



Loyal Order of Moose Arlington #1315 Lodge Newsletter

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SEPTEMBER 2020



Again, Baby Steps

- September 5th – Saturday
Labor Day Celebration
- September 12th - Saturday
Lodge Food Drive
- September 19th – Saturday
End of Summer Bash
Cookout
- September 20th – Sunday
Date Change
Legion Breakfast
- September 20th – Sunday
Date Change
Orientation

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



To meet the demands of our world today, the Lodge now provides CURBSIDE PICKUP for our Social Events!

We understand anyone who is hesitant to come to the Lodge during these extraordinary circumstances of the coronavirus pandemic; therefore, we are 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 and have your favorite beverages, 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 (i.e.: a virtual curbside) adjacent to the kitchen exterior door if desired, but call ahead before you get to the Lodge. **A win-win situation for you and the Lodge!**



VMA Heart of the Community Chili Cook-Off Canceled in September



No Road Trip! Plans were being made for a different chili recipe and a new booth theme (a cowboy “Chuck Wagon”) by the Arlington Team to represent VMA District 4 at this year’s VMA Heart of the Chili Cook-Off ... *BUT* a road block stopped the anticipated adventure. Again, precautions for the safety of Moose members during the coronavirus pandemic dictated the cancellation of the event. For the record, the Moosehaven Heart of the Community Chili Cook-Off was first canceled, which deleted the risk to the seniors at Moosehaven to interact with outside members and guests.

Thank You Members for Supporting the Lodge

The large participation of our Members at the three successful Social Events in September has definitely started a good trend to get the Lodge back on track financially to meet our operational expenses. **THANK YOU!**



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



EXCEPT when seated AND drinking or eating!

Paper Pull-Tabs are being Sold Again

The Lodge has reinstated the existing pull-tab games that were suspended when the Lodge was closed in March 2020. There is one “catch” at this time: you can only purchase/cash-in the pull-tabs through the designated beverage purchase line. We also ask that our members throw away the “non-winners” themselves so that no one else touches the opened pull-tabs.



New Member Initiative: No Application Fee (*continues through 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).



TEMPORARY
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

**Attention
Legionnaires**



**Bull Run
Moose Legion
BULL ROAST
on
Saturday,
September 19th
at Franconia
Moose Family
Center #1076**

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**Labor Day Celebration
Saturday, September 5th (1:00PM – 5:00PM)**

The Lodge is changing things up this holiday. The Lodge will be celebrating the “give our workers a day off for their efforts all year long” on the Saturday before the holiday, so that our members can have a relaxing holiday with their families on Monday. **The celebration will not be a BBQ cookout; nor an all-you-can-eat event!** Instead, the Lodge will be offering a fried chicken dinner consisting of 2 pieces of chicken (white or dark), & 2 sides (choices of mashed potatoes/gravy, macaroni & cheese, and collard greens). Plus a desert will be provided. We are thinking “outside-of-the-box” to try to attract our members to come back to the Lodge. Of course, to-go boxes and curbside pickup orders are being offered.

A rumor has been circulating that a special small food offering (e.g.: tacos) may be provided on the actual holiday for those who come to the Lodge; but there are no guarantees at this time. Call the Lodge on the holiday for verification.

**Lodge Food Drive on Saturday,
September 12th (12:00pm to 3:00pm)**

It was mindboggling how many people were standing in line for food when the collected food by the Arlington Fraternity from the VMA District 4 Food Drive in June was delivered to the Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC). The Arlington Fraternity knows that now it is tough times for everyone; but as a community service, the Arlington Fraternity will be holding another food drive for non-perishable, self-staple protein items for those in need during these difficult times. Again these food items will be delivered to AFAC in our local community.

Refer to Page 12 for more details.

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**NOT Forgotten ... but the Celebration of Life
Ceremonies are Postponed until at least October!**

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 until hopefully October 2020.

