



Postcard from St. Louis, Missouri

Adventures of our Arlington Fraternity representatives at the Moose International Convention in July
Details on Page 4



**Arlington #1315
Moose Lodge
obtained the Premier
Lodge Award**



Congratulations to Anna Phillips in Achieving the Highest Honor of being conferred into the WOTM College of Regents and in Earning the WOTM Star Recorder Degree

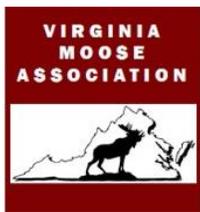


2015-2016 Moose Journalism Awards

Even though our main purpose for our Newsletter and website is to keep the membership informed of our activities and note the contributions of our members to make our Lodge the "best Moose Fraternity in our community"; Moose International has issued the following awards:

- Monthly Newsletter - Honorable Mention for General Excellence in Lodge Publications with 201-400 active members (Editor: John Matis);
- Arlington #1315 Website – Honorable Mention for General Excellence in Lodge/Chapter Websites (Webmaster: Joe Russo); and
- Best Editorial - Second Place for "What Can Our Lodge/Chapter Do to Attract Younger (ages 21-50) Members?" (Written by Brian Birtell).

VMA Annual Convention in Norfolk, VA



**August
25th – 27th**



Thank You Billy Hensley

The Arlington Fraternity wants to extend our appreciation of all the hard work and accomplishments that George "Billy" Hensley, Jr. has made in the past five years as the Administrator to make our fraternity successful. Billy had decided to step down from the position of Administrator on the LOOM Board of Directors at the beginning of July 2016. We all know that he will continue to support our fraternity in the years to come.

**Special Election for Administrator Position
September 20th at General Membership Meeting**
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Upcoming Social Events *(details on Page 2)*

August 6th
Fish Fry Revisited
August 6th
WOTM Children's
Ice Cream Social
August 7th
Legion Breakfast



WOW! Arlington Chapter #1253 obtained the Chapter Award of Achievement for the 5th Consecutive Year!

Limited Activities in August

Due to the VMA Annual Convention and the rental of the Ritual Hall for two Saturdays, there is only one weekend of social events. However, the Social Quarters is open for your enjoyment and relaxation. Also consider scheduled events at neighboring Moose Lodges.



**Elvis Week
August 10th to
August 16th**

*Fun Facts about
Elvis on Page 12*



**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

**Dinner Every
Friday
Night
6pm-8pm
\$10 per person**

Menu announced
in weekly
Communication
emails or call the
Lodge after
Wednesday

**American
Family Day**



**Sunday
August 7th**

A non-paid holiday in
several States to
appreciate family
members by spending
time with them

**AUGUST
EVENT**



**Fish Fry Revisited – No. 9 (Since August 2012)
Saturday, August 6th (2:00pm – 6:00pm)**

This event has always been a really big crowd-pleasing, successful event for the Lodge; with approximately 50 members and guests attending this similar event in February. As the weather has been extremely hot that last two weeks in July and no relief being predicted, the Lodge is relying on our local fishermen to supply our fish catches at the event (the galley chefs prefer to enjoy a cold refreshment within an air conditioned environment than being on a boat with the sun beating down on their heads). We guarantee that the fish offerings of fried catfish, cod and flounder will be tasty and delicious! AND, as usual, there will be some *special offerings* being considered for later in the day. In keeping with the “menu that always brings the crowds back to the event”, several of the sides dishes for this event will consist of macaroni & cheese, collard greens, stewed tomatoes, and potato salad.

**AUGUST
EVENT**



**A Children’s Ice Cream Social
Saturday, August 6th (~ 3:00pm)**

The WOTM Chapter is sponsoring an Ice Cream Social for the children during the Fish Fry Revisited event which will begin around 3:00pm. There will be at least two flavors of ice cream and several syrups and toppings to choose for the ice cream sundae “creations”.

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.

