



Loyal Order of Moose Arlington #1315 Lodge Newsletter

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AUGUST 2014

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Arlington #1315 Received the Premier Lodge Award for the Second Consecutive Year

There was a technicality in the review of the requirements for this award by Moose International; but our identified accomplishments and our continuous points of view in an appeal persuaded an approval for the Premier Lodge Award. First, the Lodge wants to thank all the members of our Lodge for their participation in the scheduled events, their efforts in obtaining new members to our local fraternity, and their generous contributions in the Endowment Fund and community service charities. Secondly, the Lodge would like to thank Brian Birtell, as the Governor of the past Moose year, and Billy Hensley, as the Administrator of the past year (and still ongoing) for making sure that the appropriate documents were submitted on behalf of the Lodge. And finally, the Lodge wants to thank the WOTM Board of Officers and the LOOM Board of Officers for their efforts and guidance in the past year to obtain this award. As Billy Hensley always says when something "good" happens ...**WE ROCK!**



Arlington #1315 Received First Award for the 2013-2014 Moose Journalism Award

Moose International has selected our monthly Newsletter as the best publication to inform members of the activities and accomplishments in the category of Lodges with 201-400 active members (in the entire "Moose World"). Again, Arlington #1315 is making a name & recognition in the Moose World of our efforts!

Furthermore, it was announced that Moose International selected Arlington #1315 for:

Award of the 2013-2014 Overall Excellence for Newsletters
- the best of every organization in the Moose World!

Upcoming Social Events

August 2nd *New***

Family Feud

August 9th *Change***

Bull Run Legion

Celebration

August 16th *Also***

Major Blast Cookout
(including Cornhole
Tournament)

***& Children Ice
Cream Social***

September 1st

Labor Day Cookout

September 13th

Fish Fry Revisited

September 20th

Farewell to Summer
Cookout

September 27th

***** New***

Lodge Clean-Up
Day



Arlington Chapter #1253 Received the Award of Achievement for the Third Consecutive Year

Our Chapter members have excelled again and were recognized by Moose International! The Chapter wants to thank all their members for accomplishing this goal. You are complemented for your dedication to the Moose Fraternity by always volunteering to meet the needs of the Chapter. The Chapter would like to thank Anna Phillips, as the Senior Regent of the past year, and all the past Officers of the Chapter for fulfilling the requirements to obtain this award.



By Popular Demand – Family Feud on August 2, 2014

A lunch (to-be-determined) will be offered before the event for a minimal price. Please participate in the event ... there will be LOTS of FUN!!

VMA Raffle Tickets for Sale

The raffle is for a top prize of \$10,000 with many lesser secondary prizes from \$5,000 (2nd Prize) to \$500 (5th thru 8th Prizes)

***** Drawing of the raffle is August 23, 2014 at the VMA Convention*****

Please support the Virginia Moose Association and purchase a raffle ticket (\$10 each)!



**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**

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Andrea Hensley
Guide
Judith York
Assistant Guide
Nora Rodas



Congratulations to Karl Keller
LOOM Volunteer of the Quarter
(April - June 2014)



Youth Organization of the Quarter (April – June 2014)
Girl Scout Troop #559



Congratulations to Anna Phillips
WOTM Volunteer of the Quarter
(April – June 2014)



**August 16, 2014 - Major Blast Cookout
& *Children Ice Cream Social***



The words to describe this social event are “chill-out, stuff your face, and have fun”. The Lodge plans to provide the normal summer grill food feast with some “special” items (menu not finalized as of this publication). And to entertain those Moose members and guests who “must keep moving”, the Lodge will be conducting a **two-person team double-elimination Cornhole tournament**. Entry fee for the Cornhole tournament will be \$5.00 per person; with prizes of 50% (1st Place) / 30% (2nd Place) / 20% (3rd Place) of collected fees. Come enjoy the festivities and/or just relax in the Social Quarters with a delicious offering of food. The event will be between 2:00pm to 6:00pm; and the Cornhole Tournament will start at 2:45pm (so everyone can eat before the tournament).

PLUS ... the WOTM Chapter is sponsoring an Ice Cream Social for the children during this event. In addition, there will be a “slip-n’-slide” and /or lawn sprinkler(s) outside for the children to cool off (weather permitting) ... so make sure the children bring their bathing suits. The ice cream sundae “creations” being made for the children will begin around 3:30 p.m. It is asked that any adult who desires an ice cream sundae make a \$2.00 donation to support future children activities by the WOTM.

