



Loyal Order of Moose Arlington #1315 Lodge NEWSLETTER

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Social Quarters: (703) 820-9345

MARCH 2018

We need Donations of Candy for the Children's Easter Party

Chapter #1253 is requesting that our members consider donating one or two bags of candies to be placed within the plastic Easter eggs that will be used in the "egg hunt" at the Children's Easter Party. Please provide candy that is individually wrapped (for hygienic and safety reasons). All candy donations need to be provided to any Officer of the Chapter by Monday, March 5th; so the plastic eggs can be filled before the event.



NEWS FLASH ... Wind Storm Caused Damage to the Arlington Lodge

The Editor was trying to finish this Newsletter for publication to our members (a little late but who's watching), when the wind storm on Friday, March 2, 2018 hit the Washington, DC area. First, the Lodge lost electrical power which resulted in the cancellation of business of the Lodge for a whole day (including the Queen of Hearts Game that night). Next, the strong winds, stated by the local News Channels to be over 60 MPH, totally destroyed the canopy at the entrance to the Social Quarters. Finally, to the surprise of many of our "construction experienced" members, one of the façade brick walls at the entrance into the Ritual Hall collapsed (no one knows when this structure was installed ... but it was many, many years ago). The Administrator is complaining that he has additional paperwork to provide to the insurance company. **Pictures on Page 13.**

**Remember to Pay your Dues before your Moose ID Card expires!
Your Membership continues support to Mooseheart & Moosehaven**

Upcoming Social Events
(details on Page 2 & Page 3)



New for our Members who want a Different Flavor!

The Arlington Lodge will now be offering at least one special draft beer for our members in the Social Quarters. This selection is in addition to our normal Miller Light, Bud Light, and Yeungling. We will be offering a "hoppier" flavor of the larger micro-breweries or a special occasional seasonal flavor such as "Harp" for St. Patrick's

Day. Currently, the cost will be the same as our normal draft beers. If you have a favorite beer, let us know ... no promises, but we will consider to provide. Even better ... at this time the prices are the same as our normal drafts!

- March 3rd**
Casserole Cook-Off
- March 4th**
Legion Breakfast
- March 10th**
WOTM Children's Easter Party
- March 17th**
St. Patrick's Party
- March 24th**
March Madness Tailgate Party



Endowment "Rocker Fundraiser" in February

The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank all our members who contributed to the Rocker Fundraiser; as well as, for being generous in contributing to the endowment fund during the past year.

Future Scheduled Social Events on Page 9 & Page 10

4 Social Events this Month ... Come Enjoy!

Daylight Savings Time Begins



March 11th

Ides of March



March 15th

St. Patrick's Day



March 17th

First Day of Spring



March 20th



**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**

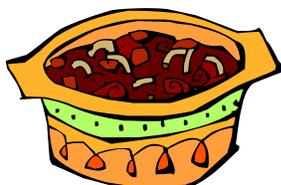
Menu announced
in weekly emails
or call the Lodge

**Passover
Begins**



March 30th

**MARCH
EVENT**



**Casserole Cook-Off
Saturday, March 3rd (2:00pm – 6:00pm)**

As George Washington once said (at least by Folklore). “I cannot tell a lie!” Last year, this event had a considerable amount of members attend; but only a few participants that provided a casserole. The Arlington Fraternity is hoping that the casserole entry participation increases twofold ... *the number is not important.* Show your culinary talents! You could be a winner in the cook-off. Prizes are awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Places with Moose Bucks.

Anything goes, as long as it is considered a casserole; which is defined as food baked in the oven within a large, deep dish cookware. It does not have to contain any meat or fish. It’s to be your creation of a tasteful dinner that will be enjoyed by the members of our Moose fraternity in attendance.

If you do not want to cook, but just want to relax and sample the scrumptious food, we welcome your attendance at this event. The Lodge will provide an initial casserole for the event and a side green salad. Once the judging is completed, the casseroles in the cook-off will be offered to everyone at the event. Will you agree with the judges? You won’t know unless you attend the event!