**Legion Breakfast
Sunday, August 7th (10:00am – 1:00pm)**

The “made-to-order” eggs, pancakes, and French toast was a great success last month and this feature will continue to be provided. As usual, the buffet portion of this event will consist of sausage patties/links, bacon, heated maple syrup, fruit salad, and home fried potatoes. Furthermore, there will be at least one “surprise” food item, coffee, and orange juice.

Price: All-you-can-eat for \$8.00/adult

**AUGUST
EVENT**



Think New Members to keep our Fraternity strong!

American Family Day is the 14th state-recognized holiday in Arizona, much like Mother’s Day & Father’s Day. Arizona resident John Makkai is credited with pushing the holiday through the Arizona legislation in 1977; with Governor Raul Hector Castro declaring August 7th as American Family Day (1-year proclamation). The following year, American Family Day was signed into law as an official Arizona holiday by Governor Bruce Babbitt. **In keeping with the values of the Loyal Order of Moose, this holiday should be celebrated by ALL our Moose members to spend time with their families!**

Arlington #1315
Board of Officers
2016-2017

Governor

Gregg Cady

Jr. Governor

Brian Van de
Meulebroecke

Prelate

Brian Birtell

Jr. Past Governor

John Matis

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Luis Cruz

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Randy Nolan

Joseph Russo

Sergeant-of-Arms

Tim Nields

Outer Guard

Ernie Halil

Inner Guard

Eric Parkhurst



**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. The school has not yet been determined as of the publication of this Newsletter. **The collection of school supplies will occur during most of the 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!*

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.



**Watch the 2016 Summer Olympics at the Moose Lodge
Friday, August 5th to Sunday, August 21st
Go USA - Bring home the Metals - Go USA**



Arlington WOTM
Chapter #1253
Board of Officers
2016-2017

Senior Regent

Roxanne
Coles-Matis

Junior Regent

Julie Parkhurst

Jr. Graduate Regent

Nessa Ruoff

Secretary/Treasurer

Donna Field

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Elizabeth Coombs

Guide

Gwendolyn Collins

Assistant Guide

Patti Rodas



**Food Offered at the Lodge while Watching the
Sunday, NFL Games (1:00pm – 6:00pm)**



The Moose Legion Committee will be offering food refreshments at a reasonable price every Sunday during the regular NFL season beginning September 11th through December 18th [no food will be offered on Christmas Day or New Year's Day]. The plan is to have 3 different types of food selections each Sunday, and will vary from each Sunday. The time period provides for a food offering during the entire first set of games beginning at 1:00pm and probably the first half of the second set of games beginning around 4:25pm. More information will be provided at the beginning of September.

This new program has been established in place of the "Calling All Cooks" which only provided food during the Washington Redskins games played on Sundays. Food will be offered every Sunday, no matter if the Washington Redskins play on a Monday night or a Thursday night.

**Moose
International
Annual
Membership
Campaign**



**Moose
of the
Month**





Chapter Award of Achievement
(5th Consecutive Year)

Issue: 2016-8 Newsletter Contributions

Editor

John Matis

Writers

Roxanne Coles-Matis
Gregg Cady
John Matis

Proofreading

Liz Coombs

Volunteers are needed for future articles for the Newsletters



Free WiFi at Lodge



Thank you Judith York for Weeding



Postcard from St. Louis, Missouri Moose International Convention

Most vacation postcards begin with the weather conditions ... therefore, there was nothing but dark clouds and/or rain while at St. Louis during the Convention. It is noted however, that the pilots were able to avoid the many thunderstorms during the airplane flights to/from St. Louis (i.e.: higher elevations that the associated storm clouds) to keep the Jr. Past Governor semi-calm from digging his finger nails deeply into the armrests. Very little turbulence was experienced; even though the landing at St. Louis was questionable according to the Jr. Past Governor.

