

# NYSMA Donates to Local Food Pantry at Binghamton Convention





Hundreds of pounds of food was donated by New York State Moose Lodges and Chapters to help fill the shelves of the local food pantry/ soup kitchen in Binghamton, the weekend of the Annual Convention. Many hands made light work of lifting, loading and delivering the bounty to the area church that oversees the operation of the Kitchen. Thank you, Moose of NY for your caring, giving attitude. Making a difference; It's what we do!









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#### President's Message



Hey New York,

Wow, my first letter to you all. First day home from Binghamton, and already I have work to do. We'll, lets get started.

First off, We need to thank Paul Fleig and Pat Parks for the work and dedication to this Association during the last year. They have built a great

foundation, lets continue to build on it. We needed a jump start and they come through.

As we said through out the entire Convention, WE HAVE A MEMBERSHIP PROBLEM. And if we don't attack it as a Moose family together, it will get worse. The community is the key. Find ways to invite the community to the lodge, open house, Honor a Politician, get together with other community leaders etc. We need to show what the moose is all about to the outside world.

Another thing I saw at the convention, Moose goes beyond our 4 walls at our lodge. There are too many people that have no idea about Mooseheart or Moosehaven is or what a Legionnaire dose or means. It's time for our Higher Degree's to start educating our members on what were about. No one has a better understanding of Moose than our Higher Degree's. Please Ladies and Gentlemen, preach Moose.

Lastly, on November 5, The NYS Moose Association will be having their first state meeting on Long Island since 1992 or 1994 at my Lodge in Lindenhurst in conjunction with the 21th Annual NYS Moose Legion All-State Celebration. We know how some of you are looking at this trip, but we are really looking forward to you coming. We will do everything in our power to make this as comfortable as possible. But please make your reservation ASAP. Do not delay

Well, it's an exciting time for me to be President of this Association, And I thank You all for the opportunity... That's all for now

Pete

Pete Harrigan-NYSMA President

# Message from the Deputy Grand Regent

Hello Co-workers,

I am sitting here writing this newsletter article to you after coming home from such an exciting time at our Annual Conference in Binghamton a few weeks ago.



What an enjoyable week-end we all had as our Deputy Pat and our Official Visitor Jan lead the way to keep us informed and up to date on proper meeting and agenda procedures and Women of the Moose rules and regulations. Jan kept us captivated with her knowledge and words of wisdom and encouragement to go back home and into our own chapters and lodges to continue the good works of our Moose Mission of caring for our children at Mooseheart and our seniors at Moosehaven. Jan certainly knows how to captivate and hold the attention of her audience and have FUN while doing so. Thank You Jan for making our conference a huge success and FUN for all!

A "SPECIAL THANKS" goes out to Pat Parks for all that you have done this past year as you served our state as our Deputy, you kept us informed, up to date and motivated us to be the best we could be and you lead us with pride and humility. To all of our past dignitaries and to Debbie Kelsey our current Academy of Friendship Board Member we are fortunate to have each of you who continue to be active in the hearts and minds of our coworkers and appreciate all that each of you continue to do for our chapters, I certainly have big shoes to fill and look forward to working together to build and sustain the growth of our chapters.

Co-workers we have a job to do as we continue to "RAISE THE ROOF" and focus on the goals of our mission as we provide for Mooseheart and Moosehaven and to show acts of kindness to those in our communities who are less fortunate than ourselves. We need to continue to follow the precepts of the Women of the Moose of Faith, Hope and Charity and to always remember to appreciate and respect one another and to have FUN and enjoy your membership!

I would like to once again Congratulate all of the New Green Cap Recipients and to all of the New Collegians and Star Recorders who are celebrating their successes during these next several months at your chapters recognition meetings. Enjoy, you deserve it!

Our Grand Regent Judy Davis has challenged us to do a daily act of kindness and to be considerate of what others may be going through. So I pass this challenge along to you as you go about your daily life, just a simple Thank You and a Smile can make a bleak day seem brighter for someone we need to remember to be patient and tolerant of those around us.

I'm so delighted and humbled to have been installed as your new Deputy for this year and I'm also looking forward to meeting you and making new and forever friends as I travel the state to represent you and the Women of the Moose of New York State.



Co-workers, I hope that you have eyes that see the best, A heart that forgives the worst, A mind that forgets the bad and a soul that never loses faith.

In Friendship and Fraternalism,



Hello Co-workers,

Yes summer is over, however the beauty of the vibrant colors of fall are now upon us and this is a time to stop and reflect to see where your



chapter stands, are you doing enough to "RAISE THE ROOF" by sponsoring new members?

Are you working to retain your established co-workers?

Are you doing enough to keep your co-workers interested in participating in chapter meetings and fundraising projects?

Are you sharing the story of the Women of the Moose by holding New Member Orientations and welcoming your new members to take part in chapter & lodge functions?

Are you sharing all of the ways a member can save money by taking advantage of the Members Benefit Savings Program offered to each of us by Moose International?

And most importantly are you communicating with your co-workers and are you having FUN?

