



**UPcoming**  
**EVENTS**

(details for January on  
Pages 2-4)

- January 4<sup>th</sup>**  
VMA District 4  
Meeting @ Dale City  
Moose Lodge #2165
- January 5<sup>th</sup>**  
Legion Breakfast
- January 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Un-Oktoberfest
- January 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Bailey's Crossroads  
Rotary Club  
Emergency Food  
Kits
- January 16-19<sup>th</sup>**  
VMA Mid-Year  
Conference
- January 25<sup>th</sup>**  
Chinese New Year  
Celebration

- February 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Bull Run Moose  
Legion #185 Winter  
Celebration  
@Arlington #1315
- February 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Chili Cook-Off
- February 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Super Bowl Party
- February 8<sup>th</sup>**  
WOTM Valentine  
Dinner
- February 9<sup>th</sup> - CHANGED**  
Legion Breakfast
- February 9<sup>th</sup> - CHANGED**  
Orientation
- February 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Fish Fry Revisited  
No. 14
- February 29<sup>th</sup>**  
WOTM Greek Dinner
- Future Scheduled  
Events on Pages 7 & 8**



**Bar Bingo will begin again on  
Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> @7:00pm**



**and continues on  
January 22<sup>nd</sup> &  
January 29<sup>th</sup>**



**NO SMOKING POLICY**  
**begins January 1, 2020**



**All tobacco products must be used outside of the Lodge**



**A New Community Service Challenge  
for the VMA Mid-Year Conference**

The Heart of the Community Project by VMA at the Mid-Year Conference is in support of Vetshouse, Inc. The VMA is requesting the collection of monetary donations, non-perishable food items, toiletries, paper & cleaning products, and gift cards to Walmart or K-Mart for this charitable organization. Any contributions by our members for this community service would be appreciated.  
*Refer to the article on Page 6 for information about Vetshouse, Inc.*



**Endowment Collection**

The General Laws require that the Nine O'clock Ceremony be conducted whenever members assemble in the Lodge (including the Social Quarters) ... which is every day for our Lodge! Attendance within the Lodge is sparse during most evenings when an event is not offered; therefore, an endowment donation box has been provided in the Social Quarters for our members to make a donation whenever they visit the Lodge. Please donate generously. We need to support the future of Mooseheart and Moosehaven!



**Restrooms of Social Quarters to be CLOSED  
on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup> (& possibly January 7<sup>th</sup>)**

As part of the restroom restoration project of the Lodge, a contractor will be reconditioning the terrazzo floors within both restrooms. Members will be required to use the restrooms within the Ritual Hall while this work is underway! Flyers will be posted within the Lodge for further information.



**Watch the 2019-20 College Football  
Championship Game at the Lodge**  
**Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00pm**  
**Winner: LSU or Clemson?**



**Arlington #1315  
Moose Lodge  
Hours of Operation**

**Monday –  
Wednesday**  
3:00pm to 11:00pm  
**Thursday**  
Noon to 11:00pm  
**Friday**  
Noon – 12:00am  
**Saturday**  
Noon – 12:00am  
**Sunday**  
Noon to 10:00pm

**Social Quarters &  
ABC Manager**

Joyce Chaffins

**ABC Managers**

Jane Kennedy  
Michael Pogue  
Kristin Medel  
Angella Coles  
Sara Wick

**Thank You  
Season  
Decorators**

The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank all the volunteers that provided their time and efforts to decorate our Social Quarters with a “holiday spirit” ambiance in December



**JANUARY  
EVENT**



**Attend the VA Moose Association District 4  
Quarterly Meeting on January 4<sup>th</sup> @11:00am**

Let’s start the new year with a “**BANG**” by trying to win the Attendance Trophy at the upcoming VMA District 4 Quarterly Meeting ... *it has been awhile since the trophy has been displayed at our Lodge!* The meeting will be at the Dale City Moose Lodge #2165 (located at 15424 Cardinal Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22193). **Please try to attend**; it’s not too far away from our Lodge (but leave early as traffic could be a “teensy” obstacle).



**Moose Legion Breakfast  
Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>  
(10:00am – 1:00pm)**

Start the New Year right by enjoying a “fulfilling” breakfast on a Sunday morning before you start getting all your files in order for the 2019 Federal Tax Return (Ha! Ha! Like you’re going to do anything before April). It’s an all-you-can-eat breakfast with made-to-order eggs (i.e.: any type including omelets), pancakes, French toasts, sausage, bacon, fruit salad, coffee, orange juice, and a minimum of one “surprise” food item. The cost is \$8.00/adult for the breakfast offering. If you decide to stay after the breakfast, watch the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the NFL Wild Card Round at the Lodge.

