



Loyal Order of Moose Arlington #1315 Lodge Newsletter

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APRIL 2015

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2014-2015

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LOOM Board of Officers Election Tuesday, April 7th, 2015

Please Attend the General Meeting on April 7, 2015

Besides the election of the unopposed nominations of the open positions for the LOOM 2015-2016 Board of Officers, there will be a presentation of the financial matters of the Arlington Lodge; including our attempt to sell a portion of the property as approved by the LOOM membership on April 1, 2014. Furthermore, the current LOOM Board of Officers will entertain any questions/suggestions/comments from the membership.

Elections will occur at the beginning of the General Meeting at 7:30pm



Save the Date: April 18, 2015 We Need Your Attendance at the VA Moose Association District 4 Quarterly Meeting

The Lodge wants to retain the second attendance trophy, which is proudly displayed in our Social Quarters, on a permanent basis (as attendance winners for three straight District meetings keep the trophy). In order to obtain this goal we need the support of LOTS of our members (estimated projection of 30) to attend the next Virginia Moose Association (VMA) District 4 Quarterly Meeting. The General Meeting will begin at 11:30 a.m. in the Herndon Moose Lodge #2274 (779 Center Street, Herndon, VA 20170).

Please attend this meeting to obtain another trophy!

Upcoming Social Events

April 11th
LOOM & WOTM
Board Installation
Ceremonies

April 18th
VMA District 4
Quarterly Meeting

April 25th
Chicken Wing
Cook-Off

Please Attend



Chicken Wing Cook-Off Saturday, April 25, 2015 (2:00pm – 6:00pm)

Everyone has their favorite way of cooking chicken wings with that "secret" sauce (... *some are handed down for generations*). **Show your culinary talents and submit an entry in this Lodge event.** There will be prizes (Arlington "Moose bucks") for 1st Place, 2nd Place, & 3rd Place. It is asked that an entry have enough wings to share with a few of the members after the contest. Consideration should be taken that not everyone (especially the judges) may enjoy the "hot level" that you like! Note: hot sauce will be available for you to add later for your tasting pleasure. And for those members who prefer to order chicken wings from their preferred barbeque restaurant, in lieu of cooking, the Lodge will be providing addition chicken wings for an "all-you-can-eat" fee.

**Dinner Every
Friday
Night
6-8 p.m.**

\$10 per person



LOOM & WOTM Installation Ceremonies Saturday, April 11, 2015 (beginning 12:30pm)

The Arlington Chapter and Lodge wish to invite our membership to witness the newly elected officers within both 2015-2016 Boards of Officers in taking their oath to guide our fraternity for the next Moose year (May 2015 through April 2016). A complementary lunch of soup and sandwiches will be provided after the Installation Ceremonies.



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

**Monday –
Wednesday**
3:00pm to 11:00pm
Thursday
Noon to 11:00pm
Friday – Saturday
Noon – 2:00am
Sunday
Noon to 10:00pm

**Arlington WOTM
Chapter #1253
Board of Officers
1214-2015**

Senior Regent
Elizabeth Coombs
Junior Regent
Nessa Ruoff
Jr. Graduate Regent
Anna Phillips
Secretary/Treasurer
Roxanne
Coles-Matis
Recorder
Donna Field
Chaplain
Andrea Hensley
Guide
Judith York
Assistant Guide
Nora Rodas

**Lodge Spring
Clean-Up
May 30th**



**Membership Challenge to Our Members
Continues through April 30, 2015**

Sponsor a new LOOM member through April 30th and your name will be placed on a ticket in a raffle conducted during the entire Membership Challenge. The more new LOOM members you sponsor, the more times your name will be placed within the raffle. The monthly drawing prize will be \$10.00 in Arlington “Moose Bucks” to the sponsor that is named on the selected ticket. Liz Coombs won the February drawing.



**Responsible Sellers and Servers (RSVP):
Virginia’s Program Training Course
at the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge**

The Arlington fraternity is making it known to our membership that the Virginia Department of Alcohol Beverage Control will be conducting a training course at our Moose Lodge that provides information to our bartenders and others who could assist during busy moments to understand and comply with Virginia laws, rules and regulations in regard to alcohol sales and service.

The Lodge Spring Clean-up has been rescheduled to Saturday, May 30th; so that this training course could occur on Saturday, May 9th.



