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WILLARD R. KITCHENS

serves as Supreme Governor, the chief presiding officer of the Loyal Order of Moose. He was elected to this position at the 129th International Convention in Tampa, FL in July 2017. Prior to this post he served as Supreme Jr. Governor in 2016-2017 and Supreme Prelate in 2015-2016. Willard has served on the Supreme Council, the Fraternity's corporate Board of Directors, since 2008.

Willard joined the Moose in 1982 as a member of Prattville, AL Lodge 1864 (which merged into Dallas County, AL Lodge 1737 in February 2012). He held numerous chairs there, including that of Governor. In addition to his Alabama lodge membership, he also holds membership at lodges in Georgia, Tennessee and Mississippi.

Willard has been active as a Ritualist, and is a member of Dixie Moose Legion 115 where he holds his Life Membership and served in all the chairs. He also holds membership in Coastal Plains (GA) Moose Legion 128, Chattahoochee Valley (GA) Moose Legion 130, and Magnolia (MS) Moose Legion 67, Volunteer (TN) Moose Legion 12 and Cordell Hull (TN) Moose Legion 75.

Willard is a Past State President of the Alabama State Moose Association and served as Deputy Supreme Governor and as Association Secretary.

A member of the 200 Division of the Moose 25 Club, Willard received the Fellowship Degree of Honor in 1987 and the Pilgrim Degree of Merit in 1992.

Willard served in the U.S. Navy and later was employed in the jewelry business. Away from his fraternal duties, Willard enjoys gardening, softball, baseball and devotional reading.

Willard and his wife Kay reside in Prattville, AL. They have two children and two grandchildren. **See Page 11 For a complete Itinerary of the Supreme Governor's visit**

Supreme Governor Howard Kitchens will be in NY in December.

Thursday, Dec. 7	Le Roy, NY #1132
Friday, Dec. 8	Dansville, NY #1130
Saturday Dec. 9	Penn Yan, NY #2030
Sunday Dec. 10	Horseheads, NY #1476

Please give him a warm New York State Welcome while he's here!

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President's Message

As we head into the holiday season, I would like to extend a holiday greeting to all our Moose members across the state.

Hopefully the "Moose Retention Week", held this past November, was a success for your lodge or chapter, but we need to have a continuous retention throughout the year. It is easier to get members to pay their dues when only a month or two behind, but don't give up on those that have not paid for months or even been dropped. There was a reason why they joined in the first place, work on that fact. Also, if you review our mission to support Mooseheart and Moosehaven and programs of the Moose, most generally you can convince members to renew their membership.

Don't forget that you only have until December 31, 2017 to take advantage of the free membership to our first responders (fire, police, ambulance) and also our military personnel. What better way for you to build your lodge and chapter membership, not to mention building on your own way to getting to the "25 Club" or raising your club status higher.

Remember that we have a commitment to our seniors at Moosehaven. NYSMA needs to raise funds of \$30,000.00 to pay for the replacement of the roof on the NY Chapel at Moosehaven. Checks can be made out to Moose Charities earmarked (NY Chapel Fund).

Lastly, we should not forget our children at Mooseheart and their house parents. If you can find the kindness in your hearts, I'm sure they would enjoy getting greeting cards and maybe a gift card they can use when they take a trip to the local area.

Let us all look forward to a great 2018. "Sponsor and member – Save a member". If we all could do "Just One!" God bless Mooseheart and Moosehaven and our military personnel.

Fraternally Yours

Bob Laux,
 NYSMA President



Message from the Deputy Grand Regent



Hi everyone,

Just think, in about 3 weeks we will be getting together with our family and friends for the Christmas Holiday. What a joyous time of year. However, for my family, my daughter will be ending her internship at Disney World so Christmas at our house might wait till January 5. But that's ok, it about the family.

I would like to thank the Horsehead Chapter and lodge for the warm welcome me and my husband received at the pilgrim Capping of Jack Brooks, Christine (PDGR) husband. It was a nice weekend away with my husband and we enjoyed the travel there. Congratulations to Jack, a well-deserved honor.