Special Olympics Golf Tournament Donation ... Arlington #1315 has provided a donation to Blue Ridge Moose Legion #82 to sponsor the “13th Hole” for their 9th Annual Special Olympics Golf Tournament to be held on August 16, 2014.

Thank you members who contributed a food dish in the Pot Luck Lunch (a last-minute “it’s a good idea” event) while watching the Championship Game of the 2014 FIFA World Cup in the Lodge on Sunday, July 13, 2014.

**Dinner Every
Friday
Night**

**6-8 p.m.
\$10 per person**



**4th Annual
Bill Lewis Memorial
Chili Cook-Off
October 18, 2014**

**Washington Redskins
Pre-Season Schedule**

- ★ Thursday, AUG 7 @7:30pm
New England Patriots (HOME)
- ★ Monday, AUG 18 @7:30pm
Cleveland Browns (HOME)
- ★ Saturday, AUG 23 @7:30pm
Baltimore Ravens (AWAY)
- ★ Thursday, AUG 28 @7:30pm
Tampa Bay Buccaneers (AWAY)





Chapter
Award of
Achievement



Thank You Terry and Betty Pamplin

A little late in our timing, but ... the Lodge wants to wish **Terry & Betty Pamplin** a happy “new life” in their move to Frederick, Maryland. As both of these individuals have offered their personal services to our Moose Lodge and the associated Chapter over countless years, we extend our gratitude for their dedication, guidance, and efforts in support of our Moose fraternity.

The Lodge knows they will be returning periodically to participate in our major events (*unless there is snow on the ground at their new home; which is probably between October through March each year – Ha, ha!*). For the record, the Frederick Moose Family Center Lodge #371 is close to their new residence for their enjoyment and involvement!

**Youth
Awareness
Program**



**Association
Student
Congress on
November 1st
at our Lodge**



4th of July Cookout (*what was the date this happened?*)

Another great outing for the Lodge; especially on a holiday! There was over 30 members and guests who attended this event with lots of food in the offering. Lots of hamburgers, hot dogs, macaroni & potato salads, green salad, fruit, and chips & dip were offered. There was even a Crock-Pot of kielbasa, sauerkraut, and potatoes. The Lodge wants to thank all the chefs who prepared the food offerings.



**Please Donate for Those Children in Need
School Supply Collection by Chapter #1253**

Another school year will begin in September and the WOTM Chapter is again asking assistance from our membership in donating school supplies for the local children. This program resulted in a very generous contribution last year and we anticipate the same for this year. This year the collected school supplies will be provided to the children at the local Glen Forest Elementary School in Falls Church, VA. **The collection of school supplies will occur during the entire month of August.** Please donate; as the future and education of our young citizens needs the support of our membership. A collection box is located within the Social Quarters for your donations. Note: There are various sales in the next several weeks by the local stores for school supplies!

**Fish Fry
Revisited**



September 13th

As Part of the School Supply Collection Program ...

The WOTM Chapter will also be offering a “school bus tag” during all social events during the month of August to assist in the support of our School Supply Program; for a minimum donation of \$1. If you do not want to donate actual school supplies, this is a means to support this worthwhile program. The tag donations are planned to purchase backpacks for the children ... so please contribute! **Any donation is appreciated!** Thank you in advance of the WOTM members who solicit the donations.

**Free WiFi
at the
Lodge**



“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 prizes of \$50, \$75, or \$100; if the Queen of Hearts is not selected on that particular weekly drawing! Rules for the “The Queen of Hearts” game are posted within the Social Quarters of the Moose Lodge. **GOOD LUCK!**

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



WOTM
Children's
Halloween



Saturday
October 25th



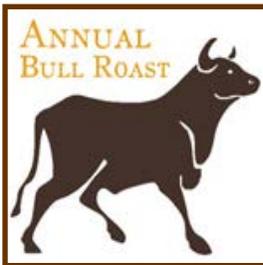
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save BOX
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EDUCATION
coupons
found on
hundreds of
General Mill
products**



**Saturday, August 9th
Bull Run Moose Legion #185
Summer Conferral / Celebration
at Woodbridge Moose Family Center #583**

Date Change at

The Lodge apologizes to any member who went to the Woodbridge Moose Family Center on July 26th to attend the Summer Conferral/Celebration as previously announced in the Arlington #1315 July 2014 Newsletter. The Bull Run Moose Legion #185 changed the date sometime in late June; however, did not reflect this change on the VMA Website (*our reference for this event*) prior to publishing the July Newsletter.



