



# Loyal Order of Moose Arlington #1315 Lodge NEWSLETTER

5710 Scoville Street, Falls Church, VA 22041

Social Quarters: (703) 820-9345

MAY 2016



## Congratulations to Fellow Andrew Pewtherer

Mr. Pewtherer became a Life Member after 50 years of being in the Moose Organization

## Congratulations to the elected LOOM & WOTM 2016-2017 Board of Officers!

Provide guidance to further our prosperity, membership, and enjoyment as a fraternity in support of our families and the communities

Support the VMA District 4  
**Family Cyber Security Day**  
on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>



*Details on Page 3*



**Legion Breakfast**  
Sunday, May 1, 2016

10:00am to 1:00pm

Reasonable Price of \$8/adult



## Congratulations to Nora Rodas & Joyce Chaffins

Nora Rodas and Joyce Chaffins each received the Academy of Friendship degree in the Women of the Moose. A special Academy of Friendship Conferral Ceremony was conducted by Harriot Moore, Past Grand Council Member, at our Fraternity Lodge on Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.



Thank you Nora and Joyce for all the hard work you provided to our fraternity while earning this advancement in the Women of the Moose.

## Upcoming Social Events

*(details on Page 2 &  
Page 3)*

**May 1<sup>st</sup>**

Legion Breakfast

**May 8<sup>th</sup>**

Mother's Day  
Breakfast  
(LOOM chefs)

**May 14<sup>th</sup>**

Ribs Feast

**May 14<sup>th</sup>**

VMA District 4  
Family Cyber  
Security Day

**May 21<sup>st</sup>**

Kitchen Cleaning

**May 30<sup>th</sup>**

Memorial Day  
Cookout

## May Day

Celebrate May Day



**May 1, 2016**

## Cinco de Mayo



**May 5, 2016**

## Mother's Day



**May 8, 2016**

## Armed Forces Day



**May 21, 2016**

## Victoria Day



**May 23, 2016**

## Memorial Day



**May 30, 2016**

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

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

**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

**Free WiFi  
at Lodge**



**National  
Teachers  
Day**



**May 3, 2016**

## MAY EVENT



pancakes, fried potatoes, biscuits with sausage gravy, and some fruit selections. There may also be other special "touches" provided for this event.

## Mother's Day Breakfast – Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (Noon)

In continuing a Lodge tradition that was resurrected two years ago, the fathers and sons in our Lodge membership will prepare a "home-made" breakfast for their beloved mothers, wives, family members, and guests (including fathers, aunts, uncles, and possibly in-laws) for this special day to honor mothers. The menu may vary; but will definitely include scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage,

## MAY EVENT



## Ribs Feast – Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm

The Lodge is changing things around this year by offering to cook and provide the pork ribs for this event; in lieu of having a rib cook-off (due to limited participation the past two years). The ribs will be cooked by the "in-house" grill chefs, which are guaranteed to be "falling-off-the-bone" *mucho* delicious. There will also be plenty of side dishes, including a few food surprises, to satisfy everyone's appetite. **Please plan to attend this event ...** we want to beat last year's attendance of 44 members, family members and guests.

## MAY EVENT

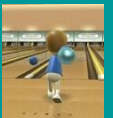
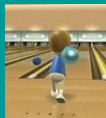


## Memorial Day Cookout – Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> Surprise ... 2:00pm – 6:00pm

Finally, we can celebrate a day off since President's Day in February; unless you work for the Government or a local school system (not counting "snow days"). And lest not forget the 99% possibility that the ambient outside temperature will be guaranteed to be higher than 32-degrees (with the strange weather of April, we could have snow flurries). The Arlington Fraternity is "pulling back all restraints" to welcome our recognized start of summer.

The standard cookout food will be provided, consisting of hot dogs and hamburgers, cold salads, baked beans, etc. with probably a few "surprises" from our chefs.

**Wii Bowling Tournament is being planned during  
the Memorial Day Cookout**



## "The Queen of Hearts" Game Every Friday Night

Enjoy our Friday Night Dinner while participating in the game for a chance to win a possible big cash prize. Tickets can be purchased whenever the Social Quarters is open, with the weekly drawing at 7:30 p.m. each Friday night. We have generous weekly consolation prizes; if the Queen of Hearts is not selected on that particular weekly drawing Rules for "The Queen of Hearts" game are posted within the Social Quarters of the Moose Lodge.