**Moose Legion Breakfast
Sunday, March 4th
(10:00am – 1:00pm)**

**MARCH
EVENT**

By popular request, the Moose Legion Committee will again be offering steak as a special option for this breakfast. The cost is \$8.00/adult for the normal breakfast offering and \$10.00/adult for the normal breakfast offering with a cut of steak. The cost for additional steak is negotiable. It’s an all-you-can-eat breakfast excluding the steak with made-to-order eggs (i.e.: any type including omelets), pancakes (regular, blueberry, and chocolate chip) & French toasts with a buffet-style feast of sausage, bacon, home fried potatoes, fruit salad, coffee, orange juice, and a minimum of one “surprise” food item.

**MARCH
EVENT**



**WOTM Children’s Easter Party
Saturday, March 10th
Advanced sign-up required!
(12:30pm - 2:30pm)**

It has been heard that “everyone needs a friend who is all ears”. With that in mind, the Arlington Fraternity is trying to get the Easter Bunny to help us celebrate at the Easter Party for the children; but there are no guarantees as of this published newsletter! The party will include a hunt for eggs full of candy prizes (hopefully outside with good weather), and a few activities. There will also be a lunch offering for the children.

Please bring your children to the Lodge for an enjoyable family outing ... as there will be a lot of fun for the children and probably several Kodak moments to be photographed. Please call or sign up at the Lodge by Sunday, March 3rd so we can be prepared for the number of children that will attend.

**Arlington #1315
Board of Officers
2017-2018**

Governor

Gregg Cady

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Meulebroecke

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Ralph Phillips

WOTM Children’s Easter Party (continued)

As an aside for the parents and our members, there are two other expressions that we also heard with regard to the Easter Bunny. First expression is “there’s no such thing as too much candy” and the parents should know that the Arlington Fraternity will overwhelm the children with candy at the party. Sorry, but it is planned that the sugar rushes will occur once the children leave the Lodge. The second expression, for our adult members, is “a cute tail attracts a lot of attention”. No further comment is warranted.

**MARCH
EVENT**



**St. Patrick Day Celebration
Saturday, March 17th (2:00pm – 6:00pm)**

Everyone is Irish-at-heart when there is a reason to celebrate and the Arlington Fraternity always wants to party. The Lodge will be hosting the Feast of St. Patrick with a promise of good food and merriment. The menu has not been finalized for this event, but as a minimum the food offered will be corned beef (with the expected spicy horseradish), boiled cabbage, and boiled potatoes (as if there was any other expectations for this event). Come to

the Lodge for a great party ...and who knows; maybe have some “luck of the leprechauns” in our standard gaming offerings (paper & electronic)! It is requested that everyone wear something green for the celebration; we need some great pictures for next month’s Newsletter. **WARNING:** no shenanigans or “green” beer will be tolerated.

It is also noted that all of our televisions during the celebration will be showing the NCAA Basketball Tournament games.

What do you get when you cross poison ivy with a four-leaf clover? ... a rash of good luck!

**MARCH
EVENT**



NCAA March Madness Potluck Tailgate Party on Saturday, March 24th (2:00pm – 6:00pm)

Enjoy the final West and South Regional games in the NCAA Basketball tournament with a tailgate party atmosphere at the Arlington Lodge. The food offering will be our standard cookout menu, which also duplicates as a tailgate bill of fare. Come to the Lodge to root for your favorite college teams to make the Final Four while enjoying our delicious food.



**Arlington WOTM
Chapter #1253
Board of Officers
2017-2018**

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Patti Rodas

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Rose Russo

**LOOM Board of
Officers Election**



April 3, 2018

**WOTM & LOOM
Installation
Ceremonies**



April 28, 2018

**VMA District 4
Quarterly Meeting
At Dale City Moose
Family Center #2165**



April 7, 2018



Chapter Award of Achievement
(6th Consecutive Year)

Next Moose Legion Committee Meeting on Thursday, March 15th @6:30pm
WOTM members & LOOM members are welcome to attend



BAR BINGO
Wednesday Nights beginning 7:00pm
March 7th, March 14th,
March 21st & March 28th



Only Moose Members can play Bar Bingo

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Newsletter Contributions

Editor

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Patti Rodas
Gregg Cady
John Matis

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Liz Coombs

Volunteers are needed for future articles for the Newsletters



Thank you Members for coming to the Lodge to Watch the Winter Olympics

The USA team was not the best in the total number of medals won, but they gave it their best ... just like our members continue in the support of our Fraternity!