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**Another Community Service for Our Lodge  
in Support of Baileys Crossroads Rotary  
Club – January 11<sup>th</sup>**

The Arlington Fraternity has offered our Ritual Hall to Baileys Crossroads Rotary Club to package (in an assembly line) “snow emergency food kits” for the children at various schools within our community. The packages are distributed to the students to ensure that they have a sufficient meal when school is closed due to inclement weather. The plan is to assemble 20,000 packages; all the food and other incidental material will be provided by the Baileys Crossroads Rotary Club. **The Arlington Fraternity is requesting our members to volunteer to assist in the packaging.** The fun (*and hard work*) will begin at 11:00am in the Ritual Hall. And then satisfy your developed appetite from the exhausting, but commendable, community service experience by attending our Un-Oktoberfest event afterwards! AND, all those individuals that participate in this community service earn a \$2.00 discount toward the food fee of the Un-Oktoberfest event.

**New Year’s Day**



**January 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Official Date of  
Christmas  
being over**



**January 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Martin Luther  
King, Jr. Day**



**January 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Arlington #1315  
Board of Officers  
2019-2020**

**Governor**

Thomas Oderwald

**Jr. Governor**

Joseph Russo

**Prelate**

Brian Birtell

**Jr. Past Governor**

Gregg Cady

**Administrator**

John Matis

**Treasurer**

Andre McFail

**Trustees**

Dean Massey

David Kish

Jose Cortez

**Sergeant-of-Arms**

Tim Nields

**Outer Guard**

Randy Nolan

**Inner Guard**

Steve Sisson

**Dinner Every Friday Night (6pm-8pm) - \$10 per person**  
Menu announced in weekly emails or call the Lodge

**JANUARY  
EVENT**



**Un-Oktoberfest - An Event Extravaganza  
Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> (2:00pm – 6:00pm)**

Unlike the rest of the world where everyone celebrates the Volksfest (People’s Fair) in the beginning of the Fall; the Arlington Fraternity prefers to be different by enjoying this German merriment in January. [Besides, it’s hard to come up with event themes in the cold winter months]. The food menu has not been set as of this publication; but some of the main items offered last year were bratwurst, sauerkraut, pork schnitzel, spaetzle (noodles), and German potato salad.

There will probably be a few non-German foods also being offered. This event will commence upon the shouting of "O'zapft is!" ("It's tapped!" in the Austro-Bavarian dialect), or **as we say in our Lodge "Let's Drink"**.



**WOTM Food Raffle**

**Saturday – January 11<sup>th</sup>**

The WOTM will be holding a fundraiser food raffle in support of Mooseheart on the same day as the Un-Oktoberfest. Drawing will occur near the end of the social event. **Please support the WOTM.**

**JANUARY  
EVENT**



**Arlington WOTM  
Chapter #1253  
Board of Officers  
2019-2020**

**Senior Regent**

Linda Councill

**Junior Regent**

Anna Ala'ilima

**Jr. Graduate Regent**

Judith York

**Secretary/Treasurer**

Sarah Shannon

**Recorder**

Rose Russo

**Guide**

Betty McLaurin

**Assistant Guide**

Kat Carey

**Arlie Welcomes our Members & Guests in the Social Quarters**

**VMA Mid-Year Conference  
at Norfolk, Virginia: January 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>**

The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank all our members in advance who plan to represent our Lodge & Chapter at the VMA Mid-Year Conference. We wish everyone to have an enjoyable experience AND we will quiz you on what you learned when you get back.

**JANUARY  
EVENT**



For those of our members who will not be attending the VMA Mid-Year Conference, **THE SOCIAL QUARTERS WILL BE OPEN FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT!** There is no scheduled social event for the weekend, but we are hoping that our members will come together at the Lodge for our offerings. Besides, there will be NFL Playoff Games on the weekend that everyone can watch.

**January is National Soup  
Month!**

When the cold weather continues every day, what better way to warm up than with a nice, warm bowl of soup?  
Mmm, Mmm, good!



**Nominate a Lodge &  
Chapter Member  
for Volunteer of the  
Quarter  
(January – March 2020)**

Deadline is March 31, 2020





**Chapter Award of Achievement**  
(8<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year)

**VMA Raffle Tickets for Sale**

“20 Drawings” will be held for \$1,000 Each!



Drawings of the raffle is January 18, 2020 @VMA Mid-Year Conference

Please support the Virginia Moose Association Raffle tickets are being sold by the bartenders (\$10 each)!

\*\* Arlington #1315 needs to sell 40 Tickets \*\*

**Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Winter Celebration/Conferral**



**Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at the Arlington #1315 Moose**

**JANUARY EVENT**



**Celebrate the Year of the (White Metal) Rat Chinese New Year Celebration on Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> (2:00pm – 6:00pm)**

The Arlington Fraternity will be celebrating Chinese Year 4717 on the actual date of the new Chinese calendar this year. The Lodge chefs swear that there will be a “parade” of delicious homemade food offerings at the event ... and the food will taste just like your “to-go” dishes from your local Chinese restaurant; if not better. It should be noted that we could not get sufficient volunteers to wear a dragon customer to run through the Lodge for the celebration (the subject about butts kept being expressed). The exact main dishes have not been determined as of this publication, but there will definitely be fried rice, egg rolls, and the use of the wok to prepare most of the food offerings. For the record: whatever delicious dishes offered will be acceptable, as “rats” will eat anything. **Come eat, drink, and enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow Moose members!**

**If You Were Born during the Year of the Rat**



The year of the rat forecasts that you’re flexible and open mind will make your life much easier. Good **luck** and prosperity will follow you in your job. Keep a lookout for opportunities and make the most out of it.