Annual Bull Roast – July 19th

You missed a great social event if you did not attend!! The parking lot was almost full (without having the Banquet Hall rented), and it was estimated that there were over 80 individuals who visited the Lodge some time during this day. The Lodge cooked 53 lbs. of roast beef and 45 lbs. of smoked beef brisket to feed approximately 69 members, children, and guests; *with NOTHING left at the end of the event.* In addition, there were mashed potatoes, cooked

squash, cooked green beans, baked beans, a green salad, cold pasta with vegetables salad, watermelon, strawberries, and chips & dip. The Lodge wants to thank our chefs who prepared the food offering for the event: Billy Hensley & Tom Oderwald on the barbeque grills, and Joyce Chaffins and Phyllis Hamilton for all the side food dishes. In addition, the Lodge wants to thank the bartenders for their great service and efforts; as they were continuously hustling from one end of the bar to the other end during the event. Furthermore, the Lodge wants to thank all the volunteers who participated in the clean up after the event.

The Lodge would like to thank everyone that participated in the 50/50 Raffle at this event; as the "house take" was over \$100 and will be donated to the Stow Fire Department Local 1662 Benevolent Fund for Tod Yoder (brother of WOTM member Geneen Roby). AND Arlington #1315 will be matching the "house take" for this worthwhile cause. We want to thank Andrea Hensley for running the raffle.

Courtesy and Patience is a Virtue of Moose Members

Arlington #1315 wants to remind our Lodge & Chapter members that the bartenders are trying their best to provide the best customer service possible to everyone within the Social Quarters; especially during the social events and crowded evening participation. Therefore, our members should not need to be reminded that they are not the only individuals in the "joint" that immediately need attention! **Patience please!**



**Lodge
Clean
Up Day**

September 27, 2014

**Nominate a Lodge & Chapter
Member for Volunteer of the
Quarter**

(July – September 2014)



Deadline is September 30, 2014
And remember to nominate a Youth
Organization of the Quarter



Governor's Corner

It seems that all I ever say since becoming Governor is ... **thank you members** in my Newsletter article; **but everyone within our Moose fraternity** over the past several months deserves a "pat on the back" for your continuing support to make our Lodge and Chapter financially stable, participating in the our social events beyond our expectations, and contributing to the needs of our local community. Keep up the good effort in making our Lodge and Chapter the best in our local Moose World.

Even though it should not be said, I want to express my appreciation to all our members for complying with the established Moose International, and the Loyal of Moose Arlington #1315 Lodge, rules and regulations; especially the requirement to show your Moose ID card upon entry to our Lodge facility. I know that it is a "pain" to always have to display your Moose ID card when you come every day to the Social Quarters and everyone, including the bartenders, know who you are; but why jeopardize the existence of our Moose Lodge for a personal inconvenience. Thank you!

In my final note this month, I want to request our Lodge and Chapter members to volunteer to actively participate in our planned Military Charity Fundraiser on October 4th. Our local fraternity needs to make this event a success and all the help from our members, Lodge and Chapter, would be greatly appreciated.

Watch the Washington Nationals at the Lodge

In August 2014

- Philadelphia Phillies
AUG 1 – AUG 3 (H)
- New York Mets
AUG 5 – AUG 7 (H)
- Atlanta Braves
AUG 8 – AUG 10 (A)
- New York Mets
AUG 12 – AUG 14 (A)
- Pittsburgh Pirates
AUG 15 – AUG 17 (H)
- Arizona
Diamondbacks
AUG 18 – AUG 21 (H)
- San Francisco Giants
AUG 22 – AUG 24 (H)
- Philadelphia Phillies
AUG 25 – AUG 27 (A)
- Seattle Mariners
AUG 29 – AUG 31 (A)



Save those Pop-Tops



It has become known to some of us that Joyce collects pop-tops which get donated (through a friend) to the Ronald McDonald House. Save the pop-tops of your favorite beverage cans at home, and bring them to the Lodge. They will be donated to a worthy charity.