Membership and Retention are the backbone of this fraternal organization. Without each of you we would have no organization we would not be able to sustain the many needs of Mooseheart and Moosehaven. We would be letting down our children and our seniors and ourselves for not doing all that we can to provide them with a safe and healthy environment filled with love and devotion.

Member Retention week will soon be here November 6<sup>th</sup> through the 12<sup>th</sup> Membership Chairman what a perfect opportunity to plan some special events for your chapter and work on member retention. Make it a fun and eventful week of activities and why not make it a joint effort with the Loyal Order.

Remember Co-workers to live by the Golden Rule, TO ALWAYS TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WOULD WANT TO BE TREATED! Fraternally,

Women of the Moose Membership Committee





The Donors Circle recognizes <u>you</u> for <u>your</u> individual tax-deductible Endowment Fund donations.



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# 2016 All-State Moose Legion Celebration Registration Form

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Name:	Name:
Legion Name:	Legion Name:
Legion #:	Legion #:
Office Held:	Office Held:
Name of Guest:	Name of Guest:
Pre-registration includes Friday Night Party, Saturday Night Dinner & Entertainment, Sunday Breakfast	Pre-registration includes Friday Night Party, Saturday Night Dinner & Entertainment, Sunday Breakfast
DEADLINE FOR PRE-REGISTRATION  IS  OCTOBER 10, 2016	DEADLINE FOR PRE-REGISTRATION  IS  OCTOBER 10, 2016
Pre-Registration \$27.00 per Person Registration at Celebration \$35.00 RETURN THIS FORM TO:	Pre-Registration \$27.00 per Person Registration at Celebration \$35.00 RETURN THIS FORM TO:
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Make Checks Payable to:	Make Checks Payable to:
MOOSE LEGION #20	MOOSE LEGION #20
Please indicate if you will be coming to breakfast on Sunday  Yes No	Please indicate if you will be coming to  breakfast on Sunday  Yes No

"DO SOME GOOD THING FOR SOMEONE EACH DAY"

# LODGING FOR THE ALL-STATE CELEBRATION

November 4 - 6, 2016

BEST WESTERN Bar Harbour Inn 5080Sunrise Highway Massapequa Park, NY 11762



Accommodations: \$112.00 +tax per Night

Check-In Time: 1:00 PM

For RESERVATIONS call 1-516-541-2000
The rooms are reserved under LONG ISLAND MOOSE LEGION #20

**CUT\_OFF DATE: 10/15/2016** 

What if the Child City received a penny every time

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Just go to <a href="www.goodsearch.com">www.goodsearch.com</a> and be sure to enter Moose Charities as the charity you want to support. And, be sure to Spread the word!

For more information, please visit <a href="www.moosecharities.org">www.moosecharities.org</a>, call (630)966-2200 or email questions to request@moosecharities.org

# **MOOSE - RAISE THE ROOF**

May 1, 2016 - April 30, 2017

During the "Moose – Raise the Roof" membership campaign, we will continue to focus on our core values and growing our Lodges and Chapters. By raising awareness of the Moose and what we do for our children at Mooseheart, our seniors at Moosehaven, and our local communities, our potential for growth is limitless!

#### **Sign 1 Member**

"Moose – Raise the Roof" lapel pins are presented by your Lodge, Chapter or Moose Legion to members that sponsor their first member during this campaign.







Moose Legion Pin



#### **Sign 5 Members**

Help to re-roof the Administration Office at Moosehaven. Funds will be donated for every man, woman or Moose Legionnaire who qualifies by signing 5 members courtesy of your Association, the Women of the Moose and the Moose Legion.



# Tommy Moose @ Convention (and he brought friends!)

Saturday 9/10/16 at the NYSMA WOTM Session, Community Service Chairwoman, Christine Gates made a wonderful presentation of Tommy Moose plush dolls from the NYS Women Of The Moose. Tommy Moose himself helped to greet these group representatives in person. The presentation included, Child Care Advocates of Broome County, Binghamton Fire Department, Children's Home of Wyoming Conference, Johnson City Police, New York State Police, Broome County Sheriffs, Binghamton Police Department and New York State District 52 Senator, Fred Akshar. Each group received between 1 and 8 cases of Tommys to distribute to children in times of need. This was a heartwarming example of the great things the Order of Moose can do.



#### A "Letter to the Editor" from a MooseHaven Resident

Understanding Moosehaven as our greatest insurance program ever

It would be impossible for me to try to answer so many of the hundreds of questions and remarks I have received from all of you as members on Face Book.

Why do we listen to unknowledgeable members who go on hearsay and rumors or live in the past, this is beyond my wildest condemnations?

Why as older members we don't see what's at Moosehaven that we all have helped to pay for waiting for all of us in our retirement years?

Why would you wait until you need assisted living or a nursing home when your best retirement years are here for you?

Why would you wait until you have become a financial burden on your love ones?

Why would you wait till assisted living of a nursing home eats up all your assets and then want to come to Moosehaven? Why would you give these other facilities \$3,000.00 to \$6,000.00 per month and be herded around like cattle? These same assets could and would be put to better use and if used up you will be taken care of for the rest of your life. What has happened to our idealism and independence as American?