The Arlington representatives to this Moose International Convention were Gregg Cady, Ralph Phillips, Anna Phillips, Roxanne Coles-Matis, and John Matis. The Arlington "pack" stuck together most of the adventure; the same flights, going to the various Convention sessions, "passing the time" at local establishments, etc. Most of the mornings and several afternoons required the representatives to attend various Convention sessions and workshops; including the WOTM conferrals (College of Regents & Star Recorder) by Anna. But there was also free time to mingle with other Moose members and enjoy the atmosphere of St. Louis. There was a game between the St. Louis Cardinals and Milwaukee Brewers at Busch Stadium that was walking distance from the hotels. The night visit to the rooftop bistro at the Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark gave a wonderful view of the playing field in Busch Stadium; too bad the game was played during the day and there was a "mist" in the air. A lovely Italian restaurant called Angelo's Tavern in the Drury Plaza Hotel became the favorite refreshment hangout between and after the sessions; and it even had *good food!* A little exploration of the city occurred while riding on the local trolley service (i.e.: bus), that included a stop at the City Museum (basically for children) and a stop at Union Station where the Hard Rock Café was located. As a finale to celebrate Anna's birthday (July 4th), there was a ride through the local area around the hotels on a horse carriage.

In spite of the fun times, there was great knowledge obtained in the Convention sessions and workshops about the accomplishments over the past year and future changes that are to occur in the Moose organization.

Wished you were there ... Roxy, Anna, Gregg, Ralph & John



Thank YOU Chefs for the 4th of July Cookout and the Bull Roast

A thank you is extended to Andre McFail, Joyce Chaffins, Liz Coombs, and Tom Oderwald for providing the food at these two social events. Your efforts and the delicious buffet offerings were greatly appreciated.



"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.



Begin the School Year at the Labor Day Cookout



Monday, September 5th

Moose Legion Breakfast



Sunday, September 11th

Arlington #1315 Annual LOOM Membership Fee is \$45.00

Legion is \$15.00

Special Election Schedule for Administrator

The following is the schedule for the Special Election for the Administrator position on the LOOM Board of Officers:



- **Tuesday, August 2, 2016**
Board will establish Nomination Committee
- **Tuesday, August 16, 2016**
Individuals to submit desire to run for Administrator position
- **Tuesday, September 6, 2016**
Nomination Committee to present nominations (Official Lodge Ballot) & Establishment of the Election Committee
- **Tuesday, September 13, 2016**
Individuals to submitted petition to be included on Official Lodge Ballot if not nominated by the Nomination Committee
- **Tuesday, September 20, 2016**
Election at General Meeting

If any member has a desire to be on the Board of Officers for the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge, please let it be known to the members of the Nomination Committee.



Congratulations to John Matis in Earning the Governor's Award of Excellence for the 2015-2016 Moose Year!

A thank you is extended to the Arlington Fraternity for their support and efforts in obtaining this award.



Thank You Arlington Fraternity for Supporting the 2016 Stuart Pyramid Back-to-School Resource Fair

A thank you is extended to Anna Phillips, Azie Tekla, Sue Jennings, Donna Heflin, Donna Field, Rose Russo, Liz Coombs, Judith York, Roxanne Coles-Matis, Joyce Chaffins, Ralph Phillips, David Feld, and John Matis for their participation in the packing of the school supplies with the Bailey's Crossroad Rotary Club at our Lodge on Saturday, July 30th. The event started on Friday afternoon with approximately 300 boxes being taken off pallets that were delivered outside into the Ritual Hall, and piled in "supply groups" for an assembly line configuration. There were over 40 volunteers (could not get an exact count as they were in constant movement) that assembled approximately 3,400 school supply packets within a 3-1/2 hour time period. Besides providing the Ritual Hall for this event, the completed school supply packets will be stored at the Lodge until the day before the Resource Fair occurs on August 9th. As a side note, the volunteers took home the empty "crushed" boxes to recycle in lieu of filling up the Lodge's dumpsters.

Pun of the Month

Exit signs ... they're on the way out!



Electronic Pull-Tabs by Powerhouse Gaming



at the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge



Chapter Award of Achievement
(5th Consecutive Year)



Another Karaoke Night on July 22nd

A more complete selection of songs were provided by "Karaoke by Tina" which encouraged a lot more members to show their vocal talent. Even the Governor took to the stage with an entourage of "merry" men and ladies (the beverages had something to do with it). As usual, there were a whole lot of giggles, dancing in the aisle, and the Social Quarters remained crowded after the Queen of Hearts Game. A thank you is extended to DJ Tina Bell for providing the Karaoke service. And to make it a memorable event, the members celebrated the birthday of Dominick Russo on this same night.
The Arlington Fraternity will have another Karaoke Night in a few months!

