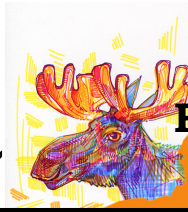


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## NYSMA Cookbook Fundraising Project



We are seeking volunteers and chair people to work on the 2021 NYSMA Cookbook Fundraising Project. The cookbook will be comprised of recipes from members throughout our Association. To accomplish this, volunteers will be needed to contact lodges and individual Moose members. If you are interested in seeing what the cookbook may look like,



visit <https://heritagecookbook.com/how-it-works/>

Anyone interested in helping should contact Rick Clawson, NYSMA Vice President at [rdclawson@msn.com](mailto:rdclawson@msn.com).



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*President's Message*

Hello everyone,

It's been a strange year for sure. One day were at our lodges having fun with friends and the next day you are home concerned for your health.

Lodges closed, meetings canceled, conferences cancelled, sports cancelled, convention over the internet. It all seems unreal. Some lodges are still not open some have opened and then closed again and now reopened it's all crazy. Restrictions, restrictions, restrictions but we all must adhere to them. It makes having meetings hard if not impossible.

We had our last convention at Penn Yan Lodge #2030. As you know it was a virtual meeting. I would like to say it was a big success but that would not be the truth. There were some bumps in the road. For the first time we tried this it was not that bad. we voted on new by-laws. Since that time Moose International published the new set of by-laws. Voting for acceptance of reports was done on line and in house. The board received mixed reviews on how it was done.

What a great job the Penn Yan lodge and the staff did. **THANK YOU ALL**

We are starting to see a little light at the end of the tunnel.

Stay strong my Moose Brothers and Sisters. Stay safe keep the faith and soon we can be out and having fun again.

GOD BLESS  
MOOSEHEART  
AND MOOSE-  
HAVEN AND ALL  
OF OUR MOOSE  
FAMILIES



Rick

Richard Hildebrant,  
NYSMA President

## *Deputy Grand Regent's Message*



Hello Co-workers and Brothers!

We are on the homestretch of our Moose year. I hope our Chapters are setting up their Nomination Committees and meetings. We do have a new Election Manual in place that is reflecting some of the changes that will be taking place soon. Please make sure you read it as our positions have some changes. You can find this on the mooseintl.org website. Remember to be encouraging and mentor members as they move through the Chairs and Board positions. Be supportive! Speaking of changes, we do have significant changes taking place with our new web based Quickbooks and LCL online programs. Please take advantage of the Zoom trainings as they will help you tremendously. Adam East works as a Financial Review Specialist for Moose International and he teaches these classes. New York State is about 50% complete with all Chapters and Lodges upgrading. If you find yourselves lost with this, contact your Territory Manager as they have been trained to these new systems. IIHOTT trainers will be trained soon and classes will be available in the future. At this time, Moose International is working on a new virtual IIHOTT class that will be available for members working toward their Star Recorder degree. Watch your Official Communications for more information.

One Moose is coming within a few months. Are we all getting excited? I know I am. So many changes, and new adjustments to make. This has been a long time coming. We are finally going to be one. It is exciting and scary all at the same time. Years from now, we will be speaking with new members and saying things like "I remember when we were separated" and had to do things "separately".

Remember to be kind, be safe and be excited for our New Moose!

Fraternally,

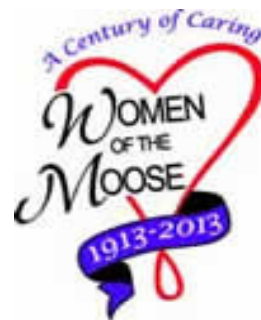
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Dorie Re, Deputy Grand Regent



Hello Co-workers & Happy New Year!

2020 was quite the year, a year full of trials and tribulations, lessons of patience and kindness as we maneuvered our way around daily to avoid the struggles and challenges presented by COVID. A year that began with much promise quickly changed to one filled with the struggles due to the Pandemic. A perfect storm of school closures, unemployment, health needs, and much more including the loss of family members and friends. This has put many of our members and lodges in a tough financial and emotional situation.



