



Loyal Order of Moose Arlington #1315 Lodge Newsletter

5710 Scoville Street, Falls Church, VA 22041

Social Quarters: (703) 820-9345

MAY 2021



May 1st – Saturday

Go for the Roses

May 2nd – Sunday

Legion Breakfast

May 2nd – Sunday

Orientation

May 8th – Saturday

Lodge Spring Cleanup

May 15th – Saturday

Ribs Feast

May 29th – Saturday

Chili Cook-Off for VMA

District 4 Competition

May 31st – Monday

Memorial Day Cook-Out



Congratulations to Charles D. Collier, Robert A. Everett, Allan R. Anderson and Jane Ripley for attaining 50 years of Service in the Loyal Order of Moose

The Arlington Fraternity expresses our sincere gratitude for their dedication to our Lodge and the Moose Fraternity. Each of these Moose brothers and sister will receive a Life Membership for their loyalty to our Moose organization.



One Moose is Here!



Root for NASCAR driver Ross Chastain Sponsored by Moose in the Drydene 400 at the Dover International Speedway on Sunday, May 16th while Watching at the Lodge



“Queen of Hearts” is Back!



Every Thursday at 7:00pm Beginning May 13th

Congratulations to the elected Lodge 2021-2022 Board of Officers!

Officers are listed on Page 3

Provide guidance to further our prosperity, membership, and enjoyment as a fraternity in support of our families, Mooseheart, Moosehaven and the communities

Lodge General Membership Meetings are on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm in the Ritual Hall

Remember the men and women who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces Memorial Day – May 31st



New Member Orientation



Sunday, May 2nd at 12:00pm

The health and safety of our members are our top priority!

Please comply with the directives of our governing authorities during these extraordinary circumstances, especially in wearing a face mask and maintaining the required social distancing indoors & outdoors at the Lodge



Celebrate Cinco de Mayo at the Lodge before Bar Bingo



Tacos will be the food offering before Bar Bingo at a reasonable price between 5:30pm and 7:00pm. AND continue your celebration until the Lodge closes after the bingo games. In order to maintain the required social distancing, no sombrero hat dances will be tolerated!

Cinco de Mayo



May 5th

Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge Hours of Operation

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

Social Quarters & ABC Manager

Jane Kennedy

ABC Managers

Michael Pogue
Kristin Medel
Sara Wick

Congratulations to Thomas Oderwald being elected as President of the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 for the 2021-2022 Moose Year



Celebration of Life Events Planned in June 2021

The limitation of assembly indoors will be increased on May 15th to 100 individuals. With this increase the Lodge has now planned two Celebration of Life events in June:

- Saturday, June 19th – for Joyce Chaffins
- Saturday, June 26th – for Andy Ogle

Save the dates ... honor these past Moose Members!

Mother's Day



May 9th

Armed Forces Day



May 15th

Masks are required by Law to be worn within the Lodge at all times



EXCEPT when seated AND drinking or eating!

No mask ... No service

Victoria Day



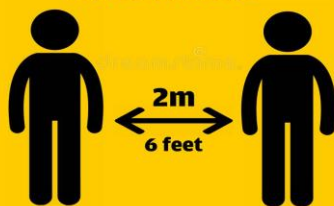
May 21st



Please consider contributing to the **ENDOWMENT** when visiting the Lodge

Endowment box is on the bar near the purchase line

Keep your distance



2020 Income Tax Deadline has been extended to



May 17th

Memorial Day



May 31st



Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge is a Tobacco/Smoke Free Facility





BAR BINGO
Wednesday Nights beginning 7:00pm
May 5th, May 12th,
May 19th & May 26th



Only Moose Members can play Bar Bingo

**Arlington #1315
 Board of Officers
 2021-2022**

Lodge President

Dean Massey

Lodge Vice President

John Tribble, Jr.

Lodge Chaplin

Randy Nolan

Lodge Corporate Secretary

John Matis

Lodge Treasurer

Brian Birtell

Lodge Trustees

Clifton Ballance

Andre McFail

Bruce Pickett

Jr. Past President

Thomas Oderwald

Sergeant-of-Arms

Tim Nields



NOTICE: No BAR BINGO beginning June 30, 2021 through the Month of July 2021

By June 23, 2021, the Lodge will have had 24 weeks of continuous weekly Bar Bingo activities (approximately 6 months) ... therefore, those members who have participated in organizing and operating the games need a break to re-energize! Not to mention that they will be planning vacation trips and some will need to attend the Moose International Annual Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio the last week of June through July 4, 2021.