LABOR DAY

September 7

**Patriot Day
September 11**

**First Day of
Autumn**

September 22

**Arlington #1315
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2020-2021**

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Vacant

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Vacant

Inner Guard
Vacant



**Arlington WOTM
Chapter #1253
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2020-2021**

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Ala'ilima

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Linda Council

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Elizabeth Coombs

Recorder
Rose Russo

Guide
Vacant

Assistant Guide
Vacant

**End of Summer Bash Cookout
September 19th (2:00pm – 6:00pm)**

Summer is not officially over until the Lodge gives it a proper send-off ... **And the Lodge is going to do it right!** The Arlington Fraternity promises that there will be no "clam bake" in the sand; but we hope to have some surprises above the normal summer cookout food offerings. After the sun sets in the west and our appetites have been fulfilled, the Arlington Fraternity will then acknowledge that the cooler weather will become our local environment. Hopefully, there will a long cool transition period before the nasty winter weather arrives.

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Come to the Lodge – We are complying with VA Pandemic Laws

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**Legion Breakfast - Sunday, September 20th
(10:00AM – 1:00PM) – *Date Change***

Due to the Labor Day holiday and the Fellowship Conferrals, we have moved the Legion Breakfast to the 3rd Sunday this month (*plus it should be a memorable event since this is the FIRST Legion Breakfast since March*). It is not BUSINESS AS USUAL ... as everything will have to be ordered from the kitchen – **No buffet!** But we are going to still provide the outstanding breakfast selections of 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, home fried potatoes, "made-to-order" eggs (any way you want them including a variety of omelets), pancakes, French toast, and fruit salad. Furthermore, there will be at least one "surprise" food item, coffee, and orange juice.



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**New LOOM & WOTM Member Orientation
Sunday, September 20th (begins 12:00PM) -
*Date Change***

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. Existing Moose Members are encouraged to also attend.




**Queen of Hearts and Bar
Bingo are being planned to
begin again in October**






Moose International Annual Membership Campaigns



2019



2018



2017



2016



2015



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

**Think ... New Members!
Think ... Support the Arlington Fraternity!**



It's Coming ... the Union of the LOOM and WOTM

On May 1, 2021, we will be ONE! Our members need to plan how we are going to transition. Therefore, on Tuesday, September 22nd a meeting will be held for an open discussion with all the members of the Arlington Fraternity to get to the goal as being ONE. Meeting to be held in the Ritual Hall to maintain required distancing.



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

Blamed it on the Editor for not coordinating better to meet the deadline.

"To go" Food can to be brought into the Lodge during September except at an Event!



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!



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

Deadline is September 30, 2020

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



2020-2021 VMA Board of Directors

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Ben Kerns -
 Franconia Moose
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 Moose Family
 Center #1655

Jr. Past President

Dennis Rossi -
 Warrington Moose
 Lodge #1695

Congratulation to our newly Elected Officials



VMA Annual Convention – August 22nd

A thank you is expressed to John Matis for representing the Arlington Fraternity at the VMA Annual Convention (LOOM only).

The following are major actions/discussions of the Annual Convention not identified within the Newsletter:

- There were 4 Heart of the Community Scholarships allocated to VMA; 1-\$5,000 scholarship & 3-\$1,000. Drawings were held and the students announced. No students from the Arlington Fraternity were selected.
- The VMA could have exceeded the +1 total membership for the year, as there was a “plus” until the coronavirus pandemic closed the Lodges.
- Retention is important ... keep getting our existing members to renew their memberships.
- The VMA 2019-2020 Moose Year current financial account statement and the 2020-2021 budget were presented and approved.
- There were 4 WOTM members and 20 LOOM members that qualified for the mini-campaign membership between May 1, 2020 & August 14, 2020.

Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members

► Linda Brown ► April Brown



Bringing a Guest to the Lodge?

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, having their temperature taken when first entering, 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.

