



Loyal Order of Moose Arlington #1315 Lodge NEWSLETTER

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AUGUST 2017



Congratulations to Frederick Sprouse, Robert Murafka, and John Thornberg for attaining 50 years of Service in the Loyal Order of Moose

Each of these Moose brothers will receive a Life Membership for their loyalty to our Moose organization.



Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge obtained the Premier Lodge Award for the 2nd consecutive year (the 4th time in 5 years)



Arlington Chapter #1253 obtained the Chapter Award Achievement for the 6th consecutive year



Congratulations to Elizabeth Coombs in Achieving the Highest Honor of being conferred into the WOTM College of Regents



Congratulations to John Matis in Achieving the Fellowship Degree of Honor



**The Great Adventures at Tampa Bay, Florida
(Moose International 2017 Annual Convention)**

Information from the Convention, including the results of the proposed General Law changes.
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Upcoming Social Events
(details on Page 2 & Page 3)

August 6th
Legion Breakfast

August 12th
Summer Blast
Family Cookout

August 12th - NEW
WOTM Children's
Ice Cream Social

August 19th - NEW
Greet the NFL
Season

August 24th – 26th
VMA Annual
Convention

*Future Social
Events on Page 9
& Page 10*



2016-2017 Moose Journalism Awards

Even though our main purpose for our Newsletter, website & Facebook pages are 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 - Second Place for General Excellence in Lodge Publications with 201-400 active members (Editor: John Matis); and
- Arlington #1315 Website - Honorable Mention for General Excellence in Lodge/Chapter Websites (Webmaster: Joe Russo).



Ritual Team of Bull Run Moose Legion #185 won 1st Place in the MI Ritual Competition at Tampa, FL

International Champions!

The Arlington Fraternity won their fourth permanent Attendance Trophy at the VMA District 4 Meeting on July 8th at our Lodge
Details on Page 8





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

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

**Social Quarters
Manager**
Joyce Chaffins

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

Menu announced
in weekly emails
or call the Lodge

**Thank You
Veterans!**



**For Everything
You Do
For Our
Country**



**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 that we are supporting this year is the Glen Forest Elementary School Falls Church, Virginia.. **The collection of school supplies will occur between August 1st and August 21st.** 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

**AUGUST
EVENT**



**Legion Breakfast – Sunday, August 6th
(10:00am – 1:00pm)**

Rise & Shine ... and welcome the Sunday morning by enjoying a great breakfast at the Lodge. The food offerings provided by the Legionnaire volunteers will be “made-to-order” eggs/omelets, pancakes, and French toast; with sausage, bacon, home-fried potatoes, fruit salad, and at least one “special” breakfast item on the side buffet. It is guaranteed that you will leave “stuffed”; as it is all you-can-eat for one low price!

**AUGUST
EVENT**



**Summer Blast – a Family Cook-Out
Saturday, August 12th (2:00pm – 6:00pm)**

The words to describe this social event are “chill-out, stuff your face, and have fun”. The Lodge plans to provide the normal summer picnic food offering of hamburgers & hot dogs with many side dishes (menu not finalized as of this publication). Besides the food, a Moon Bounce with water slide will be provided for the enjoyment of the children ... so **please have the children bring swim suits and towels!** Depending upon the number of members that want to participate, a cornhole tournament for the adults will be provided.

PLUS ... A Children’s Ice Cream Social



The WOTM Chapter is sponsoring an Ice Cream Social for the children during this event which will begin around 3:30pm. 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.



**Watch Redskin Pre-Season Football Games
at the Lodge**

Thursday, August 10th @7:30pm – Baltimore Ravens
Saturday, August 19th @7:30pm – Green Bay Packers
Sunday, August 27th @4:30pm – Cincinnati Bengals
Thursday, August 31st @7:30pm – Tampa Bay Buccaneers

Arlington #1315
Board of Officers
2017-2018

Governor

Gregg Cady

Jr. Governor

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Meulebroecke

Prelate

Andre McFail

Jr. Past Governor

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Bernie Cerroni

Inner Guard

Ralph Phillips

**Next Moose Legion Committee Meeting on Thursday,
August 10th @6:30pm
WOTM members & LOOM members are Welcome to attend**



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 additional school supplies for the children ... so please contribute! **Any donation is appreciated!** The WOTM want to thank you in advance to all those members that provide a donation.