Bar Bingo will resume on Wednesday, August 4, 2021

MAY EVENT



Run for the *Roses*

Saturday, May 1, 2021 (5:30pm – 8:00pm)

Come to the Moose Lodge to watch the first race this year of the Triple Crown, the annual 147th Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs beginning at 6:57pm. The food offering will be pizza sold by the slice starting at 6:30pm. Come cheer for your favorite horse in the race while having a few of your favorite beverages. For the record, Essential Quality, Hot Rod Charlie, Medina Spirit and Rock Your World are the favorites this year. AND, the Administrator will buy the beverage of choice for the Moose Member who wears the "best" derby hat at the event (voted by the attendees).

May Day

Celebrate May Day



May 1st

Attend our Social Activities ... YOU will Enjoy the Experience!



National Police Week – May 9th thru May 15th
Annual Candlelight Vigil on the National Mall – May 13th

"The world's favorite Season is the spring. All things seem possible in May."

- Edwin Way Teale



ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH



Nominate a Lodge & Chapter Member for Volunteer of the Quarter
 (April – June 2021)

Deadline is June 30, 2021



Moose Legion Breakfast
Sunday, May 2nd
(10:00am – 1:00pm)

**MAY
EVENT**

Come celebrate Mother's Day early and treat the Mother(s) of the family to a great breakfast. The event will consist of sausage links, lots of bacon, home fried potatoes, any way you want your eggs cooked including a variety of omelets, pancakes, French toast, and corned beef hash. Furthermore, there will be at least one "surprise" food item, coffee, milk (if requested) and orange juice. AND we will continue to provide the outstanding breakfast selections for an all-you-can-eat offering.

Due to increased costs, the price for the breakfast will be \$10.00/adult

**IMPORTANT
NOTICE**

Beginning in June, the Legion Breakfast will NOT be an "all-you-can-eat" offering



**MAY
EVENT**

Lodge Spring Clean-Up – May 8th
Volunteers Needed! (9:00am – 1:00pm)



There is always a need to "tidy up" our Lodge facility; therefore, our Fraternity is requesting that our members volunteer some time and efforts to clean. The main concentration of efforts will be the inside areas of the Lodge; but we can always find something outside of the Lodge that needs attention. Coffee and donuts will be provided at the start of the event and bottled water provided while the activities are being performed.

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Newsletter
Contributions**

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John Matis

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Volunteers are needed for future articles for the Newsletters

**MAY
EVENT**

Ribs Feast
Saturday, May 15th (2:00pm – 5:00pm)



The ribs will be cooked by the "in-house" grill chefs, which are guaranteed to be "falling-off-the-bone" *mucho delicioso*. The menu of supporting side dishes has not been decided before this publication, but in keeping with our usual standards for this particular event, there should at least be macaroni & cheese, baked beans, and coleslaw. The food will be offered by the plate at a reasonable price.

As this event will be held on Armed Forces Day, the Lodge will be providing a cake in honor of all the active military & veteran members of the Lodge.

Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members

▶ David Sechrest ▶ Anshal Rode ▶ Barbie Prine



National Teachers Day



May 4th

Rolling to Remember
23rd Annual Ride of the Patriots
Sunday, May 30th



Motto: "We will not forget"

Moose Membership provides benefits that save you money!



Details provided in a brochure offered within the Social Quarters.



