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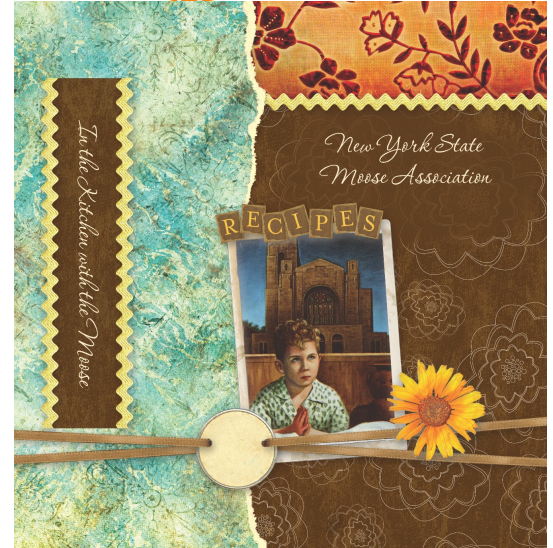
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DATE: September 16 & 17, 2022

PLACE: OWEGO MOOSE LODGE



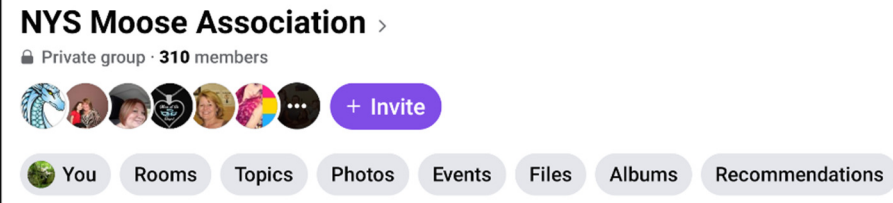
NYSMA Cookbooks are going to press and will be available. There are nearly 300 member-submitted recipes and will be a great addition to a cook's library. The books will be \$15 each. Contact Rick Clawson for more information at rdclawson@msn.com



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The place for our members to see what's happening



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Message*

Greetings,

Membership ...

We are closing in on the end of the year, membership-

wise and there is still ample opportunity to bring your lodge membership up.

It's not too late to put a push on! The State Association is down 371 members and many lodges are very close to PLUS ONE, so let's get on it and make it happen!

Keep in mind what we are here for ... the children at Mooseheart and the seniors any Moosehaven.

Mid-Year Conference ...

We are also just a few short weeks away from our Mid-Year Conference in Binghamton (April 21-24). If you haven't registered yet, get busy. Online registration is open until April 15. After that it will cost \$30 to register. Keep in mind that all lodges are required to have representatives at association conferences and conventions, as well as the international convention. Be proud of The Moose and attend these events. We are fortunate this year to have Helen Taylor, Executive Director of Moosehaven as our official visitor. She brings with her a wealth of information as Moosehaven celebrates their 100th anniversary.



While attending the mid-year, show some pride in your lodge by all wearing lodge shirts ... or make a banner. Let's have a little fun!

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The Saturday banquet this year is NASCAR themed, so come dressed to represent your favorite driver or team. Moose sponsors Ross Chastain, who is doing very well in the standings. Our first full sponsorship is on April 24 in Talladega.

Cookbooks ...

Cookbooks will be available at the mid-year and I am encouraging all lodges to purchase a case of 24 for \$360, and take the initiative to sell them within your lodge. Many lodges have done this successfully, helping the association. Keep in mind that one would be a great Mother's Day gift.

Thank you all for everything you do to support our great organization!

Fraternally,

Rick

Rick Clawson, President New York State Moose Association

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE TRAINING SESSION

It's that time of year! Training sessions will begin February 1st. Your first opportunity for training will be Mid-Year conference in Binghamton.

PLACE: Double Tree
225 Water St., Binghamton NY 13901

DATE: TRAINING SESSION – THURSDAY APRIL 21ST

TIME: 11:00am – 5:00pm (Bring snacks & drinks)

Please RSVP – I would like to have RSVP by chapter. Treasurer's, please send a list of attendees from your chapter to --- NYSWOTM@OUTLOOK.COM A check for \$10.00 each attendee will be collected at the session. Please make checks out to

WOTM Sidney#502.

Any questions, please contact Carol Ann Bowker, CA at the email above.

This session is a perfect opportunity for the newly elected officers to ask questions and understand their responsibilities as an officer. Remember, that everyone is invited to attend training. It is not "OFFICERS TRAINING" it is "MEMBER TRAINING".

Any member of the Moose can attend, men and women.



Moose Charities Update

As your New York Moose Association Moose Charities Chairmen, we would like to say we really looking forward to seeing everyone at the Convention in Binghamton in April. It will be fantastic to be able to get together and reconnect with our Moose Families that we have nourished over the years as well as meet new members. Sometimes we get so caught up in events and projects at our own Lodges that we lose sight of the work of “The Moose” and the thousands of people all working towards the same goals.



As spring is arriving and nature is in full bloom, we are reminded that the Conventions are to help us grow both in knowledge and enthusiasm. Our Family Fraternity is full of volunteers just like yourself that likes to give of themselves whenever they can. Sometimes giving can be of your time, talents, donations, and money. Our Children at Mooseheart and our Seniors at Moosehaven depend on all members to help give them a safe, nurturing, carefree life.