**WOTM Valentine Dinner**



**Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**



**WOTM Chinese Auction Saturday – January 25<sup>th</sup>**

The WOTM will be holding a fundraiser for the Higher Degree Committee, a donation to Mooseheart special project, during the Chinese New Year Celebration. Lots of items will be offered for our members to try to win. **Please support the WOTM.**

**JANUARY EVENT**

**Super Bowl Party at the Lodge**

**Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 6:00pm**



**Moose Membership provides benefits that save you money!**



Details provided in a brochure offered within the Social Quarters.



**National Hugging Day  
January 21<sup>st</sup>**



Hug your spouse, children, girlfriend, boyfriend, co-workers, and fellow Moose members AND especially the ADMINISTRATOR (for one day you should be nice to him)

**JANUARY EVENTS**

**Watch the NFL Football Playoffs at the Lodge on the Weekends**



Enjoy viewing the NFL Football Playoff Games on the many televisions in the Social Quarters. Plenty of seats, lots of beverage offerings, and NO noise limitations.



**Wild Card Games**  
January 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020



**Divisional Playoff Games**  
January 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020



**Conference Playoff Games**  
January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020



**Always Wished to Visit Mooseheart? Attend the 2020 Moose International Annual Convention at Milwaukee, WI [May 22 – 26, 2020]**

Milwaukee convention attendees will take a break on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> to travel by bus or car to the Mooseheart campus, and participate in the Class of 2020 commencement and the Pilgrim conferral ceremony. There will be campus tours, live music, and the ground-breaking ceremony for the new Mooseheart Activity Center (the MAC), along with a chance to see the 2020 Mooseheart High School senior class members walk across the stage for their final time.

Registration & housing was open on December 10, 2019.

**Support the Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts**



**Fish Fry Revisited No. 14**



**Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**



**Salute to Christmas - December 24<sup>th</sup>**

Thank you members for coming to the Lodge to relax on the BIG Night before Santa's visit. Obviously, all those that attended were confident they had ALL their presents for the holiday (*psych*)! The Lodge thanks Joyce Chaffins for preparing the food provided at the event.



Members showing their tree-lighting Christmas spirit at the event



**Moose International Annual Membership Campaign**

**Think NEW Members**



**Brochure of Program in the Social Quarters**



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**Editor**  
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 Linda Council  
 John Matis

**Proofreading**  
 Liz Coombs

**Volunteers are needed for future articles for the Newsletters**



**The Fraternity Adopted 4 Families for Christmas**

The Arlington Fraternity would like to **thank everyone for being so generous in donating gifts to the children of the adopted families.** This year we had another challenge to adopt four families for two organizations and the members of the Arlington Fraternity really stepped it up again. Every child of the families received at least two gifts, and there was a little something in grocery gift cards for the parents to celebrate the holiday with their families. For the record, all gifts were given to the sponsoring organizations to distribute the gifts to the families to maintain privacy.

The Arlington Fraternity would like to thank Brian Birtell and Sarah Shannon for being the organizers of this community service. We would especially like to thank all of our members that provided gifts for the families and to those that contributed monetary donations to purchase gifts. In addition, a thank you is extended to all the unknown members that volunteered to shop for extra gifts/gift cards/food (from the collected money donations), wrapped the gifts, and made the deliveries to the Glen Forest Elementary School and the appointed location associated with Brighter Paths.

**The generosity and efforts for this community service by our members make the Arlington Fraternity special!**

**Support The Salvation Army**

**Need volunteers for Lodge Clean-ups**



**Children's Christmas Party - December 14<sup>th</sup>**

Just like last year, the CEO of North Pole Productions, LLT (e.g.: the "jolly man in the red suit") rescheduled his supervision of toy manufacturing so that he could personally hear what the children want for Christmas at our Lodge! The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank Dennis Shannon for his

former business contacts in requesting Santa to come to our Lodge, during his very busy "crunch-time" period, for the enjoyment of the the children at the Lodge.

Before Santa greeted our children, this event by the Arlington Chapter #1253 offered activities to decorate sugar cones as Christmas trees (lots & lots of icing and candy pieces), decorating clear plastic Christmas balls with lots of glue and various colored glitter (placed inside the Christmas balls – *but still somehow messy*), and a lunch offering of chicken nuggets, French fries, and juice boxes. Furthermore, the children sat down as a group to listen to the "Night Before Christmas" story while waiting patiently (*what?*) for Santa to visit the Lodge.

It is also noted that Alston (McFail) celebrated his birthday at this event!