I would like to apologize that I missed the NYSMA Meeting at Genesee Valley, Henrietta. But that's ok, we will be going there and Jan 27, so I got a second chance. Looking forward to it.

We just had a 2 HOTT session at Lindenhurst with Dori Re and Debbie Kelsey. I would like to thank them both for coming down and I hope you felt welcomed at Lindenhurst.

We were just invited to Dansville Lodge for the Honoring of Past Supreme Governor Fritz Griswold. Looking forward to that.

Remember, we can't grow without membership. Please invite someone to your lodge for the Christmas Season. Show them what the Moose can do and what were all about.

So, to say Merry Christmas would be an understatement. May God bless you and your family for a great holiday season...

Jodi

Jodi Harrigan, DGR





Deputy Supreme Governors' Page



Hello Brothers,

As I begin to reflect upon my year thus far as your NYS DSG I want to let everyone know how grateful I am for the dedication and commitment that each of our lodges have shown in support of our fraternal program. Your desire to work hard to bring our state back in the standings where we should be is to be commended as we are on our way towards that success.

It has been an exciting fall traveling to several lodges, attending Pilgrim Celebrations and meeting new brothers and making new friends along the way.

The Annual State Officers Meeting held in Genessee Valley Henrietta in conjunction with the Yearly Moose Legion Celebration was a week-end full of information, fun and fraternalism and both the lodge and chapter did a fantastic job hosting this event, so hats off to GVH and Thank You for making this a memorable weekend for all who attended.

I am especially looking forward to our Supreme Governor Willard Kitchens and his wife Kay's upcoming visit to New York as we have plans made to visit several lodges during their time here in New York, so please check the State Web Site for a full listing of his planned itinerary.

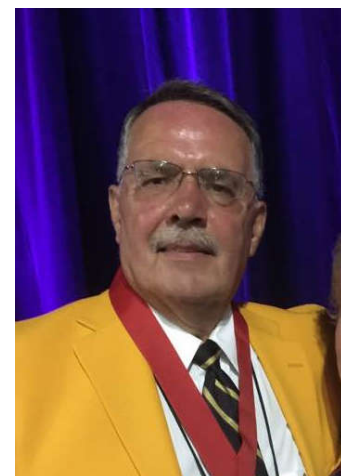
As I end this article I want to wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Fraternally,

Jack

Jack L. Brooks,

Deputy Supreme Governor





Hello Co-workers,

The warm and sunny days of summer are now behind us and the beautiful colors of fall are most welcoming as we get ready for yet another holiday season to soon arrive.

This is the time to be really taking a look at your chapter's membership status and working on securing your members whose dues are arrears and get them back on the rolls as active and productive co-workers. This is also a great time to be enrolling new members into your chapters and getting them involved so that they can enjoy all of the festivities of the upcoming holidays with you. Don't forget that we still have several more months of the no fees application offer of membership to those who qualify and what a beautiful way to say thank you to those who protect each of us on a daily basis.

For you co-workers who will soon be heading south for the winter please remember to give your forwarding address and email information to your chapter recorder so that you can be kept abreast of all that is going on in your chapters as we know that you won't want to miss out on all of the exciting planned activities.

OPEN HEARTS, OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS

In Friendship & Fraternalism,

Christine, PDGR & NYS Membership Chairman



**SAVE THE DATE
JANUARY 20, 2018**

TOAST HIM OR ROAST HIM

**AN EVENING HONORING
PAST SUPREME GOVERNOR
FRANZ R. (FRITZ) GRISWOLD**

Dansville Lodge #1130, 6 Main Street, Dansville, NY

Hors d'oeuvres and cocktails (cash bar) from 5pm-6pm

Buffet will be served at 6pm. (considering possible weather conditions this is a bit earlier than usual)

Motel rooms are limited in Dansville so book early if planning to spend the night.