Karaoke Again! – Friday, April 6, 2018
Compliments of Powerhouse Gaming

Our gaming partner has agreed to provide a special Friday evening for the enjoyment of our members and guests. The singing fun will begin after the Queen of Hearts Game (around 7:45pm). And there probably will be some other surprises offered by Powerhouse Gaming during this event.

Thank You Powerhouse Gaming!



Valued Veterans Celebration



Saturday, April 14th 5:00-7:00pm



Please Support the WOTM Pot of Gold Basket!

The WOTM is offering a fund raiser basket to obtain funds in support of their requirement to Moose Charities. There are many green and Irish items in the basket to make a leprechaun jealous that it is not his. The **Pot of Gold** basket will be awarded during the scheduled St. Patrick's Party on March 17th. Sales of tickets to win the basket will be offered until the drawing. **Please contribute!**

Thank you to all Our Volunteers who Make Our Bar Bingo Successful Events!

The Lodge appreciates everyone that has contributed to prepare, cook, operate, sell bingo cards, and cleanup at these events.



Iditarod Race Begins



March 3rd

Pun of the Month

What do you get when you cross a pillowcase with a rock?

... a sham_rock!



Moose of the Month





“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.



Brian Birtell
LOOM Volunteer
of the Quarter
(October –
December 2017)



Betty McLaurin
WOTM Volunteer
of the Quarter
(October –
December 2017)

Sock Hop
April 14th
2:00pm to
5:00pm



Sponsored by
Moose Legion
Committee



Governor’s Corner

Here it is that I am nearing the end of my terms as Governor of the Arlington Moose. Had to believe the time has flown by.

We are now in annual election time, and any interested members can submit their name for any position open. The list of open positions can be found on the bulletin board as you enter the lodge. If you have questions on the details of what Board of Officers positions do, please ask me or any other Board member.

Yet again we have had another successful month of activities: annual WOTM Valentine Dinner; Chinese New Year Celebration; the Monthly Moose Legion Breakfast; Bar Bingo; and much more. These events and their success are due to our amazing volunteers. Without their dedication, skill, and willingness to continually step up and perform these events would not happen. A very special thanks to all who volunteer their time for the success of our Lodge.

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

**How is a best friend like a 4-leaf clover?
... because they are hard to find and lucky to have.**



The Hot Rod Rockers
are coming back to the
Lodge on April 14th at the
Sock Hop

(Appropriate dress is the
1950’s look)

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

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

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

(January - March 2018)



Deadline is March 31, 2018

**Electronic Pull-Tabs by
Powerhouse Gaming**



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



Everyone has a Special Talent!



Please Volunteer to Assist the Fraternity in Accomplishing our Goals

Thank You Veterans!



For Everything You Do for Our Country

Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Spring Super Celebration



April 21st - 22nd



Super Bowl Party – February 5th

It was a fairy tale that came true! The team that has never won the NFL Championship (i.e.: Super Bowl) overcame the team of this past decade's dominate NFL team WITH a backup quarterback! Congratulations to the Philadelphia Eagles. Unfortunately, our members will probably have to always be reminded that the Philadelphia Eagles are better than the Washington Redskins and the Dallas Cowboys in the next NFL season. Luckily, there are only a few Eagle fans at our Lodge.

For the record, the Lodge was packed (at least for the first half of the game)! Maybe it was the surprised beverage discount we offered during the game and the food that was offered; however, the Fraternity is hoping that the reason for attendance was our comradery and our friendliness (*please do not laugh, we are serious*). Not to mention that the game was exciting with a great halftime show by Justin Timberlake (who listens to the newspapers). **The Arlington Fraternity thanks all our members who provided a pot luck dish for the social event.**



Steak Dinner for Valentine Day – February 10th

Arlington Chapter #1253 did it again this year! The Chapter again offered a delicious (and filling) “made-to-order” dinner plate offering just like the high-class local restaurants. And all the food was served on ceramic plates/bowls with metal utensils; something that occurs a few times during the year at the Lodge.