Support Our Local First Responders



MEMBER RETENTION WEEK
 One Week Focus — Year-Long Commitment



November 1, 2020 – November 7, 2020

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Volunteers are needed for future articles for the Newsletters



Welcome Back Cookout – August 1st

Our first Social Event since the Lodge was closed in March was a GREAT success! The event had 25 participants who took advantage of all-you-can-eat and 5 “to-go” boxes. There was nothing but raves about the delicious and hot food! The food offering was hot dogs & hamburgers, French fries, baked beans, potato salad, and watermelon. Many members wanted to “jazz up” their order, which led to the chefs providing cheese and bacon for the hamburgers. The Lodge aims to please!

We want to first express our gratitude to all our members who came to the Lodge to enjoy the offered food (all-you-can-eat and “to-go” boxes). Then we want to thank the team of Marty Medel, Andre McFail, Dean Massey, Sara Wick, Sonia Bouadis, and Kristin Medel for their efforts in planning the event, purchasing the necessary food and items, preparing and cooking the food, serving the food, collecting the money, and performing the dreaded cleanup after the event. For the record, this was the first time since anyone can remember where the condiments were provided in individual packets (ketchup, mustard, relish, mayonnaise, salt, pepper).

The Lodge learned a lesson from this event. Our members expressed their delight with the food being fresh and hot since the food was provided as they ordered; instead of the offering being served in a buffet setting with the food being warmed in the steam table. Consideration will be analyzed when the Lodge will again offer a buffet. It has to be said however, that our volunteers were constantly cooking and did not get to enjoy the event.

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!



Youth Awareness Program

The LOOM members have again approved to participate in the Youth Awareness Program this year. This decision was stated with the VMA Youth Awareness Program Chairman at the VMA Annual Convention on August 22nd with a proposed date sometime in November 2020. At this time, it has Not been determined if our Youth Awareness Student Congress will be “in person” or “virtual”.

Be Prepared! This is Hurricane Season ...



Predictions are above-normal activities in the Atlantic Ocean that could affect Virginia

Did you Know that there is a Coin Shortage?



The Lodge is currently having difficulties in obtaining **ROLLS OF QUARTERS** from the banks!!

Therefore, if a Member has a large jar/water jug at home and is willing to cash in quarters for paper money to help the Lodge... **PLEASE talk to the Administrator!**

The Lodge only wants to have about \$100 in the safe at a specific time, so do not just bring in the rolls of quarters without talking to the Administrator.

One-Liner of the Month

What is a tree's least favorite month of the year?

... Sep-timber!



Moose of the Month





Another One-Liner

Why are trees so care free and easy going?

... because every fall, they let loose!



VIRGINIA MOOSE ASSOCIATION



Congratulations to Terry Treadwell for being elected as Vice President of Virginia Moose Association

Support our local businesses!



Lodge Repairs/Replacement
 The Lodge passed the re-inspection by the Fairfax County Fire Department on August 6, 2020. The Lodge wants to thank Thomas Oderwald and John Matis for correcting the two extension deficiencies (when the Lodge was closed during Tropical Storm Isaias) that were noted in the first inspection in July.

The Lodge is getting close to completing the restoration of the Men’s Restroom in the Social Quarters. The Lodge wants to thank Bruce Pickett for replacing the light fixture over the three sinks. With the new light fixtures previously installed in the ceiling and this new light fixture above the sinks, our LOOM members will need to wear sun glasses (as well as the required face masks) when occupying this room. The final step in the restoration of the Men’s Restroom in the Social Quarters is the painting of the walls, which could be paid by the Arlington Moose Legion Committee, who had approved funds toward the restoration.

The Lodge wants to apologize for the loss of the air conditioning during the period of Friday night, August 21st and Tuesday afternoon, August 25th. What happened is a mystery; but we want to thank our new HVAC service company for figuring out the controls of our “ancient” system to get it working again. Thank you members and guests who came and supported the Lodge (*also sweated in the heat*) during this environmental conditioning failure! We also want to thank Bruce Pickett for replacing one of the 3 condenser fans; which saved the Lodge a little bit less than half of what it would have costed to have a commercial HVAC service company do the replacement.