Darts – VMA Fall Classic State Tournament at Manassas Lodge #1380 on October 18th & 19th



Darts has become "the thing to do" in our Lodge over the past several months. So ... the Lodge feels we should enter into a Moose sponsored competition against other Moose Lodges. What better way to make a further imprint of Arlington #1315 being recognized in the Virginia Moose Association than sending a team to a sports state tournament ... and the location is within our District 4 in Manassas! Therefore, Arlington #1315 is planning to hold a dart tournament sometime in September 2014 (probably a Friday night), with the winning team(s) representing Arlington #1315 at the VMA Fall Classic State Tournament. Further details will be provided in the weekly Communications Corner sent in emails during the end of August 2014. Only current registered Arlington #1315 members are eligible to participate.

Farewell to Summer Cookout



September 20th



You can Pay Moose Dues Online!

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



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**Watch the
Redskin
Games at the
Lodge**

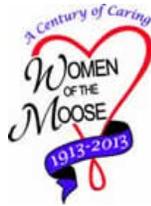


**Preseason &
the Regular
Season**

Support
the WOTM



Participate in
the Basket
Raffles &
Purchase the
Delicious
Deserts in the
Bake Sales



Senior Regent's Message

Wow. What a year so far. Donna Field received her College of Regents in June, The Chapter received the Award of Achievement and now Anna Phillips will receive her Green Cap at the VMA Convention on August 24. Congratulations, Anna! I would like to thank all of the members of our Chapter and the LOOM for all of your help and support.

In August we will be doing a School Supply Drive to collect supplies for Glen Forest Elementary School. Please drop off supplies in the barrel that is located at the entrance of non-smoking dining room. We are also running a 'School Bus' drive to raise money to buy supplemental school supplies, so if a WOTM member asks you to donate a dollar, please give and your name will be put on a school bus and placed on the wall at the entrance to the Social Quarters.

On August 16 along with the Major Blast Cookout, we will be hosting a CHILDREN's Ice Cream Social beginning at 3:30. So bring your kids to enjoy an ice cream treat.

Our next meetings will be - August 5, 2014: New Member Orientation at 6:00 pm, Officer's Board meeting at 6:30 pm and the Activity Night Meeting at 7:00 pm. On August 19, 2014 Officers Board meeting at 6:30 pm and the Business Meeting at 7:00 pm. Come join us!

Again, thanks for everyone's support.



Remember Our Can/Dry Food Collection

The Lodge would like to thank all our members who have contributed to the food collection box in our Social Quarters. Those in need appreciate your generosity.

Please continue to donate food goods!

Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members

- ▶ Joel Rudis Flores ▶ Michael Brennan ▶ Anthony Siriwardene
- ▶ Richard Corder ▶ Charlie Hagstrom ▶ Jacqueline Hansen
- ▶ Sudaphorn Ratana ▶ James Stepper (Moose International)



Belated One Year Anniversary for the Our Current Newsletter

Can you believe that it all started in May 2013? At that time the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge, specifically Governor Brian Birtell, was providing weekly e-mail announcements of the current/upcoming events; however, the LOOM Board of Directors decided that an official document needed to be created for membership long-term references of planned activities and to provide recognition of members contributing for the benefit of the Lodge. **By the awards from Moose International, Arlington #1315 has done an outstanding accomplishment in meeting this goal for our membership!**



Making a difference in the lives of children and seniors

Give Generously!

We Don't Worry!



**We have
Supportive
Members**



**Moose Youth Awareness Program
Arlington #1315 to Sponsor Association Student
Congress on November 1, 2014**

The Lodge would like to welcome Liz Coombs as the WOTM Co-Chairman on our Moose Youth Awareness Program Committee. We value the support and partnership by the WOTM in organizing the program for the Association Student Congress at our Lodge.

As previously announced, our fraternity organization plans to sponsor 10 students from local high schools; including Jeb Stuart, Wakefield and Washington-Lee. And like last year, we will pursue obtaining the assistance of the office management in our local High Schools to promote the program. However, we plan to expand "getting the word out" by also contacting the High School PTAs, who are the parents of the High School students that are always looking for possible scholarships to assist in the cost of college for their children (*without financial consideration*)! We again request our members to promote this program during the summer by talking to the parents of High School students on the Swim Teams, in the Soccer Leagues, in the Boy Scouts, and in the Girl Scouts. **Please promote this great worthwhile program!**

Attention: The Lodge is soliciting volunteers or possible ideas for presentations in conducting the Youth Awareness Student Congress that we are sponsoring at our Moose Lodge on Saturday, November 1, 2014. Talk to John Matis or Brian Birtell with any suggestions.