Chinese New Year’s Celebration –February 28th

The Arlington Fraternity welcomed Chinese Year 4713 with a “cherry bomb bang” without the red paper on the floor after the explosion. Actually, we were a week late in our celebration but who’s counting after 245,024 weeks of existence. There were almost 40 members and guests at this social event; which offered “home-made” event-themed dishes (*just like the local restaurant around the corner*). The buffet feast consisted of shrimp egg rolls & vegetable egg rolls with the regular hot mustard and duck sauce, teriyaki beef sticks, fried rice, white rice (*cooked in a new rice cooker of the Lodge*), “General” spicy chicken, beef with broccoli, and chicken with mixed vegetables. The only things lacking for this celebration were the fortune cookies and authentic Chinese beer (e.g.: Tsingtao – *which our Lodge goes not offer*). The Arlington Fraternity would like to thank “Chinese Master Chef” Tommy Oderwald, and “Chinese Chefs de cuisine” Liz Coombs and Billy Hensley for their efforts in the time-consuming preparation and the cooking (wok-ing is the appropriate term except for the egg rolls and white rice) of the various dishes offered. [说伟大的食物 – “great food” in Chinese].

Afterwards, when the sports programs of our favorite college basketball teams were over on the multiple televisions, the jukebox was “blasting” old memories and we had many “Dancing Queens and Kings” displaying their special moves/steps within the Social Quarters. A great ending for a great Chinese celebration ... you could almost visualize a dragon costume over the dancers running in circles in a parade!



Event Chefs Billy Hensley, Liz Coombs, & Tommy Oderwald



Chapter
Award of
Achievement
(3rd Consecutive Year)

Sorry for the Inconvenience!

The Arlington Fraternity apologizes for any inconveniences to our membership in cancelling a social event or the closing of the Social Quarters during the months of February & March 2015 due to inclement weather; but we were thinking of the safety of our membership, our staff, and our volunteers in making these decisions.



**Fish Fry Revisited - No. 6 since August 2012
Saturday, March 7th**

We do not fight it ... we just keep offering what our members want! Our Lodge had another successful fish fry event with approximately 50 members and guests in attendance. Our buffet offered our usual fish fry event staples of fried & breaded cod, flounder, & catfish, macaroni & cheese, collard greens, stewed tomatoes, and hush puppies; with a cheese and cracker platter for a side appetizer. BUT our Galley Chefs expanded their cookery talents and surprised our members and guests BY ALSO offering a spicy Jambalaya (sausage & shrimp) with white rice, fried blackened catfish, and fried breaded shrimp (*our fraternity really splurged for this event and was trying to impress everyone*). In addition, the WOTM offered a Bake Sale of delicious home-made desserts to satisfy the "sweet tooth" of everyone after their meal.

The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank our Galley Chefs of Joyce Chaffins, Ron Mufflin, Billy Hensley, and Tom Oderwald for their efforts in providing the fish fry buffet for our membership! These individuals always volunteer their culinary talents to make the social events of the Arlington Fraternity successful! **We also want to thank all our members and their guests in supporting our offered social events.**



Galley Chefs Billy Hensley, Joyce Chaffins, Ron Mufflin & Tommy Oderwald



**Watch the
NCAA
Basketball
Tournament at
the Lodge**

National Semifinals
("Final Four")
April 4th
Championship Game
April 6th

"Go for the
Roses
Party"
May 2, 2015



**Think Dance, Dance ... and Dance
The Koolerators Are Coming Back!!**



Our favorite band has committed to play those favorite "oldies" at the scheduled **Pig Roast on June 13th** and the **Bull Roast on July 11th**. What better way to "get in the rhythm" to move your feet (and anything else for a healthy exercise that can be considered pleasing for view by others) than the music provided by the Koolerators. The only logical thought ... **JUST BE THERE TO ENJOY!**



Moose
of the
Month

Issue: 2015-4
Newsletter
Contributions

Editor

John Matis

Writers

Elizabeth Coombs
John Matis

Volunteers are needed for future articles for the Newsletters

When there are Small Amounts of Leftovers from Events

Most of the time our Fraternity tries to offer any leftovers of an event to the membership to take home so it will not be wasted; however, when some leftovers still remain, Joyce Chafflins provides the leftovers to Norman & Sally Harris to feed their "wild life" pets around their house. Why waste "great" food to the trash if another creature on this earth can benefit for their survival? Recently, an informal note was composed and received from the pets for thanking Joyce's generosity that Norman interpreted (*which we will not question his knowledge of "paw language" of animals*) that read: "We, the fox family want to thank you for sending us the food. Also the raccoons, the two possums, the birds, and the squirrels thank you. We love you"



The Arlington Fraternity believes in helping all creatures on this earth; except those that try to live within our Lodge (members are an exception).