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**Thank you Dale City Moose Lodge #2165 for organizing and taking the lead in the District 4 Wreaths Across America community service project!**

**WOTM Greek Dinner**

**Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Pull for the House!  
 A Pull Tab Recycling Program at Our Lodge**

**Collection of aluminum can pull tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald Charities of Greater Washington, DC**

**The Cold Weather is Here**

**Dress Warmly!  
 (and the Lodge is nice and toasty)**



**Chapter Award of Achievement**  
(8<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year)

**Future Planned Major Events**

(February – March 2020)

**February 1<sup>st</sup>**

Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Winter Celebration

**February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Legion Breakfast

**February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Orientation

**February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Super Bowl Party

**February 8<sup>th</sup>**

WOTM Valentine Diner

**February 15<sup>th</sup>**

Fish Fry Revisited No. 14

**February 29<sup>th</sup>**

WOTM Greek Dinner

**March 14<sup>th</sup>**

St. Patrick's Day Party

**March 21<sup>st</sup>**

March Madness Tailgate Party

**March 28<sup>th</sup>**

Casserole Cook-Off

Event dates are subject to change



**Redskins "Calling All Cooks" Sundays**

There were four Redskin games identified for volunteers to participate in December. However, the last minute decision by the Moose Legion Committee to change the Legion Breakfast from December 1<sup>st</sup> to December 8<sup>th</sup> left a void of no available "munchies" during the game with the Carolina Panthers on December 1<sup>st</sup> ... AND the Redskins won their third and final game of the season (*Sorry!*) The Lodge wants to thank Sara Wick and Dean Massey for offering sausage with peppers & sauerkraut, and cheese curds for the Green Bay Packers game on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Next, a thank you is extended to Billy and Andrea Hensley for offering "Eagle" (actually chicken) wings, potato salad, and baked beans for the game against Philadelphia Eagles on December 15<sup>th</sup>. As a last minute decision (as no volunteers signed up for game), the Lodge wants to thank Billy Hensley and Joyce Chaffins for offering tacos, chicken enchiladas, and chips & dip for the Redskins game against the New York Giants on December 22<sup>nd</sup> (which the Redskins almost won ... *but lost in overtime*). The final Redskins game against the Dallas Cowboys on December 29<sup>th</sup> also had no volunteer(s) for the "Calling All Cooks" program; however, a turkey pot pie was offered by Tom Oderwald and Elizabeth Coombs from a second complete pan that was provided at the previous Friday Night Dinner.

**Overall, the Redskins "Calling All Cooks" program this year was successful and the Arlington Lodge wants to thank all those members that volunteered to participate for the enjoyment of our members!**

As probably the only satisfaction for the Washington Redskins this season, in the mind of the Editor, was that the Dallas Cowboys did not make the playoffs either (*sorry Andre & Joyce*). Every small victory needs to be celebrated!



**Children's Christmas Party - December 14<sup>th</sup>**

(Continued)

Arlington Fraternity would like to thank all our members who contributed in accomplishing this successful event for the children; which included organizing & planning the event, providing monetary and gift donations, making the arrangements for Santa to attend the event, helping Santa's elves that shopped and wrapped the presents, decorating and setting up the furniture for the event, cooking for the event, participating in the event, performing the clean-up after the event, and volunteering to perform anything else that was needed. All volunteers need to "pat yourself on your back"; you are the greatest in supporting the family and community ideals of our fraternity. The Editor apologizes for not citing specific names of the volunteers that participated for the event; but he was told that this was a Moose "FAMILY" effort.

There are a few pictures from this event displayed on Page 15. Please go to the Arlington website ([arlington1315.org](http://arlington1315.org)) for many, many more pictures!



**Snow is**



**Coming!**

**Electronic Pull-Tabs by Powerhouse Gaming**



at the  
**Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge**  
(9 gaming machines)

**New Pull-Tab Game**







**You can Pay Your Moose Dues Online – It's Easy!**

Go to Moose International Website; you need your Moose ID number & a credit card.



**Lodge Repairs/Replacement**

Psst (stage direction: *a whisper*)! No known repairs of equipment were required in the Lodge during the month of December. Cross our fingers that good luck will continue in January 2020; however, the circulating pump for the boiler hot water system is making “noise” and could require the bearings to be replaced.

If you have not been around in the Lodge in December, you would not be aware that the Lodge began the restoration of the restrooms in the Social Quarters. The Lodge had been awarded a partial grant from Moose International for this project endeavor and the first activity on December 10<sup>th</sup> was to remove the dirt and grime from the existing tile walls in both restrooms for preparation of the planned painting of the tiles. More activities are to come in January for this restoration project.

**Future Planned Major Events**

(April 2020)

**April 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>**

Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Spring Celebration

**April 4<sup>th</sup>**

WOTM Children's Easter Party

**April 5<sup>th</sup>**

Legion Breakfast

**April 5<sup>th</sup>**

Orientation

**April 11<sup>th</sup>**

Valued Veterans Celebration

**April 18<sup>th</sup>**

VMA District 4 Meeting

**April 25<sup>th</sup>**

LOOM & WOTM Installation



**Green Cap Celebration – December 7<sup>th</sup> Honoring Judith York**

A glorious ceremony/celebration was provided to honor Judith York for achieving her Green Cap, which she received at the VMA 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual State Convention in August 2019. Judith has been a member of the Arlington Chapter #1253 since March 1999 and received her Academy of Friendship Degree in February 2004. She held two terms in leading the Chapter as the Senior Regent from May 2004 to April 2005, and from May 2018 to April 2019. It is recognized that Judith has been a valuable asset in the continuing growth of the Arlington Fraternity.