Talking about mechanical failures, the Administrator was notified that the ice making machine in the kitchen was not working during the same time as the air conditioning; which meant that ice cube wraps could not be given to our members for their foreheads and/or necks to help the “hot” situation (only kidding, but could have helped). The Lodge wants to thank Andre McFail for doing his “magic” to get the ice making machine to operate again.

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!**



Think Natitude!



Watch the Washington Nationals Games at the Lodge
 Games are televised in September

Support the WOTM

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





in September 2020

SUN, SEP 6th

Southern 500
@ Darlington
Raceway

SAT, SEP 12th

Federated Auto
Parts 400
@ Richmond
Raceway

SAT, SEP 19th

Bass Pro Shops
Night Race
@ Bristol Motor
Speedway

SUN, SEP 21st

South Point 400
@ Las Vegas
Motor Speedway

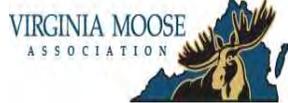
**Watch the
Races at the
Lodge!**

**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

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 Portable Beverage coolers!
[September 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020]**

Lodges with the highest percentage of Preferred Members (i.e.: different members of sponsors) based on active membership will be entered into a drawing to win a **Portable Beverage Catering & Concession Cooler or \$1,000.00**

There will be one winner from each of the following lodge active membership categories:
0-400 members (Arlington #1315), 401-800 members, and 800+ members

Drawing will be held at the VMA Mid-Year Conference in Norfolk, VA during the weekend of January 15-17, 2021

The VMA Short Membership Campaign (May 1, 2020 – August 14, 2020)

The drawing for the Yeti Tundra Haul Cooler, Blackstone 36” Flat Top Grill with Accessories, and \$400 Bass Pro Shops Gift Card was held at the VMA Annual Convention on August 22, 2020. No one from the Arlington Fraternity qualified for the drawing; however, the winners should be posted on the VMA website in the near future.



Let’s Talk (A Message from the Administrator)

I want to personally thank all of the members who have returned to the Lodge for the three Social Events in August. The income from the food offerings exceeding the food costs in all three events; which included many items to be utilized for future events (e.g.: nylon gloves, condiment packets, etc.) These Social Events also included great sales in our beverage offerings to counter our operational expenses. Thank you members!



**Watch NFL Washington Football Team Games
at the Lodge in September**

Sunday, SEP 13th @1:00pm – vs. Philadelphia Eagles
Sunday, SEP 20th @4:05pm – at Arizona Cardinals
Sunday, SEP 27th @1:00pm – at Cleveland Browns

NO “Calling All Cooks” in September

Before volunteers are requested for this program, the Lodge needs to learn if the coronavirus pandemic will impact NFL games (and possibly the 2020 regular season), as well as how food needs to be served.



Announcing New Member Benefit



**Members can save up to 75% on best
value items in stores and on-line**
Visit www.officediscounts.org/moose to print
your in-store Purchasing Card



**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].

It is requested that any announcement milestones be submitted prior to the 20th 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.

Happy Birthday to Lodge members

- James York (9/01)
- Larry Anderson, Jr. (9/07)
- Michael Norris (9/07)
- Daniel Caughey (9/08)
- Alex Wantrobski (9/08)
- Floyd Hensley (9/08)
- Folarin Baraka Afolayan (9/15)
- Paul Lucas (9/16)
- Andre McFail (9/17)
- Willy Prost (9/18)
- Larry Anderson (9/25)
- Robert Anderson (9/27)