Farewell to Summer



September 24th



Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members

- ▶ Robert Carroll Ellis ▶ Daniel O'Roueke ▶ David Kish
- ▶ Lindsey Aspinall



WOTM Leadership Training

September 10th



Congratulations to John Tribble
LOOM Volunteer of the Quarter
(April – June 2016)



Congratulations to Christina Davies-Tribble
WOTM Volunteer of the Quarter
(April – June 2016)



Youth Organization of the Quarter (April – June 2016)
Special Olympics – Area 26 ["tennis"]

Lodge Fall Clean-Up
October 1st



Brochure of Program in the Social Quarters

Bull Run Moose Legion #185

Bull Roast
September 10th
at the Vienna Moose Lodge #1896
9616 Courthouse Road
Vienna, VA 22181



1:00pm

Arlington #1253 Annual WOTM Membership Fee is \$30.00



2nd Chance Drawings by Powerhouse Gaming
Monthly Drawing Prize – each month through December
Details provided at the Lodge



**Next Moose Legion Committee Meeting on Thursday,
August 11th @6:30pm
WOTM members & LOOM members are Welcome to attend**

**Watch
Washington
Nationals at
the Lodge**

in August 2016

- Arizona Diamondbacks
AUG 1 – AUG 3 (A)
- San Francisco Giants
AUG 5 – AUG 7 (H)
- Cleveland Indians
AUG 9 – AUG 10 (H)
- Atlanta Braves
AUG 12 – AUG 14 (H)
- Colorado Rockies
AUG 15 – AUG 17 (A)
- Atlanta Braves
AUG 18 – AUG 21 (A)
- Baltimore Orioles
AUG 22 – AUG 23 (A)
- Baltimore Orioles
AUG 24 – AUG 25 (H)
- Colorado Rockies
AUG 26 – AUG 28 (H)
- Philadelphia Phillies
AUG 29 – AUG 31 (A)

**Think
Natitude!**



Governor's Corner

As we continue our journey through the triple digit summer days remember our Social Quarters and the events every week. The Air Conditioning is working well and the company of your fellow Lodge members is always there.

Of note; our Annual Summer Bull Roast went off very well and a large number of our brothers, sisters and family members attended the event. Please join me with a very special thanks to all of our volunteers that made this event so successful.

On a closing note; I would like to give a special thanks to Billy Hensley. Billy has served our Lodge for many years as the Administrator. His guidance and support throughout the years has enabled us to get our Lodge positioned for a bright future. Again, I extend my profound thanks to Billy for his time and dedication to our Lodge.

I hope to see you all at the Lodge soon!

VMA District 4 Second Annual "Moose Day with the Nationals"



Saturday, August 13th (Game Time: 7:05pm)

Seat Location: Section 137

Price: \$40.00/ticket



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

Filling Billy Hensley's shoes is going to be tough (I only wear a size 10-1/2 vs. "big foot"), but I will try to do the best that I can ... (SIGH) *talk among yourselves while I compose myself!* I only ask that the membership be patient while I learn the tasks of the Administrator and ignore all the mistakes that will occur during my learning curve (many swerves in the road are to be expected)! **THANK YOU BILLY for everything you did to make the Arlington Fraternity the GREATEST!**

All of our Arlington Fraternity volunteers should be "pat on the back" for their efforts in assisting the Bailey's Crossroad Rotary Club to assemble over 3,400 packets with school supplies for distribution at the 2016 Stuart Pyramid Back-to-School Fair on Saturday, July 30th. Due to our efforts and willingness to support our community organizations, we were able to enroll six new members to the Arlington Fraternity!