**GOOD LUCK!**

**Arlington #1315  
Board of Officers  
2016-2017**

**Governor**

Gregg Cady

**Jr. Governor**

Brian Van de  
Meulebroecke

**Prelate**

Brian Birtell

**Jr. Past Governor**

John Matis

**Administrator**

Billy Hensley

**Treasurer**

Luis Cruz

**Trustees**

Andre McFail

Randy Nolan

Joseph Russo

**Sergeant-of-Arms**

Tim Nields

**Outer Guard**

Ernie Halil

**Inner Guard**

Eric Parkhurst

**Next Moose Legion Committee Meeting on Thursday,  
May 12<sup>th</sup> @6:30pm  
WOTM members & LOOM members are Welcome to attend**

**MAY LEGION  
EVENT**



**Kitchen Cleaning – Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>  
8:30am – Until**

A thorough cleaning of the kitchen, including walls & floor, will be performed by the Legionnaires of the Arlington #1315 Moose Legion Committee. All members are welcome to provide “a hand” in this endeavor!

The Lodge allows the Arlington #1315 Moose Legion Committee to use the kitchen for the monthly Legion Breakfasts; therefore, the Legionnaires want to support in the upkeep of the kitchen for cleanliness.

**MAY DISTRICT 4  
EVENT**



**Family Cyber Security Day  
Saturday - May 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Sponsored by VMA District 4**

Build up your appetite before the Ribs Feast event by first attending the Family Cyber Security Day “experience” at the Manassas Moose Family Center #1380 between 10:00am & 4:00pm. The aim of the event is to educate families in our community on cyber awareness and cyber bullying. In today’s fast paced on-line world, it is so easy to become a victim; no matter how old you may be. Informational cyber presentations will be given to 7-10 year old children, 11-14 year old children, parents, and seniors. There will also be food for sale throughout the day. The schedule for this event will be posted on the bulletin board in the entrance of the Social Quarters.

**Bayou “Cajun” Friday Night Dinner - April 29<sup>th</sup>**



This event was held after the publication of this Newsletter; therefore, details will be provided in the June 2016 Newsletter.



**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

**Recorder**

Elizabeth Coombs

**Guide**

Gwendolyn Collins

**Assistant Guide**

Vacant

**Enjoy the Summer ... but Keep the Lodge in Mind**



As the rental of the Lodge Recital Hall is a major source of income (especially during the summer season), the Lodge has to limit the quantity of social events for the membership beginning in June to avoid any interference with the parties using the rented hall. BUT ... the Social Quarters will always be available for the enjoyment and camaraderie of our membership.



**Watch the Triple Crown Horse Racing Events  
In May at the Lodge**

**May 7<sup>th</sup> - Kentucky Derby**

**May 21<sup>st</sup> - Preakness Stakes**





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

## Pig Roast

**Saturday,  
June 11, 2016**

**2pm – 6pm**



**Entertainment  
to be provided  
by the  
Koolerators**

## Legion Breakfast



**Sunday,  
June 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Sponsored by the  
Legion Committee**



**Congratulations to Bernie Cerroni**  
LOOM Volunteer of the Quarter  
(January - March 2016)



**Congratulations to Liz Coombs**  
WOTM Volunteer of the Quarter  
(January - March 2016)



**Youth Organization of the Quarter (January – March 2016)**  
*(to be announced in the June Newsletter)*



## The Arlington Fraternity Welcomed Supreme Governor Terry Walls on April 14<sup>th</sup>

The Supreme Governor of Moose International made a visit to the Commonwealth of Virginia from Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. The Supreme Governor attended a ceremony in honor of his friend at Arlington Cemetery upon arriving in our state. Being escorted by VMA District 4 Past President Bob Agnew (currently Administrator at Dale City Moose Family Center #2165), the Supreme Governor made a stop-over at the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge before proceeding to the Woodbridge Moose Family Center #583 for dinner and participation in a membership activity. The visit only lasted about 1½ hours and occurred at the time the Moose Lodge had just opened at 3:00pm; but there were about 15 members in attendance to welcome Brother Terry Walls. The visit consisted of a tour of our facility, and many greetings and discussions with our members. Brother Terry Walls impressed our fraternity as being “genuine” in the beliefs of our Moose Fraternity and shared experiences in the operations of his “home” Moose Lodge in Oklahoma. It is noted that our Governor took great pleasure in bragging about the 3 permanent attendance trophies that our Moose Lodge won at the VMA District 4 quarterly meetings.