The event had WOTM & LOOM volunteers to take the desired food orders from the patrons sitting at the tables, in the kitchen to prepare and cook the food, and to serve the ordered plates to the tables. To begin the dinner for the patrons, a salad with multiple options of dressing and a roll were served. Then the main course of the dinner was served consisting of a thick “hunk” of steak at the desired cooked temperature with selected toppings of fried mushrooms and/or sautéed onions, a baked potato with side offerings of sour cream or butter, and “gently steamed” asparagus with a topping option of Hollandaise sauce. Once everyone consumed their dinner, several dessert options were offered. Also, Tom Oderwald gave red carnations to all the women that attended.

The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank all the LOOM & WOTM volunteers that made this fine dining an enjoyable experience. Special mention goes to the dinner chefs of Elizabeth Coombs (also the event organizer), Tom Oderwald, and Brian Van de Meulebroecke. It is noted that the Ritual Hall was rented for a “Carnaval” (Madri Gras event) on the same night of this event. The Lodge had to have volunteers stand in the parking lot to ensure that spaces were available for our members that attended. Forgot to mention that it was raining that night and drenched these volunteers.

NCAA Basketball Tournament Selection Sunday March 11th

Watch at the Lodge Beginning 6pm



Community Service Bailey's Crossroads Rotary Club "Great Assembly" of School Supplies

Saturday, July 28th



Chapter Award of Achievement
(6th Consecutive Year)



in March 2018

SUN, MAR 4th
Pennzoil 400
Presented by Jiffy Lube
@Las Vegas Motor Speedway
SUN, MAR 11th
TicketGuardian 500
@ISM Raceway
SUN, MAR 18th
Auto Club 400
@Auto Club Speedway
SUN, MAR 25th
STP 500
@Martinsville Speedway



Let's Talk (A Message from the Administrator)

The Arlington Fraternity wants our members to know that we try to schedule social events at least two months in advance so that our members can plan ahead to attend. The social events are provided for the enjoyment of our members ... **so please come!** I also have to be honest that the more members that come to the social events mean more sales to the Lodge, which keeps the doors open for future social events for our members to enjoy. Is this a "Catch-22"? You betch yah! The real message I am trying to convey is our members need to come to the Lodge during the weekdays and weekends when nothing "special" is happening; as well as, during the planned social events. Stated many times in the past, the bottom line is that the Lodge is a business with many expenses that has to have income to stay afloat. Sorry for the long pep talk, but it is my job as the Administrator to pay the bills.

In keeping with the message above, I want to thank the many members who have participated/attended the Wednesday Bar Bingo events and the Friday Queen of Hearts Games. The word "many" is the key to our success. Furthermore, I want to thank all the volunteers who have operated the events/games on a weekly basis and who have cooked the various food offerings at these occasions. These volunteers have made the experiences pleasurable for our members to keep on coming back for these events.



Plan to Attend the VA Moose Association District 4 Quarterly Meeting on April 7, 2018

Let's continue our quest for again earning the honor to hold the Attendance Trophy for another three months by having our members attend the next VMA District 4 Quarterly Meeting at the Dale City Moose Family Center #2165. We will probably need at least 20 members and guests from the Arlington Fraternity to attend in order to have a chance for the highest attendance. [Pep Talk = GO ARLINGTON!]

Please plan to attend to show your Arlington "spirit"!

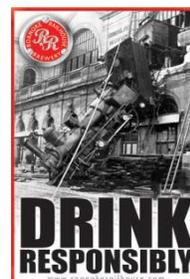
**Why don't you iron 4-Leaf clovers?
... because you don't want to press your luck.**



Youth Awareness Program

The Arlington Fraternity needs volunteers to implement our scheduled Youth Awareness Student Congress in November 2018 and to prepare necessary letters to various organization for student participation. Want to help make future citizens of our community ... *and volunteer?* Please contact John Matis, the Lodge Administrator.