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



**Collection bag in
the entrance of the
Social Quarters**



**Redskin Training Camp
July 28th – August 14th**



**Watch
NASCAR
at the Lodge**

in August 2016

SUN, AUG 7
Cheez-It 355
 At the Glen
 Watkins Glen
 Speedway
 SAT, AUG 20
Bass Pro Shops
NRA Night Race
 Bristol Motor
 Speedway
 SUN, AUG 28
Pure Michigan 400
 Michigan International
 Speedway



**Pre-Season
Redskin Games**



August 11th (THU)
at Atlanta Falcons

August 19th (FRI)
New York Jets

August 26th (FRI)
Buffalo Bills

September 1st (THU)
at Tampa Bay
Buccaneers



Senior Regent's Message

Dear Ladies of the WOTM, Chapter #1253 and Gentlemen of the LOOM, Lodge #1315:

We are now finishing our third month of our Moose year and life is good. A big thanks goes out to Judith York and her Higher Degree committee for a very successful "Christmas in July Mystery Raffle" during the Lodge's Bull Roast on July 23rd. It could not have happened without the generosity of our Chapter and Lodge members who donated items and participated in the raffle. Well done all around!

Thank you also to our chapter board, committee chairs and members who volunteered this past Saturday, July 30th to pack school supplies for the Jeb Stewart Pyramid. We worked alongside Bailey's Crossroads Rotary Club and other Fairfax County resident volunteers to make sure our local elementary, middle, and high school students have the essential materials they need to start their upcoming school year. It was an awesome effort that was so efficiently executed that the afternoon shift was not even needed. In the process of this event, new friends were made and our organization can boast a few more new members.

Some of our Loom and Chapter members have asked, "Will our chapter continue to collect school materials or monetary donations again this year for students in need?" Our answer is yes! We will have a donation barrel available in or near the social quarters for collection. We will purchase school materials and/or backpacks with any money that is collected and all will be donated to a school with children in need. The school or schools are yet to be determined.

Our next event is our "Ice Cream Social" for our members' children. This will be held next Saturday, August 6th, from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM during the lodge's Fish Fry Revisited. Adults are welcome to participate in the sweet treat with a donation, please. Also, please check in with Rose Russo or any of the board members if you can help to set up, serve, or clean-up for this event.

Other notes: VMA Annual WOTM Conference is coming up in August as well – August 25th through August 28th. We look forward to congratulating Nessa Ruoff as the recipient of her Green Cap topping off a very successful 2015-16 year as Senior Regent of our chapter. Have a great time at the convention Nessa and all! We look forward to hearing about all the new Moose happenings.

Additional note: We will offer officer's training on September 10 from 8AM to 4PM for current officers and members interested in knowing more about taking a leadership role in their local chapter of the WOTM.

Keep us informed of any news or ideas for fundraisers, etc. that you deem important for Chapter #1253 to know and enjoy the rest of your summer.



"Christmas in July" (Mystery Raffle) on July 23rd

This event was very successful as a fund raiser for the WOTM Chapter. A thank you is extended to Judith York, Donna Heflin, Rose Russo, Anna Phillips, Patti Rodas, and Ralph Phillips for organizing the event, wrapping the mystery gifts, and conducting the raffle. In addition, the WOTM would like to thank all the members that donated the gifts for this event AND all the members who willingly made contributions (very little coaxing was necessary) to the fund raiser.





Chapter Award of Achievement
(5th Consecutive Year)

Future Planned Major Social Events

(September – October 2016)

- September 5th**
Labor Day Cookout
- September 10th**
WOTM Leadership Training Class
- September 10th - NEW**
Bull Run Moose Legion Bull Roast
- September 11th**
Legion Breakfast
- September 24th**
Farewell to Summer Cookout
- October 1st**
Lodge Fall Cleanup
- October 2nd**
Legion Breakfast
- October 8th**
6th Annual Bill Lewis Chili Cook-Off
- October 22nd**
WOTM Children's Halloween Party
- October 29th**
Youth Awareness Student Congress

(November thru December continued on Page 10)