Watch NASCAR at the Lodge

In APRIL 2015

SAT, APR 11

Duck

Commander 500

@ Texas Motor
Speedway

SUN, APR 19

Food City 500

@ Bristol Motor
Speedway

SAT, APR 25

Toyota Owners 400

@ Richmond
International
Speedway



Endowment "Rocker Fundraiser" in February



The friendly challenge between the Chapter and Lodge for the endowment "Rocker Fundraiser" in February ended in a tie! The Chapter and Lodge each raised \$92; for a grand total of \$184. Even though this total was a little short of reaching our goal, THANK YOU members for your generosity in this worthy cause. We also want to thank everyone that volunteered to offer the "Rocker" for a donation during our social activities.

Recognized Teamwork

The membership of the Arlington Fraternity needs to recognize that our local fraternity would not have made it through the past few years without the friendship and working together to accomplish common goals between the LOOM & WOTM. **WE ARE FAMILY!**



What Does Membership Retention Mean

- K - Know Your Fellow Brother**
- E - Evaluate Their Capabilities**
- E - Encourage Their Participation**
- P - Pamper Them A Little**

- E - Emphasize Teamwork**
- M - Maintain Fellowship**



"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. **GOOD LUCK!**



Big Brothers Big Sisters



2nd Consecutive Year

Rib Cook-Off



**Saturday,
May 16th**

**Mother's Day
Breakfast**



**Sunday,
May 10th**

**Memorial Day
Cook-Out**



May 25, 2015

**Free WiFi
at Lodge**



Senior Regent's Message

WOW! The old saying "Time flies when you're having fun!" is so true. It's hard to believe that this is the last newsletter of my year as Senior Regent. It has been my pleasure and honor to serve the Chapter and the Lodge. I would never have been able to complete the year without the help and support of every WOTM and LOOM member of our Arlington Fraternity.

I would like to congratulate the new Board for the 2015-2016 Chapter year: Senior Regent - Nessa Ruoff; Junior Regent - Roxanne Coles-Matis; Secretary-Treasurer - Andrea Hensley; and Recorder - Donna Field. I hope that everyone will continue to be supportive in the new year. If you are interested in serving as a Chairman of the following committees, please let a board member know: Membership/Retention, Community Service, Activities/Sports, Mooseheart/Moosehaven and Higher Degrees.

Our next meetings are Tuesday, April 7 at 7:00 PM - Health Awareness Committee Activity night and Tuesday, April 21 at 7:00 PM - Business Meeting.

**The Arlington Fraternity wishes all our members
an enjoyable Easter with their Families
Sunday, April 5, 2015**

**Quoting James J. Davis in the conclusion section of his
autobiography "The Iron Puddler ":**

I have no new cure for the ills of humanity.
Life is a struggle, and rest is in the grave.

All nature is in commotion; there is wind and rain; and out of it comes seed harvest.
The waters of the sea are poured in thunder wrack upon the hills and run in rivers back
into the sea.

The winds make weather, and weather profits man.
When will man's turmoil cease, when will he find calm?

I do not know.

I only know that toil and struggle are sweet, and that life well lived is victory.
And that calm is death.

Man must face an iron world, but he is iron to subdue it.

The lessons of my life were learned at the forge and I am grateful for my schooling.



**Welcome Supreme Governor Danny Albert on
Thursday, April 23rd at Centerville Moose Lodge**

The Supreme Governor, the current chief presiding officer of the Loyal Order of the Moose, will be visiting our Northern Virginia area and our members, if available, are encouraged to meet Mr. Albert.