**Moose Lodge
will be OPEN
all Summer**



BE SAFE!

**Please drink
responsibly
when
attending our
events**

Off-Track
Betting at
Arlington
Lodge



**Approval of Revised Rules and Regulations of
the Arlington #1315 Lodge**

The Board of Officers is planning to finalize recommended changes to the existing Rules and Regulations of the Arlington #1315 Lodge in the House Committee Meeting on Tuesday, August 5, 2014; which will reflect updated current conditions established in the Lodge and incorporates a few new items. The recommended changes, if everything goes as expected, will be presented for acceptance by the Lodge membership in the LOOM General Meeting on Tuesday, August 19, 2014. The revised Rules and Regulations (for acceptance by LOOM membership) will be distributed for review as a document on the Arlington #1315 Website and copies provided within the Social Quarters. Copies will also be provided at the LOOM General Meeting. Please review the revised Rules and Regulations prior to the LOOM General Meeting, as only exceptions raised in the meeting will be discussed.

Nothing Black and White, but a Lot of Shades of Gray

The Lodge values our membership and we want everyone that is a member to enjoy our facilities, benefits, and friendly hospitality. The Lodge is always willing to assist in those members who present expired Moose ID cards when entry into the Lodge that believe they have taken appropriate actions for renewal membership; such as a possible loss of the Moose ID card, did not get their Lifetime Membership ID card, or other circumstances. In these situations, the Lodge will verify that the individuals are active members and not on the arrears list from our membership data. If individuals are determined to be active members of the Moose fraternity, a 30 day "grace period" will be granted to the members by the Lodge to resolve the situation. However, repeated circumstances will not be tolerated (e.g.: I forgot to bring my Moose ID card), and without saying, service within the Lodge will be denied without showing a current Moose ID card.



Watch NASCAR Races at the Lodge

Individual races
will be listed on
the Calendar
Wall at the
entrance of the
Social Quarters

Support Scouting



Boy Scouts of
America



Girl Scouts of
America



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 of the family, 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 **Paul Downs, Jr.** (8/04), **Robert Smith** (8/06), **Robert Eidsvoog** (8/06), **Marvins Bonilla** (8/06), **Mark Zekan** (8/06), **Floyd Prost** (8/07), **Joel Flores** (8/08), **Samuel Whitt** (8/08), **Ken Kealey** (8/08), **Joe Dunkelberger** (8/09), **Daniel Ziegler** (8/11), **Larry Pavlish** (8/12), **Thomas Longuillo** (8/16), **Howard Franklin** (8/17), **Mel Chrestman** (8/22), and **Trevin Dalton** (8/24).
- Happy Birthday to Women of the Moose members **Andrea Hensley** (8/01), **Dwi Marnun** (8/10), **Marilyn Kirsch** (8/11), **Eileen Scott** (8/16), **Victoria Arnold** (8/21), **Sally Harris** (8/21), **Nessa Ruoff** (8/25), **Bettie Baca** (8/29), **Donnal Powers** (8/29), **Josie Hopkins** (8/30), **Wanda Martinson** (8/30), **Laura Hotaling** (8/31), and **Tawnya Flores** (8/31).
- Congratulations to **Matthew Matis** in advancing his career by being employed with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.
- The Lodge wants to extend our appreciation to **Bill & Annette Bissonette** from Moose Lodge #1558 of Jacksonville Beach, FL for visiting our Moose Lodge on Sunday, July 6, 2014. Our Lodge welcomes all Moose fraternity members to visit when passing through the Washington, D.C. area; as we are certain that your visit will be enjoyable!
- For all our Lodge and Chapter members that are **teachers**, it is reminded that your "summer vacation" will end at the end of this month! [*Note: all the other members are jealous of your extended time off from the job*]
- The Lodge would like to welcome back **Robert (Vinny) Vinson** and **Kat Carey** from your medical circumstances.