The remainder of the trip of the Supreme Governor was visits to 3 Moose Lodges within the northern Virginia area (Dale City Moose Family Center #2165, Centreville Moose Lodge #1380, & Manassas Moose Family Center #1380) on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 4 Moose Lodges within the northwestern Virginia area on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, and 2 Moose Lodges within the Richmond area.

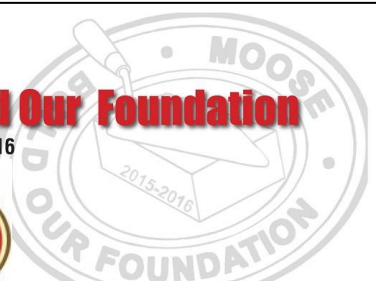
A thank you is extended to those members who provided food snacks for the visit: Joyce Chaffins and Phyllis Hamilton for the chicken salad and crackers, Judith York for the grapes, Cindy Nitzky for the lemon cake, and John Matis for the sausage/cheese platter and the vegetable platter.

## Important Reminder

**It is the responsibility of our members to make sure that their names are placed on every liquor bottle placed at the Bar within the Social Quarters. Our Fraternity must comply with this ABC rule!**

## MOOSE - Build Our Foundation

May 1, 2015 - April 30, 2016





## Watch Washington Nationals at the Lodge

In May 2016

**Kansas City Royals**  
MAY 2 – MAY 4 (A)  
**Chicago Cubs**  
MAY 5 – May 8 (A)  
**Detroit Tigers**  
MAY 9 – MAY 11 (H)  
**Miami Marlins**  
MAY 13 – MAY 15 (H)  
**New York Mets**  
MAY 17 – MAY 19  
**Miami Marlins**  
MAY 20 – MAY 22 (A)  
**New York Mets**  
MAY 23 – MAY 25 (H)  
**St. Louis Cardinals**  
MAY 26 – MAY 29 (H)  
**Philadelphia Phillies**  
MAY 30 – JUN 1 (A)

## Think Natititude!



## Father's Day Breakfast



**Sunday,  
June 19, 2016**



## Karaoke - April 22<sup>nd</sup>

After several years of abstention, the Arlington Fraternity offered Karaoke for the members on Friday night, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, after the Queen of Hearts drawing. The first success of this event was that the Social Quarters remained "full" of members for many hours after the drawing of the Queen of Hearts. The second success was the observation that everyone was having fun!

There were some technical difficulties to limit available songs, but the show went on. Many members showed off their singing talent, with some groups proving that "practice makes perfect" (i.e.: what key was that song?). Dominick Russo provided a good imitation of Michael Jackson with a considerable amount of dance movements, including some "butt" shaking. A thank you is extended to DJ Tina Bell for providing the Karaoke service. It is believed that the Arlington Fraternity will again offer Karaoke for our members in the near future. It was a very entertaining evening!



## Legion Breakfast – April 3<sup>rd</sup>

WOW! The customer count of 38 was the most for any previous Legion Breakfast and there was an overabundance of chefs in the kitchen (not a lot of "elbow room" to prepare/cook the food). The chefs provided the expected breakfast offering of scrambled eggs, sausage links and patties, bacon, potato home fries (with green peppers & onions), pancakes, warmed maple syrup, fruit salad, toast, coffee and orange juice. The other "special" items, which seem to be the norm at past several breakfasts, were French toast, Eggs Benedict, and "puffs". As a final touch to the food offering, yogurt was provided as a topping for the fruit salad.

The Arlington Moose Legion Committee wants to extend a thank you to the breakfast crew of Brian Van de Muelebroecke (Master Chef of the event), Luis Cruz, Tom Oderwald, Joyce Chaffin, Liz Coombs, Andre McFail, and first-time volunteers Bob Muretta, Alex McDonald, and Chuck Berge. A thank you is also extended to Colonel Bruce, Anna Phillips, Donna Heflin and Luis Cruz for donating items and to those individuals who performed the kitchen cleanup after the event.



