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Attention One and All!!! Mid-Year Convention in Binghamton, NY is Coming!!!



And So Are WE!!

With around 2000 candy bars!

Ask your Lodges and Chapters how many they want!

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President's Message



Now that winter is over, we certainly had our share of cold and snow. I hope we are all happy that Spring has finally arrived. But with Spring, it brings us closer to the end of another Moose year. I hope that you have all made plans to attend our

Spring Conference in Binghamton, April 19th-22nd. Our State Board will have much to do to close out the year with the Districts. We still have not reached our goal of PLUS ONE!, but time still remains to call on our former members that have let their dues lapse and to sponsor that one person you have forgot to ask to join our great fraternity. Please do! We want NY back on top as one of the best in the fraternity when we get to the International Convention in New Orleans in July. It can only be done by everyone doing their part. Please ask someone to join today.

We also need to have ALL of our elected officers trained by July 1st. If you are or will be an officer in 2018-2019, please take your training online now to show that you do care for your lodge members so you can run a great program in your lodge.

I would like to see as many of our lodge officers, delegates and families at the International Convention in New Orleans. There is always much to learn, and the tremendous amount of friendship to share with others, and of course, to see New Orleans while attending.

Be sure you visit our State Association website (NYSMA99.com) as often as you can. We are updating information, to you our members on a daily bases. It is very informative and also our way to communicate to each and every member at large.

Have a great Spring – Save a member – Sponsor a member and see you someday soon.

Fraternally Yours

Bob Laux

NYSMA President



Message from the Deputy Grand Regent



Hello Ladies,

I've been so busy preparing for Binghamton, I almost forgot my letter for this bulletin. Preparing for the Conference has been a new experience for me. I can't thank Christine Brooks, Carol Bowker, and others enough in helping me along this new venture. I am excited and hope Binghamton will live up to everyone's expectations.

I talked to Barb MacPherson this week in making final travel arrangements. She really looking forward to coming to New York. It's important to make her feel welcomed by all, but there's nothing like the Big Boss coming for dinner. LOL

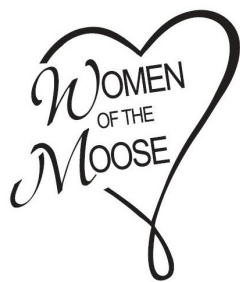
One thing new at this conference there will not be a Saturday morning session this year. Instead, we're leaving it open so the Co-workers can participate in the workshops. Moose International has started these at the National Convention so we figured we would try it. Nothing like some positive change. There are a couple which can be beneficial to us, The Membership workshop and the Open to the Public one. In addition, Carol Bowker has some seminars for just us women. These seminars can really open up our Chapters by introducing new people to our Moose world.

Academy of Friendship matriculants must have their calling cards for Sunday ceremony. If you don't or it got lost, see me prior to Sunday if possible

Last but not least, on Saturday there will be a Higher Degree lunch in which both men and woman can attend. This was started by Christine and my husband last year. It was a success so we are bringing it back. Thank you to the NYSMA for making it happen.

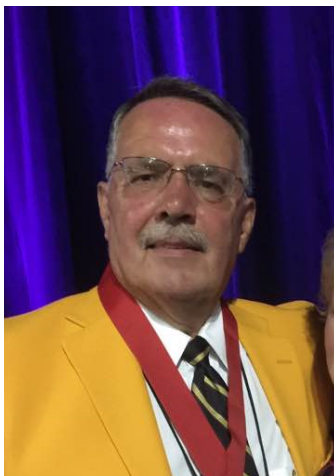
But the most important thing of all is, to have fun. I can't wait and looking forward to seeing you all there.

Happy Spring,



Jodi

Jodi Harrigan
Deputy Grand Regent
New York



Deputy Supreme Governors' Page

Hello Brothers,

As I write this article it is still bitter cold outside even though the sun is shining brightly and spring is just a few weeks away allowing us to get outside and dump the dole drums of old man winter.