**AUGUST
EVENT**



**Greet the NFL Season
[a.k.a. Beat the “Cheeseheads”] New
Saturday, August 19th (beginning 7:00pm)**

Finally, NFL Football is here again with the pre-season games being played in August. The Lodge thought we would celebrate having football back into our lives by watching the Washington Redskins play the Green Bay Packers at 7:30pm on August 19th; hence the previous name for the event ... “Beat the Cheeseheads” (Duh! Green Bay is in Wisconsin). However, it is now not clear if the game will be televised? Unfortunately, it was an assumption that the game would be televised when the event was planned by the Administrator – *chalk up another mistake!* But we are always looking for a reason for a gathering to have a good time, so come enjoy the friendship and cold libations of the Lodge. Besides there is every indication that the game between the Dallas Cowboys and the Indianapolis Colts will be televised; which we know pleases our known Cowboy fanatics Andre McFail, Joyce Chaffins, & Anna Phillips. The Lodge will be offering a variety of finger foods for this event, not finalized at the time of this publication, but will have a “cheese theme” (example.: steak & cheese sandwiches, mozzarella sticks, etc.).



Arlington WOTM
Chapter #1253
Board of Officers
2017-2018

Senior Regent

Patti Rodas

Junior Regent

Julie Parkhurst

Jr. Graduate Regent

Roxanne
Coles-Matis

Secretary/Treasurer

Sarah Shannon

Recorder

Elizabeth Coombs

Guide

Nessa Ruoff

Assistant Guide

Rose Russo



Scott Hart Went Undercover This Past Year

This past Moose Year, Scott Hart, our MI Director General, grew a beard and went “undercover” visiting Moose Lodges throughout the United States. His conclusion was that 50% of the Moose Lodges that he stopped at were NOT friendly to visiting guests at their Lodge (e.g.: basically ignored the visitors). Thank you Arlington Fraternity for being in the “better half” of his results ... as we always pride ourselves for talking to new visitors!

Think Natitude!



**Watch the
Washington
Nationals
Games at
the Lodge**



**Moose
International
Annual
Membership
Campaign**

Think NEW Members



Chapter Award of Achievement
(6th Consecutive Year)



Congratulations to Brian Van de Meulebroecke
LOOM Volunteer of the Quarter
(April – June 2017)



Congratulations to Roxanne Coles-Matis
WOTM Volunteer of the Quarter
(April – June 2017)



Youth Organization of the Quarter (April – June 2017)
Forest Hollow Swim Team

Issue: 2017-8
Newsletter Contributions

Editor

John Matis

Writers

Patti Rodas
Gregg Cady
John Matis

Proofreading

Liz Coombs

Volunteers are needed for future articles for the Newsletters



“Christmas in July” (Mystery Raffle) - July 29th

This event was very successful as a fund raiser for the WOTM Chapter. A thank you is extended to Sara Witt, Judith York, Donna Heflin, Nessa Ruoff, Patti Rodas, and all the WOTM Board Officers 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 our members who willingly made contributions (very little coaxing was necessary) to the fund raiser.



New Door Entry System Requires a Moose ID Card!

Want to get into the Social Quarters? **HAVE** your Moose ID card to swipe the door mounted card reader for access; as the previous “old system” entry cards will no longer work. Besides, all our members need to have their Moose ID card with them while in the Lodge to comply with IRS club requirements. There are no excuses to not have your ID card... and you must be a member in good standings (i.e.: dues paid) for the entry system to allow you entry! Furthermore, all members must enter the Moose Lodge through the entrance of the Social Quarters during normal business hours. All concerns, including objections, need to be addressed with the Governor!