**Brochure of Program in the  
Social Quarters**

## Electronic Pull-Tabs by Powerhouse Gaming



**at the Arlington  
#1315 Moose  
Lodge**

## You can Pay Moose Dues Online!

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





## Chapter Award of Achievement (4<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year)

## Watch NASCAR at the Lodge

in May 2016

SUN, MAY 1  
**Geico 500**  
Talladega  
Superspeedway  
SAT, MAY 7  
**GoBowling 400**  
Kansa Speedway  
SUN, MAY 15  
**AAA 400**  
**Drive for Autism**  
Dover International  
Speedway  
SAT, MAY 21  
**NASCAR Sprint  
All-Star Race**  
Charlotte Motor  
Speedway  
SUN, May 29  
**Coca-Cola 600**  
Charlotte Motor  
Speedway



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



## Youth Awareness Program

The Moose International Youth Awareness Congress was held in Williamsburg, Virginia from Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> through Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. The Junior Past Governor attended the event as a chaperon and will provide information of the event in the June 2016 Newsletter.

As everyone should be aware, the Arlington Fraternity will be sponsoring another Youth Awareness Student Congress in October of this year. Furthermore, everyone should know that we only had 1 high school student attend our event the past year. Therefore, the Fraternity's goal is to get the message about the Moose Youth Awareness Program to the local High School before the end of this school year (June 2016); instead of waiting until the next school year begins in September 2016.

***We need ideas! We need volunteers! We need to do something NOW!***

Any fraternity member who has a suggestion or wants to volunteer to help with this event, please contact John Matis, Chairman of the Youth Awareness Committee.



## LOOM & WOTM Board of Officers Installation Ceremonies

The Board of Officers of the Arlington #1315 Lodge and the Arlington #1253 Chapter would like to thank all the members and guests who attended the Installation Ceremonies on

Saturday, April 23, 2016. A special thank you is extended to Andrea Hensley for conducting the WOTM Installation Ceremony, to Donna Heflin being the WOTM Installation Guide and Chaplin, to Tom Oderwald for conducting the LOOM Installation Ceremony to Chuck Berge for being the LOOM Installation Sergeant-at-Arms; and to all those other Moose members that assisted in the ceremonies. We also want to thank Joyce Chaffins, Liz Coombs, Tom Oderwald, and Billy Hensley who prepared the event food offering (hot dogs, hamburgers, BBQ pulled pork, macaroni salad, Cole slaw, cheese platter with crackers, pickle platter, & carrot "raison" cake), and to Gregg and Mike Cady who donated beef brisket and a shrimp platter that were shared with all those in attendance in the Social Quarters after the ceremonies were completed.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance Drawings by Powerhouse Gaming Monthly Drawing Prize - May through December 2016

**Details provided at the Lodge**



**Remember the men and women  
who died while serving in the  
United States Armed Forces  
Memorial Day – May 30<sup>th</sup>**



## Moose of the Month



## Pun of the Month

I'm reading a book  
about anti-gravity ...  
It's impossible to put  
down.





**A Family  
Event on the  
4<sup>th</sup> of July**



**Family  
Cookout**

**Plenty of  
Beef!**




**Saturday,  
July 23, 2016**



## We Made the "+1" Membership Requirement in the 2015-2016 Moose Year

**Current Arlington #1315 Membership Status:  
As of April 25, 2016:**

04/30/15 <u>Members</u>	Current <u>Active Members</u>	<u>Difference</u>		<u>Expired</u>	<u>Dropped</u>
<b>260</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>+4</b>		<b>54</b>	<b>36</b>

**AND we achieved the New Members Quota of 37 Members  
... since April 30, 2015 we enrolled 44 New Members**



## New Arlington #1315 Lodge Membership Challenge (for 2016-2017 Moose Year)

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.

In addition, if you sponsor three (3) LOOM members within the 2015-2016 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.