Support Our Local First Responders



Please Drink Responsibly when visiting the Social Quarters & attending the Social Events



Go for the
Roses



Saturday,
May 5th

Ribs Feast



Saturday,
May 12th

Palm
Sunday

March 25th



April 1st

The Mystery of the Paint Containers in Our Recycling Bin

One day at the end of February it was discovered that someone had dumped used paint cans in our recycling bin. The members at the Lodge that day were able to pinpoint an approximate time period that this event had occurred. First, the Lodge wants to thank Brian Birtell for taking the abandoned used paint cans from the recycling bin and placing these items next to our regular trash bin (we did not ask, nor wanted to know, if he had to climb into the recycling bin to accomplish this feat). Again, we want to thank Brian Birtell for taking the time to watch our exterior camera recordings to identify that a burgundy SUV came into the parking lot during the estimated time period, drove around the building to the recycling bin, and then left about five minutes later without entering the Lodge. Unfortunately, the license plate could not be identified on our camera recordings. Then the "Big Gun" took over in the investigation. Super Sleuth Billy Hensley identified the serial numbers of the paint cans to local paint suppliers and threatened to report the incident as an environment violation that could lead to many fines (we all know that he is a painter by trade, so he knows the laws). Lo and behold, the abandoned paint cans disappeared from the Lodge's property a few days later. Thank you Billy Hensley.



Senior Regent's Message



Hello everyone

Ladies, we are almost done with a good year of hard work and I feel positive that we will reach our goals and make our year. As we continue forward, we have two more baskets that we will raffle to complete our fundraisers: the St. Patrick's basket which is currently up and running with the drawing taking place on Saturday on March 17th, at the St. Patrick's party; and right after that we will sponsor an Easter Basket to be drawn Friday the 30th. Please check in with our Board of Director members if you have any ideas for this last one fundraiser or any donations.

Our children's Easter Party is on March 10th from 12:30 to 2:30 with lunch and some fun activities, including an Easter egg hunt. Please donate candy to fill our Easter eggs.

Lastly, our next nominating committee meeting for our 2018-2019 Elections will take place at 6:45PM on Tuesday (membership meeting to follow), so past senior regents and senior regent appointed members please join the Board to approve our last nominees. Last call for those of you who want to be a board member for next year. Please put in your name with a letter of intent to run for a specific office.

Thanks again to our men and women who have supported us.

Regards, Senior Regent Patti Rodas

Watch the 2018
NCAA Basketball
Tournament
Games at the
Lodge



Support the WOTM

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





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.

Future Planned Major Social Events

(April - June 2018)

- April 7th**
VMA District 4
Quarterly Meeting
- April 8th**
Legion Breakfast
- April 14th - NEW**
Sock Hop
- April 14th - NEW**
Valued Veterans
Ceremony
- April 21st – 22nd**
Bull Run Moose
Legion #185 Spring
Super Celebration
- April 28th**
LOOM & WOTM
Officers Installation
- May 5th - NEW**
Go for the Roses
- May 6th - NEW**
Legion Breakfast
- May 12th**
Ribs Feast
- May 19th - NEW**
Lodge Spring
Cleanup
- May 28th - NEW**
Memorial Day
Cookout
- June 3rd - NEW**
Legion Breakfast
- June 16th**
Pig Roast
- June 23rd - NEW**
Welcome to Summer
Cookout

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Dates and Activities are subject to change

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Happy Birthday to Lodge members: **Leonard Ostasiewski** (03/01), **Gregory Cady** (03/02), **William Tinsley** (03/02), **Robert Woodke** (03/02), **Nathan Wilson** (03/04), **Robert Hartzell** (03/05), **Clare Toward** (03/06), **Carl Arbes** (03/10), **David Leifer** ((03/15), **Billy Ingram** (03/19), **Carl Weaver** (03/26), **Clifton Balance** (03/30), and **Sean Hearn** (03/30).
- Happy Birthday to Chapter members: **Beverly Wellington** (03/06), **Patricia Smith** (03/11), **Betty McLaurin** (03/12), **Myra Clemens** (03/14), **Elizabeth Coombs** (03/14), **Sharleen Schmidt** (03/17), **Patricia Williams** (03/17), **Meredith Voss** (03/21), and **Laura Mangum** (03/31).