Congratulations to Thomas Oderwald
LOOM Volunteer of the Quarter
(January – March 2021)



Congratulations to Sara Wick
WOTM Volunteers of the Quarter
(January – March 2021)



Note: No Youth Organization of the Quarter was submitted

**Support the
Boy Scouts &
Girl Scouts**

**MAY
EVENT**

**Chili Cook-Off on May 29th to determine
who represents the Arlington Fraternity at
the VMA District 4 Chili Cook-Off**



The Lodge is having a Chili Cook-Off to determine the top two winners to represent the Arlington Fraternity at the VMA District 4 Chili Cook-Off (*date to be determined*). Anyone who provides a chili entry (one large crock pot) in this contest eats for free. This contest is for “bragging rights” only; as there will be no prizes. However, each of the winners will receive \$25.00 towards the food costs for their chili offering at the VMA District 4 Chili Cook-Off when they

participate, and the Lodge will pay the associated entry fee. It is noted that each chili entry must contain at least one type of bean. The judging criteria for both cook-offs (Lodge and VMA District 4) will be as follows: color, aroma, texture, consistency, spices, and flavor. Explanation of judging criteria is posted on the bulletin board. Please come to this event – we will need judges!

The Lodge will be offering a House Chili at the start of the event; with the entries becoming available after the judging

**National Dance
like a Chicken
Day**

May 14th

**Memorial Day Cookout – Monday, May 31st
(2:00pm – 5:00pm)**

**MAY
EVENT**

Finally, a work day off! Leave the cooking to us and bring your family to this event at the Lodge, even all those relatives who dropped by for the long weekend. The standard cookout food fare will be provided, consisting of hot dogs and hamburgers, cold salads, baked beans, etc. with probably a few “surprises” from our chefs. If the weather is nice, we may try to set up the cornhole game for entertainment.



**Did You Forget
to Renew Your
Moose Dues?**

**Only active
members can
participate in the
offerings provided
in the Social
Quarters and at
Lodge Events**

**Moose
International
Annual
Membership
Campaign**

Think NEW Members

**MOOSE
REWARDS**

**Brochure of Program in the
Social Quarters**



**Arlington WOTM
Chapter #1253
Board of Officers
2021-2022**

Senior Regent

Linda Councill

Secretary

Sarah Shannon

Treasure

Rose Russo

Jr. Past Regent

Dionysianna "Anna"
Ala'ilima



**Bike to Work
Day**



**Friday,
May 21st**

**Support
The Salvation
Army**



**Next Chapter Meeting
on Tuesday, May 11th @7:00pm**
[it has not been determined if a Second Chapter Meeting is required
on a monthly basis under the new One Moose format]



Senior Regent's Message

Thank You ... Arlington Chapter 1253 coworkers & Arlington Lodge 1315 members for your help during this very difficult, unusual Board year (June 2020 to April 2021). After the mandatory lodge closure due to COVID-19, we returned & carried on with a coat drive, clothing donations, bringing

Christmas to selected families, fundraisers, as well as socially distant dinners & meetings. With your support & flexibility in tolerating the required modifications to how we do business, you have continued to show true fraternal friendship. Your efforts helped to maintain our goals of keeping Mooseheart & Moosehaven financially stable & in reaching out to our local community.

Thank you to the outgoing Board of Officers, Chairwomen & Committee members, as well as all supporters of fundraising events, for your help in maintaining a coordinated and cooperative atmosphere. Effective May 1, 2021, we welcome One Moose & look forward to cooperative efforts with all men & women. Also, effective May 1, 2021, our newly elected & installed **Board of Officers** for Arlington Chapter 1253 includes:

Senior Regent	Linda Councill
Secretary	Sarah Shannon
Treasurer	Rose Russo
Junior Past Regent	Dionysianna "Anna" Ala'ilima

Committees:

Membership:	Roxanne Coles-Matis
Fraternal Activities:	Sara Wick
Higher Degrees:	Eileen Scott
Mooseheart/ Moosehaven:	Maricellis Negron
Guide:	Judith York
Assistant Guide:	Betty McLaurin

Congratulations & Best Wishes to All! Looking forward to the start of a new One Moose Year & a new adventure.



Watch the NBA and NHL Playoffs at the Lodge

NHL Playoffs begin May 12th

NBA Playoffs begin May 22nd



**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**



**Watch the
Nationals Games
at the Lodge**





Are You a
Veteran?



Register
yourself
with Moose
International as
a Valued
Veteran

Easy Way to
Support
Mooseheart
while you
Shop!

amazon smile



You shop. Amazon gives.

Buy your shopping
items at
smile.amazon.com
and Amazon will
make donations
to the charity
of your choice.

Please make
"Mooseheart
Child City"
the charity
of your choice.