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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Happy Birthday to Lodge members: **Paul Downs, Jr.** (8/04), **Robert Smith** (8/06), **Mark Zekan** (8/06), **Floyd Propst** (8/07), **Ken Kealey** (8/08), **Samuel Whitt** (8/08), **John Tribble** (8/11), **Daniel Ziegler** (8/11), **Larry Pavlish** (8/12), **Jason Allen** (8/15), **Thomas Longuillo** (8/16), **Howard Franklin** (8/17), **Dillon Wykle** (8/20), **Mel Chrestman** (8/22), **Trevin Dalton** (8/24), **Ashley Lenker** (8/28), **Robert Simpson** (8/28), **James Harding** (8/29), and **Dennis Delaney** (8/30).
- Happy Birthday to Chapter members **Andrea Hensley** (8/01), **Cynthia Pollard** (8/06), **Helen Arnold** (8/09), **Dwi Marnun** (8/10), **Ellen Scott** (8/16), **Jo Glass** (8/18), **Sally Harris** (8/21), **Victoria Arnold** (8/21), **Julie Green** (8/25), **Nessa Ruoff** (8/25), **Wanda Martinson** (8/30), **Tawnya Flores** (8/31), and **Laura Hotaling** (8/31).

SICKNESS and DISTRESS:

- Please keep our Moose members and families in our prayers for those who have current health or distressed situations; especially ... Nora Rodas and Patti Green-Shupp who have health problems and are trying to get back to good health.

IN MEMORY:

- The clock of time has stopped; across its face of motionless shadows mark the hour of their passing. A tribute to the memory of our Fraternity member who had passed into the realm of everlasting peace and the Supreme above:
- Brother Brian Hensley



Nominate a Lodge & Chapter Member for Volunteer of the Quarter (July – September 2016)

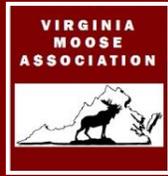
Deadline is September 30, 2016



Brotherly Love!

Think New Members!





VMA Raffle Tickets for Sale

Top prize of \$7,500
with many lesser secondary prizes
from \$5,000 (2nd Prize) to
\$500 (9th thru 11th Prizes)

Drawing of the raffle is August 27, 2016 @VMA Convention

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

**** Arlington #1315 needs to sell 50 Tickets ****

Future Planned Major Social Events

(November – December 2016)

November 5th - NEW

WOTM Italian Dinner

November 5th

Fellowship Meeting

November 6th

Legion Breakfast

November 12th - NEW

Green Cap
Celebration for
Nessa Ruoff

November 24th

Thanksgiving Family
Feast

December 4th

Legion Breakfast

December 10th

WOTM Children
Christmas Party

Note:

Dates & Activities
subject to change

Lodge Repairs/Replacements



Even though the weather has been very hot (in the high 90's), the Lodge wants to thank Gregg Cady, Steve Lehtma, and Ralph Phillips for cutting the grass during the past month. The Lodge would also like to thank Chuck Berge and John Matis in cleaning the floors in the Ritual

Hall prior to the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Summer Conferral/Celebration on July 16th.



Pictures of packing school supplies at our Lodge on July 30th for the Stuart Pyramid Back-to-School Resource Fair



Give Generously!

Support Special Olympics





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Support the WOTM



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

Members Retention Week

November 6th thru November 12th



2016-2017 Arlington #1315 Lodge Membership Challenge

Sponsor a new LOOM member between May 1, 2016 and April 30, 2017 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. **Chris Garrett** was the winner of the July monthly raffle.

In addition, if you sponsor three (3) LOOM members within the 2016-2017 Moose Year, the Arlington Lodge will pay your dues for the next year of your membership.

IMPORTANT: This Lodge challenge applies to both LOOM & WOTM members who sponsor new LOOM members for Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge.