Logan's Inn - Dansville (585) 335-5840

Country Inn & Suites - Mt. Morris (15 miles) (585) 658-4080

Hampton Inn - Geneseo - (30 miles) (585) 447-9040 (new)

Days Inn - Hornell (20 miles) (607) 324-6222

**RSVP to Beth at (585) 721-5281
Text or call by January 10th, 2018**

Dear Brothers and Co-workers,

As my year as Deputy Grand Regent has now come to an end words alone cannot express enough to each of you my appreciation and utmost gratitude for all of your dedication and support of me as your deputy. It has been a most humbling and exciting experience and one that I will cherish forever. It has been a privilege and honor to represent our state and serve as your deputy.

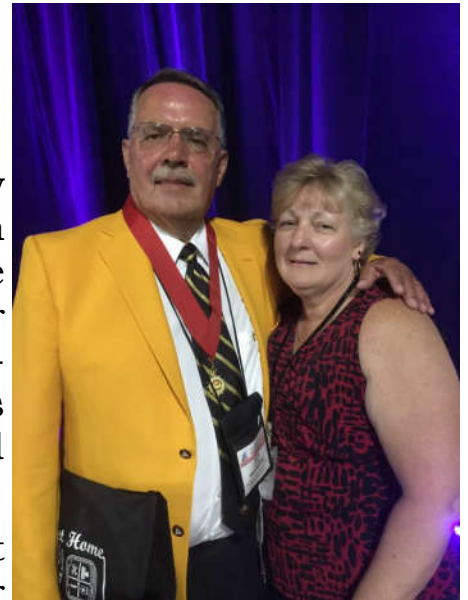
Being deputy this year came with a bonus and great honor of serving alongside our Supreme Governor Fritz Griswold and Academy of Friendship Board Member Debbie Kelsey what an honor and privilege it has been to share this year with two such beautiful and dedicated fellow moose.

To both of my past hostess chapters Binghamton and Horseheads and our two OV's Judy and DeAnna, thank you for all that you did to ensure that we had two great and successful conferences.

To the LOOM and entire men's state board I can't thank you enough for all of the courtesies you have shown to Jack and myself this past year. You have been a great team of guys to work with and thank you for allowing us and including us to take part in your events and more importantly for listening when we wanted to be heard, remembering that we are truly one organization and that working together we can accomplish much success.

Jodi, Congratulations on being installed as our new Deputy Grand Regent, enjoy every minute of it as it goes by all too quickly. I know that you will have much success as you not only have a great husband who is in your corner but a proud chapter who will be there to assist you every step of the way.

Thank you every one for all that you do for the L.O.O.M & W.O.T.M Programs and I am proud to say that I am a member of the Greatest Organization in the USA!



Christine,

Past Deputy Grand Regent



N.Y. ALL-STATE CELEBRATION

RAFFLE WINNERS

- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. <u>HUNTINGTON LODGE #318</u> | 19. <u>CRAIG BARNES</u> |
| 2. <u>GREG PARKER</u> | 20. <u>BILLOBEA PERRY</u> |
| 3. <u>DIST #3</u> | 21. <u>R. PABNOTTA</u> |
| 4. <u>M.L #20</u> | 22. <u>JACK PRICE</u> |
| 5. <u>ED BROWNELL</u> | 23. <u>SARANAC LAKE #457</u> |
| 6. <u>MARK HUTTON</u> | 24. <u>PORT JESS 1379</u> |
| 7. <u>M.L #14</u> | 25. <u>DON ALLEN</u> |
| 8. <u>RICK HILDEBRANDT</u> | 26. <u>M.L #14</u> |
| 9. <u>LODGE #180</u> | 27. <u>DON ALLEN</u> |
| 10. <u>SARANAC LAKE #457</u> | 28. <u>RIDGEWOOD LODGE #1642</u> |
| 11. <u>M.L #20</u> | 29. <u>SARANAC LAKE #457</u> |
| 12. <u>DAVID BENDER</u> | 30. <u>DISTRICT #3</u> |
| 13. <u>PORT JESS #1379</u> | 31. <u>HUNTINGTON LDG. #318</u> |
| 14. <u>SARANAC LAKE #457</u> | 32. <u>PORT JESS #1379</u> |
| 15. <u>RON MALEY</u> | 33. <u>SUE SPETA</u> |
| 16. <u>SARANAC LAKE #457</u> | 34. <u>DISTRICT #3</u> |
| 17. <u>DAVID BENDER</u> | 35. <u>ALBERT C. MOORE</u> |
| 18. <u>DISTRICT #3</u> | |

A THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR
SUPPORTING THE 22ND ALL-STATE
MOOSE LEION CELEBRATION

Greetings Co-workers,

Well can you believe it another year is almost over and the greatest holidays of the year are fast approaching, what a wonderful and joyous time of year as we gather to celebrate with our family and friends.