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, Clare Toward, Ray Broz, Phil Weber, Andy Ogle, and David Harding; all long time members of our Arlington Fraternity who are trying to get back to good health.

Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members

- ▶ Jose Luis Sivirian ▶ Craig Bond ▶ Randy Davis ▶ Matthew O'Connell
- ▶ Michael Nercesian ▶ Jose Cortez ▶ Gerald Bertalot ▶ William Pettigrew
- ▶ Gimena Calustro ▶ Lauren Guy ▶ Amy Kirkpatrick ▶ Susan Mahoney
- ▶ Idalia Salmeron ▶ Jennifer St. John ▶ Adamae Walker ▶ Laura Williams



This Winter had Little Snow (so far)!

As of the end of February, only 5 inches of snow has been recorded for the Northern Virginia area during 7 occasions. This snowfall amount is 52% lower than the historical average this far into the winter. The second consecutive year that saved us from all those muscle aches and exhaustion. Unfortunately, we had many very, very cold days to contend with.

**Why did the Easter egg hide?
... because he was a little chicken!**





Chapter Award of Achievement
(6th Consecutive Year)

Future Planned Major Social Events
(July - September 2018)

- July 1st - **NEW**
Legion Breakfast
- July 4th - **NEW**
4th of July Cookout
- July 11th - 14th
Moose International Annual Convention
- July 21st - **NEW**
VMA District 4 Quarterly Meeting
- July 28th
Bull Roast
- July 28th - **NEW**
Bailey's Crossroads Rotary Club School Supply Assembly
- September 3rd - **NEW**
Labor Day Cookout

Dates and Activities are subject to change

Arlington #1315 Annual LOOM Membership Dues is \$45.00

Moose Legion Dues is \$15.00



Lodge Repairs/Replacements

The Lodge wants to thanks to Virginia Eagle Distributing (one of our beer purchasing companies) for getting our 2nd draft dispenser operational. The Administrator is a shamed that it took us over 1 year to make this happen since we purchased the unit. But now we will offer some "special" draft beers. **Ask what is on tap!**

If you have not noticed, the existing American flag displayed on the flag pole at the front of the Lodge was ripped at the bottom due to getting tangled in the line of the flag pole (there was considerable wind this winter). Our member Jose "Louie" Cortez donated an American Flag as a replacement. The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank Jose "Louie" Cortez, Gerry Bertalot and Brian Birtell who initiated the rescue to replace the American flag on Saturday February 24th.

The Lodge wants to thank Steve Walker for taking the time from his retirement to replace the electrical outlet in the Smoking Bar area of the Social Quarters that was providing power to the game playing deposit kiosk of Powerhouse Gaming. Nothing to cause concern, but touching an extension cord for one of our televisions plugged in the same electrical outlet resulted in the Powerhouse Gaming kiosk to lose power. Loose? It was a precaution to make our Lodge safe.

As the norm, the Lodge had another appliance go dysfunctional when least expected. The commercial microwave in the kitchen finally "zapped itself". Word has been said that this microwave was given to the Lodge and lasted over ten years. Not a bad life; may it rest in peace in the dumpster. The good news is that the Lodge immediately purchased a new commercial microwave ... using today's technology with the internet is so convenient. The purchasing of our bar food offerings by our members was saved. For the record, a funny situation should be revealed. When the commercial microwave was plugged in by the Administrator and he opened the door, the unit began to make a noise like it was heating something. Thinking that he just had his hand "zapped"; he immediately pulled the electrical plug ... maybe the unit was defective. It was finally determined that the microwave worked properly; with a fan being turned on immediately when the door is opened, the food is heated (a different noise) for the set timer selection with a "ding" at the end of the timed period, and then the fan continues for a longer period after the heating is completed. The operating instructions never stated this operation process ... *what, a man reading instructions?*

The Lodge wants to thank Billy Hensley for re-securing many of the swing doors of the cabinets behind the bar in the Smoking Area. However, one door could not be fixed during this time and the door finally fell off the hinges. The Lodge wants to thank Tom Oderwald for providing the "fix" to place this door back on its hinges and work again (Tommy tried to explain what he did; but it just flew "over the head" of the Administrator).