Goal: Obtain Premiere Lodge Award in 2017
Current Arlington #1315 Membership Status
As of July 18, 2016:

04/30/16	Current				
<u>Members</u>	<u>Active Members</u>	<u>Difference</u>		<u>Expired</u>	<u>Dropped</u>
268	256	-12		52	42

New Members since April 30, 2016: 4 (As of July 18, 2016)

The Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Ritual Team Came in 3rd Place Overall in the Competition at the Moose International Convention



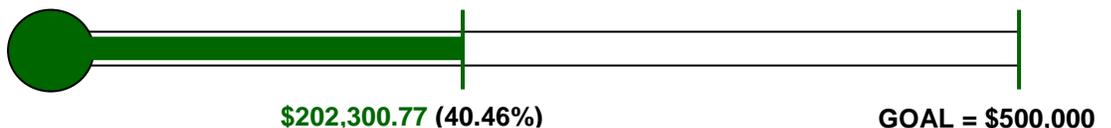
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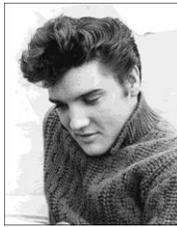
- ◆ Wayne Noel – 1st Place (Orator)
- ◆ Larry Stocks – 1st Place (Charity)
- ◆ Kenny Head – 2nd Place (Faith)
- ◆ Wayne Leavell – 2nd Place (Loyalty)
- ◆ Wayne Jones – 4th Place (President)
- ◆ Danny Doane – 16th Place (Hope)

THEY REPRESENTED OUR MOOSE LEGION PROUDLY



VMA Moosehaven Centennial Project Contribution Status
(As of July 22, 2016)

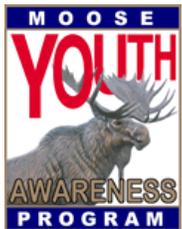




Fun Facts about Elvis Aaron Presley

1. The first commercial single of his career was "That's All Right" written by Arthur "Big Boy" Crudup, which was released on July 19, 1954 and became a regional hit.
2. The breakthrough hit that made national attention was "Heartbreak Hotel" in 1956; a song inspired by a newspaper article about a local suicide.
3. Elvis' famous black hair was dyed (Miss Clairol 51 D "Black Velvet") – his natural color was brown. Elvis' movie idol was Tony Curtis, who had black shiny hair. Elvis also dyed his eyelashes, which caused health problems later in life.
4. Elvis bought Graceland in 1957 for \$102,500 at the age of 22. This 14 acre Memphis mansion was built on land that was part of a 500-acre farm dubbed Graceland in honor of the original owner's daughter, Grace. Elvis kept the name.
5. On January 8, 1953, Elvis Aron (later spelled Aaron) Presley was born about 35 minutes after his identical twin brother, Jesse Garon, who was stillborn.
6. Elvis was drafted into the U.S. military and inducted as a private on March 24, 1958. He attended basic training at Fort Hood, Texas and was shipped out for assignment with the Third Armored Division in Friedberg, West Germany. Elvis served as a jeep driver.
7. While in Germany, Elvis met 14-year old Priscilla Beaulieu, the daughter of a U.S. Air Force captain. After a lengthy courtship, Elvis and Priscilla married in 1967 (divorced in 1973).
8. Elvis' first post-Army movie was "G.I. Blues" in November 1960. It is noted that Elvis recorded 15 songs with the word "blue" in the title.
9. An estimated 40 percent of Elvis' music sales have been outside the United States; however, with the exception of a handful of concerts in Canada in 1957 (a three-day tour), he never performed on foreign soil. It is believed that Elvis' manager Colonel Parker, turned down lucrative offers for the singer to perform abroad because Coronel Parker was an illegal immigrant and feared he wouldn't be allowed back into the United States if he traveled overseas.
10. Elvis bought Franklin Roosevelt's presidential yacht ("Potomac") in 1964 for \$55,000. However, he soon donated it to St. Jude's Children Hospital, who in turn sold the vessel to raise money. In 1980, the yacht was seized by U.S. Customs in San Francisco, then being used by drug smugglers.
11. Elvis' 1960 hit "It's Now or Never" so inspired a prisoner who heard it in jail that he vowed to pursue a career in music upon his release. The artist, Barry White, was then serving a 4-month sentence for stealing tires.
12. Elvis and Priscilla's only daughter, Lisa Marie Presley, was born in 1968. Lisa Marie later married Michael Jackson and actor Nicholas Cage. Nicholas Cage is reportedly the only person outside of Presley's immediate family to have ever seen Elvis' Graceland bedroom.
13. Elvis recorded more than 600 songs, but did not write any of them.
14. Elvis made his first of three appearances on the Ed Sullivan Show on September 9, 1956 with 60 million people (more than 80% of the TV viewing audience) tuned in.

