

'Two years ago in Nashville, Moose International launched the beginnings of "The New Moose Experience," an as-yet undefined project that would look to engage the next generation of families and individuals with whom we have had limited success in attracting as members.

This year in St. Louis, that vision was more refined, yet not quite ready to be introduced to the membership as additional details needed to be solidified. An exciting program had emerged from a myriad of initial proposals, but there was a tremendous amount of research, testing and planning still needed to make it a reality. I want to share with you an excerpt about this "new experience" from my message to those in attendance at the St. Louis Convention -

"The hardest thing for you and me to grasp is that it will not have anything to do with your Lodge or Chapter. This is something completely innovative, yet has Moose DNA threaded through it. This new Moose experience will be under the Umbrella of our organization. It's lifeblood will be Moose. And realizing that Millennials, as a whole, are just not interested in joining Lodges, this experience has to be different. And it will be different. It will be a new brand that has Moose at its foundation. Just as the lodges are the experience that is hallmark and preference of all of us in this hall. This new Moose experience for Millennials will be their unique way of coming together. And the timing is right. Millennial families are seeking a way to come together. A way to come together that compliments and supports their unique lifestyles that blend work – play – learning – and giving into a singular day to day, even hour to hour life – as a integral and supportive community." ~Scott D. Hart

Director General Moose International '

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President's Message

Hey New York,



Pete

Pete Harrigan-NYSMA President

Message from the Deputy Grand Regent

Dear Co-workers,

Hello and Happy Holidays to all. Such a busy and vibrant time of year the hustle and bustle of the holidays, decorating, baking, shopping, wrapping and checking our lists to see who's been

naughty or nice, and speaking of lists are you checking your chapters list of required reports for submission. We are 8 months into this chapter year with only 4 more to go so this would be a good time to go over your chapter records to date and make sure that all information has been completed correctly and submitted as directed. All forms along with your membership status is what is reviewed towards earning the Award of Achievement so don't let your chapter end up on the naughty list and lumps of coal in your chapters stocking this Christmas!

November was filled with lots of pride and excitement as we honored our new Collegians at their respective Chapter Activity Meetings, Congratulations once again to each of you and also to those who had their tassels changed and those who received their Red Stoles. Your hard work and dedication to the Women of the Moose Program is deeply appreciated!

And to our Jr. Graduate Regents who will be honored in the upcoming months enjoy your special day of recognition as you worked hard to earn this degree and are so deserving of this special day, next up your College of Regents Degree!

A special shout out to all of the chapters who were presented with their Award of Achievement Certificates this honor shows that you and your chapter worked diligently together as a team to accomplish the required chapter goals of success, so congratulations and display your certificates proudly for all to see!

Co-workers remember to be generous this holiday season with your chapter donations to Mooseheart and Moosehaven so that our children and seniors may have a Merry Christmas and don't forget to give to those who are less fortunate right in your own back yards, our communities. This is the time of year for giving and helping others and being recognized for who we are and letting our home town communities know that we are here and that we are not just the corner bar next door but the lifeline to those when in need and that we represent our lodges and chapters with fraternalism and pride for our communities.

From My Family to Yours, Wishing Each of You a Very Blessed Happy & Healthy Holiday Season and May All of Your Dreams Come True in the New Year!



In Friendship and Fraternalism, Christine

Christine Brooks, Deputy Grand Regent



Hello Co-workers,

As the holiday of Christmas is fast approaching let us take a



moment to check to see where your chapter stands in membership. Are you on track to have a plus one towards earning the Award of Achievement? If not it's a perfect time of year to sponsor a membership drive. And what a nice gesture to give the gift of membership to a special family member or friend, after all it's the gift that keeps on giving and can last a life time, it doesn't require batteries or electricity all that is required is your love and passion for your chapter and your willingness to share our story of the Women of the Moose Program and all that a membership has to offer. It could just turn out to be the best received gift of the season!

Baby Boomers it's time to move over as there's a new generation in town, our Millennials. Our youth of today is needed and this is their time to shine as they are our future. The Loyal Order of Moose is working hard to implement programs that will be geared to suit the changing times we now live in, just as James J. Davis had a vision so many years ago we now need to offer a new Experience to meet the needs of today's young as we strive to be united and to continue to provide for the future needs of Mooseheart, Mooshaven and our communities.

As we are going through these changing times and in the anticipation of this upcoming blessed holiday season remember to:

> "Be soft. Do not let the world make you hard. Do not let pain make you hate. Do not let the bitterness steal your sweetness."

Happy Holidays to all, Women of the Moose Membership Committee

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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.





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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.



NYSMA SPORTS TOURNAMENTS ⇒February 25, 2017~ POOL ~ Genesee Valley-Henrietta ⇒ April 15-16, 29-30/May 6 ~ MEN'S BOWLING ~ Bowl-A-Roll Lanes, Rochester.

Sports & Activities

Sports Chairman Randy Budde 716-523-0531 or lodge617@mooseunits.org

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

IUIM Kim M. Holden, WOTM Sports Chairman

NYSMA Shuffleboard Tournament

The State Shuffleboard tournament was held in Sidney on October 22nd. Six teams competed with LeRoy taking 1st and 2nd place. Art Adner and Nino Riggi, state champs and 2nd place was taken by Ed Lathan and Mike Smith. The host Lodge Sidney was great, providing a light snack in the morning and lunch consisting of pasta, rolls and salad. Saturday evening the lodge held their Halloween party with costumes, a band and a dish to pass, what a wonder way to end the long day of competition. Thanks to Kim Holden the chairman who did a great job getting information out and running the tournament. LeRoy will be hosting the tournament next year hope to see you there.



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.
- **Mooseheart Boosters** 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 **<u>New York Chapel at Moosehaven</u>**.

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

<u>REMEMBER</u>: 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.

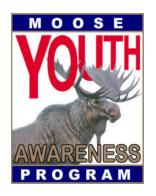
Jím and Pat Parks Moose Charities Chairmen



Supporting Mooseheart Child City & School and Moosehaven City of Contentment

Teen Moose News

The Wellsville Moose Youth Group held a Chicken Dinner on Nov 10th. It was free for Veterans. Proceeds of \$301 will be donated to the Bath VA Hospital.



Youth Awareness

Youth Awareness Sessions are Dec 3rd at Lindenhurst Lodge and Dec 4th at Palmyra Lodge. All Lodges and Chapters have been emailed all forms and registration information for these Sessions.

Community Outreach Needs at Binghamton Spring Conference in April

The association will once again be collecting food items at the Spring Conference. Plan now to help the need people of Binghamton and donate as many of the follow ing items as you or your Lodge or Chapter can: Canned fruit, green beans, corn, tomato sauce, diced tomatoes, applesauce, mashed potatoes, tuna, chicken ranch and Italian salad dressings, gravy, pasta, sugar salt, creamer, coffee, sweet 'n lo, soups and cheese. Also fresh fruits and vegetables, macaroni and cheese, instant potatoes, spaghetti sauce peanut butter and crackers. This is just a suggested list, feel free to donate any item you can.

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