Lodge Repairs/Replacements

We finally got Fairfax County to inspect and test the newly installed kitchen hood fire extinguishing system on April 21st ... *BUT IT FAILED* (blame it on the black cloud over the Administrator when it comes to luck)! When the system activation test for a fire was implemented, everything operated per regulations except the kitchen exhaust fan above the kitchen cooking equipment did not turn on. After the test, it was verified that the exhaust fan wiring to the control panel was correct and operational; therefore, the problem was in the new control panel. Thank you, Bruce Pickett, for verifying our Lodge had everything correct in the existing wiring to the exhaust fan. More to come as details emerge.

As a side comment, when the installer technician left the Lodge after the test that failed, he left everything as is; including the fact that the system had shut off the gas line to all the kitchen cooking equipment. This was not known at the time until the Lodge attempted to turn on the grill to cook the steak and cheese sandwiches for Bar Bingo that we could not provide the food offering we had promised to all our members. We were frustrated, but gas is not something we want to "play" with. After Bar Bingo, we put our heads together and figured out how the gas line was controlled by the kitchen hood fire extinguishing system. Thank you, Bruce Pickett, Larry Edmonds, and Andre McFail, for resetting the gas line to be in the open position and for lighting the many gas pilot lights again for the kitchen equipment. It was determined that a micro switch was dysfunctional in the control panel, which the vendor has to order for replacement.

Remember the renovation of the Women's Restroom of the Social Quarters? The Lodge had purchased the replacement ceiling tiles when the Lodge was closed during the COVID-19 pandemic in late Spring of last year, but we concentrated on finishing the Men's Restroom first. Well, it finally happened! A thank you is extended to Clifton Ballance for volunteering his services to complete the ceiling project. In addition, new ceiling light fixtures were installed to make it brighter. Thank you, Bruce Pickett, for your efforts in assisting in the wiring of the new ceiling light fixtures.

The Lodge wants to thank Clifton Ballance, Bruce Pickett, and Bernie Ceroni for installing cold patch in the asphalt "holes" of the entrance/exit roadway, and some areas of the parking lot. The work was performed on Wednesday, April 28, 2021.



The Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia has announced changes to COVID-19 Restrictions

Beginning on May 15, 2021 assembly restrictions (indoor and outdoor), including bar use and seating, will be lessened due to the current vaccination progress of our population in Virginia. The Lodge will post the changes on the bulletin board of the Social Quarters in the first week of May. The Lodge will be getting ready to start renting the Ritual Hall for private parties ... *a needed income source.*

**Electronic Pull-Tabs by
Powerhouse Gaming**



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

**2021 VMA Annual
Convention**



in Hampton, VA
August 19th – August 22nd



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

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



In May 2021

SUN, May 2nd
BUSCH McBUSCH
RACE 400

@ Kansas
 Speedway

SUN, May 9th
Goodyear 400

@ Darlington
 Raceway

SUN, May 16th
Drydene 400

@ Dover
 International
 Speedway

SUN, May 23rd
EchoPark Texas
Grand Prix

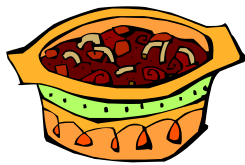
@ Circuit of the
 Americas

SUN, May 30th
Coca-Cola 400

Charlotte Motor
 Speedway

Watch the Races
at the Lodge

It has been mentioned that the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Moose will be visiting Virginia in February 2022 (more to come when information becomes known)



Casserole Cook-Off – March 17th

It was a last-minute decision to have this event, as other Moose activities were planned for three of the weekends in April. But word got “out” by our weekly email and Facebook communications and the Lodge had six (6) casserole entries. The Lodge wants to thank

the following members for their culinary efforts in offering a casserole dish for the competition and for sharing their creations with our members: Billy Hensley, Kristin Medel, Dean Massey, Tim Nields, Cheryl Emerson, and Andre McFail. It is noted that the cook-off did not start until the virtual VMA Mid-Year Conference had ended.