Co-workers don't forget to remember our Moose Family and those less fortunate than ourselves and help to make their season a little brighter as well. This is also that perfect time of year to put on a special fundraiser to help assist your elderly or shut in co-workers who are on a fixed monthly income pay their dues. Pay them a visit and bring along some baked goodies made with love and bring a smile on their face and don't forget that special Christmas Carol and card. We all get so wrapped up into our own lives and sometimes forget what such a simple act can do to brighten up one's day.

Don't forget to offer your own Home Town Hero's an opportunity to become a member as the free membership offer is coming to an end at the end of this month. Oh and if you're not sure what to give that special someone this year for Christmas maybe they would appreciate and enjoy a gift of membership from Santa, after all it's a gift that keeps on giving!

Wishing each of you a Happy & Healthy Holiday Season,
Christine, PDGR & WOTM Membership Chairman



Join the Donors Circle



\$100



The Donors Circle recognizes **you** for **your** individual tax-deductible Endowment Fund donations.



James J. Davis, founder of Mooseheart

Please wear your Donors Circle pin proudly and share the story of Mooseheart & Moosehaven at every opportunity.

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Visit www.moosecharities.org/donorscircle



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**NEW YORK STATE WELCOMES
SUPREME GOVERNOR WILLARD KITCHENS & KAY**

We are honored and proud to have our state chosen to be included in the travels of our Supreme Governor Willard and his lovely wife Kay as they travel around the country promoting our fraternal organization. He will be in New York from December 7th through the 10th and the following is his planned itinerary. Please plan to stop in and meet with him to enjoy some fun and fraternalism and show him that in New York we are Moose Proud!

Thursday – December 7th

Genesee Valley Henrietta Lodge: Meet & Greet/Snacks 3:00-4:30 PM

Thursday – December 7th

LeRoy Moose Family Center: Meat Loaf Dinner 6:00 PM

**Check & Awards Presentations along with Local and State Dignitaries
and a special appearance by Tommy Moose.**

Friday- December 8th

Corning Museum of Glass

Friday – December 8th

Dansville Lodge: Meet & Greet / Fish Fry 5:00 PM

Saturday – December 9th

Penn Yan Lodge: Meet & Greet / Luncheon 2:00 PM

Saturday – December 9th

Corning Lodge: Meet & Greet / Desserts 7:00 PM

Sunday – December 10th

Horseheads Lodge: District Brkfst. Mtg. / Presentations 10:00 AM



Sports & Activities

NYSMA SPORTS COMPETITION

~ INVITATIONALS ~

~~FEB 19 ~ DARTS ~ LeRoy~~

~~FEB 25 ~ POOL ~ GV-Henrietta~~

~~FEB 21, 2018 ~ POOL ~ Hornell~~

~~MARCH 11 ~ EUCHRE ~ Palmyra~~

~~AUGUST 12 ~ CORNHOLE ~ Westfield~~



TBA ~ HORSESHOES ~ Montour Falls ?