Chapter
Award of
Achievement
(3rd Consecutive Year)

**Watch
Washington
Capitals at the
Lodge**

In April 2015

- THU, APR 2 (A)
Montreal Maple Leafs
- SAT, APR 4 (A)
Ottawa Senators
- SUN, APR 5 (A)
Detroit Red Wings
- WED, APR 8 (H)
Boston Bruins
- SAT, APR 11 (H)
New York Rangers

**AND THEN THE
PLAYOFFS**



**Triple Crown
Finale
Celebration**



June 6, 2015



Governor's Corner

I want to thank all our members (LOOM & WOTM) who contributed to the success of our Fraternity during the past Moose year (May 2014 thru April 2015). However, we need more members to "step up to the plate" to volunteer in keeping our Fraternity active in activities; as well as providing leadership in the upcoming years. It is my personal opinion that the same 25 or so individuals (LOOM & WOTM) do most of the work for our Fraternity the past few years. In order to keep our Fraternity successful, WE NEED "new blood" to gradually accept some responsibilities; such as assisting to organize and/or perform tasks in an event, become a member (or even the Chairperson) for one of our many Committees, participating to construct/assemble something for the Lodge, baking a dessert for the Bake Sale to support the activities of the WOTM, offering a dish for a Potluck event, or just helping in the clean up of the Lodge. Our Fraternity needs your support to continue to grow as the "Best Moose Fraternity in Town".



Someone is Needed Who Can Get a "Never-Used" Kegerator to Operate (Do You have the Expertise?)

The Arlington Fraternity purchased and assembled a Kegerator (refrigerator that contains a beer keg with a pour spout on the top) last summer. We purchased the Kegerator to offer a "special brew" for some of our events; however, it has never operated properly (AND *the assemblers did read the instructions*). Is there someone in our membership who would take the challenge to get it to work? Inquire with John Matis or Billy Hensley.



New Membership Challenge Beginning May 1, 2015 (for 2015-2016 Moose Year)

Sponsor a new LOOM member between May 1, 2015 through April 30, 2016 and your name will be placed on a ticket in a raffle conducted each month during the entire Membership Challenge. The more new LOOM members you sponsor, the more times your name will be placed within the raffle. The monthly drawing prize will be \$10.00 in Arlington "Moose Bucks" to the sponsor that is named on the selected ticket. In addition, if you sponsor three LOOM members within the 2015-2016 Moose Year, the Arlington Lodge will pay your dues for the next year of your membership. **Think Members, Members & Members!**



Children's Easter Party – March 28th

Details of this event will be provided in the May 2015 Newsletter; as this monthly issue of the Newsletter needed to be released prior to this event occurring. However, pictures will be placed on the Arlington #1315 Website for our members to view during the first week in April.

Nominate a Lodge & Chapter Member for Volunteer of the Quarter

(April – June 2015)



Deadline is June 30, 2015
And remember to nominate a Youth Organization of the Quarter

New Membership Applications

The Lodge will pay for the \$20.00 application fee for any new members enrolled to the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge

A Great Reason to Join!



Pig Roast

June 13, 2015



Father's Day Breakfast



June 21, 2015

Plenty of Beef!



July 11, 2015

Off-Track Betting



St. Patrick Day Celebration - March 7th

Lacking a parade and the Blarney Stone, the Arlington Fraternity was still able to attract approximately 45 members and guests for this social event (*and everyone swore that they were Irish!*) The event buffet was the "standard" Irish fare of corned beef (with the expected spicy horseradish), boiled red potatoes, and cooked cabbage; with a large house salad and dinner rolls. AND as the event occurred on Pi day (date interpreted as 3.1415; the first five numbers of the value of pi), the provided desserts were mainly pieces of pie. The Arlington Fraternity would like to thank the main chefs of this event; consisting of Joyce Chaffins and Phyllis Hamilton. In addition, a thank you is extended to Billy Hensley, Donna Heflin, and Judith York for providing other desserts (birthday cake & "themed" cupcakes). It has to be mentioned that the decorations provided the "Irish spirit" for this event; and the Arlington Fraternity wants to thank Nora Rodas, Patti Rodas, Donna Heflin, and Judith York for their efforts.

The event included a challenge by our guests from VFW in a game of Family Feud. There were lots a laughs from the responses to the questions by the contestants and everyone enjoyed the game ... AND for the record, the Arlington Fraternity won both games! A re-match is being discussed.