Happy Birthday to Chapter members

- Marirose LaFollette (9/03)
- Maricruz Saravia (9/03)
- Leonora Tanangco (9/04)
- Christina Rappa (9/10)
- Anne Hinkle (9/14)
- Helene O'Connor (9/16)
- Shirley Coles (9/17)
- Linda Brown (9/18)
- Rose Russo (9/22)
- Paula Butler (9/24)
- Laurel Guy (9/28)

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



September Birthstone: **Sapphire** | September Flower: **Aster**

September if from the Latin word septem, "seven" because this had been the seventh month of the early Roman calendar

**National Grandparents Day
September 13th**



**Moose International Texas Hold-Em
Registration Delayed until October 2020**

The Moose Members safety is Moose International's and the Golden Nugget's priority which concluded a registration delay; however, the tournament is still scheduled at Las Vegas, NV.

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





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 **Dean Massey!** Correction: Albert Zodun was the winner for the month of July (not August as stated in the August Newsletter).

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 August 27, 2020:

2020-2021	Current	Difference	Expired	Dropped
<u>+1 Goal</u>	<u>Active Members</u>			
230	229	- 1	54	34

New LOOM Members since May 1, 2020: 2 (As of August 27, 2020)

Please support the "Rocker" Endowment Campaign in October



The Arlington Fraternity will accept checks in the Mail



Mini Ice Cream Social – August 29th

As part of the Bull Roast offering, the Lodge had an ice cream offering free for the children near the end of the event, and for the adults at a donation towards future WOTM Children activities. As the WOTM yearly has this event around August or September, the Lodge took it upon themselves to provide this event for the WOTM. The 8 children at the Bull Run Event really enjoyed the surprise; not counting the adults who heard the announcement (and provided a donation), as well as the WOTM who received the donations in these trying times. The Lodge is always thinking about how the LOOM and WOTM can help each other!

Temporary Weed "Pluckers" are needed!!

Can you spare just a half-hour? And you do not have to come into the Lodge. The front bush/flower beds in the front and side of the Lodge have been taken over by overgrown weeds that need to be removed. If each of our members can combine a little effort to remove a small section of weeds, the deed to make the appearance of the Lodge look good again will take minimal time.



LOOM Members Please Consider enrollment in the Moose Legion



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



Please consider contributing to the ENDOWMENT when visiting the Lodge

Endowment box on the bar near the purchase line



**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.

**Moose Legion Committee Meeting
on Tuesday, September 8th @7:00pm
WOTM members & LOOM members are welcome to attend**

**Free WiFi
at Lodge**




The Arlington Moose Legion Committee Corner

Finally, a meeting of the Arlington Moose Legion Committee was conducted on August 18, 2020 since March 2020, due to the coronavirus pandemic that turned our world upside down. A thank you is extended to Gregg Cady for volunteering to again be the Chairman of the Arlington Moose Legion Committee and to Dean Massey for being elected again in the meeting as the Vice Chairman. Please participate in the food fundraiser being offered by the Arlington Moose Legion Committee in September as half the income will be donated to the endowment for the Bull Run Moose Legion #185.

**Bull Run
Moose Legion
#185 Planned
Events**



SAT, November 14th
Fall Celebration & Conferral
@ Manassas Moose Family Center #1380

SAT, January 30th
Winter Celebration & Conferral
@ Arlington Moose Lodge #1315



**Bull Run Moose Legion #185 “Bull Roast”
Saturday, September 19th at
Franconia Family Moose Center #1076
(Time of the Event will be posted in the Lodge)**

Bull Roast – August 29th
Again, another outstanding participation for this favorite yearly event of the Lodge! There were over 50 members and guests that came to the Lodge for this event, with 40 “all-you-can-eat” meals for adults and children served (not counting seconds and thirds) and 12 “to-go” box meals. The “made-to-order” food offering was roast beef, brisket, mashed potatoes, home-cooked brown gravy, green beans, coleslaw, Hawaiian sweet rolls, and Caesar salad. Side condiments in separate containers of horseradish and BBQ sauce were also offered.