~~OCTOBER 21 ~ SHUFFLEBOARD ~ LeRoy~~

~TOURNAMENTS ~

~~APRIL 29 & 30/MAY 6 & 7 ~ MEN'S BOWLING
GV-Henrietta~~

~~APRIL 29 & 30 ~ WOMEN'S BOWLING
~ Wellsville~~

~~JULY 15 ~ MEN'S GOLF (2-man) ~ Westfield~~

~~JULY TBA ~ TRAP & SKEET ~ Montour Falls~~

~~AUGUST 19 ~ CAPTAIN & CREW ~ Palmyra~~

~~AUGUST 2018 ~ CAPTAIN & CREW ~ Westfield~~

~~AUGUST 26 ~ WOMEN'S GOLF ~ Lock City~~

~~NOVEMBER 4 & 5, 11 & 12 ~ MIXED BOWLING ~
Corning~~

Tournament participants must be NYSMA members

For any information about upcoming Sporting events, please contact Sports Chairman Randy Budde at:

716-523-0531 or buddeyankees18@gmail.com or lodge617@mooseunits.org

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

Kim

Kim M. Holden, WOTM Sports Chairman

NYSMA Shuffleboard Tournament

Held October 21, 2017 at the Le Roy Lodge #1132. These are the people who played in the tournament. Left to right (Zigzag up and down): John Ike, Larry (LT) Rice, Ed Lathan, Josie Pollino, Anthony (Nino) Riggi, Nancy Rice, Art Adner, Donna Hillburger, Sharyll Hume, Mike Smith, Rich Tredinnick



First place: Ed & Mike Second place: Nino & Art

MOOSE - Honoring Community Heroes



Lodge & Chapter Pin



Moose Legion Pin

May 1, 2017 - April 30, 2018

Sign 1 Member

Moose – Honoring Community Heroes lapel pins are presented by your Lodge, Chapter or Moose Legion to members that sponsor their first member during this campaign.



Sign 5 Members

Funds will be donated towards the purchase of two new security vehicles for the Mooseheart campus. Contributions are courtesy of your Association, the Women of the Moose and the Moose Legion.

Sign 25 Members

Receive free basic registration for our 2018 International Moose Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana.

SPONSOR A NEW MEMBER TODAY!



MOOSE CHARITIES UPDATE

Moose Charities is responsible for tracking donations from the Lodges and Chapters in support of Mooseheart and Moosehaven. In addition, they ask individual members to give directly in support of the children and seniors.

There are several ways that individual members are able to help. By making an annual donation of as little as \$10 or more, you can become a **Mooseheart Booster** in support of the children at Mooseheart.

The **Donors Circle** is a recognition program for individual members who give directly to Moose Charities. Donors are recognized with a series of pins and recognition by Association on the Moose Charities website.

In 2015 the **Moosehaven Centennial Project** was introduced to build a new residential home for our senior members. Lodges, Chapters, and Moose Legions are all sending donations to Moose Charities but individuals can also send donations to help with this project.

The **m & m Club** is a recognition program whereby individual members can make a monthly contribution to Moose Charities and can designate where your donation is credited.

The **League of Guardians** is a recognition program for donors and their spouses whose combined giving to Moose Charities totals \$1000 or more during the fiscal year, May 1st through April 30th. New York State is fortunate to have 20 members in the League of Guardians. Moose Charities recognizes these members with a dinner at the International Convention each year and with a special listing in the Annual Report.

Please remember that 100% of your individual donations go directly to the project of your choice and your donations are tax deductible.

GOD BLESS MOOSEHEART AND MOOSEHAVEN

Jim Parks
NYSMA Moose Charities Chairman



Mission Statement

The objectives of the Association are to bring together in closer fraternal cooperation the lodges and chapters of the Loyal Order of Moose and the membership of such lodges and chapters in the State of New York; to aid and promote the purposes of the Loyal Order of Moose;

to build the membership strength of the Order; to exchange ideas and ideals which may be of benefit to the various lodges and their members; to promote interest in the work of Ritual Staffs and similar units; to encourage a broader interest in sports and family activities; to stimulate participation in Community Service programs; to adopt programs and projects for the betterment of Mooseheart and Moosehaven to include the building of the Endowment Fund for the support of these institutions; to foster closer relationship between lodges and chapters in New York and lodges and chapters in neighboring state/provinces, and to coordinate the programs and directives of Moose International, Inc. and the Supreme Lodge.

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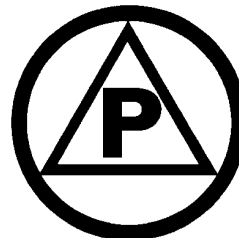
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REWARDS**