The winners of the casserole cook-off were as follows:

- 1st Place – Tim Nields
- 2nd Place – Kristin Medel
- 3rd Place – Cheryl Emerson

The Lodge extends a thank you to John Matis for overseeing the event; to Marty Medel & John Matis for the distributing of the casserole “taste” samples to the judges; to Marty Medel, Sonia Bouadis, and Kristin Medel for serving the casseroles to the members after the judging to eat; to Sonia Bouadis, Bernie Ceroni, Bruce Pickett, and Mel Chrestman who volunteered to be the judges for the cook-off; and to all those members who made the final clean up after the social event.



The Lodge Apologizes for not having food at the Bar Bingo event on April 21st but circumstances beyond our control caused a complete shut off of the gas to all the kitchen cooking equipment.

Unfortunately, we learned how to put the gas back on after Bar Bingo!



Watch the Triple Crown Horse Racing Events at the Lodge

- May 1st – The Kentucky Derby
- May 15th – The Preakness Stakes
- June 5th – The Belmont Stakes

Last Triple Crown Winner
Justify
2018

ABC 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!

Watch the Washington Capitals and the Washington Wizards at the Lodge



Check the schedules of these teams for dates & times



**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].

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

**BEWARE!
The Cicadas
are coming**



SICKNESS and DISTRESS

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

... Rosemary Haddock, Clare Toward, Ray Broz, Phil Weber, James Bucklin, Sr. and Ralph Phillips; all long time members of our Arlington Fraternity who are trying to get back to good health.

Happy Birthday to Lodge members

- Craig Bond (5/01)
- John Hall (5/03)
- Carl Abrahamson (5/04)
- Terry Discoll (5/07)
- David Feld (5/09)
- Phil Demas (5/10)
- John Webb (5/13)
- Theodore Acousa (5/17)
- Charles Berge (5/20)
- Earl Cherry (5/25)
- Robert Kesock (5/27)
- Willie Jamison (5/30)



Happy Birthday to Chapter members

- Jennifer StJohn (5/03)
- Kimberly Akers (5/05)
- Patricia Borowski (5/8)
- Kelady Dunn (5/13)
- Carol Jones (5/14)
- Arlinda Kesock (5/20)
- Wendy Walter (5/24)
- Cindy Nitzky (5/27)
- Emaline Wantrobski (5/27)
- Sandra Moy (5/29)
- Eileen Cherry (5/30)



Lucky Penny Day

**Tuesday,
May 18th**

**IMPORTANT
NOTICE**

**"To go" food
can be brought
into the Lodge
except at an
event!**

However, members **MUST** provide their own serving "extras" (e.g.: paper plates, utensils, condiments, napkins, etc.) and cleanup after eating at their table!



Governor's Corner

Spring is here to bring forth new beginnings. Your newly elected boards will be working diligently this year to continue to improve your overall experience at the lodge. I would like to thank everyone for their continuing support during these unusual times.

If you have any ideas for future functions and/or fundraisers or would like to volunteer in any way, please feel free to talk to me or any of the other members of the board.

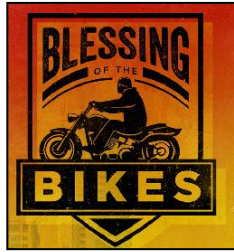
As we slowly get back to "normal" in our lives, I look forward to seeing everyone at the lodge in fellowship.

Think New Members for the 2021-2022 Moose Year



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





“Blessing of the Bikes” Ceremony on Saturday, May 15th beginning 10:30am at the Manassas Moose Family Center #1380 (Rain Date: Sunday, May 16th)

It is open to all Moose Members in good standings and qualified guests (limit 2 guests per member). Registration will be from 9:30am to 10:30am. Entry fee is \$15.00/bike in advance or \$20.00/bike on the date of, which includes a meal ticket good for a pulled pork BBQ sandwich with coleslaw that will be available at the end of the event. There will be a short ride to Quantico National Cemetery and back between 11:00am to 12:00pm (noon). This event is a fundraiser for Mooseheart.

Thank You Veterans & Active Military Members



for Preserving Freedom in for Our Country

Youth Awareness Program

The 2021 Moose International Youth Awareness Program Student Congress was held in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on April 22nd thru 26th, 2021. It is not official at the time of this publication, but it has been heard that none of the Virginia students won a scholarship. The Lodge wants to thank the Virginia students for giving their best in representing the “Virginia Team” at the event in Myrtle Beach, and hopefully enjoyed the experience. It is reminded that each of our students contributed to their community by educating younger children with their KidsTalks and each received a \$1,000 scholarship from the Virginia Moose Association.