The "Irish Clan" of the Arlington Fraternity with new Baby Randy (1-1/2 months)

Are You Aware that ...

the Arlington Fraternity have been announcing the good times we are having at our events on the Virginia Moose Association Website?

Check it out!

Go under the Local News & Events tab on the left side of the Website (vmaweb.com).



Camaraderie makes our Fraternity a success!

Winners of the Volunteers of the Quarter [January – March 2015] to be Announced in the May Edition of the Arlington #1315 Newsletter

Moose Charities
Making a difference in the lives of children and seniors
Give Generously!

Support Special Olympics



2nd Consecutive Year

Watch Washington Nationals at the Lodge

In April 2015

- New York Mets
APR 4 – APR 9 (H)
- Philadelphia Phillies
APR 10 – APR 12 (A)
- Boston Red Sox
APR 13 – APR 15 (A)
- Philadelphia Phillies
APR 16 – APR 19 (H)
- St. Louis Cardinals
APR 21 – APR 23 (H)
- Miami Marlins
APR 24 – APR 26 (A)
- Atlanta Braves
APR 27 – APR 29 (A)
- New York Mets
APR 30 – MAY 3 (A)



Think Natitude!



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 jjmatis@cox.net].

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Happy Birthday to Lodge members **Mark Anderson** (4/02), **John Matis** (4/03), **Donald Purdy** (4/04), **Eugene Munger** (4/05), **Frank Stevens, Sr.** (4/08), **Robert Hutzell** (4/15), **Steven Lehtma** (4/19), **Shawn Kirkpatrick** (4/20), **Reid Voss** (4/23), **Ralph Smith** (4/26), **Greg Mullan** (4/28), **William Ruiz** (4/28), and **Bruce Gerrity** (4/30).
- Happy Birthday to Chapter members **Susan Stalp** (4/01), **Dawn Barwood** (4/05), **Maryanne Torrey** (4/07), **Nora Rodas** (4/12), **Marjorie Kicak** (4/13), **Barbara Nix-Mathews** (4/13), **Catherine Kerns** (4/19), **Mary Gilpin** (4/22), and **Judith York** (4/22).

SICKNESS and DISTRESS:

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

Announcing: First Cornhole Tournament of the Year

On May 2nd, at the beginning of the “Go for the Roses” Party (Kentucky Derby). Registration will begin at 2:00pm, with games starting at 2:45pm. Format will be two-person teams, double-elimination with a \$6.00 entry fee per person.

21st Annual International Moose Steel-Tip Darts Tournament – April 24-26, 2015
Hosted by Lynchburg South #1727 Moose Lodge
Entertainment in Social Quarters each night



Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members

- ▶ John Chichester ▶ Leonard Poland ▶ James Davis ▶ Tim Miller
- ▶ Harold Brant ▶ Erik Dahlseid ▶ John Webb ▶ Chris Garrett
- ▶ Shirley Coles ▶ Helen O’Conner ▶ Sherry Embrey ▶ Anne Halal
- ▶ Patti Rodas



Remember Mooseheart & Moosehaven



Go to www.mooseintl.org for more information

BACK TO BASICS

MOOSE

BACK TO BASICS

MAY 1, 2014 - APRIL 30, 2015

SIGN 1 MEMBER
Moose - Back to Basics Lapel Pin

SIGN 5 MEMBERS
\$5 Donation to Build the Elementary Academic Center at Mooseheart

SIGN 25 MEMBERS
Brick Dedicated in Your Name to the Mooseheart School Renovation Project

Watch the NBA & NHL Playoffs at the Lodge



Starts: April 18th

April 15th



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**NCAA March Madness Potluck Tailgate Party
Saturday, March 21st**

Maybe it was finally some nice weather with sunshine, or the need to prepare a tax return (like the Governor), or already just tired of watching basketball, as there was not a large attendance for this event. However, the food offering was delicious; consisting of a vegetable platter, chicken wings, tuna fish casserole, yellow rice with chorizos, hamburgers, and desserts. The Arlington Fraternity would like to thank Joyce Chaffins, Anna & Ralph Phillips, Rose & Joe Russo, Judith York and Billy Hensley for providing the food. For the record, this was the sixth Saturday out of seven in a row with an event (the Casserole Cook-Off had been canceled due to snow).