American Family Day



Sunday August 6th

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

Band: Hot Rod Rockers on Saturday, September 23rd

American Family Day is a 14th state-recognized holiday in Arizona. American Family Day, much like Mother’s Day or Father’s Day is a non-paid holiday established as a separate day to appreciate family members by spending time with them. Families are discouraged from buying gifts or other material items. **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!**

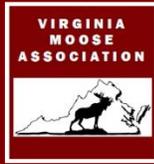


Moose of the Month



Women’s Equality Day
Saturday, August 26th

Anniversary of women getting the right to vote (19th Amendment)



VMA Raffle Tickets for Sale

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

Drawings of the raffle
is August 26, 2017 @VMA Annual Convention

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

** Arlington #1315 needs to sell 30 Tickets **



Thank You Arlington Fraternity for Supporting the Bailey’s Crossroads Rotary Club with respect to the 2017 Stuart Pyramid Back-to-School Resource Fair

For the second consecutive year the Arlington Fraternity has joined with the Bailey’s Crossroads Rotary Club to assemble school supply packets that will be distributed to the school children for free at the 2017 Stuart Pyramid Back-to-School Resource Fair on August 10, 2017. As the same as last year, the Arlington Fraternity provided our hall for free to assemble and then store the school supply packets until they will be picked up the day before the Resource Fair.

Thanks to a last minute “settlement” between the Bailey’s Crossroads Rotary Club and the Fairfax County Public Schools, the pallets of school supplies delivered by Fairfax County Public Schools were placed directly into the Ritual Hall; which alleviated the extra effort by the volunteers the day before to unpack the school supplies outside and hand carry into the Ritual Hall like last year. Early on Saturday, July 29th, the school supplies were unpacked from the pallets & their shipment boxes and placed onto the two long rows of tables (one for elementary students and one for high school students). Then the fun began! There were over 70 volunteers (WOW!) during the three hours that it took to assemble the approximately 2,300 school supply packets (*last count known by the Administrator*). And for the record, the volunteers took home the empty “crushed” shipment boxes of the school supplies to be recycled at their home in lieu of filling up the Lodge’s dumpsters. Furthermore, over 10 volunteers, as approved guests, stayed to enjoy the food offerings and our Fraternity “friendliness” for the Bull Roast activity after the community event.

Watch the
Arena
Football
Washington
Valor at the
Lodge



In August 2017

FRI, AUG 4
Baltimore Brigade

Watch the
Arena Football
Championship
at the Lodge

Semi-Finals
SAT, AUG 12th
MON, AUG 14th

ArenaBowl XXX
SAT, AUG 26th



Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members

- ▶ Thomas Nichols ▶ Leo Marte ▶ Alison Matis ▶ Annie Matis
- ▶ Zulma Terceros ▶ Dionysianna Alailima



Continue to save BOX TOP\$ FOR EDUCATION coupons



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



Nominate a Lodge &
Chapter Member
for Volunteer of the
Quarter
(July – September 2017)

Deadline is September 30, 2017



BAR BINGO
Wednesday Nights beginning 7:00pm
August 2nd, August 9th, August 16th,
August 23rd, & August 30th



Support Our Local Fire Department



Bull Roast – July 29th

A really great success event for the Arlington Fraternity. It was counted that there over 65 members and guests who partook in the food offering (14 guests of the volunteers associated with the Bailey's Crossroads Rotary Club who participated in the school supply packet assemblies – *hopefully a few possible new members*).

The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank our House Chefs who prepared the food offering for this event; consisting of Tom Oderwald & Andre McFail on the barbeque grills, and Joyce Chaffins and Liz Coombs for all the side dishes. The delicious food feast was tender & juicy roast beef, flavorful smoked beef brisket, brown gravy or barbeque sauce for the beef, quartered grilled chickens, hot dogs (*why ... for the children*), mashed potatoes, cooked green beans, cucumber salad, corn on the cob, a cheese & cracker tray, a pickle tray, watermelon, chips with dip, and condiments (especially horseradish). Over 100 pounds of red meat was cooked for this event; and 24 pounds of chicken.