Support Moose Charities simply by searching with Bing on the Internet!

The following instructions are provided to start giving to Moose Charities:

- Visit <https://www.bing.com/give/join>
- Click “Join now” to create a Microsoft Rewards account
- Choose a nonprofit organization (hopefully Moose Charities)
 - Search for and select either “Moose Charities”, “Mooseheart”, “Moosehaven”, or “Moose Foundation”
- Stay signed into your Microsoft account so you always earn points



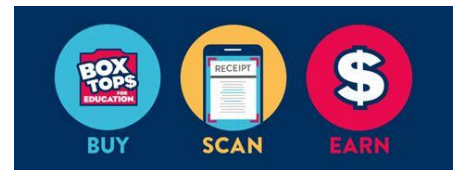
Housing & Registration now open for 2021 Moose International Convention in Cincinnati



The ALL-NEW BOX TOPS 4 Education

Skip the scissors & use the app! The new and improved Box Tops mobile app scans your store receipt, finds participating products and instantly adds Box Tops to your school’s (hopefully Mooseheart) earnings online.

No clipping required!
For more information go to www.boxtops4education.com



Please drink responsibly while Visiting the Lodge



Moose of the Month





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.




2021-2022 Arlington #1315 Lodge Membership Challenge

Sponsor a new LOOM member between May 1, 2021 and April 30, 2022 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 for April is **Robert Martinson**.

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. For the record, there were 5 members who sponsored 2 individuals during the 2020-2021 Moose Year.



Goal: Obtain Premier Lodge Award in 2021 Current Arlington #1315 Membership Status As of April 29, 2021:

2020-2021	Current				
<u>+1 Goal</u>	<u>Active Members</u>	<u>Difference</u>		<u>Expired</u>	<u>Dropped</u>
230	222	- 8		45	44

New LOOM Members since May 1, 2020: 17 (As of April 29, 2021)

Moose Fraternity's Sponsors of Distinction – Award Level Breakdown (May 1, 2021 – April 30, 2022)

- 25 Level Sponsorship - Basic registration fee for 2022 International Moose Convention in Orlando, Florida
- 50 Level Sponsorship - Basic registration fee for spouse/guest for 2022 International Moose Convention in Orlando, Florida
- 100 Level Sponsorship - Transportation and hotel accommodations for 2022 International Moose Convention in Orlando, Florida

- Notes:
- ▶ For each Level reached, sponsors will also receive all items for the previous Level(s), plus the new level earned.
 - ▶ Lodge sponsor credits, Chapter sponsor credits, & Moose Legion sponsor credits are separate and cannot be combined to reach each level.
 - ▶ Only one award per person, per level will be recognized.



Wanted Volunteer Cooks for Social Events

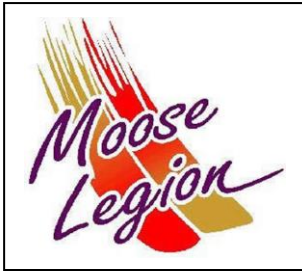
The Lodge needs our members to come to the Lodge to keep our "doors" open as a business and one of the enticements to attract members to attend is FOOD! However, our volunteers that have been cooking are dwindling. Therefore, the Lodge is pleading to have our members consider volunteering to cook for the upcoming social events.



Give Generously!

Support Special Olympics





Arlington Moose Legion Committee Board of Officers 2021-2022

Assistant Secretary
John Matis

Committee Chairman
Gregory Cady

Committee Vice Chairman
TBD

Next Moose Legion Committee Meeting on Tuesday, May 11th @7:00pm
WOTM members & LOOM members are welcome to attend



The Arlington Moose Legion Committee Corner

Congratulations to Robert Kesock, Michael Nercesian, and Randy Nolan on being conferred as Legionnaires at the Bull Run Moose Legion #185

Spring Celebration. Their conferral makes a total of 47 Legionnaires in the Arlington Moose Legion Committee.