SICKNESS and DISTRESS:

Please keep our Moose members and families in our prayers; especially:

- The mother of Greg Cady, who is recovering from a stroke.
- The mother of Bernie Cerroni, who is recovering from a stroke.



Redskins "Calling All Cooks" Sundays

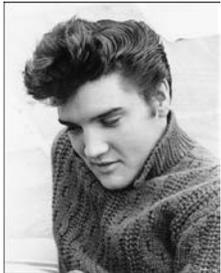
Arlington #1315 wants to continue our successful program of having volunteers offer main dishes to the membership while watching the Washington Redskins games on Sundays in our Lodge.

Please volunteer for a specific game to show off your cooking talents, while contributing to an eventful and fraternal atmosphere for cheering our home team to victories. **There will be a sign-up sheet in the Social Quarters by August 16, 2014.** The first four games for the Washington Redskins are: Sunday, SEP 7th at 1:00pm against the Houston Texans; Sunday, SEP 14th at 1:00pm against the Jacksonville Jaguars; Sunday, SEP 21st at 1:00pm against the Philadelphia Eagles; and Thursday, SEP 25th at 8:25pm against the New York Giants.



Chapter
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Achievement

**National Elvis
Week**
August 10th-16th



**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 Good
Reason to
Join!**

**WOTM Italian
Dinner Night**
November 8th



Soldiers' Angels
"May No Soldier Go Unloved"

Military Charity Fundraiser – Saturday, October 4, 2014

The Lodge has started to plan and organize this special Military Charity Fundraiser. We had a discussion with a representative of the **Soldiers' Angels organization**, a Veteran Affairs (VA) Support Program, who has consented in supporting this fundraiser by their organization and will promote the event through the media. The organization will also provide a booth at the event to distribute information on how they assist our military personnel and families. The Lodge wants to thank **Lauren Friedman** from Soldiers' Angles organization for coordinating this event with our Lodge. Furthermore, the Lodge has received a commit from **VFW Post #9274** (Falls Church, VA) to become a sponsor by providing a gift that will be raffled for 100% donations and will promote the event at the local military social organizations (e.g.: other VFW Posts and the American Legions). The Lodge has also obtained approval from **District 4 of the Virginia Moose Association** to loan their "EZ Child/Elderly ID Kit" for the event to attract local families to this event.

The Lodge is also pursuing a possible food donation from a local merchant (not to be named at this time) that will be cooked by the Lodge and sold with 100% of all sales income provided as a donation to the Soldiers' Angels organization. Furthermore, the Lodge is attempting to obtain a local band who will donate their time for this worthwhile Military Charity Fundraiser. More details for the event will be provided in the next monthly Lodge Newsletter.



Lockers for the Taking

As previously stated in the last month's Newsletter, the LOOM Board of officers has decided that members can claim lockers within the Lodge at "no rental fee"; but the lockers need to be registered. **All members had been required to register which lockers they have claimed by Thursday, July 31, 2014.** However, if you have not registered by this deadline because of personal reasons, out of the country, or maybe you have been in a coma when the announcement was made ... **an extension has been granted for two weeks.** But after Friday, August 15, 2014, any un-declared registered lockers with installed locks will have these locks cut-off to allow other active members to utilize the lockers. On Sunday, July 20th, the Lodge had placed reminder tags on those lockers that have locks which were not registered. Please note that only

Go to www.moosentl.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
Buck Dedicated in Your Name to the Mooseheart School Renovation Project



Moose
of the
Month



Future Planned Major Social Events
(September – December)

- September 1st**
Labor Day Cookout
- September 13th**
Fish Fry
- September 20th**
Farewell to Summer Cookout
- September 27th**
Lodge Clean-Up Day
- October 4th**
Military Charity Fundraiser (Soldiers' Angels)
- October 18th**
4th Annual Bill Lewis Memorial Chili Cook-Off
- October 25th**
Children's Halloween Party
- November 1st**
Youth Awareness Student Congress
- November 8th**
WOTM Italian Dinner

Note:
Dates & Activities subject to change



Lodge Repairs/Replacements
(or the Saga of the New Metal Shed)

