social Quarters, in lieu of the large fixed console gaming terminals. Second, all the money collected to play the existing gaming system has only one location (kiosk to purchase gaming tickets,; in lieu of each large fixed console gaming terminal collecting money to play at that specific location, which means additional time to collect the money and expands the bookkeeping responsibilities of the Administrator (who has full time employment outside of the Lodge). Finally, Powerhouse Gaming has always supported the Arlington Fraternit,; and loyalty is imperative among partners who are fair and reasonable to each other.



**Let's Talk Again (A Message from the Administrator)**

The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank Jane Kennedy, Michael Pogue, Kristin Medel, and Sara Wick for willingly coming back as our ABC Managers under these trying times and provide the necessary services to comply with the regulations implemented due to the coronavirus pandemic. I, as the Administrator, express my appreciation for their dedication to help our Lodge to re-open again in support of fulfilling our Moose Mission AND our LODGE!

**Pull for the House!  
A Pull Tab Recycling  
Program at Our Lodge**

**Collection of aluminum can  
pull tabs to donate to the  
Ronald McDonald Charities  
of Greater Washington, DC**



**Keep your  
distance**





**Remember  
Mooseheart**



**Personal/Family Corner**

As a "Moose Family" we need to celebrate your personal and family milestones together. Therefore, if you have an upcoming birthday, an upcoming wedding anniversary, a new "clan" member, a promotion/change in your career, or anything else in your life that you want to share with the Moose members, **please** let John Matis know [in person when at the Moose Lodge or by [jimatis@cox.net](mailto:jimatis@cox.net)].

It is requested that any announcement milestones be submitted prior to the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

Please drink responsibly while Visiting the Lodge



**SICKNESS and DISTRESS**

Please keep our Moose members and families in our prayers for those who have current health or distressed situations; especially ... Andrea Hensley, Rosemary Haddock, Clare Toward, Ray Broz, and Phil Weber; all long time members of our Arlington Fraternity who are trying to get back to good health.

**Easy Way to Support Mooseheart while you Shop!**



**Happy Birthday to Lodge members**

- Paul Downs, Jr. (8/04)
- Robert Smith (8/06)
- Mark Zekan (8/06)
- Floyd Propst (8/07)
- Ken Kealey (8/08)
- Samuel Whitt (8/08)
- John Tribble (8/11)
- Daniel Ziegler (8/11)
- Douglas Demarest (8/12)
- Larry Pavlish (8/12)
- Thomas Ames (8/15)
- Jose Cortez (8/15)
- Thomas Longuillo (8/16)
- Howard Franklin (8/17)
- Randy Davis (8/21)
- Mel Chrestman (8/22)
- Brendan Shannon (8/26)
- Ronald Davis (8/28)
- Robert Simpson (8/28)
- James Harding (8/29)
- Dennis Delaney (8/30)

**Happy Birthday to Chapter members**

- Andrea Hensley (8/01)
- Jacqueline Rivera (8/07)
- Dwi Marnun (8/10)
- Sarah Shannon (8/10)
- Eileen Scott (8/16)
- Jo Glass (8/18)
- Donnie Woods (8/19)
- Marlen Angulo (8/20)
- Victoria Arnold (8/21)
- Sally Harris (8/21)
- Nessa Ruoff (8/25)
- Alison Matis (8/23)
- Wanda Martinson (8/30)



August Birthstone: **Peridot** | August Flower: **Gladiolus**

**Think New Members (Note: Virtual individuals are not acceptable)**

**First-Ever Virtual  
Elvis Week**



August 8<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>  
<https://www.graceland.com/elvis-week>

**Continue to save BOX TOP\$ FOR EDUCATION coupons**  
Collection bag in the entrance of the Social Quarters on the bulletin board



**The Washington Football Team "Calling All Cooks" this Year?**



**We are still guessing if there will be NFL Football**



**New Members!**

### 2020-2021 Arlington #1315 Lodge Membership Challenge

Sponsor a new LOOM member between May 1, 2020 and April 30, 2021 and your name will be placed on a ticket in a raffle conducted each month during the entire Membership Challenge to win \$10.00 in Arlington "Moose Bucks". The winner for the month of August 2020 is **Albert Zodun!**

In addition, if a sponsor signs up 3 new LOOM members within the Moose Year, the Lodge will pay his/her next Moose Year's dues.

**Thank You Veterans!**

**For Everything You Do for Our Country**

**Goal: Obtain Premier Lodge Award in 2021**

**Current Arlington #1315 Membership Status**  
As of July 31, 2020:

| 2020-2021  | Current               | Difference | Expired        | Dropped        |
|------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|
| +1 Goal    | <u>Active Members</u> |            | <u>Expired</u> | <u>Dropped</u> |
| <b>230</b> | <b>227</b>            | <b>- 3</b> | <b>54</b>      | <b>34</b>      |

**New LOOM Members since May 1, 2020: 2** (As of July 31, 2020)

**Join the Donors Circle**

The **Donors Circle** is a recognition program for individual Moose members who send Endowment Fund donations directly to Moose Charities.

The Endowment Fund donations are the long term investment in the support of Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

**Youth Awareness Program**

Like everything else in today's world with the coronavirus pandemic, what happens in the near future is unknown and everything can change unexpectedly at the last moment. As stated in the last Newsletter, the VMA Youth Awareness Committee is working on a revised program presentation and it is almost finalized. The challenge will be showing the revised presentation to prospective high school students for the program when most of the local school jurisdictions are having virtual learning in the first quarter of the school year. The Arlington Fraternity believes in this program for the development of future citizens of our community and in support of awards in possible scholarships for the students in our State; therefore, we will engage in any way possible for our Arlington Fraternity to participation in the program and sponsor at least one student this school year. More information to be announced when known.