Seems like the last few months have passed by quickly as I've traveled to several lodges for Higher Degree and District Meetings, enjoyed our district Karaoke sing off and participated in a Legion Celebration enrolling eight new Legionnaires. I also attended the NYS Moose Association meeting in Penn Yan in January which was quite informative and refreshing to learn and share ideas for ways to work together for the continued successes of our lodges.

As we fast approach the end of this lodge year please take a moment to reflect back on all of your lodges accomplishments, new member growth and member retention efforts. Double check that the lodge requirements have been met, all goals reached with a plus one in membership, community service reports and all paper work and monies properly submitted for consideration to qualify and earn the Lodge Merit Award.

I personally want to wish each new member going on the board of officers my congratulations and best wishes for a successful year and one filled with pride, fun, and fraternalism and "Thank You" for stepping up to take the obligation to be a leader in your lodge as this should be a rewarding experience for you as you bring new enthusiasm and growth to our order.

I look forward to seeing you at Mid-Year in Binghamton.

Fraternally,

Jack

Jack L. Brooks,

Deputy Supreme Governor



Hello Co-Workers,



Spring has finally sprung, and along with it comes all things bright & beautiful.

Can you believe it, it's the end and beginning of yet another chapter year, where has the time gone? So much left to do and so little time to do it in. Has your chapter done all it needs to do, have all of your reports been submitted, financial standing in good order and membership grown by at least one new member since April 2017, have all of your officers attended an Officers Training session? Take a moment to check and double check that your chapter is on track to succeed and to earn the Award of Achievement.

This is the last opportunity to take advantage of honoring our Home Town Heroes with no application fee or dues for one year, what a beautiful way to honor and thank those who give of themselves to protect us on a daily basis.

Reminder our State-Wide Membership Campaign: Co-worker's who have sponsored five or more new or re-enrolled members this chapter year will have her name entered into a drawing for a chance to win a Life Membership to be drawn at Annual Conference in September.

Remember you have to be in it to win it!

Thank You ladies for all that you continue to do for the Women of the Moose Program and I'm looking forward to seeing each of you at Mid-Year Conference.

In Friendship & Fraternalism,

Christine

Christine Brooks,

PDGR & NYS WOTM Membership Chairman



2018 NYSMA Conference Registration

Name	Lodge
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Please check ALL appropriate Offices, Degrees and Titles

Governor (current)	Moose Legion
Administrator (current)	Fellow
Past Governor	Pilgrim
Delegate	Past District President
25 Club	Past State President

Current NYSMA or Supreme Lodge Office/Title	
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Pre-registration fee: \$20.00

Onsite registration: \$25.00

Guest registration: \$30.00

CREREDENTIALS MUST BE WORN AND VISIBLE
AT ALL EVENTS, INCLUDING HOSPITALITY

All guests MUST be registered in order to gain access to any event

Registration (\$20)	
Guest (\$30)	
TOTAL	

Mail completed form and registration fee to:

NYSMA Registration
Chairman Jay Banks
PO Box 543
Montour Falls, NY 14865
 Make Checks out to N.Y.S.M.A.

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(Actual Registration Form found on Website– nysma99.com)

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE PRE-REGISTRATION
MID-YEAR CONFERENCE: DOUBLE TREE HOTEL
225 WATER STREET, BINGHAMTON, N.Y. 13901
APRIL 19TH – 22ND 2018

HOSTESS CHAPTERS: Binghamton 411 & Horseheads 1832
REGISTRATION FEES: Co-workers \$20.00 <<< A/F Matriculants \$35.00

Please make check payable to Horseheads Chapter 1832
Mail To: Registration Chairman, Christine Brooks
209 Third Street, Horseheads, NY 14845 / Telephone: 607-857-8213
NOTE: We are not equipped to handle on-line registration.

MATRICULANTS: Please remember proper attire for Academy of Friendship Ceremony on Sunday and don't forget to bring your membership card & call card.