**Always *think* ... New Members for Our Fraternity**

## Lodge Membership Challenge That Ended April 30<sup>th</sup> (2015-2016 Moose Year)

If you sponsored a new LOOM member from the beginning May 1, 2015 through April 30, 2016, your name was placed on a ticket in a raffle to win a monthly drawing prize of \$10.00 in Arlington "Moose Bucks".

**David Harding** was the winner of the April monthly drawing.

IMPORTANT: The LOOM Board of Officers has approved the inclusion of the remaining tickets of sponsors from this membership challenge into the raffle of the new Lodge's 2016-2017 Membership Challenge for three months (May thru July 2016).



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



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

**Support the  
Washington  
Nationals  
to the Playoffs**





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

**Legion is  
\$15.00**

**Fish Fry  
Revisited  
No. 9**



**Saturday,  
August 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Begin the  
School Year  
at the  
Labor Day  
Cookout**



**Monday,  
September  
5<sup>th</sup>**



## 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](mailto:jjmatis@cox.net)].

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Happy Birthday to Lodge members **John Hall** (5/03), **Carl Abrahamson** (5/04), **David Harding** (5/05), **Bill Yoder** (5/05), **Terry Driscoll** (5/07), **David Feld** (5/09), **Marco Johnson** (5/13), **John Webb** (5/13), **John Kosco** (5/16), **Daniel Rhoades** (5/17), **Charles Berge** (5/20), **Earl Cherry** (5/25), **Scott Gordon** (5/28), **Thomas Carroll** (5/29), **John Harris** (5/29), **Christopher Killelea** (5/29), **Willie Jamison** (5/30), and **Blaine Lampman** (5/31).
- Happy Birthday to Chapter members **Kim Kerby** (5/02), **Geneen Roby** (5/03), **Kimberly Akers** (5/05), **Nina Castro** (5/07), **Carol Jones** (5/14), **Lauren Friedman** (5/17), **Flor Garcia** (5/21), **Kristi Gjesdal** (5/24), **Maryjane Lehman** (5/25), **Cindy Nitzky** (5/27), and **Emaline Wantrobski** (5/27).

## SICKNESS and DISTRESS:

- Please keep our Moose members and families in our prayers for those who have current health or distressed situations; especially ... **Norman Harris**, **Rose Bailey**, **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 Fraternity members and family who have passed into the realm of everlasting peace and the Supreme above: ... **Brother Luther Hodges** and **Brother Mike Entsminger**

## Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members

- **Sean Hearn** ► **James Matthew Shepard** ► **Brandon Jordan**
- **Leonard Ostasigowski**



## Donation by the Arlington Fraternity

Chapter #1253 provided in person on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> a monetary donation and Tommy Moose dolls to the Bailey's Crossroads Volunteer Fire Department; *picture on Page 13*. Chapter #1253 was represented by **Nessa Ruoff**, **Donna Field**, **Andrea Hensley**, & **Roxanne Coles-Matis**. Another action by the Arlington Fraternity in support of our local community.



**Rolling Thunder  
Motorcycle Rally**

**Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**



**Play Darts at the  
Lodge**

**4 boards in the  
Fireplace Area**





## Chapter Award of Achievement (4<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year)

### Future Planned Major Social Events

(June – October 2016)

**June 6<sup>th</sup>**

Legion Breakfast

**June 11<sup>th</sup>**

Pig Roast  
(with Band)

**June 19<sup>th</sup>**

Father's Day  
Breakfast  
(WOTM chefs)

**July 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Legion Breakfast

**July 4<sup>th</sup>**

4<sup>th</sup> of July Cookout

**July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Bull Roast

**August 6<sup>th</sup>**

Fish Fry Revisited

**September 5<sup>th</sup>**

Labor Day Cookout

**September 17<sup>th</sup>**

Lodge Clean-Up

**October 8<sup>th</sup>**

6<sup>th</sup> Annual Bill  
Lewis Chili  
Cook-Off

**October 22<sup>nd</sup>**

WOTM Children's  
Halloween Party

**October 29<sup>th</sup>**

Youth Awareness  
Student Congress



## Lodge Repairs/Replacements

As the weather is becoming warmer at this time of year, the thought of converting from heat to air conditioning has arisen. The Board of Directors has engaged in a contract with Service Specialties, Inc. to make this change; the same company that installed the new compressor last summer. A minor repair of replacing the chilled water temperature controller is placed, with a possible change of the compressor oil (to be determined). The changeover was scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup> and should have been completed by the publication of this Newsletter.