Your continued membership and support has provided so much to our fraternity. It has retained security to our Seniors at Moosehaven and our children at Mooseheart who were unable to leave the premises by giving the gift of peace and hope to so many in our care. And many of you reached out within your communities to meet the needs of your lodge neighbors and families letting them know who we are and in times of need are there to assist.

When I think about all that we have accomplished together over the past nine months, I am amazed and encouraged for the future of our fraternity as we prepare to become ONE MOOSE, men and women working together for the betterment of our seniors and children.

As we approach the end of this chapter year it is of the utmost importance co-workers that your dues are paid current beyond the date of April 30<sup>th</sup> in order to allow for a smooth transition rollover into your lodge and to give you 3 free years of chapter membership. Better yet the time is now to take advantage of purchasing a LIFE MEMBERSHIP, many of our chapters are offering programs to assist with the cost. I know that this can be confusing and if you'd like, your welcome to reach out to me for assistance. I can be reached at 607-857-8213 or [brooks.christine1021@yahoo.com](mailto:brooks.christine1021@yahoo.com)

Co-workers, "Kindness knows no limitations. You can always choose to be kind regardless of your financial situation or health status. I want others to know that they always have something to give and that is powerful."

In Friendship & Fraternalism,

*Christine*

Christine Brooks, GCM



The logo for 'Community Service' features the word 'Community' in a playful, multi-colored font where each letter is on a separate card pinned to a surface. Below it, the word 'Service' is written in a bold, black, distressed font.

Hello Brothers and Sisters! We hope this finds you all safe, warm, and healthy! Who would have thought that we would still be fighting the COVID outbreak almost a year later? We are still facing uncertain times and we hope that you all continue to think and act safely and abide by the rules and regulations that were set forth for us. I don't think anyone likes wearing a mask, but it sure is interesting to see some of the Moose related designs that people have come up with. If you can't find one, just ask around; there are many out there, and some Chapters and/or Lodges are selling them as a fund raiser. There were also some featured in the December/January Bulletin, and it's not too late to order! Buy a Moose mask so you can be safe and support your Lodge or Chapter in style!

If we are fortunate enough to have our Mid-Year Conference in April, we will have a Community Service event planned and will let you know in advance as we will be asking for support from each Lodge and Chapter. At this point, I believe things are still a little uncertain, but remember that the safety, health and wellbeing of our members must come first and foremost. It has been a while since we have all been able to gather together and share our thoughts and ideas on all the ways we are supporting our communities, but we sure hope that you are continuing to do so. It always seems that everyone is very giving during the holiday season, but don't forget that the need for help and community service should be a year-round commitment. Get out there and show your Moose Pride and let your friends and neighbors know what we are all about!

Don't forget to check on your Moose friends, old and young alike to see if they are doing ok and if they are in need of anything. We have several more weeks of the cold and snowy weather ahead of us so check in on those you haven't seen or heard from in a while.

A dark blue rectangular graphic with white text. The text reads: 'Never stop doing little things for others. Sometimes those little things occupy the biggest part of their hearts.'

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InspirationBoost.com

Fraternally,

*Phyllis & Bob*

Phyllis Kelkenberg, Robert Fahs,  
NYSMA Community Service Chairmen



## *Moose Charities Update*

Dear Brothers & Co workers,

As your New York State Moose Association Moose Charities Chairmen, we would like to wish you and your families a healthy and safe new year ahead. This is a time of change in many ways. Our Nation, Our State, Our Communities, and Our Beliefs of Ideas are changing daily.



With that being said, we are pleased to announce the Beliefs or ideas of our founding forefather, James J Davis, remain as strong today as they did in 1913. This is when our Fraternity made a commitment to care for children in need. So they created Mooseheart, Our Child City and School. It was not long after that the Fraternity took our mission and adjusted it to plan for the members retirement. So in 1922, Moosehaven, City Of Contentment was created.

Mooseheart provides an environment for students to participate in activities which help them grow into inspiring young adults that will ne the voice of our future. Along the same lines Moosehaven offers our seniors peace of mind and contentment for them to sit back and enjoy what life brings to them. As we know these Twin Cities have lasted this long, it is our belief that the sky is the limit as we move into our new phase of "One Moose".