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CHAPTER: \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MOOSE ID # \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICER /CHAIRMAN: \_\_\_\_\_

DEGREES: \_\_\_\_\_ ACADEMY OF FRIENDSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ COLLEGE OF REGENT \_\_\_\_\_ STAR RECORDER

ACADEMY OF FRIENDSHIP MATRICULANT: \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

**CREENTIALS MUST BE WORN AND VISIBLE AT ALL EVENTS INCLUDING KARAOKE AND HOSPITALITY ROOM**

## For All Lodge Administrators in New York State

This is to announce that there will be an Administrator workshop on April 19, 2018

at the New York State Mid-Year Convention in Binghamton, NY starting at 1 PM going until 6 PM.

This workshop will have computers and trainers available for Administrators needing certification for Administrator School to take the Skills assessment for the Administrator School, and if desired, the Quick Books and LCL.NET assessment tests.

There will be no cost for this workshop, however you must be registered for the Convention to attend.

Please send an e-mail to David Farrell, NYSMA Training Coordinator at [dfarrell@moosetrainers.org](mailto:dfarrell@moosetrainers.org) to register for the workshop.

Obtaining certification in QuickBooks, LCL.NET and the Administrator skills is required by the Supreme Council and Moose International to maintain status as an Administrator of a Lodge. Experienced Administrators should be able to pass the tests without much of a problem.

At the current time, less than 6 Administrators in the Association are fully certified, and I encourage every Administrator to attend the workshop and get their certification.

In the event you are unable to attend, training can be scheduled at a site, if at least 8 attendees are registered and attend the training. The formal training class is 3 days in length, and covers all facets of the Administrator's position. Please contact David Farrell at

[dfarrell@moosetrainers.org](mailto:dfarrell@moosetrainers.org) in the event you want to organize an Administrator training session in your area.

In any case, the certification gained is good for 3 years.

I am asking you to support the goal of having all officers of every lodge having completed the required training for their officers at all times.

Thank you, Brothers, for your time and attention concerning Moose Training.

Fraternally,

David Farrell NYSMA Training Coordinator



**Date: January 29, 2018**

**To: New York Lodges, Districts, and Moose Legions**

**From: Thomas D. Wood, for the New York State Moose Association**

**RE: 'March of Checks' for Special Projects**

We are asking for your participation with the '**March of Checks**' during our upcoming state conference. Please bring your checks and present them during the procession so your lodge can receive recognition for its hard work.

**Important:** Please make your checks payable to the organization with the program noted in the memo so they can be credited accordingly.

The following projects are available for your consideration:

| <b>Organization – Payable to:</b> | <b>Program – Memo:</b> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| New York State Moose Association  | Lodge Assistance Fund  |
| New York State Moose Association  | New York Building Fund |
| New York State Moose Association  | Operation Shortfall    |

| <b>Organization – Payable to:</b> | <b>Program – Memo:</b>  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Moose Charities                   | Safe Surfin' Foundation |
| Moose Charities                   | Endowment Fund          |

**Community Service Organization:** If your lodge does not have a veterans' program, a donation of \$25 or more to **Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing – New York** can be used to complete the Heart of the Community Report. They will have a Representative present to explain what this organization does for the veterans in New York.

| <b>Community Service Organization – Payable to:</b> | <b>Program – Memo:</b> |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing                  | veterans               |

**Note:** During our last International Convention, Moose International once again requested our assistance with donations to **Safe Surfin' Foundation** and asked the Lodges in each Association to donate \$100.00 during our 2018 – 2019 Moose year. It would be wonderful to have 100% of our New York Lodges participating in this endeavor.

**Thank you for all that you do for Mooseheart, Moosehaven, and our Moose Fraternity!**

# NEW YORK STATE MOOSE ASSOCIATION 2018 Midyear Conference

## LUNCH & DINNER TICKETS

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ LODGE # \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to purchase the following tickets:

OFFICIAL VISITOR'S WELCOME DINNER 7:00 pm THURSDAY \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30.00 =  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

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PAST PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON 12:00 pm FRIDAY \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 =  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ (NYSMA Past President's only)

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HIGHER DEGREE LUNCHEON 12:00 pm SATURDAY \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 =  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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AWARDS BANQUET 7:00 pm SATURDAY \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$40.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_  
5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_  
7. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all people in your party and highlight those you are paying for.  
Tables seat Eight (8) only.