As a contribution for a fundraiser at the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Spring Celebration, the Arlington Moose Legion Committee donated a basket of various Moose catalog items, snacks, battery lighting devices, and a Virginia ABC gift card. The Arlington Moose Legion Committee wants to thank Chapter #1253 for providing the basket, and to John Matis, Roxanne Coles-Matis, Thomas Oderwald, and Elizabeth Coombs for donating some items in the basket.

Please support the Chapter Mother's Day Basket Fundraiser



Drawing after Bar Bingo on Wednesday, May 5th



A thank you is expressed to Virgil Seay and Roy Jefferson for representing the Arlington Fraternity in the Golf Tournament of the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Spring Celebration



The weather was not exactly ideal for the golf match, as it rained early that morning and there were cloudy skies throughout the tournament; but both "Number 80" of past NFL Washington Redskin players trudged through the dampened course to give their best. Unfortunately, our Arlington Fraternity members did not place in the top winners of the tournament. *BUT* ... there were no called off-side penalties or fumbles recorded in their game. Sounds like a good game for our warriors! [Note: our representatives did not tell how many balls they lost or found.]

It should be noted that our Arlington Fraternity members and their significant others were willing to allow the attendees to have a "photo-op" (including the Editor). Thank you!

Easy to Join the Moose Legion



Eligibility a male member with active status in the Lodge



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





Lodge and Chapter Installations on April 24th

The Installation ceremonies went off without any major hiccups. A thank you is extended to Tom Oderwald and Patti Rodas for volunteering to be the Installation Officers of the ceremonies. Afterwards, those in attendance were offered lasagna, garlic bread, and a side salad. And a "One Moose" sheet cake (half white & half chocolate) was provided for dessert.

The Lodge wants to thank Elizabeth Coombs, Sarah Shannon, Sonia Bouadis, Tom Oderwald, and John Matis for their efforts in preparing and/or distributing the food offering. In addition, a thank you is extended to Billy Hensley who provided a fudge marble cake with chocolate icing as a second dessert choice. Lastly, a thank you to Elizabeth Coombs for cleaning up in the kitchen after the combined event.

Mother's Day Joke

What book do moms like the most? ...



"Their husbands' checkbook!"



Pun of the Month

Spongebob may be the title character of the show ...

But Patrick is the STAR!



Group pictures of the members (who could be rounded up after the ceremonies) of the Lodge and Chapter 2021-2022 Board of Officers and Committee Chairs.

(not sure there is a need to explain the item in the box)

WARNING

The Safe Surfin' Foundation is advising parents to stay diligent in tracking your child's Internet use during the COVID-19 outbreak. As Schools begin replacing the classroom for a laptop, predators will use this as an opportunity to prey on children. Never forget that 100% of children will be contacted by an Online predator. Stay safe in the coming weeks, and as always please keep your children safe Online.



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The 2020 Summer Olympics in Tokyo is still being planned to begin July 23, 2021 (but we cannot attend in person)





Flower Garden at street entrance of the Lodge



Tulip bulbs were planted in March and have sprouted up ... BUT no flowers as of this publication

Hopefully we will have a picture in the June Newsletter



Thank you, Skip Staggs, for leading the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 the last 2 years as the President!

Appreciation extended to Robert Neff and his wife Tammy for attending the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Spring Celebration

Robert "Bob" Neff was the Official Visitor at the Spring Celebration and holds the position in Moose International as the Director of Ritual, Moose Legion, & Higher Degrees. Bob was the Installing Officer in the Installation Ceremony for the new 2021-2022 Board of Directors.

It is noted that 22 Moose Members were conferred as Legionnaires at the Spring Celebration.

Bull Run Moose Legion #185

Elections for the 2021-2022 Board of Directors was held on Saturday, April 10, 2021 at the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Spring Celebration. The following were the results of the election:



- President - Thomas Oderwald (Arlington #1315)
- Secretary - Thomas Murray (Dale City #2165)
- Vice President - Sidney "Al" Smith (Fredericksburg #1655)
- Chaplin - Charles Burke (Woodbridge #583)
- Financial Director - John Matis (Arlington #1315)
- Fraternal Director - Larry Gibeault (Franconia #1076)
- Jr. Past President - Lloyd "Skip" Staggs (Franconia #1076)



3rd Annual VMA State Chili Cook-Off
September 18, 2021
at Lynchburg South Moose Family Center #1727



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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