Our neighbors in the adjacent apartment complex have made a hole in the boundary fences for easy access onto our property. Billy has come to the rescue and installed a piece of plywood to the wooden fence. The chain link fence will be repaired.



## Senior Regent's Message

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen of the Moose,

I am thrilled to have been installed on Saturday, April 23, 2016, as your new Senior Regent of the Women of the Moose for 2016-17. It was such a lovely ceremony and so well executed by our installment chairman and regent, Andrea Hensley, with the assistance of Donna Heflin, installing Chaplin and guide. Thank you to all who participated and attended in order to make the day special for my new board, committee members, and me.

Although a member of the Moose since 2007, it has only been the past few years that I have stepped up to learn more about our fraternity, attend general meetings and become active as a board member. In doing so, I have enjoyed the privilege of seeing how I could make the difference in the lives of our young children at Mooseheart, our seniors at Moosehaven, and our local community; along with other dedicated Moose members whom I now view as friends and family. I don't know why it took me so long!

I welcome our wonderful new board and committee members and look forward to working with them as we set forth to enrich the lives of others in need. I want to encourage our newest members to join us in our mission and our more established members to reconnect. Feel free to reach out to me to share ideas that will help us move forward.

Fraternally yours,  
Roxanne Coles-Matis (Roxy)

**May 2016 - Third Anniversary of the Current  
Version of the Loyal Order of Moose Arlington  
#1315 Lodge Newsletter**





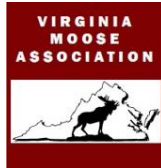
## Lodge Fall Clean-Up September 17<sup>th</sup>



## 6th Annual Bill Lewis Memorial Chili Cook-Off



**Saturday,  
October 8<sup>th</sup>**



## Notes from VA Moose Association District 4 Quarterly Meeting

**(Saturday, April 9, 2016 at the Manassas Moose Family Center #1380)**

Other than the financial report, the committee reports, and the reports from the Lodges/Chapters within the VMA District 4, the following are some of the major items noted in the meeting:

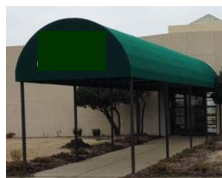
- The proposal to split Moose Lodges of District 4 into two VMA Districts (7 Moose Lodges each) was voted as "not favorable".
- Nominations/ballot was established for the VMA District 4 2016-2017 Board of Officers; with voting to occur in the July 2016 Quarterly Meeting.
- It was announced that a VMA District 4 sponsored "Moose Day with the Nationals" event was planned for Saturday, August 13, 2016. Price is \$40.00/ticket with transportation provided by the individuals.
- A reminder was made pertaining to the VMA District 4 sponsored Family Cyber Security Day at the Manassas Moose Family Center #1380 on May 14, 2016. Volunteers are being requested from all Lodges within the District to support this event.
- The Culpepper Moose Lodge #1348 had the most members in attendance at the quarterly meeting and took the newly purchased trophy to their Lodge. [Note: The Arlington Fraternity permanently won the previous attendance trophy at the January 2016 Quarterly Meeting].



## Governor's Corner

I would like to thank everyone for nominating me for Governor and to those members who made a special effort to come to the enrollment of the Board of Officers on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. I would also like to say that we had a great Board of Officers last term and think we have another great Board of Officers for this term. We have some new faces on the Board and I want to keep up with the pace we have been on, so I want to thank everyone in advance for all the help and support that it will take to make this happen. I am looking forward to another good year!

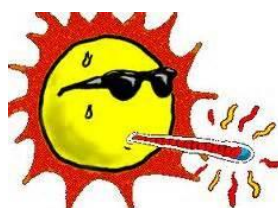
Thank You, Gregg Cady



## Phase 2 of Curb Appeal at the Lodge Coming Soon

Moose International has approved the purchasing of the canopy for the main entrance into the Social Quarters; which is part of the grant that was awarded to the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge in October 2015. As the harsh weather of winter came almost immediately after the new concrete walkways were poured in November, the Board of

Directors deferred the canopy phase until warmer weather (our members had agreed to install the canopy in the approved grant and no one wanted to perform the work in the cold and/or snow). The canopy has been ordered and should be delivered early in May.