Continue to save BOX TOP\$ FOR EDUCATION coupons



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

Moose Membership provides benefits that save you money!



Details provided in a brochure offered within the Social Quarters.

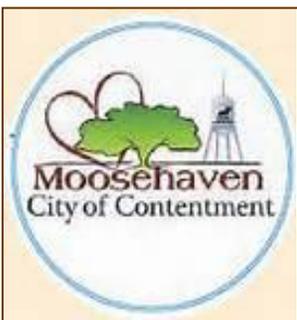


Lodge Spring Clean-Up

Saturday, May 19th

Memorial Day Cook-Out

Monday, May 29th



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. **Thomas Oderwald** was the winner of the February 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 February 28, 2018:

2017-2018 <u>+1 Goal</u> 272	Current <u>Active Members</u> 276	<u>Difference</u> +4		<u>Expired</u> 33	<u>Dropped</u> 37
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New LOOM Members since May 1, 2017: 22 (As of February 28, 2018)

The Active Military/First Responders Promotion Continues through April 30th! ("First Year Dues Free")

This is a PERFECT opportunity to sign a new member for the Arlington Fraternity. These individuals bring three things to the Moose that are desperately needed: a shared commitment to serving others; a youthful, energetic viewpoint that can reinvigorate our fraternal units; and the potential to step into leadership positions within our organizations. The Moose cannot have enough members who recognize the benefits of giving to others and supporting causes purely because it's the right thing to do.

Best worn "Bonnet" at the Children's Easter Party will receive a complementary drink from the Governor

Support Our Fraternity ... Attend the Social Events

YOUR MEMBERSHIP JUST BECAME MORE VALUABLE!

MOOSE REWARDS

Brochure of Program in the Social Quarters

Don't Procrastinate!

Your Income Tax Return is due April 17th



Watch the Washington Capitals and the Washington Wizards at the Lodge



Check the schedules of these teams for dates & times

Pig Roast

Saturday, June 16th



Elections Tuesday, April 3rd

The LOOM is Soliciting Leadership Volunteers for the 2018-2019 Board of Officers

Are you interested in being on the 2018-2019 LOOM Board of Officers? The following positions are open for election: Governor, Junior Governor, Prelate, Treasurer, and 3rd Year Trustee. If any member has a desire to run for a position on the Board of Officers for the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge, a Candidate Consideration form must be submitted to the Nomination Committee by March 16, 2018. Candidate Consideration forms are posted on the bulletin board in the entrance of the Social Quarters.

Note: The LOOM Election Schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the entrance of the Social Quarters.



Chinese New Year Celebration – February 17th The Year of the (Earth) Dog

The Arlington Fraternity “let the dogs out” at this event (woof, woof, woof, woof, woof). A little humor about the Year of the Dog. But seriously, the fraternity went all out to provide a food offering that could have been served to the Emperor of China ... and we kept the dog population unharmed. The attendance did not come close to that of last year, but the Lodge was packed and everyone enjoyed the event.

The Chinese buffet feast consisted of egg drop soup (a surprise offering this year), egg rolls with hot mustard and duck sauce, fried rice, white rice, General Tso’s spicy chicken, beef with broccoli, and chicken with mixed vegetables. And this year, fortune cookies were offered (another surprise) with orange wedges to finish the eating experience. No participants left this event hungry ... at least not until two hours later at home. The Arlington Fraternity would like to thank “Chinese Master Chef” Tom Oderwald, and “Chinese Chefs de cuisine” Elizabeth Coombs, Andre McFail, and Donna Field for their efforts in the time-consuming preparation, the “wok-ing” of the various Chinese dishes offered, and the cleanup after the event. We also want to thank all the other volunteers that assisted in making this event successful.

[说伟大的食物 – “great food” in Chinese]



Give Generously!