**Future Planned
Major Social
Events**

(May – June 2015)

May 2nd

“Go for the Roses”
Party
(Kentucky Derby)

May 9th - *New*

VA ABC RSVP
Training

May 10th (SUN)

Mother’s Day
Breakfast

May 16th

Rib Cook-Off
(& Preakness
Stakes)

May 25th (MON)

Memorial Day
Cookout

May 30th - *Changed*

Lodge Spring
Clean-Up

June 6th

Triple Crown Finale
Celebration
(Belmont Stakes)

June 13th

Pig Roast

June 21st (SUN)

Father’s Day
Breakfast

(Activities continue on
Page 10)

Note:

Dates & Activities
subject to change

New Leaders for the LOOM & WOTM in 2015-2016

It is noted that the elections for the Board of Officers of the LOOM will occur after this publication; therefore, the new 2015-2016 Board of Officers will be identified in the May Newsletter issue. The election for the Board of Officers of the WOTM has already occurred in March and the individuals have been announced in the Senior Regent’s Message on Page 5. All the new Board of Officers for both the LOOM and WOTM will be posted within the Social Quarter in April on the Monthly Calendar Wall Board.



Bull Run #185 Moose Legion News

[New monthly article from Bull Run #185 Moose Legion]

Here it is the last month of the Moose year, and I am trying something new to get Bull Run news out to Moose Legionnaires.

First is the upcoming Moose Legion Super Celebration April 10th, 11th, and 12th being held at the Centerville Lodge, this is a big deal for Bull Run this year because the Director General of the Moose will be our Official Visitor. We would like to have a big turnout because of this, and it is a chance for all Moose Legionnaires to meet him, and maybe even play golf with him. He is trying to get here in time for the golf tourney on Friday that is part of the Celebration. Sunday the 12th we will have a conferral ceremony of new Moose Legionnaires followed by the induction of next year’s Board of Directors. Bring any ideas you have on what you would like in the way of help from Bull Run for your Lodge’s Moose Legion Committee.

You can also reach us through the email that has been set up for Bull Run, it’s BullRun185@outlook.com.

Hope to see you in Centerville,
Tim Bliss, Vice President Bull Run #185



April 10 – 12, 2015

**Bull Run Moose Legion #185
Spring 2015 Moose Legion Conferral & SUPER
Celebration at Centerville Lodge #2168
Events & times specified on Centerville Lodge Website**

You can Pay Moose Dues Online!

Go to Website: <https://secure.mooseintl.org/QuickPay/>



Lodge Repairs/Replacements

A concern has arisen by some members about the recent installation of a new security camera system for the Arlington Lodge. The security camera system has been upgraded to protect our members & property assets in case of any incidents or criminal actions; not to observe the general activities within the Lodge. No one is “watching behind the scenes” to view what our members and guests are doing while in the Lodge. The recordings will never be shared with anyone except the local police authorities or our insurance organization if the situations arise.

The Arlington Fraternity would like to thank Tom Oderwald for repairing the water pipe associated with the outside faucet that “burst” from freezing in the basement and to Tom Cahill for repairing the hot water pipe that broke in the ceiling of the Social Quarters; both during the month of February.

If you have not noticed while coming to the Lodge the last part of March, the 12 new bar stools have finally been delivered and were installed; mainly in the Non-Smoking Bar area. The Arlington Fraternity wants thank Ralph Phillips, Billy Hensley, Tim Neilds, and Scott Greene for uncrating and unwrapping the new bar stools when they were delivered. If any member wants to purchase one of the bar stools to honor or in memory of someone special; please discuss this matter with Administrator, Billy Hensley.

Our members could not have noticed unless they were at the Lodge when the work was being performed. Approved by the LOOM Board of Officers on March 17, 2015, the independent built-up roof of the storage room that is off of the Ritual (Rental) Hall was lined with a new fabric surface; which included new metal flashing at the parapet walls. In addition, a new gutter and new down spouts associated with this roof were installed and two new aluminum scuppers were installed in the back of the building for the roof of the Ritual Hall.

