



Youth Awareness Program – Association Student Congress at the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge – Saturday, October 3rd

The Arlington Fraternity is proud to sponsor an outstanding Moose program for the future education of our local community students! Our members should attend this event to understand the program and to oversee the activity. *Details of the event on Page 2.*

Arlington #1315 Obtained a Grant from Moose International to Replace Concrete Entrance Walkways

Details on Page 4.



Bus Trip to Charles Town Hollywood Casino Saturday, October 17, 2015

Sponsored by the Moose Legion Committee

A trip to another State, a chance to win money (if you're lucky), visit some other Moose Lodges, and ... we do all the driving!

Details on Page 9.



Members are requested to donate candy for the Children's Halloween Party

Over the past three years the donations of candies by our Fraternity members has been outstanding for distribution to the children at the WOTM Halloween Party! We are requesting that this trend continue this year to keep the satisfying smiles on the children. The world has changed since our door-to-door Treat or Treat adventures; so please provide only candy that is individually wrapped by the manufacturer (loose candies cannot be distributed). Please provide to a WOTM Officer by Friday, October 16th. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

Upcoming Social Events

*(details on Page 2
& Page 3)*

October 3rd
Youth Awareness
Student Congress

October 10th
5th Annual Bill

Lewis Chili
Cook-Off

October 24th
Children's
Halloween Party

*Other Future
Planned Events
listed on Page 9 &
Page 10*



We Need Your Attendance at the Next VA Moose Association District 4 Quarterly Meeting Saturday, October 17th at 11:30am

The Arlington Fraternity wants to get the "second notch" towards a third permanent attendance trophy within the Social Quarters. It can only happen if we get the support of at least 30 members to attend the VMA

District 4 Quarterly Meeting. *Details on Page 5.*

Boss Day



October 16, 2015

**New Arlington
#1315 Annual
LOOM
Membership Fee
of \$45.00 began
September 21st**

Columbus Day



October 12, 2015

**Dinner Every
Friday
Night
6-8 p.m.
\$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**



**Moose Legion
Pancake
Breakfast**



**Sunday,
November 1st**

**OCTOBER
EVENT**

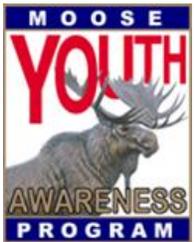


**5th Annual Bill Lewis Chili Cook-Off
Saturday, October 10th (2:00pm – 6:00pm)**

This event had been conducted over the past four years to honor Bill Lewis, since his everlasting journey to Heaven; who suggested a Chili Cook-Off as one of many events to attract members back to the Lodge for social functions. For many years that follow, this event was a great success and Bill Lewis became the “Lodge guru” chili chef a couple of years by winning the cook-off. No one has won two years in a row (to the knowledge of the Editor) since this event has honored the founder of the Event. The

challenge is to submit a better favorable chili entry than Norman Harris (the 2014 Chili Cook-Off winner) this year. Our fraternity is hoping that this year we will exceed the 10 chili entries of last year. It is noted that the judges (and their taste buds) for the cook-off change every year; **so we encourage all our members to show off their culinary talents and offer their “favorite” chili in the contest.** Words of caution to any contestants ... 1) the judges may not like it as “spicy hot” as you may like (*we have hot sauce that can be added after the contest*), and 2) you may be competing against our in-house chefs who always submit a “secret” chili recipe that seems to win a ribbon or two every year. For those individuals who want to just attend without an entry, our in-house chefs will be preparing a “home-made Hormel” type chili for your enjoyment; and you can sample the chili entries after the winners have been chosen.

**OCTOBER
EVENT**



**Moose Youth Awareness Association
Student Congress at Arlington #1315
Saturday, October 3rd (10:00am)**

As this is the only Association Student Congress being held within the VMA District 4 boundaries, we are expecting a large audience of students ... and we have a GREAT program planned! There will be a presentation by the Fairfax County Police Department about gangs, a Safe Surfin’ Foundation video presentation titled “The Testimony of Vicki Johnson” (child abduction experience), a presentation by a local community expert about emergency preparedness, and a presentation by one of our Moose members with regard to nutrition for kids.

The Association Student Congress will start at 10:00am with a continental breakfast being offered. The program is scheduled to end around 3:00pm; which includes a box type lunch for those in attendance. The Arlington Fraternity will be providing a \$10.00 gift card from Staples to each student in attendance for supplies that they will need to prepare their presentations for the KidsTalks. Members are welcome to attend the Association Student Congress to learn about the Youth Awareness Program and listen to the presentations.

The Arlington Fraternity would like to thank Roxanne Coles-Matis, Anna Phillips, Brian Birtell, and John Matis for their efforts in implementing the Youth Awareness Program.