**Be  
Prepared ...  
the hot  
weather is  
coming**

**Special Moose International  
Youth Awareness Student  
Congress in Williamsburg, VA  
article & pictures to be included  
in the June Newsletter**



## Chapter Award of Achievement (4<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year)

## Moose International Convention

July 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>



## Youth Awareness Program



Association  
Student  
Congress on  
October 29<sup>th</sup>  
at our Lodge



## Moose Legion Bull Run #185 Super Celebration: April 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>

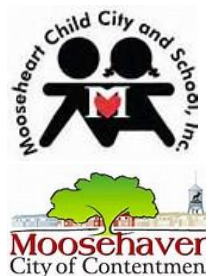
The Arlington #1315 Moose Legion Committee had two Legionnaires (& their lovely wives) participate at the Super Celebration. The Board of Officers meeting and the General Membership Meeting were held on Saturday morning. Afternoon activities included a wine and cheese tasting event with decorating of the wine glasses, a silent auction (donated items from various Moose Lodges/Chapters), and a cake raffle (donations by various Moose Lodges/Chapters). A social hour and lasagna dinner followed the activities, with DJ entertainment within the Social Quarters of the Fredericksburg Moose Family Center #1655 in the evening hours. The Conferral of 11 Legionnaires and the installation of the new 2016-2017 Board of Officers were held on Sunday morning.

As part of the General Meeting was the election of Legionnaires to the 2016-2017 Board of Officers. The following is the new Board of Officers for Bull Run Moose Legion #185:

- President ..... Tim Bliss
- Vice President ..... Kim Denniston
- Secretary ..... Wayne Leavell
- Chaplin ..... Skip Staggs
- Financial Director ..... Charles Burke
- Fraternal Director ..... John Matis
- Jr. Past President ..... Michael McKenna

## Purpose of Why We Join the Moose Fraternity ... Mooseheart and Moosehaven

We have many good times at the Lodge, especially in the daily visits to the Social Quarters and the scheduled social activities on the weekend. And that's a good thing ... but, a reminder needs to be given to our members of the Arlington Fraternity that we are committed to help those of need as our priority! All members of our fraternity have pledged when we joined this great organization to make sure that the children of Mooseheart and the seniors of Moosehaven continue to be supported for all the years in our lifetime. We cannot let them down ... our mission is to contribute as much financial support as possible over the upcoming years. Please be generous when asked for an endowment offering, or a request to donate for a special fundraiser (i.e.: "cradle tag" for Mooseheart, "rocker tag" for Moosehaven). We do not always express our appreciation openly; but we consider our fraternity members as the GREATEST in providing donations to help others. **Thank you!**



**Notice:** The LOOM Board of Directors has decided to temporarily take the sale of the 1.5 acres of property off the market at this time; as there have not been any firm offers in the past year. The Arlington Fraternity extends a thank you to **Ted Joseph** for his efforts as our Real Estate agent.

## Your Cooperation is Required!!



As the Moose Lodge has a private club status, only members in good standing can be served in the Social Quarters. Even though you may be a LOOM or WOTM Officer, a member who comes in every day, and/or has a pretty/handsome face that should have made you a famous Super Star ... the rule of the Moose Lodge is that you must show the bartender your Moose Identification Card (ID) when you enter the Social Quarters. **There are no exceptions!!**







## New Moose Fraternity in Virginia

The trend over the past several years has been the closing of Moose Lodges within Virginia due to various reasons. This year there is GOOD news, as the Virginia Moose Association welcomes aboard **Rockingham County Service Center #2713**. This Moose Fraternity is located around the Harrisburg area. The institute date for the fraternity was Saturday, April 16th. At present they have accumulated 70 members and growing. Rockingham will become a Lodge once they reach 100 in membership. The Chapter was also instituted the same day.