The Lodge kind of met their goal in installing the new metal storage shed by July 4, 2014; as a concentrated effort was made by several members, but unfortunately Mother Nature was not cooperative and "it was a man thing"! As previously noted in the last Newsletter, the wooden foundation was constructed by Tom Oderwald. At the nagging of the Governor that nothing was happening, it was decided in the morning of July 4th that the metal shed needed to be erected. So, four members proceeded to begin the construction on one of the windiness days of the 2014 year. Fighting the opportunity to become a Guinness world record holder for a human in the air with a metal panel kite, these members were able to install all four fixed sides of the metal shed and the structural beams for the roof. It would have been quicker in performing this installation under adverse conditions ... but the metal shed component delivery box was left exposed and opened to the weather, so the "stamped" part numbers on the panels were smeared for verification, and several details had to be "do-overs" because the assembly instructions were not read (*what ... guys know better from past experiences!*) It should be known that there was a large group of individuals in a "peanut gallery" on the adjacent picnic benches who were watching, enjoying their beverages, and laughing at the courageous efforts of the construction crew (Note: we believe that the Gods will make sure they get what they deserve). The actual metal structure was "almost" completed by the same four members over the next week; however, two screws still need to be installed in the middle of the roof cap, two screws need to be installed for hanging of the doors (we lost one of the screws and need to get a match), more screws need to be installed in the base track around the shed into the plywood wooden foundation, and a wooden ramp needs to be constructed for getting the lawn mover into the shed. The Lodge wants to thank Marty Medel, Karl Keller, Joe Russo, and John Matis for erecting the metal shed. A thank you is also extended to Tracy Keller for supervising the efforts on July 4th; including making the beverage runs to keep the crew happy. The Lodge would like to thank Billy Hensley and Tom Oderwald in advance for the effort they will perform in completing the remaining work for the metal shed. As it is said in the "A-Team" television shows by the Lieutenant Colonel John "Hannibal" Smith (played by George Peppard); "I love it when a plan comes together."



The Erection Crew of the Shed



We apologize for the Air Conditioning

The Lodge replaced the compressor last year; so we did not expect any problems this summer. However, we are working through the intermediate shut-downs while we get the installation company to repair the problem under the warranty. For the record, the system is very old in technology and an experienced technician is hard to find. Thank you to all Lodge members for your efforts in restarting the AC unit.



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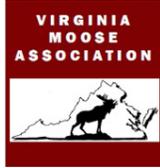
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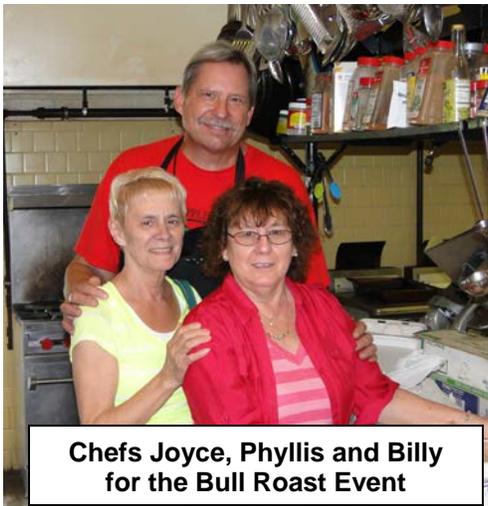
Notes from VA Moose Association District 4 Quarterly Meeting

(Saturday, July 12th at Warrenton Moose Lodge #1695)

The Lodge would like to extend our appreciation to the Warrenton Moose Lodge #1695 for their hospitality in having this event and for the excellent lunch that was served.

The following are some of the major items in the meeting:

- New Officers for VA Moose Association District 4 were elected. Go to www.vmaweb.com for the identity of the new officers.
- It was announced that the 2014 LOOM Virginia Moose Association (VMA) directory will be distributed at the VMA State Convention in August at Roanoke, Virginia.
- It was close but Arlington Lodge #1315 only had 10 members (LOOM & WOTM) at this District 4 VMA Quarterly Meeting; but the Manassas Moose Family Center #1380 won the attendance trophy with 14 members in attendance.
- It was announced that the next VMA District 4 Quarterly Meeting will be held in October 2014 at the Woodbridge Moose Family Center #583. Arlington #1315 needs to plan to get the message out to retain the new attendance trophy ... *it is back to our local area!*



Chefs Joyce, Phyllis and Billy
for the Bull Roast Event



Grill Chefs Billy and Tommy for the Bull Roast
Event (Billy likes his picture taken)

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

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