The Arlington Fraternity would like to express a thank you to all our WOTM members who participated and/or witnessed the ceremony of the celebration, and to all the LOOM members who attended the ceremony in support of Chapter #1253 and Judith York. Immediately after the ceremony there was an Anglo-American tea reception (to conform with British standards for a ceremony) with appetizers being offered. The Arlington Fraternity wants to convey a special thank you to all the unknown individuals of our Fraternity that provided the tea & appetizer offerings, assisted in the ceremony set-up and for the final clean-up after the event.

**Watch the Washington Capitals and the Washington Wizards at the Lodge**



Check the schedules of these teams for dates & times



**Thank You Members for Donating Coats/Jackets**

The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank all our members who donated used coats & jackets in good condition during the month of November & December. The coats/jackets will be donated to Bailey's Crossroads Supportive Housing; a local charitable organization.

**January is National Thank You Month**



**Are You a Veteran?**

Register yourself with Moose International as a Valued Veteran





**Remember  
Mooseheart**



**Personal/Family Corner**

As a "Moose Family" we need to celebrate your personal and family milestones together. Therefore, if you have an upcoming birthday, an upcoming wedding anniversary, a new "clan" member, a promotion/change in your career, or anything else in your life that you want to share with the Moose members, **please** let John Matis know [in person when at the Moose Lodge or by [jimatis@cox.net](mailto:jimatis@cox.net)].

It is requested that any announcement milestones be submitted prior to the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

**St. Patrick's  
Party**



**Saturday,  
March 14<sup>th</sup>**

**SICKNESS and DISTRESS**

Please keep our Moose members and families in our prayers for those who have current health or distressed situations; especially

... Andrea Hensley, Rosemary Haddock, Clare Toward, Ray Broz, Phil Weber, and Andy Ogle; all long time members of our Arlington Fraternity who are trying to get back to good health.

January Birthstone: **Garnet** | January Flower: **Carnation**

**Happy Birthday to Lodge members**

- Virgil Seay (1/01)
- Lewis Simon (1/01)
- Roberto Vera (1/03)
- Scott McQuiston (1/04)
- Robert Schneck (1/04)
- Carl Weber, Jr. (1/05)
- Raymond Broz, Jr. (1/06)
- Dennis Shannon (1/07)
- Gerald Bertalot (1/09)
- Michael Matis (1/10)
- Tim Crocker (1/18)
- Michael Pogue (1/18)
- James Woods (1/18)
- James Bucklin, Sr. (1/19)
- John Wells (1/20)
- Michael Cady (1/21)
- Joseph Lizzi (1/23)
- David Schroeder (1/23)
- Phillip Cerroni (1/27)
- Dave Mercer (1/31)

**Happy Birthday to Chapter members**

- Gumercinda Rosas (1/11)
- Angella Coles (1/14)
- Brenda Morgan (1/14)
- Dionysianna Alailima (1/16)
- Irene Masters (1/17)
- Helen Carey (1/20)
- Rebecca Eggen (1/25)
- Joan "Patti" Rodas (1/26)
- Danielle Ennis (1/30)



**Saturday,  
March 21<sup>st</sup>**



**March  
Madness  
Tailgate  
Party**

**Support Our Local First  
Responders**



**Please drink  
responsibly  
while  
Visiting the  
Lodge**



**Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members**

► Julie Fisher



**Moose Mission Statement displayed in the Social Quarters!**



**Support the WOTM  
Participate in the Basket &  
Mystery Gift Raffles and Purchase  
Delicious Desserts in the Bake Sales**





**Chapter  
Award of  
Achievement**  
(8<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year)

**VMA Raffle Tickets for Sale**  
 “20 Drawings” will be held  
 for \$1,000 Each!

**Drawings of the raffle  
 is January 18, 2020 @VMA Mid-Year Conference**

**Please support the Virginia Moose Association  
 Raffle tickets are being sold by the bartenders (\$10 each)!**  
 \*\* Arlington #1315 needs to sell 40 Tickets \*\*

**Thank You  
Veterans!**



**Everything  
You Do  
for Our  
Country**



**Governor’s Corner**

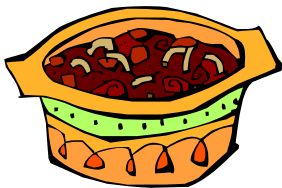
Happy New Year to my wonderful, weird and sometimes dysfunctional Moose Family. The last year was a good one on many levels with many successes and a few setbacks. Thank you all for your support and contributions.

The New Year is starting out with new challenges. The Non-smoking policy is going to take some getting used to, but together, I think we can make this a positive change if we work together.