One Moose, will bring the Brothers and Co-Workers strategies and talents together to ensure the longevity of our Twin Cities. An easy way to achieve this is for each member to go to Moose International Website and make a private donation to their favorite Moose Charity. There are many programs you can chose from, like Donors Circle, M & M Club, Mooseheart Boosters, Defending Circle Society, and the League of Guardians to name a few.

Donating to Moose Charities is the one way our Fraternity can ensure a better way of life for so many people. Let's all go forth Boldly and Bravely into 2021 as "One Moose" and aim for the sky.

Fraternally yours,

*Jim & Mindya*

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Jim Parks and

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New York State Moose Association Moose Charities Chairmen

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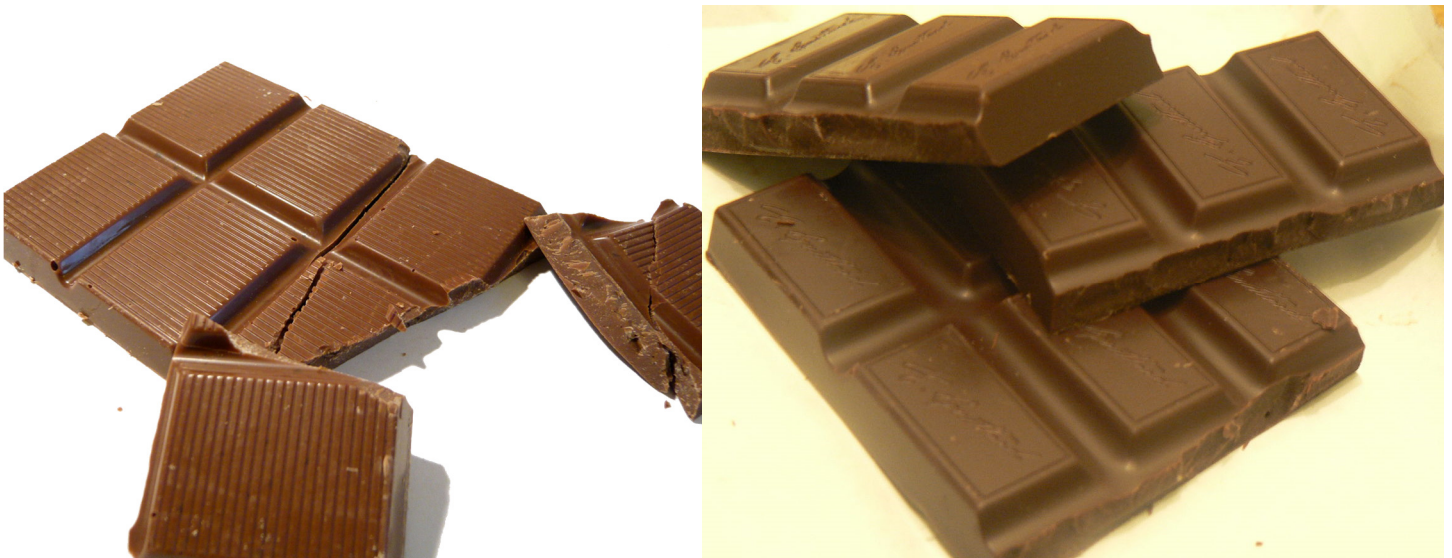
## NYSMA YOUTH GROUP

### Candy Bar Sale

The Kids are still selling candy bars this year, but without the Convention to highlight their hard work many members are unaware of the Fund raising they have been doing.

Please contact **Becky Freeman-Brauen** ([melodymagicdj@yahoo.com](mailto:melodymagicdj@yahoo.com)) if you are interested in helping support our youth.

Buy a bar or a whole box... Take them to your Lodge Home and let others know that there are young people being brought up in the Moose Fraternity who are already trying to make a difference, because "It's what we do!"





## Sports

Dennis McGinn has been appointed as the Association's Sports Chairman. His contact information follows:

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Dear Esteemed Officers and Moose Members,

Happy New Year! Hope this finds you well and staying safe!

Unfortunately, because of statewide COVID restrictions, my co-chair, Kim Holden and I are disappointed to have to announce the cancellation of all indoor tournaments scheduled from February through June.

Those canceled tournaments will be held next year at a similar date at the same lodge where it would have been held this year unless said lodge opts out and we'll rebid.