In addition, the Arlington Fraternity would like to thank the bartenders (& intermittent volunteers during the busy times) for their great service and efforts during this "Lodge packed" event; as well as those members that participated in the clean up after the event.

Begin the School Year at the Labor Day Cookout

Monday, September 4th



The House Chefs for the Bull Roast: Andre McFail & Tom Oderwald at the grills (*it rained that day*) and Joyce Chaffins & Liz Coombs

Remember Mooseheart



Pun of the Month

The world's largest shipment of hot dogs arrived from France on August 11, 1939

... because they owed us 3 million francs!

YOUR MEMBERSHIP JUST BECAME MORE VALUABLE!

MOOSE REWARDS

Brochure of Program in the Social Quarters



Chapter Award of Achievement
(6th Consecutive Year)

WOTM Greek Dinner



Saturday, September 9th

Farewell to Summer Cookout



Saturday, September 23rd

Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Bull Roast



Saturday, September 23rd



Senior Regent's Message

Hi Everyone,
I would like to start out congratulating Elizabeth Coombs on earning her collegiate status in July at the Tampa Florida International convention. Way to go Liz!

Sara Wick is appreciated for stepping up to fill the recently vacated Chair for the Mooseheart/Moosehaven Committee. She and her committee did a wonderfully successful job on their first fundraiser, The Mystery Raffle that was held during the Bull Roast.

Finally, thanks to my board for being there for me and everyone who sent their thoughts and prayers for my Dad and family in our time of need.

Fraternally,
Patti Rodas, Senior Regent of Chapter #1253



Are You a Veteran? You need to identify yourself with Moose International

In order for the Arlington Fraternity to participate in the Moose "Valued Veterans" Program, **all members that are veterans must "self-identify"** under your "My Membership Record" on the Moose International website so that you can be recognized in the Program. The instructions on how to "self-identify" are provided on the Moose International website under the Moose "Valued Veterans" Program. **HOWEVER**, if you are uncomfortable going on the Internet or do not have a computer, please tell the Administrator (John Matis) and he will talk to Moose International to record you as a veteran. Please, it is important that all our veterans in the Arlington Fraternity be recognized for your service to our Country.



Outcome of Votes for the Proposed 2017 General Law Changes at the MI Annual Convention

All Category 1 proposals (2 General Laws) and Category 2 proposals (3 General Laws) were approved. The Category 3 proposal, the main principle pertaining to making all Moose Lodges "Smoking Free", was NOT approved!

Two of the approved General Laws that impact our day-to-day operations of the Moose Lodge are as follows: 1) The Nine O'clock Ceremony shall be conducted with endowment collected whenever members assemble in the Moose Lodge (basically each day since our Social Quarters is open seven days a week); and 2) Elected Officers of the Board could now be compensated for provided services that are not related to their elected position responsibilities (e.g.: janitorial, kitchen, entertainment, etc.) EXCEPT being paid as an employee in dispensing alcohol. For the record, the Administrator can be paid for the services provided in his position; which the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge has not done for many past "recent" years.



Give Generously!

Support Special Olympics





You can Pay Moose Dues Online!

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

**VMA District 4
Sponsored
Event to
Washington
Nationals on
Saturday,
September 30th**



Governor's Corner

Wow August already! We have had yet another successful month of activities and recognitions. With your great assistance and dedication we successfully pulled off yet another Trophy for attendance at the District 4 Meetings, school supply packets were assembled again for the Stuart Pyramid Back-to-School Resource Fair, another incredible Bull Roast, another Moose Legion Breakfast, Bar Bingo and on and on. Way to go! With that said check the Social Calendar for more events through the month of August.