Bringing new members, retaining existing members and welcoming back expired members would go a long way toward making this New Year a success.

As always, this is your house, and your participation is what makes it work.

**Casserole  
Cook-Off**



**Saturday,  
March 28<sup>th</sup>**

**New Queen of Hearts Game starting on January 3, 2020**



**Vetshouse, Inc.**

The organization’s motto is “Giving a hand up, not a hand-out”. Vetshouse, Inc. is dedicated to helping homeless Veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces to facilitate their return to gainful, independent, responsible, and productive lifestyles. Their mission is to admit, as

residents, those homeless veterans, who have successfully completed drug and alcohol rehab and who are committed to getting their lives back together. They offer a one-year program and supply housing, food and clothing for one month. They provide counseling, computer training, and assist in obtaining employment. Within the first month of residency, the veterans begin paying assessments for their residency. By the end of the one-year program, the veterans are successfully employed, contributing to a saving account and able to find their own place to live. For more information on Vetshouse, Inc., please visit [vethouseinc.org](http://vethouseinc.org).

**National  
Pie Day**  
(the dessert that  
you eat)



**January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Continue to save BOX TOP\$  
FOR EDUCATION coupons**

**Collection bag in the  
entrance of the Social  
Quarters on the  
bulletin board**

**Moose  
of the  
Month**





**Free WiFi at Lodge**

**Join the Donors Circle**

The **Donors Circle** is a recognition program for individual Moose members who send Endowment Fund donations directly to Moose Charities.

The Endowment Fund donations are the long term investment in the support of Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

**Rubber Duckie's Birthday**

**January 13<sup>th</sup>**



**2019-2020 Arlington #1315 Lodge Membership Challenge**

Sponsor a new LOOM member between May 1, 2019 and April 30, 2020 and your name will be placed on a ticket in a raffle conducted each month during the entire Membership Challenge to win \$10.00 in Arlington "Moose Bucks". The winner is **Dean Massey** for the month of December (*he had enrolled 5 new members*).

In addition, if a sponsor signs up 3 new LOOM members within the Moose Year, the Lodge will pay his/her next Moose Year's dues.



**Goal: Obtain Premier Lodge Award in 2020**

**Current Arlington #1315 Membership Status**

*As of December 29, 2019:*

2019-2020 +1 Goal	Current Active Members	Difference	Expired	Dropped
<b>265</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>- 12</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>26</b>

**New LOOM Members since May 1, 2019: 12** (*As of December 29, 2019*)



**VMA Short Term Membership Campaign**  
**Win a Lifetime Membership!!**  
**[January 1, 2020 – April 30, 2020]**

If a member sponsors and enrolls five or more new/former members into the LOOM, the sponsor's name will be entered into a **drawing to be held on May 5, 2020**.  
**There will be two Lifetime Memberships to be awarded!**

- If the winning sponsor is already a LOOM Lifetime Member, a Moose Legion Lifetime Membership will be awarded.
- If the winning sponsor is also a Moose Legion Lifetime Member, he will receive \$600.00 and his home Lodge will receive \$600.00 from VMA
- If the winning sponsor is already a WOTM Lifetime Member, she will receive \$300.00 and her home Chapter will receive \$300.00 from VMA.

**The Arlington Fraternity Needs Volunteers ... Please Consider!**



**All the Lodges and Chapters are AWESOME!**

Moose International had announced in December that the October Cradle Fundraiser **raised over \$110,000** for the Mooseheart and Moosehaven Endowment Fund!

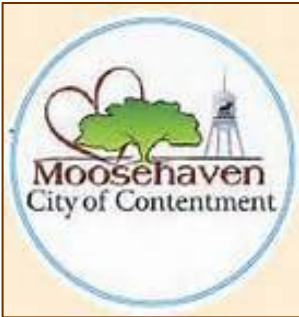
They expressed a thank you for **"rocking the cradle in 2019"**!



**Give Generously!**

**Support Special Olympics**





**Easy Way to Support Mooseheart while you Shop!**

**amazon smile**

You shop. Amazon gives.

Buy your shopping items at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and Amazon will make donations to the charity of your choice.

Please make **“Mooseheart Child City”** the charity of your choice.



**Winter Joke**

Why was the snowman sad?

... cause he had a meltdown!

**Next Moose Legion Committee Meeting on Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> @7:00pm**  
**WOTM members & LOOM members are welcome to attend**

**Wanted Nominees for Officers of the 2020-2021 Bull Run Moose Legion (BRML) #185 Board of Directors**

Any Legionnaire wanting to run for a position on the Board of Directors of Bull Run Moose Legion #185, please contact Arlington Assistant Secretary John Matis. There is time for consideration by a prospective volunteer as the recommended ballot development and approval will be spread over 3 months. BRML Nomination Committee Meeting No. 1 is scheduled for January 4<sup>th</sup> at the VMA District 4 Meeting at Dale City Moose Lodge #2165; BRML Nomination Committee Meeting No. 2 is scheduled for February 1<sup>st</sup> at the BRML Winter Celebration/Conferral at Arlington Moose Lodge #1315; and BRML Nomination Committee Meeting No. 3 (final ballot approval) is scheduled for the BRML Casino Night at Arlington Moose Lodge #1315.