**Watch the  
NBA & NHL  
Playoffs at the  
Lodge**



## A Message from an Arlington Moose Member

This publication is always requesting members to provide an article of something they want to tell to the membership. The following has been offered from Dominick Russo:

I like going to the Moose Lodge a lot. I like watching sports like NHL Hockey, baseball, college football, college basketball. I like cleaning on Fridays for dinner. I vacuum the carpets, clean tables, mirrors and sweep. I like all of their ideas, like spring cleaning, going to the Legion Breakfast, Mother's Day brunch, the bull roast, Oktoberfest, the Labor Day and Memorial Day cookouts, the pig roast, and Father's Day. I like having some root beers and I also like watching the March Madness games and going to parties, like kids Easter, Halloween and Christmas parties. I also like the Valentines Dinner. I liked doing Karaoke and playing darts with the members. I like being a good Moose member and a Legion Member.

## Support the WOTM



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



WOTM & LOOM Officer Installations on Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>



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



**\$112,078.80 (22.42%)**

**GOAL = \$500,000**



*Making a difference in the lives of children and seniors*

**Give Generously!**

## Support Special Olympics





**Chapter  
Award of  
Achievement**  
(4<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year)

**Support Our  
Local Police  
Department**



**Support Our  
Local Fire  
Department**



A few of our members in the welcoming party with the Supreme Governor Terry Walls and VMA District 4 Past President Bob Agnew (standing under "Old Tom")



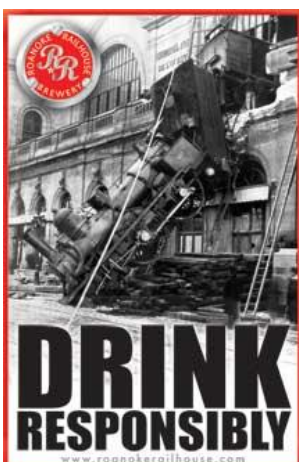
The DJ, Tina Bell, who provided the karaoke entertainment on Friday, April 22, 2016

**Nominate a Lodge &  
Chapter Member for  
Volunteer of the Quarter**  
(April – June 2016)



Deadline is June 30, 2016  
And remember to nominate a  
Youth Organization of the  
Quarter

Chapter representatives presenting a  
donation check and Tommy Moose  
dolls to members of the Bailey's  
Crossroads Volunteer Fire  
Department on April 23, 2016



**VMA District 4 Second Annual "Moose Day with the Nationals"**  
**Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> (Game Time: 7:05pm)**  
**Seat Location: Section 137**  
**Price: \$40.00/ticket**  
**Transportation: Attendees are on their own**



**2016 Summer Olympics – Rio De Janeiro, Brazil**  
**Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Watch the competition at the Moose Lodge**  
**Go USA!**





## Music at the Lodge



## Koolerators at the Pig Roast (June 11<sup>th</sup>)

## Celebrate Cinco de Mayo at the Lodge



## Support Scouting



**Girl Scouts**



**Boy Scouts**



## The Arlington Moose Legion Committee Corner

Welcome Robert Martinson, who re-joined the Moose Legion at the end of March. There are 36 Legionnaires currently on the official roster of the Arlington #1315 Moose Legion Committee, with 4 additional members who have approved applications but need to be conferred.

As advertised in the April Newsletter, steak and cheese sandwiches were offered as a food offering after the Moose Legion Committee meeting on April 14<sup>th</sup> (for a reasonable price). A special thank you is extended to Brian Van de Muelebroecke, Alex McDonald, and Andre McFail for preparing and cooking the made-to-order sandwiches and for their efforts in the clean up after everyone was fed. Pizza will be the food offering after the May Moose Legion Committee meeting.

In support of the Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Super Celebration, the Arlington #1315 Moose Legion Committee donated a "package" for the silent auction, consisting of a VA ABC gift card, a Capitals T-shirt, Redskins golf balls, and Nationals shot glasses.



## Remember Our Neighbors

As the Lodge is located within a residential community, we need to be respectful to our neighbors. Please refrain from having loud conversations or making loud noises in the parking lot area after hours. Also, observe the speed limit while coming and leaving the Lodge, as there are many children in the community. Your cooperation is appreciated. Let's keep our relationship with the community on a good standing.

## Fairfax County Needs Election Officers to conduct elections in November 2016

**\$175 stipend for full day**

For more information:

[www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/working.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/working.htm)  
(703) 324-4735



## 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](mailto:jjmatis@cox.net)

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