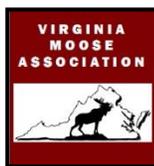
A special reminder please keep in your thoughts and prayers for our members with sickness or distress. We continue to have way too many for remembrance every day.

As always it is my great pleasure and honor to be serving as your Governor; I'm looking forward to seeing you soon!

**WOTM
Children's
Halloween
Party**



**Saturday,
October 28th**



Virginia Moose Association (VMA) District 4 Quarterly Meeting – July 22nd

Thanks to 41 members and guests of the Arlington Fraternity who attended this VMA District 4 Quarterly Meeting (*a very short trip to attend since it was at OUR Lodge*), we won our 4th permanent VMA District 4 Attendance Trophy! For the record, it was not even close with the member attendance of the other Lodges at the meeting. The Arlington Fraternity ROCKS!

Congratulations to Ralph Phillips for being elected on the Board of Directors as the Prelate of the VMA District 4 at the Meeting. We also want to thank Wayne Leavell for throwing "his hat into the ring" and being elected in the sudden vacant position of Vice President on the Board of Directors.

As part of the proceedings, it was approved that that the VMA District 4 would donate \$500.00 to several VMA sponsored organization during the Check March at the 2017 VMA Annual Convention in Norfolk, Virginia at the end of the month.

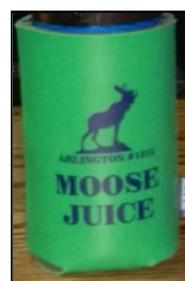


Youth Awareness Program

Do you have a High School student? Or maybe your sister or brother, or a neighbor, or a distance 3rd cousin you never met? The Arlington Fraternity is soliciting students to participate in the Student Congress for the Youth Awareness Program at our Moose Lodge on November 4th. The parents do not have to be Moose members, the student cost to participate is free, and the student could win a scholarship for minimal effort under the program..



**Sunday,
August 13th**



**New Lime Green
Genuine "Koozies"
are for Sale
at the Lodge**

"leather-like" exterior finish
with lettering/graphics on
both sides

**Arlington #1315 Annual
LOOM Membership Fee is
\$45.00**

**Arlington #1253 Annual
WOTM Membership Fee is
\$30.00**



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.

Future Planned Major Social Events

(September – October 2017)

- September 4th
Labor Day Cookout
- September 9th – **NEW**
WOTM Greek Dinner
- September 10th
Legion Breakfast
- September 16th -
Farewell to Summer
- September 23rd – **NEW**
Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Bull Roast at Arlington
- October 1st
Legion Breakfast
- October 21st
7th Annual Bill Lewis Chili Cook-Off
- October 28th – **NEW**
WOTM Children's Halloween Party

Dates and Activities are subject to Change

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), **Douglas Demarest** (8/12), **Larry Pavlish** (8/12), **Thomas Ames** (8/15), **Thomas Longuillo** (8/16), **Marc Cloutier** (8/17), **Howard Franklin** (8/17), **Dillon Wykle** (8/20), **Mel Chrestman** (8/22), **Trevis Dalton** (8/24), **Ronald Davis** (8/28), **Robert Simpson** (8/28), **James Harding** (8/29), and **Dennis Delaney** (8/30).
- Happy Birthday to Chapter members: **Andrea Hensley** (8/01), **Helen Arnold** (8/09), **Dwi Marnun** (8/10), **Sarah Shannon** (8/10), **Clara Martinez-Campos** (8/12), **Anna Magee** (8/15), **Eileen Scott** (8/16), **Jo Glass** (8/18), **Donny Wood** (8/19), **Marlen Angulo** (8/20), **Victoria Arnold** (8/21), **Sally Harris** (8/21), **Rina Aguilera** (8/22), **Alison Matis** (8/23), **Nessa Ruoff** (8/25), **Lavinia Gennarino** (8/26), **Zulma Terceros** (8/28), **Wanda Martinson** (8/30), 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 ... Rosemary Haddock, John Rodas, Ray Broz, Andy Ogle, and David Harding; all long time members of our Arlington Fraternity who 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:
 - Sister Marilyn Berge (Mother of Chuck Berge)
 - Brother Bob Blankenship (Past State President of Virginia Moose Association)