This month we would like to speak on behalf of the Endowment Fund Collections. This fund is traditionally raised through the Nine O' Clock Ceremonies, Cradle fund, Rocker fund, and Basket Collections whenever we are together. The Endowment fund is vital to the continued operation of our Twin Cities, Mooseheart and Moosehaven. By donating just a few dollars we can make all the difference in the world to a Child who does not have a safe home to live in or a Senior who must choose to purchase medicine or grocery's on a month to month basis.

There are plenty of opportunities and ways we can donate to the Endowment Fund. We can set -up a re-occurring debit from our personal checking accounts (or credit card), send in personal checks or money orders (earmarked for Endowment Fund), or by donating to the above mentioned collections at your local Lodges. Donating is always a private way to ensure “The Moose” is protecting our Child of Mooseheart and our Seniors of Moosehaven for many years to come. Let's show the world that the Family Fraternity called “The Moose” is stronger together and will be around for future generations.

Fraternally Yours,

Jim & Mindya

Jim Parks

and

Mindya Hungerford

New York State Moose Association Moose Charities Chairmen



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 with colorful pushpins. Below it, the word 'Service' is written in a bold, black, distressed font.

Hello Brothers and Sisters!

By the time this reaches you, we will have already celebrated the first day of SPRING (March 20th)! Warmer weather is finally headed our way! I don't know about all of you, but Spring is probably my favorite time of year. We finally get to enjoy some fresh air and sunshine after another long NY winter. It's a great time to get out and help in our communities! Why not take advantage of the warmer weather and do some good deeds in your hometown? Clean up a park, adopt a highway, plant a garden or help a neighbor in need. Remember that helping others also helps yourself!

It won't be long until we can all meet up in Binghamton for our Mid-Year Conference. Our Heart of the Community project will be a food drive for the Binghamton area. CHOW is a local food banking organization of the Broome County Council of Churches. They are reporting a food shortage due to a decrease in food drives in the area, so anything that you can donate will be appreciated. All Lodges and Chapters should have received the information in your emails, along with a "shopping list" of items that they particularly need. Donations from individuals are always welcome, too. Bins will be set up at the hotel for you to leave your donations. Monetary donations will also be welcomed and appreciated; checks should be made out to CHOW.

The next Heart of the Community reports are due May 15th. That will be the last one for this Moose Year. I trust you are all serving your communities and getting your reports in on time. Remember that we do NOT want the Moose to be the best kept secret in town! Get out there and let everyone know who we are and what we do. Let's end this Moose Year on a high note.

If any of you have information to share on some of the wonderful Community Service events you do, please don't hesitate to send me the details and pictures so that you can be recognized. It is so very important for us to all get out there and help those that we can and show our Moose Pride!

Hope to see you all in Binghamton. Until then stay safe and healthy!

Thank you all for all that you do each and every day towards the kindness to others! Please keep up the good work!

"Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see." – Mark Twain

Fraternally,

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A few of the things I have for this month will be repeated from my last article, but I feel it is necessary to keep all lines communication open, as much as possible.

1. I have learned several new things about the sports program and it has not been an easy process to learn and I think I am not done learning.
2. All lodges should start thinking about submitting bids for the 2023 season. The sports meeting will be held in Finger Lakes in November of 2022 and I strongly encourage as many lodges as possible to think about submitting bids, and attending the sports meeting. I will keep all of you posted as time grows closer.
3. There have been a couple of changes made that have been approved at the Executive Committee Meeting in January and they are as follows: a. Out-of-State Moose members can participate in our events as long as they have a current dues card; b. Members of the General Order may also participate in NYSMA Sports tournaments, as long as they have also have a current dues card. This is such great news, since so many lodges have closed in New York in the past few years, but the members are still active, but are unsure if they can participate in our events.
4. I have been working on mailing list for either the regular mail or via email, so if you would like to be added to the mailing list, please let me know and I will be happy to do so.
5. Please use nysmasports@gmail.com for any correspondence for all tournament concerns or questions you may have. I think this would be easier than using my personal email for conducting Moose business.

Lastly, I would like to thank all of you for your support. So many of you have reached out to me with offers of help and suggestions on how to make the sports program grow and stronger.

Kim



NYSMA Sports Schedule for 2021 - 2022

Event	Host Lodge	Tentative Date
Indoor Cornhole	Oswego	December 4
Mixed 8 Ball	Oswego	Feb 26 & 27
Women's Bowling	Wellsville	March 26 & 27
Outdoor Cornhole	TBD	
Captain & Crew Golf	Oswego	August 13
Shuffleboard	Finger Lakes	October 6
Sports Meeting	Finger Lakes	November 5
Men's Bowling	GV Henrietta	April 23 & 24 April 30 & May 1
Mixed Bowling	Binghamton	Nov 5 & 6 Nov 12 & 13

NYSMA Sports Schedule for 2023

Captain & Crew Golf	GV Henrietta	August 2023
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Bids still available for 2022 (\$150 bid fee required)

Two-person golf	July
Women's golf	September

Invitational events still available (no-bid fee required)

Euchre	March
Mixed trap & skeet	July



Bid forms are available on the website or can be emailed upon request. Bids will be accepted up until December 31, 2021

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