TOTAL = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please purchase all Lunch & Dinner tickets before the Conference. We may not be able to sell any in Binghamton, Thank you.

Make your check payable to:  
NEW YORK STATE MOOSE ASSOCIATION, Inc.  
48 Kent Drive  
Victor, NY 14564

# NYSMA Teen Club & Youth Group Release/ Participation Form

## Event: NYSMA Conference in Binghamton, NY – April 19-22, 2018

IN CONSIDERATION of the acceptance of my son/daughter to participate in the above stated event, I hereby waive, release, and discharge any and all claims for damages, death, personal injury, or property damage which I may have or which may subsequently occur to my son/daughter as a result of his/her participation in this event.

THIS RELEASE is intended to discharge New York Moose Association, Loyal Order of Moose, and Moose International Inc., an Indiana Corporation, their respective agent (s) and employee(s) from and against any and all liability even though liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the person(s) or entity(s) mentioned above.

THE TERMS hereof shall serve as a release and assumption of my risk for my heirs, executors, successors, administrators, and assigns in exchange for his/her participation in this event.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I am the parent/legal guardian of the participant and that my son/daughter is under no physical disability that would prohibit his/her involvement in this event. My signature indicates that my son/daughter has my permission to participate in this event.

My signature also indicates that should it become necessary for my son/daughter to receive first aid or medical treatment for injuries sustained from this event, my permission is granted for such treatment.

I, the undersigned, attest and affirm I have read this document and agree to the above statements.

Participant:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print/Type Name)

By:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian)

Contact Phone Number:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's Special Needs/Allergies/  
Etc. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

# New York State Moose Association 2018 Teen Club Convention Pre-Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge\_\_\_\_\_

Current Title

State Office \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Office \_\_\_\_\_

Teen Club Member (No Office) \_\_\_\_

Teen Club Registration is FREE !!

NYSMA Convention Registration  
Chmn: Jay Banks  
1855 Price Rd  
Montour Falls, NY 14865

**DO NOT MAIL TO  
STATE SECRETARY**

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## Code of Conduct Form

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that in order to participate in the events planned for the NYSMA Teen Club & Youth Group Conference there are rules and regulations that I must follow. I understand that I am representing the NYSMA Teen Club & Youth Group as well as my local Teen Club & Youth Group, Lodge and Chapter. I will conduct myself with appropriate behavior and will follow the directions of all Advisors and Chaperones.

I agree to abide by the following rules and guidelines:

1. There will be zero tolerance for drug, alcohol and tobacco use, regardless of if I am of legal age for these activities.
2. No personal displays of affection.
3. No physical or verbal altercations.
4. Respect all other Moose members, regardless of age or abilities.
5. There will be zero tolerance for bullying.
6. Appropriate behavior is expected in public areas at all times.
7. Follow all rules posted by the hotel or any other facility we visit.
8. No causing damage to the hotel or anybody else's belongings.
9. Participate in all planned activities to the best of my ability.
10. Use clean and appropriate language.
11. Keep a good attitude.

I understand that if I fail to keep this agreement it could result in disciplinary action, including missing out on activities, being sent home or suspension from future NYSMA Teen Club & Youth Group Conferences.

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Participant's Signature

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Date

## MOOSE CHARITIES UPDATE

Moose Charities has been receiving checks/donations that are not clearly earmarked as to what **Mooseheart** or **Moosehaven** fund or project they should be applied to. And, in many instances, there is no instructions or earmarking at all. Please understand that they cannot make the decision as to where to apply your donations.

All donations made payable to Moose Charities must contain the fund or project that benefits **Mooseheart**, **Moosehaven**, **Youth Awareness**, or **Safe Surfin'**.

**Tommy Moose** is not a fund to donate to. Tommy Moose is an item available in the Catalog Store that you may purchase in order to donate in your local communities.

The **Valued Veteran Programs** is a "Heart of the Community" program to recognize members who are veterans, male or female. These veterans should be recognized locally at a ceremony in November.

The **Make a Wish** program is a community-based program. Donations should not be sent to Moose Charities for this program.