Support Special Olympics



Moose International Annual Membership Campaign

Think NEW Members



Lime Green Genuine “Koozies” are for Sale at the Lodge

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



Chapter Award of Achievement
(6th Consecutive Year)

Support Girl Scouts & Boy Scouts



Arlington Chapter #1253 Annual Membership Fee is \$30.00

A Family Cookout on 4th of July



Wednesday, July 4th

Free WiFi at Lodge



Wind Storm Damage

The canopy surviving the storm was a concern; however, no one expected the façade brick wall to collapse; especially since it has holes to let the wind travel through (refer to the pictures).

The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank Billy Hensley for securing the partially detached canopy during the wind storm. It had kept flapping every-which-way during the wind storm that could have caused further damage to the front of the building (e.g.: windows). We also want to thank Dean Massey and Dave Kish for cutting down the canopy to make it safe for our members to enter/exit the Social Quarters.

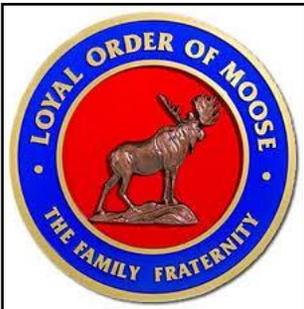
Once our insurance company verifies the damage, the Lodge will need volunteers to remove the brick debris in the Ritual Hall entrance for the safety of upcoming rental parties. Watch for announcements in the weekly communications.



Think Natitude!
Washington Nationals Pre-season Games in March



Home Field: The Ballpark of the Palm Beaches (shared with the Houston Astros)



**Are You a
Veteran?**



**Please register
yourself with
Moose
International**

**National Pi Day
March 14th**



Celebrating the ratio
of the Circumference
of a circle ...
*not the sweet treat
that you eat!*

March 21st



First ever "tweet"
made on Tweeter in
2006
(whatever that means
to the Millennials)



The Arlington Moose Legion Committee Corner

The Moose Legion Committee apologizes for not providing a food offering at the February meeting due to an illness of the individual who was to purchase some of the food items. Luckily, there were not many members and guests who came to the meeting. Which brings to the comment that our Legionnaires have become complacent in the past several months in attending our meetings. Our membership is currently 51 Legionnaires; but the attendance has only been an average of 7 Legionnaires. The Moose Legion Committee needs our Legionnaires to attend the meetings to determine how we can support the Arlington Fraternity. We are open to any suggestions to get more Legionnaires to attend our meetings!

As of February 28th, Bull Run Moose Legion #185 still has two positions for the 2018-2019 Board of Directors that are open for volunteers to consider for election. Interested? The remaining open positions are Fraternal Director and Financial Director. It should be noted that John Matis has volunteered for the upcoming elected position in the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 as Vice President and Ralph Phillips has volunteered to be elected for the Chaplin position.



**Coming Soon on Saturday, August 18th
Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Casino Night
at Vienna Moose Legion #1896**

**Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Membership Campaign
November 1, 2017 thru April 30, 2018**



**Join the Moose Legion for \$25.00
(\$15.00 dues + \$10.00 application fee)
during this Campaign period ...**



**and once you are conferred at a Celebration, the Bull
Run Moose Legion #185 will pay your 2nd Year dues!**

**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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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
*Refer to Newsletter articles for appropriate times				MAR 1	MAR 2	MAR 3
					 	Casserole Cook-Off
MAR 4  	MAR 5	MAR 6  	MAR 7 	MAR 8	MAR 9  	MAR 10 Children's Easter Party
MAR 11  Daylight Savings	MAR 12	MAR 13	MAR 14 	MAR 15 	MAR 16  	MAR 17 St. Patrick's Party
MAR 18 	MAR 19	MAR 20  	MAR 21 	MAR 22	MAR 23  	MAR 24 March Madness Tailgate Party
MAR 25  Palm Sunday	MAR 26	MAR 27	MAR 28 	MAR 29	MAR 30  	MAR 31
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>   </div> <div>  </div> <div>  </div> <div>  </div> </div> <p> LOOM & WOTM Meetings Friday Night Dinner Queen of Hearts Moose Legion Meeting Legion Breakfast Bar Bingo </p>						