**Members ... If you have a concern, please talk to the Administrator!**



Naming our first Social Event "Welcome Back" brought back memories to the Editor!

**Do you remember this TV sitcom?**

The Editor played Little League Baseball with the character Juan Epstein (real name is Robert Hegyes) in Edison, New Jersey a long, long time ago.

It's a small world after all!

**Another One-Liner for August**

Where do sharks go on Summer vacation?

... Finland!



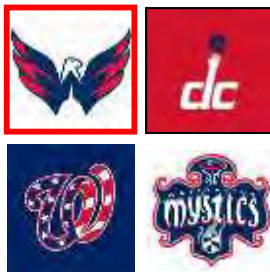
**2020 International Moose Legion Conference  
with Lodge & Moose Legion Ritual Competitions  
October 28, 2020 – November 1, 2020  
in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania**

*More information pertaining to hotel accommodations and pre-registration can be found on the Moose International website.*

**Free WiFi  
at Lodge**

**Moose Legion Committee Meeting  
on Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> @7:00pm  
WOTM members & LOOM members are welcome to attend**

**Sports are  
COMING back  
to watch on TV  
in August**



**Hopefully,  
they are not  
CANCELED  
due to the  
Covid-19 virus**



**Bull Run Moose Legion #185**

The Bull Run Moose Legion #185 had their Summer Celebration/Conferral on July 26<sup>th</sup> at the Vienna Moose Lodge #1896 with Special Guests 2020-2021 Virginia Moose Legion Ambassador Jeffery Rohrbaugh and his wife Cindy. We want to thank Vienna Moose Lodge #1896 for opening their Lodge a few days earlier than their “official” back in business. There were 9 new Legionnaires that were conferred at this Summer Celebration/Conferral, which gives the Bull Run Moose Legion a +16 Legionnaires over the Moose Year so far this year. The only one of the six Moose Legions within the Commonwealth of Virginia that is a “plus” membership over their membership on May 1, 2020.

**Where do my Moose Legion dues go?**

Many members have been asking this question ... therefore, part of the dues are distributed as follows:

- \$ 2.25 to Moosehaven Operations;
- \$ 2.50 for the Moosehaven Serior Medical Fund;
- \$ 0.50 for the operations of Mooseheart’s Camp Ross; and
- \$ 3.25 for International Moose Legion Operations.



Therefore, \$ 6.50 goes to our Bull Run Moose Legion #185 for local operations. However, each Moose Legion jurisdiction (e.g. Bull Run Moose Legion #185) is expected to contribute to the specified Annual Capital Moose Legion Project (this year is the renovation of the Mooseheart House of God) and the Youth Awareness scholarships. In addition, Moose Legion jurisdictions provide optional contributions to fund Mooseheart student trips and an annual International President’s Project (this year is a needed transportation van to transport Moosehaven residents to/from doctor & hospital visits safely. It is noted that each of the Moose Legion Committees of the 13 Lodges within the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 are expected to provide support at a prorated amount per Legionnaire in their Lodge for these various fund raisers. They also make contributions to the Mooseheart/Moosehaven Endowment Fund like the Lodges and Chapters.

**Also the PGA**



**Moose Charities**  
*Making a difference in the lives of children and seniors*

**Give Generously!**

**Support Special Olympics**



**Tired of talking to yourself or your Significant Other?**

**Come to the Lodge to talk people who understand YOU!**

(or at least a different person to ignore you!)



**August** is named to honor the first Roman Emperor (and grandnephew of Julius Caesar) **Augustus Caesar**

**Did You Know? Some Facts to how to store Vegetables and Fruits**

(Information taken from 2020 Old Farmers Almanac)

- **Onions and Garlic**  
Never put onions and garlic (or shallots) in the refrigerator. Store them in a dry, cool, ventilated place. It's best to store in mesh bags. If you cannot do this, put them in a bowl in your pantry. You may cover with a bag, but make sure there are plenty of ventilation holes. Do not store onions with potatoes, as potatoes excrete moisture and speed up onion decay. **Potatoes**  
Never refrigerate potatoes, as it will turn their starch to sugar. Brush off any clinging soil and store in a damp, cool place. If possible, store in the coldest and darkest area of the house, in plastic bins lined with a layer of damp sand. Do not store with apples, as apples give off ethylene gas that will spoil the potatoes.
- **Tomatoes**  
Store at cool room temperature out of direct sunlight. Never refrigerate fresh tomatoes if you want to keep the fresh off-the-vine taste.

**WARNING**

The Safe Surfin' Foundation is advising parents to stay diligent in tracking your child's Internet use during the COVID-19 outbreak. As Schools begin replacing the classroom for a laptop, predators will use this as an opportunity to prey on children. Never forget that 100% of children will be contacted by an Online predator. Stay safe in the coming weeks, and as always please keep your children safe Online.


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**Fund Raiser for Bull Run Moose Legion #185**

It was decided this year that the Pick 3 Calendar fund raiser will be for November 2020. The tickets will be distributed in August ... that will allow the Moose Legion Committees of the 13 Lodges approximately two months to sell the tickets.



**Please support this Fund Raiser!**

Moose Legionnaires doing what we do best – and Proud of it.

The Lodge wants your Ideas for New Social Events

Tell us what you want to have for events in the next six months! We need to expand our events to keep everyone interested in the Lodge. Every idea will be considered (e.g.: children movie night, a Capitals or Wizards game, a mystery bus ride, etc.). Please contact **John Matis** or **Tom Oderwald** with your suggestions.



**Have something you want to tell the Membership?**

**Write an Article for our Newsletter**

Provide the article to John Matis at the Lodge or send to [jjmatis@cox.net](mailto:jjmatis@cox.net)

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