Future Planned Major Social Events

(June – October 2015)

June 27th

Welcome of Summer Celebration Cookout

July 4th

4th of July Cookout

July 11th

Bull Roast

August 1st

Fish Fry Revisited

August 15th - New

Major Blast Cookout & Children’s Ice Cream Social

September 7th - New

Labor Day Cookout

October 3rd - New

Youth Awareness Student Congress

Note:

Dates & Activities subject to change

Winners of 2014-2015 Youth Awareness Program of the Virginia Moose Association

The following students will represent the Commonwealth of Virginia at the International Student Congress in Orlando, FL:

- Mr. Austin Shifflett (Timberville Lodge #2335)
- Ms. Kristin Shifflett (Timberville Lodge #2335)
- Ms. Kaitlyn Goodwin (Waynesboro Lodge #1309)

**Remember to Vote for the
2015-2016 LOOM Board of Officers
On April 7, 2015 at 7:30pm**

A Family Event on July 4th



Family Cookout



Continue to save BOX TOP\$ FOR EDUCATION coupons found on hundreds of General Mill products (collection bag in main entrance)



**Earth Day
April 22, 2015
Save the Planet for the Future**



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(3rd Consecutive Year)

Support the
Girl Scouts of
America



Support the
Boy Scouts of
America



Youth
Awareness
Program



Association
Student
Congress on
October 3rd
at our Lodge



Moose Youth Awareness Program

The Arlington Fraternity is proud to announce that our sponsored student (Nahom Daniels) in this year's program had performed all three (3) required "Moose Kid Talk" assignments and submitted the appropriate reports to Virginia Moose Association (VMA)... *a first for many recent years of our participation in the program.* For the record, there was some confusion in where the reports were to be submitted by the student; however, we want to thank Judith York for assisting and caring that the reports got to VMA. Our Arlington Fraternity has been notified that our student was not selected as one of the three Virginia representatives to the Moose International Student Congress and did not win any scholarship; however, he did win a \$500 prize in the raffle of all nine students that completed and submitted their reports to VMA. Congratulations Nahom Daniels!

Now that this program is completed, the Arlington Fraternity has begun thinking of how to get more students to participate in the Moose Youth Awareness Program for next year. As noted last month in the Arlington #1315 Newsletter, our fraternity has been approved to sponsor another Youth Awareness Student Congress, for the third consecutive year, on October 3, 2015. We want to get the message about the Moose Youth Awareness Program to the local High School before the end of this school year (June 2015); instead of waiting when the next school year begins in September 2015. If any member has any suggestions or wants to volunteer to help, please inform Bernie Cerroni (who has volunteered to take the lead on this subject).



Quarterly Report Card of Arlington Fraternity 2015 New Year Resolutions

1. More Members

Not Meet Expectations – Our Fraternity has not enlisted the quantity of new members (LOOM & WOTM) to fulfill the stated quota by Moose International; but March was promising.

2. More Fun

Succeed Expectations – Just look at the articles in the past Arlington Newsletters and see how much enjoyment our members have experienced.

3. More Building Improvements

Meet Expectations – The LOOM continues to take action & research suggestions to improve the physical Lodge building. In addition, the Lodge is evaluating what items for replacement to be submitted for a grant from Moose International sometime this summer.

Ron & Billy cooking the fish for Fish Fry



The "Older Crowd" enjoying the camaraderie at the Fish Fry Event



2nd Consecutive Year



Having a "really good" time after the Chinese New Year's Celebration Event

Watch Washington Wizards at the Lodge

In April 2015

- WED, APR 1 (H) Philadelphia 76ers
- FRI, APR 3 (H) New York Knicks
- SAT, APR 4 (A) Memphis Grizzlies
- WED, MAR 8 (A) Philadelphia 76ers
- FRI, APR 10 (H) Brooklyn Nets
- SUN, APR 12 (H) Atlanta Hawks
- TUE, APR 14 (A) Indiana Pacers
- WED, APR 15 (A) Cleveland Cavaliers

AND THEN THE PLAYOFFS



Want to Know what the Winner will get in the Queen of Hearts Game each Week?

The Arlington Fraternity has been able to post the value that the winner will receive if the Queen of Hearts is selected each week (by every Wednesday) on the VMA Website (www.vmaweb.com). In addition, this same information is being provided on our "resurrected" Facebook page ("Moose Lodge of Arlington, Chapter 1315").



The Lodge wants your Ideas for New 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.: a trip to a casino, a Capitals or Wizards game, a mystery bus ride, etc.). Please contact **John Matis, Gregg Cady, or Brian Birtell** 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

Support the Local Fire Department



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