If you come to Moosehaven by other than traditional ways, such as Brandon's Place, if at the end of life you still have assets left then they would go to whom ever you directed them to in your will.

So many questions needing to be answered put out by so many of our qualified members even I do not have all the answers, you as members can learn more about Moosehaven by googling it or by going to Moosehaven.org; and for even more answers you will find a phone number there for our most knowledgeable people.

We are all unique, we have difference life styles and difference situations yet the bond we all share as brother and sister Moose we love the children in our care and the work we have done in our communities and have for over 100 years, at Moosehaven the heart of this community; that love and work continues.

Why do we all think we are infallible and put off what we must all endure in that time in life when we need to make a decision?

So many of you have said to me "I am not quite ready yet", so many have said this over

the years and the very next day it was too late and this is why those here say "I should have come sooner." So many horror stories out there yet here at Moosehaven every day is "just another day in paradise."

Fraternally, Everett C Goodwin Moosehaven Resident





# NYSMA SPORTS TOURNAMENTS

### November 5&6, 12&13 ~ MIXED BOWLING ~ Wellsville

TBA ~ MIXED SHUFFLEBOARD ~ Sidney February 25, 2017~ POOL ~ Genesee Valley-Henrietta April 15-16, 29-30/May 6 ~ MEN'S BOWLING ~ Bowl-A-Roll Lanes, Rochester.

# Sports & Activities

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:kmh19@cornell.edu">kmh19@cornell.edu</a>, at home (607) 865-4963 or (607) 435-6931.

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2016 NYS WOTM Golf Tournament



The Annual 2016 NYS WOTM Golf Tournament hosted by Palmyra Lodge 1420 and Chapter 449 on the 27th of August was a tremendous success and enjoyed by all (winners and losers alike).

28 golfers from seven chapters participated and were served a chicken parmesan dinner at the Palmyra Lodge followed by awards and many door prizes.

We had tremendous success with recruiting hole sponsors for which I'd like to thank all Chapters who participated in this aspect of the tournament. Your donations were greatly appreciated.

Donna Stebbins Palmyra WOTM Golf Chair



#### **MOOSE CHARITIES UPDATE**

When each of us joined the Moose, we signed an obligation to "give of your energy and substance in support of Mooseheart and Moosehaven". Please remember that obligation and participate in Moose Charities recognition programs. There are many to choose from:

- **M & M Club** this program gives you the opportunity to make a monthly donation to Moose Charities. You can sign up to have any amount (\$10 minimum) taken from your checking account or your credit card account automatically on a monthly basis. When you sign up, you pick the amount and designate where you would like your donation to go.
- **Donors Circle** this program is an accumulative Endowment Fund Program for donors like you and me. As you reach specific levels, starting at \$100, you receive a heart-shaped pin.
- <u>Mooseheart Boosters</u> Mooseheart School, just like many of our local schools, are dependent on the help of their Boosters. You can donate any amount even \$10 to be a Booster. Every little bit helps!
- At the current time the NYSMA is working on a \$30,000.00 pledge to repair and renovate the **New York Chapel at Moosehaven**.

These are just a few of the Moose Charities projects. You can get more information on the Moose Charities website, <a href="https://www.moosecharities.org">www.moosecharities.org</a>.

**REMEMBER**: 100% of your donation goes directly to the program you designate. There are very few non-profit organizations that can claim that. And, your donation is 100% tax deductible.

When making a donation your check should be made payable to Moose Charities and earmarked for the program you choose. Please make sure you include your name and MID # on the check.

Jim and Pat Parks
Moose Charities Chairmen





Dear Co-Workers -

Now that my year as Deputy Grand Regent has come to an end, I would like to thank everyone for being so kind and supportive. have had the opportunity to meet so many wonderful co-workers. I would like to give special thanks to my home Chapter, Gowanda, and also to Horseheads for being Hostess Chapters for our two conferences. You were all AWE-SOME and did a terrific job. I was so fortunate to have Past Deputy Grand Regents who were willing and able to offer advice and/or help whenever I asked. The state chairmen and conferral/convocation staff are all AMAZING !!!

I was also fortunate to have wonderful Official Visitors – Wendy Matthew for the Mid-Year Conference and Jan Fregulia for our Annual Conference. These ladies were able to make the conferences interesting and entertaining and proved that we could have **FUN** at our conferences.

Congratulations to New York State's new Green Cap Junior Graduate Regents, new Academy of Friendship co-workers, new Star Recorders and new Collegians. You have all done a great job. Please keep up the good work.

Best wishes to our new Deputy Grand Regent, Christine Brooks. The co-workers of New York State are so fortunate to have you for the upcoming year. You are going to do a fantastic job. And, finally, I would like to congratulate Debbie Kelsey on being appointed to the Academy of Friendship Board. The Women of the Moose of New York State should be **NEW YORK** STATE MOOSE PROUD !!!

In friendship and love,

Pat Parks Past Deputy Grand Regent

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