7th Annual Bill Lewis Memorial Chili Cook-Off



Saturday, October 21st



Thank YOU Chefs for the 4th of July Cookout

A thank you is extended to Andre McFail and Joyce Chaffins for cooking the food at this social event. Your efforts and the delicious buffet offering was greatly appreciated. In addition, a thank you is extended to our members who came to the Lodge on this special holiday!





Chapter Award of Achievement
(6th Consecutive Year)

Future Planned Major Social Events
(November 2017)

- November 4th**
Youth Awareness Student Congress
- November 4th - NEW**
WOTM Italian Dinner
- November 5th**
Legion Breakfast
- November 5th - NEW**
Fellowship Meeting
- November 5th - 11th**
Members Retention Week
- November 11th - NEW**
Honor Our Veterans Celebration
- November 18th - NEW**
Green Cap Celebration
- November 23rd - NEW**
Thanksgiving Family Feast

Dates and Activities are subject to Change

Free WiFi at Lodge



Let's Talk (A Message from the Administrator)

It was officially announced at the Moose International Convention in Tampa, Florida that the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge earned the Premier Lodge Award and Arlington Chapter #1253 earned the Chapter Award of Achievement for the 2016-2017 Moose Year. Our members of the Arlington Fraternity should be applauded for their efforts in achieving these awards. Our members make our Fraternity the best in the community (at least the "friendliness")!

The Arlington Fraternity extends a "thank you" to our Moose Legion Committee for purchasing the new entry door system at the entrance to the Social Quarters and for purchasing the new vertical window blinds in the Fireplace Area. The Moose Legion Committee, at the leadership of Chairman Ralph Phillips, should be commended for providing activities for our membership, and at the same time raising funds that are used to support the Lodge.



Lodge Repairs/Replacements

The month of July presented some routine summer activities to be accomplished; as well as some minor repairs. First, the Arlington Fraternity would like to thank Andre McFail for volunteering to mow the lawn on a regular basis. Next, we want to thank Dean Massey and Billy Hensley for re-adjusting the solar collector panels of the flag pole lighting fixtures so that they operate correctly to illuminate the two flags. Third, we want to thank Billy Hensley for repairing the stall divider/door within the restroom directly off the Smoking Bar Area. Finally, the special thank you is extended to Ralph Phillips, Dean Massey, John Harris, and probably many other volunteers that were not identified to the Editor for "clearing out" the storage room adjacent to the Ritual Hall and for setting up the tables for the Bailey's Crossroads Rotary Club school supply packet activity. Hopefully, we can re-organize the storage room (now that it was empty) during the month of August so that there is access to all items when we need them.

2016-2017 Heart of Community

A total value of Community Services the last Moose Year by all the Moose Lodges was \$48,402,319.13 (\$19,268,108.27 donations & 27,847,581.99 hours serviced)



Active Military/First Responder Program Extended to December 31, 2017

What better way to get someone to join our Lodge than to have their application fee and their first year's dues waived! This is exactly what happens if the new member is an active military member or a first responder. **Details of the program in the Social Quarters**

National Relaxation Day Tuesday, August 15th

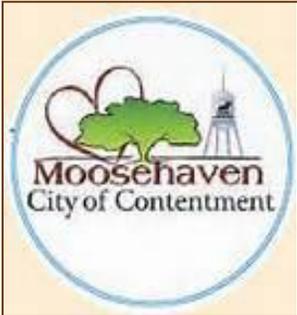


What makes this day any different from any other normal day of our members?