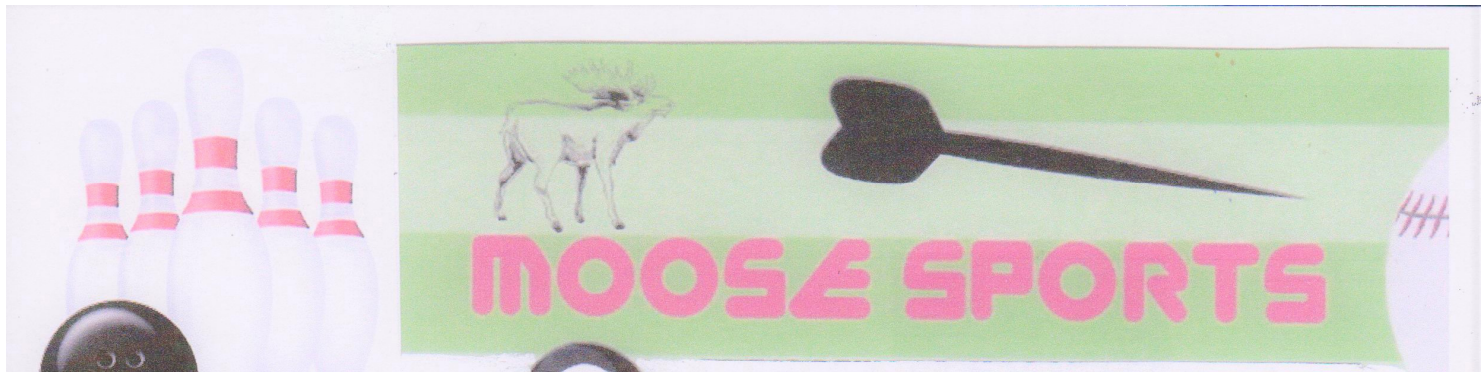
We will try to hold the outdoor tournaments in July, August and September - Golf, Trap & Skeet and Horseshoes.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis McGinn

January 22,2021





## 2021-2022 TENTATIVE SPORTS SCHEDULE

EVENT		DATE/S (TENTATIVE)
<del>MIXED 8 BALL</del>	<del>OSWEGO</del>	<del>FEB. 26 &amp; 27</del>
<del>WOMEN'S BOWLING</del>	<del>WELLSVILLE</del>	<del>APR. 3RD &amp; 4th</del>
<del>MEN'S BOWLING</del>	<del>G-V HENRIETTA</del>	<del>APR 24 &amp; 25/MAY 1ST &amp; 2ND</del>
2 MAN GOLF	FINGER LAKES	JULY 17th
CAPTAIN & CREW GOLF	PENN YAN	AUG. 21ST
WOMEN'S GOLF	OPEN FOR BID	SEPTEMBER
MIXED BOWLING	FINGER LAKES	NOV. 13TH & 14TH
CORNHOLE	OSWEGO	DEC. 4th

## INVITATIONALS

<del>EUCHRE</del>	<del>OPEN FOR BID</del>	<del>MARCH 13th</del>
MIXED TRAP & SKEET	GRAND ISLAND	JULY 24th
HORSESHOES	HAMBURG	SEPT. 18th
SHUFFLEBOARD	BINGHAMTON	OCTOBER 16th

## 2022 TOURNAMENTS-tentative

MIXED 8 BALL POOL	OPEN FOR BID	FEB. 25 & 26th
WOMEN'S BOWLING	GRAND ISLAND	MAR. 26 & 27th/ APR. 2ND & 3RD
MEN'S BOWLING	OPEN FOR BID	APRIL / MAY
CAPTAIN & CREW GOLF	OSWEGO	AUGUST 13th
MIXED BOWLING	BINGHAMTON	NOV. 12TH & 13TH

\*\*\*\*FUTURE SPORTS MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT THE CONVENTION! (not this year's though)

ALL TOURNAMENT BID FEES ARE NOW \$150...PAYABLE TO NYSMA WHEN BID IS AWARDED!!  
PLEASE APPOINT A SPORTS CHAIRMAN AT YOUR LODGE!!

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