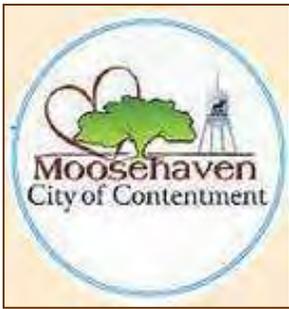
The Lodge wants to thank the team of Tom Oderwald and Elizabeth Coombs for their efforts in planning the event, purchasing the necessary food and items, preparing and cooking the food, serving the food, and performing the cleanup after the event. Special thanks to Billy Hensley for slicing the roast beef and for contributing to the cleanup of the cooking pots, pans and meat slicer after the event. John Matis contributed in the event by collecting the money & taking the orders, and participating in the cleanup.



Give Generously!

Support Special Olympics





Sports are back to watch on TV in September



& Maybe NCAA Football

Lodge Food Drive – September 12th (Continued)

As some members may still not want to come into the Lodge, a collection box for the Food Drive will be provided in the open air covered foyer of the Ritual Hall side entrance to protect from the weather. Please maintain the social distancing of 6 feet if other members are present when dropping off your food donation and, in accordance with state regulations, face masks are appropriate.



While fresh foods are an important part of the food provided to those in need, non-perishables are also needed and easy for you to donate. The organization that the food will be donated to can make the most of your non-perishable food donation when you consider three things: nutrition, usefulness, and quality vs. quantity.

The best non-perishable foods to donate:

- ▶ Canned beans
- ▶ Dry beans
- ▶ Rolled oats
- ▶ Peanut butter, or other nut butters
- ▶ Oatmeal
- ▶ Canned fruit in juice (not in light or heavy syrup)
- ▶ Canned vegetables, with no or low-sodium.
- ▶ Low-sodium soups
- ▶ Diced tomatoes
- ▶ Tomato sauce
- ▶ Canned tuna in water
- ▶ Rice (especially whole grain)
- ▶ Pasta (especially whole grain)
- ▶ Canned vegetables
- ▶ Cooking oils (such as olive oil or canola oil)
- ▶ Flour

Please - no glass containers!



Summer Bash Cookout – August 15th

Keeping with the success of the Welcome Back Members event, this cookout was again a “made-to-order” offering. The event had 27 participants who took advantage of all-you-can-eat and 7 “to-go” boxes ... another successful event! The food offering was hot dogs & hamburgers, BBQ chicken (thigh and legs), French fries, baked beans, pasta salad, deviled eggs, and watermelon. And from suggestions at the Welcome Back Members event, lettuce and tomatoes were offered for the hamburgers.

The Lodge wants to thank the team of Tom Oderwald and Elizabeth Coombs for their efforts in planning the event, purchasing the necessary food and items, preparing and cooking the food, serving the food, and performing the cleanup after the event. Also, a thank you is given to John Matis who assisted in the event by collecting the money, serving some of the food, and cleaning the pots after the event (he knows better to stay out of the kitchen when the food is being prepared and cooked).

The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank all of our members and their guests for coming to the Lodge and supporting this Social Event. The Hensley “group” was the largest at the event which included Alice Hensley (Billy’s Mom) who we haven’t seen in a while.



Lynchburg (VA) Nissan Donates New Nissan Titan to Safe Surfin’

The new vehicle will be used around the United States to promote The Safe Surfin’ Foundation as well as Moose (decal at the rear of the truck bed).



**Assist
Moosehaven
Opportunity
Lodge #3001 by
being an
Honorary
Member**



**Annual dues of
\$5.00
or
a lifetime
membership of
\$100
(that includes a
polo shirt with a
pin)**

**Fall
Membership
Workshops will
be conducted
by Moose
International
Field Staff
beginning this
Fall**

**Topics include
recruitment and
retention
challenges,
including methods
by Lodge and
Chapter issues**



A Moose & Kaulig Racing Partnership

If you have not been at the Lodge in August (where the subject was constantly discussed on an almost daily basis) you may not know that the Moose Fraternity has partnered with Kaulig Racing and driver Ross Chastain for three races in August. The Moose logo was splashed across the No. 10 car (refer to the photograph)!!