Youth Awareness Program



Association Student Congress on October 29th at our Lodge

6th Annual Bill Lewis Memorial Chili Cook-Off



Saturday, October 8th



Enjoy the Summer

but keep the Lodge in Mind, as We're Open all Summer

Continue to save BOX TOP\$ FOR EDUCATION coupons



Collection bag in the entrance of the Social Quarters



Support Our Local Police Department



Arlington Fraternity representatives relaxing between the sessions at the Moose International Convention



The world stopped for at least a minute ... Tim Niels entered the Lodge wearing LONG PANTS AND SHOES! Who would have believed he owned anything other than shorts and flip-flops (we have a picture as proof; but someone said it will self-destruct!)

Support Scouting



Girl Scouts



Boy Scouts



Moose International Convention Reports

There were many reports/presentations provided in the program at the Convention pertaining to the accomplishments of our Moose Fraternity during the 2015-2016 Moose Year. Reports from the Supreme Council, The Mooseheart Board of Directors, and the Moosehaven Board of Directors are posted on the bulletin board in the entrance of the Social Quarters for our members to review. Did you know that there are 192 students at Mooseheart and 243 seniors living at Moosehaven?

2016 Special Olympics – North America Softball Championship
Friday, August 19th to Sunday, August 21st



All competition and medal ceremonies will take place at the Moyers Sport Complex (Salem, VA) and the Botetourt Sports Complex (Troutville, VA)

32 softball teams from across the country (18 States + Canada)

Flyer on bulletin board in entrance of Social Quarters

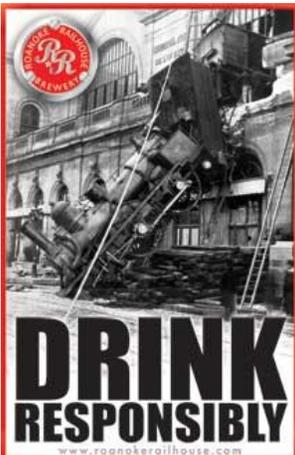
Fairfax County Needs Election Officers to conduct elections in November 2016

\$175 stipend for full day

For more information:

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Chapter Award of Achievement
(5th Consecutive Year)

Support Our Local Fire Department



WOTM Italian Dinner



November 5th

WOTM Children's Halloween Party



Saturday, October 22nd



The Arlington Moose Legion Committee Corner

Wow! Our Moose Fraternity (especially the Moose Legion Committee) provided an impressive event for the Bull Run Moose Legion Summer Celebration that was held at our Lodge on July 16, 2016. This event was accomplished by the dedicated efforts of Brian Van de Meulebroecke, Joyce Chaffins, Andre McFail, Steve Lehtma, Chuck Berge, David Harding, John Matis, Ralph Phillips, Bob Muretta, Judith York, Tom Oderwald, Liz Coombs, Rose Russo, Anna Phillips, Donna Heflin, Gwen Collins, and Roxanne Coles-Matis.

The event consisted of a Legion Breakfast (normal menu but with made-to-order eggs, pancakes, & French toast), a lunch of make-your-own sandwiches and salad sponsored by the Moose Legion Committee, and a dinner for the Legionnaires (but also offered to our members) of beef brisket and Peruvian chicken with corn-on-the-cob and a squash casserole. Our Fraternity got many, many comments of "excellence" for the dinner; hence, WE IMPRESSED! At the end the day, entertainment was provided in the Social Quarters by a DJ.

The Moose Legion Committee wants to thank Anna Phillips, Joyce Chaffins, and John Matis for preparing the food offered at the July Moose Legion Committee meeting.



Dancers & Singers at Karaoke

You can Pay Moose Dues Online!

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

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.: children movie night, 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

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