**The Arlington Moose Legion Committee Corner**

The Moose Legion Committee wants to thank all our Legionnaires and WOTM guests that provided a delicious Pot Luck dish at the December Meeting. Appreciation is extended to our Legionnaires who took the lead for the Lodge in collecting donations through pull-tab board raffles to purchase wreaths for the VMA District 4 sponsored Wreaths Across America community service. As previously announced, our organization purchased 10 wreaths (which was 15 wreaths in the 3 for 2 program with Wreaths Across America).

It should be noted that VMA has initiated a raffle for a Mooseheart Red Ramblers football jersey as a fundraiser for VMA Youth Awareness program; in which the drawing for the raffle will be at the VMA Mid-Year Conference. As the Lodge will also be attempting to sell VMA raffle tickets by our members during this same period, the Arlington Moose Legion Committee approved the purchase of all of the raffle tickets for the football jersey in the December Meeting in order to not petition our members for further contributions (a \$100.00 donation). Furthermore, the Arlington Moose Legion Committee at the same meeting committed a \$300.00 contribution to the Lodge towards the restoration of the restrooms in the Social Quarters.

It is reminded that Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Winter Celebration/Conferral will be at the Arlington Moose Lodge #1315 on February 1<sup>st</sup>. Come and enjoy!

**Four more months before the end of this Moose Year ...**  
**THINK NEW MEMBERS to get the Premier Lodge Award**

**Saturday, March 7, 2020**  
**Bull Run Moose Legion #185**  
**Casino Night**  
**at Arlington Moose Lodge #1315**  
**Come and enjoy – you could be lucky!**  
 (information to follow when known)







**Chapter Award of Achievement**  
(8<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year)

**WOTM Children's Easter Party**



**Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Winter Joke**

Why are bad school grades like a shipwreck in the Arctic Ocean?



... they're both below C level!



**Senior Regent's Message**

**Remember: Effective 01/01/2020 – NO SMOKING IN LODGE. Spread the word!**

Cheers & blessings to all! I hope that everyone had a Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanza & overall, **HAPPY HOLIDAYS!** Arlington

Chapter 1253 has had a fun-filled, busy & successful 2019-2020 moose year thus far! Looking forward, I cannot believe another year has flown by. Thank you all for your hard work, dedication & fellowship ... **we have had a great year.** As we enter a new DECADE, may our foundation of Faith, Hope & Charity guide us now and forever! Some enjoyable events included: Patti Rodas - College of Regents Conferral Italian Dinner, which was MOLTO DELIZIOSO (very delicious); Judith York's Green Cap Celebration - an Anglo-American Tea that was lovely; the tea & mimosas & the food were tasty; and Roxanne Coles-Matis - Recognition of New Collegian (College of Regents) ceremony observed formality & with honor. The Children's Christmas Party was well attended & everyone had a good time. Many thanks to Santa & the Elves Chefs for their help & food. **MANY THANKS TO ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS** for their enthusiasm, fun-filled events, and beautiful baskets!

**WELCOME 2020!! Lots of WOTM/LOOM events are happening in the upcoming months. Here are a few:**

- January 11** Un-Octoberfest & FOOD RAFFLE (Same day as the Baileys Crossroads Rotary Club Emergency Food Kits...help with the preparation)
- January 25** Chinese New Year Celebration & CHINESE AUCTION
- February 8** VALENTINES DAY DINNER (Steak)
- February 15** Fish Fry Revisited #14 with CAKE WALK
- February 29** My Big Fat "GREEK DINNER" (OPA!!)

**CHECK THE SCHEDULE FOR MANY OTHER GREAT UPCOMING EVENTS in the NEWSLETTER.**

Finally, my heartfelt thanks to all Arlington Members for their constant support of Mooseheart, Moosehaven and our local community. LET'S GET OUT & "SPREAD THE NEWS" about joining our great organization. Bring a guest or two to an event or meal, tell them about our fundraisers & sell tickets. **SPREAD THE NEWS ABOUT OUR LODGE GOING "SMOKEFREE" ON JANUARY 1, 2020. CONTACT FRIENDS & FAMILY TO GET OUT THE WORD ON THIS LATEST INCENTIVE!**



**Special Membership Sponsor Campaign - Earn Double Points in the Moose Rewards Program during the months of January & February 2020**

**Our Lodge submitted a participation form for Member Retention Week to be entered into a cash giveaway drawing, as we had four events. We were not a winner; but Manchester, VA Chapter #1078 won \$1,000.**



**"The Queen of Hearts" Game Every Friday Night**

Enjoy our Friday Night Dinner while participating in the game for a chance to win a possible big cash prize. Tickets can be purchased whenever the Social Quarters is open, with the weekly drawing at 7:30 p.m. each Friday night. We have generous weekly consolation prizes; if the Queen of Hearts is not selected on that particular weekly drawing. Rules for "The Queen of Hearts" game are posted within the Social Quarters of the Moose Lodge.