As stated by Moose International CEO Scott Hart: "Within the Moose Fraternity we have a solid base of members who are devoted fans of NASCAR racing. Our partnership with Kaulig Racing and Ross Chastain will bring not only racing excitement to our millions of members, but provides a unique focus on our missions of helping children, seniors and communities." Added Hart, "Kaulig Racing and the Moose Fraternity present a perfect match. There is a strong sense of family within both organizations and a belief that each member holds equal importance on the team."

Why the partnership? It was noted in a document received by the Lodge that Moose Fraternity membership promotion has been difficult throughout the years, and with the pandemic it has proved to be a bigger obstacle. Without members, it becomes an even greater challenge support our mission (Mooseheart, Moosehaven, & communities). It's also harder for our Lodges to operate without members supplying income and volunteer support. Moose International has rarely advertised nationally in the past, but the organization is committed to making changes in its strategy to try to achieve a more positive result for the Lodges and our missions moving forward.

For the NASCAR fan, the following are the results of the three races:

- Xfinity Series – UNOH 188 at the Daytona Race Course
Finished in 36th Place
- Xfinity Series – Drydene 200 Races
Finished 3rd Place in Stage 1
Finished 2nd Place in Stage 2
- Cup Series – Coke Zero Sugar 400
Finished 21st Place



Picture from Summer Bash Cookout

Billy Hensley and Alice Hensley (Billy's Mom) dancing



It's Me Again (Another Message from the Administrator)

To keep you informed, the Lodge has several major expenses in the near future. We are considering the replacement of the kitchen dish washer/sterilization equipment, repair of the air conditioning compressor based on recommendation from our new HVAC service company, and the obvious repairs for the asphalt at the entrance/exit of the Lodge. Do not be surprised of an increase in beverage prices that is being considered by the Lodge. This does not include unexpected failures of existing equipment during operations; such as bathroom drainage problems that occurred during the Bull Roast Event in the Men's Restroom of the Social Quarters.





Scooby Doo's Birthday

September 13th



Support the Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts



Pictures from the Welcome Back Cookout

National Good Neighbor Day

September 28th



Bring a neighbor to the Lodge

2020 LOOM Shining Star Winners at the 83rd Annual Virginia Moose Association (for 2019-2020 Moose Year)



Top Lodge up to 400 Members
Timberville Lodge #2335

Top Administrator
Keith Carpenter

Tappahannock-Warsaw Lodge #2133

Top Lodge 401 – 800 Members
Manchester-Richmond Lodge #699

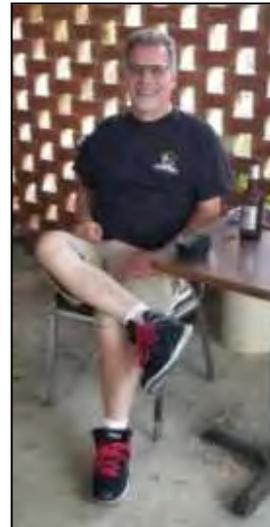
Top Sponsor
Ernest Rea
Waynesboro Lodge #1309

Top Lodge 801 + Members
Richmond East Lodge #1947

Top District President
Maury Carr
District No. 2

Top Sports Lodge
Luray Lodge #1413

2020 WOTM Shining Star Winners were not announced in the LOOM Annual Convention



Pictures from the Welcome Back Cookout



School Starts in September

Watch for Children when Driving as they may be having RECESS while schooling from home!

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.

SAFE SURFIN' FOUNDATION "Founded by Law Enforcement. Run by Law Enforcement" safesurfin.org

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

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