Electronic Pull-Tabs by Powerhouse Gaming



at the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge (5 Gaming Stations)



Youth Awareness Student Congress at Arlington Lodge #1315



Saturday, November 4th

WOTM Spaghetti Dinner Saturday, November 4th



New Members! **2017-2018 Arlington #1315 Lodge Membership Challenge**

Sponsor a new LOOM member between May 1, 2017 and April 30, 2018 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. **Joe Russo** was the winner of the July monthly raffle.

In addition, if you sponsor three (3) LOOM members within the 2017-2018 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 Premier Lodge Award in 2018

Current Arlington #1315 Membership Status
As of July 24, 2017:

2017-2018	Current	Difference	Expired	Dropped
<u>+1 Goal</u>	<u>Active Members</u>			
272	270	-2	39	37

New LOOM Members since May 1, 2017: 6 (As of July 24, 2017)

Thank You Gregg Cady, Tom Oderwald, Elizabeth Coombs, Roxanne Coles-Matis & John Matis for Representing our Fraternity at the 2017 Moose International Annual Convention

VMA Moosehaven Centennial Project Contribution

[Refer to graphics on Page 13] It is hard to believe that the Moose Lodges and Chapters in Virginia have contributed admirably to almost accomplish the \$500,000 VMA goal of a 3-year program within a little over 1-1/2 years (started January 1, 2016). Congratulations to the Moose members of Virginia for supporting our Senior Citizens at Moosehaven for a better future of "a day in Paradise". For the record, the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge has currently contributed \$4,255.00 (109.10% of our goal). The Editor apologizes for not knowing our Chapter's contribution for the program as of this date; but we know their generosity meets their required goal.



Green Cap Celebration for Roxanne Coles-Matis

November 18th



Enjoy the Summer

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



Supporting the Bailey's Crossroads Rotary Club – Pictures of the many volunteers that assembled the school supply packets at our Lodge.



Watch NASCAR at the Lodge

in August 2017

- SUN, AUG 6
I Love New York 355
at the Glen
Watkins Glen
International
Speedway
- SUN, AUG 13
Pure Michigan 400
Michigan International
Speedway
- SAT, AUG 19
Bass Pro Shops
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Watch the Mystics at the Lodge



Support Our Local Police Department



“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.



Chapter Award of Achievement
(6th Consecutive Year)

Support the WOTM



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

Members Retention Week
November 5th thru November 11th

Support Scouting



VMA Moosehaven Centennial Project Contribution Status
(As of July 19, 2017)

GOAL = \$500,000



The Arlington Moose Legion Committee Corner

Have you noticed? The Arlington Moose Legion Committee approved their funds to provide new window accessories for the Fireplace Area of the Lodge with vertical blinds for the two windows; which was installed by Next Day Blinds on July 31st. Another effort in the support of the Lodge to provide a pleasing environment for our members. Thank you Judith York and Ralph Phillips for your time and efforts to accomplish this improvement.

The Arlington Moose Legion Committee sponsored another successful Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Summer Celebration on July 22nd; which included a conferral of 5 new Legionnaires. Congratulation to **Joseph Lizzi** for becoming a Legionnaire; a member of our Moose Lodge. The Arlington Moose Legion Committee extends a thank you to Liz Coombs, Joyce Chaffins, Tom Oderwald, Andre McFail, and Anna Phillips for preparing and cooking the food offerings at the event; which was also offered to our members. We again impressed the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 of our culinary talents! Also, a thank you is extended to all our volunteers who provided their efforts in the setup and clean-up for the event. Furthermore, we want to express our appreciation to our very own George "Chuck" Warrington who was the Official Visitor (new Moose Legion Ambassador) for the event.

Who would have thought (*really a no brainer for income to the Lodge*)... the Arlington Moose Legion Committee agreed to sponsor the Bull Roast at our Lodge for the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 on September 23rd. There will be a drawdown raffle to raise funds for the Ritual Team at this event beginning 7:00pm.

Thank you Andre McFail for cooking the food offering at the July meeting!

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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