**Let's Talk (A Message from the Administrator)**

I heard a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody.

There was an important job that needed to be done, and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it! Now Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job.

Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done!

The gist of the story is that we are a volunteer organization and it is emphasized that more hands make shorter work of any job that needs to be done. People may not sign up for a particular Officer position, Committee or project, but they can help whenever the word goes out that assistance is needed for some particular aspect in the operations of the Arlington Fraternity.

Please offer your assistance when asked and know that every little bit helps. Aside from helping to get a job done, it gives you the opportunity to meet and work with other members of our local fraternity. *Not a sermon; just a thought!*



**Backwards Day  
January 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Winter Joke**

Why did Frosty the snowman want a divorce?



*... because he thought his wife was a flake!*



**Please Support Moosehaven & Mooseheart Endowment "Rocker Fundraiser" in February**



**The M(ooseheart) + M(oosehaven) Club**

Dedicated donors provide a dependable monthly source of funding to help the children at Mooseheart Child City, the senior residents at Moosehaven retirement community, or the Endowment Fund's recognition program – the Donors Circle.

When you choose to set up a monthly gift for as little as \$10 (or more) per month, you can join the dedicated donors of the **M+M club**.

Your monthly gift will be put to work in many ways:

- Provide training for Family Teachers at Mooseheart;
- Help senior residents at Moosehaven receive services;
- Allow for healthy eating options for Mooseheart children; *and many more.*

Monthly giving is a convenient and dependable way to provide for Mooseheart and/or Moosehaven. It can also help you reach your next level of giving to the Donors Circle. You can enroll in the **M+M club** on the Moose Charities website.

**Festival of Sleep Day  
January 3<sup>rd</sup>**



**Pun of the Month**

*Those who experiment with thin ice will achieve a breakthrough!*



**Important Reminder**

**It is the responsibility of our members to make sure that their names are placed on every liquor bottle placed at the Bar within the Social Quarters. Our Fraternity must comply with this ABC rule!**





**WOTM Children's Christmas Party – December 14<sup>th</sup>**



**Chapter Award of Achievement**  
(8<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year)



**Expect lots of changes next year!**

**Definitely a New General Manager and a New Coach! Complete defense overhaul? Better backup quarterbacks?**



**Next Year could be OUR YEAR!**



**Please input your cellular telephone number into the contact list of our electronic texting system so we can provide important messages to you!**



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**Washington Restaurant Week**  
January 13<sup>th</sup> – January 19<sup>th</sup>



More than 250 of Washington's finest restaurants offering 3-course lunches for \$22.00 & 3-course dinners for \$35.00 for this special gourmet event



Green Cap Celebration in Honor of Judith York – December 7<sup>th</sup>



Youth Awareness Program

Waiting for the students to complete their KidsTalks and submit the required reports. The deadline is February 28, 2020.

The Lodge wants your Ideas for New Social Events

Tell us what you want to have for events in the next six months! We need to expand our events to keep everyone interested in the Lodge. Every idea will be considered (e.g.: children movie night, a Capitals or Wizards game, a mystery bus ride, etc.). Please contact John Matis or Tom Oderwald with your suggestions.



Have something you want to tell the Membership? Write an Article for our Newsletter

Provide the article to John Matis at the Lodge or send to jjmatis@cox.net







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# JANUARY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>JAN 1</b>  New Year's Day	<b>JAN 2</b>	<b>JAN 3</b>  	<b>JAN 4</b>  VMA District 4 Meeting
<b>JAN 5</b>  	<b>JAN 6</b>	<b>JAN 7</b>  	<b>JAN 8</b>	<b>JAN 9</b>	<b>JAN 10</b>  	<b>JAN 11</b>  Un-Oktoberfest BCRC Emer. Food Kits
<b>JAN 12</b> 	<b>JAN 13</b>	<b>JAN 14</b> 	<b>JAN 15</b> 	<b>JAN 16</b>	<b>JAN 17</b>  	<b>JAN 18</b>
<b>JAN 19</b> 	<b>JAN 20</b>  Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	<b>JAN 21</b>  	<b>JAN 22</b> 	<b>JAN 23</b>	<b>JAN 24</b>  	<b>JAN 25</b> Chinese New Year Celebration
<b>JAN 26</b>	<b>JAN 27</b>	<b>JAN 28</b>	<b>JAN 29</b> 	<b>JAN 30</b>	<b>JAN 31</b>  	<b>FEB 1</b>

VMA Mid-Year Conference →

 LOOM & WOTM Meetings    
  Legion Committee Meeting    
  Friday Night Dinner  
 Legion Breakfast    
  Queen of Hearts    
  Bar Bingo

**Super Bowl Party**



**February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Valentine Dinner**



**February 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Fish Fry Revisited**



**February 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Greek Dinner**



**February 29<sup>th</sup>**