As of November 15, 2017, Moose International leadership announced that it is shifting support away from the **Special Olympics** national softball tournament and focusing exclusively on increasing volunteerism at local Special Olympics events. By doing this, Moose presence is increased in local communities and more members will have the opportunity to get personally involved.

Thank you for your donations to Moose Charities but please make sure that you earmark each check clearly.

*Jim Parks*

NYSMA Moose Charities 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.

*Give from the heart . . . support the children & seniors.*



Visit [www.moosecharities.org/donorscircle](http://www.moosecharities.org/donorscircle)



Phone: (630)966-2200  
E-mail: [request@moosecharities.org](mailto:request@moosecharities.org)

155 S. International Drive  
Mooseheart, IL 60539-1100

\$2,500+ pins are solid gold with genuine gemstones.



\$100



\$250



\$500



\$750



\$1,000



\$2,500



\$5,000



\$7,500



\$10,000



# Sports & Activities

## **NYSMA SPORTS COMPETITION**

### **~ INVITATIONALS ~**

February 17 DARTS ~ Oswego  
 February 24 POOL ~ Hornell  
 February 23, 2019 POOL ~ Oswego  
 March 3 EUCHRE ~ Penn Yan  
 July 28 ~ HORSESHOES ~ Montour Falls  
 August 4 TRAP & SKEET ~ TBD  
 October 20 SHUFFLEBOARD ~ Finger Lakes

### **~ TOURNAMENTS ~**

April 28, 29 MEN'S BOWLING ~ Hornell  
 May 2019 MEN'S BOWLING ~ TBD  
 March 24, 25 & April 7, 8 WOMEN'S BOWLING ~ Penn Yan  
 July 21 2-MAN GOLF ~ Finger Lakes  
 August 4 TRAP & SKEET ~ TBA  
 August 18 CAPTAIN & CREW ~ Westfield  
 August 25 WOMEN'S GOLF ~ Palmyra  
 November 3, 4, 10, 11 MIXED BOWLING ~ Penn Yan

Tournament participants must be NYSMA members

If sports information does not appear on this page, please contact the Sports Chairman, Randy Budde at 716-523-0531 or [buddeyankees18@gmail.com](mailto:buddeyankees18@gmail.com) or Kim Holden, NYS WOTM Sports Chairman

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

*Kim*

Kim M. Holden, WOTM Sports Chairman



# Mission Statement

The objectives of the Association are to bring together in closer fraternal co-operation 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 co-ordinate the programs and directives of Moose International, Inc. and the Supreme Lodge.

## **15th Annual Blessing of the Bikes**

Saturday, May 19, 2018 Mooseheart, IL

Sponsored by the Northern Illinois Moose Riders

"It's All About the Kids!"

Members of the Moose and Non-Members Welcome!

[Register as an individual or join a team](#)

Pre-Registration \$20.00/ person (Ends May 16)

On-Site Registration \$25.00/ person

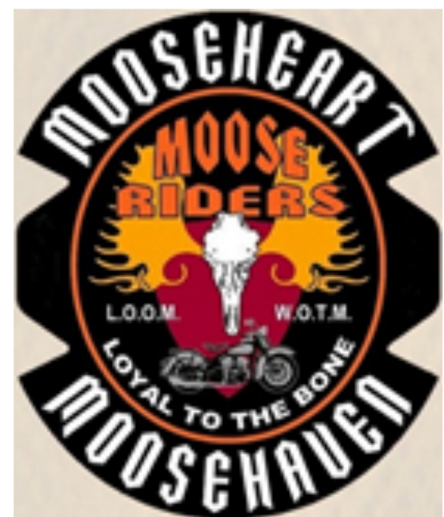
### ORDER OF EVENTS:

On-Site Registration 8:00 a.m.

Rider's Tour 11:30 a.m.

Bike Blessing 12:00 p.m.

\*Check back frequently for more weekend events!\*





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# MOOSE REWARDS

Do you have a story, picture,  
or an article for

**THE BULLETIN?**

Send all copy to

Craig L. Barnes

E-mail [craiglbarnes@aol.com](mailto:craiglbarnes@aol.com)

**Deadline for Jun./Jul. issue is**

**May 10, 2018**