**Next Moose Legion Committee Meeting on Thursday,
October 15th @6:30pm
WOTM members are Welcome to attend
Complementary food will be offered to Legion members +
guests at the Meeting**

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**OCTOBER
EVENT**



**WOTM Children's Halloween Party
Saturday, October 24th (Noon to 2:00pm)**

The WOTM has researched the ancient manuscripts of the Salem Witch Hunts and found that the only sure prevention to repel witches' "spells" is laughter and candy sweets (stakes are for vampires)! The Arlington Chapter has planned a great event for the children that will have lots of enjoyment (loud roars of laughing) and probably more candy sweets to take home than a Dentist will recommend to be eaten within 6 months (*parents may want to help eat or give away to prevent the children from bouncing off the walls for weeks*).

The actual program for this event has been discussed; but details are not finalized at the publication of this Newsletter issuance. BUT, you can be assured that there will be many activities to entertain and produce enjoyment for the children. There will be a contest for those children that wear their Halloween costumes and a trick-or-treat journey through the Lodge. Furthermore, rumor has it that the creation of mummies (a favorite of the children the past two years) will again be one of the activities for this event. If your child/grandchild is going to attend this event, please sign up with the bartender in person or call the Lodge telephone number of (703) 820-9345 by Friday, October 16th; as the WOTM wants a "head count" for the activities, prizes, and treats.

In addition to the wrapped candy to provide to the children, it is requested that **volunteers donate rolls of toilet paper** to support the creation of mummies activity (unused rolls will be utilized by the Lodge for the restrooms).



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Labor Day Cookout, September 7th

Our advertisement to leave the cooking us on this holiday must have been heard, as there were over 30 members and guests that attended this event. As the norm, the Social Quarters was "packed"; with a considerable amount of individuals remaining after the event to watch the Ohio State Buckeyes stomp the Virginia Tech Hokies (42-24 score).

Appreciation is extended to the main chefs of this event which consisted of Tom Oderwald, Liz Coombs, Joyce Chaffins, and Andre McFail. The cookout food offering consisted of hamburgers and hot dogs (with rolls), pasta salad with pepperoni, macaroni & cheese, baked beans, cucumber salad, chicken satay, stuffed jalapenos, sausage with mushrooms & peppers, a pickle tray, and chips. In addition there were deviled eggs (prepared by Chuck Berge), and coleslaw (prepared by Billy Hensley). The Lodge also wants to extend our appreciation to all those volunteers (and there was many) that assisted in the cleanup after the event. A lazy, relaxing day that was enjoyed by many of our members at the Lodge!!



**NOW at the
Arlington #1315
Moose Lodge ...**

**Electronic Pull-Tabs by
Powerhouse Gaming
More Fun at the Moose Lodge**

**Arlington #1315 Lodge
93rd Anniversary**



**October 5th
1922 - 2015**

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Volunteers are needed for future articles for the Newsletters

Watch NASCAR at the Lodge



In October 2015

SUN, OCT 4

AAA 400

@Dover

International

Speedway

SAT, OCT 10

Bank of America

500

@Charlotte Motor

Speedway

SUN, OCT 18

Hollywood

Casino 400

@Kansas

Speedway

SUN, OCT 25

Alabama 500

@Talladega

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**Moose International Grant Program
Arlington Fraternity was Selected this Year**

Moose International (MI) initiated a three-year grant program to allocate \$1 Million dollars to the Moose Lodges for physical improvements and/or repairs to their facilities. The program began the last Moose year (2014-2015); but we did not have our "act together" to submit the appropriate documentation for the program that year. This Moose Year some of the rules changes AND we were prepared (just like the Boy Scouts) ... our Fraternity submitted a request to the grant program and was approved! Everyone can see that the existing outside concrete walkways into the Social Quarters have deteriorated and have become tripping hazards. The approved MI grant is for replacement of the concrete walkways of the two entrances into the Social Quarters and for the erection of a canopy at the main entrance. The replacement of the concrete walkways will be performed by a licensed contractor. The canopy will be purchased through a contractor, but will be installed by volunteers of the Moose Lodge. In addition, the handicap parking spaces will be reconfigured for compliance with van accessibility and an appropriate access lane at the cost of the Arlington Lodge.

It is estimated that the work will be accomplished in October 2015; once official contractor proposals have been submitted to Moose International. We ask all our members and guests to tolerate the inconveniences that may arise while we perform the work. We believe that we will improve our "welcome" curb appeal and safety issues for our members and prospective new members once the work is completed.

**Farewell to Summer ~~Cookout~~ Extravaganza
September 19th**

This event was not our regular cookout! The main meat courses offered were spicy/herb rubbed ribs (barbeque sauce on the side), beef brisket, and pork butt; with hot dogs & buns for the children ... *but lots of adults were seen enjoying them too*. The tasteful side dishes that complemented the meat course were a cucumber salad, creamy coleslaw, potato salad, deviled eggs, stuffed jalapenos, and grilled asparagus (a surprise offering). Appetizers were a cheese & cracker platter and chips. **AND** for the record, there were over 40 members and guests that enjoyed this delicious food spread. Thank you Billy Hensley, Tom Oderwald, Joyce Chaffins, Liz Coombs and Andre McFail for preparing/cooking the food for this social event. The Arlington Fraternity definitely provided a *PROPER* send-off to summer! The Lodge would also want to extend our appreciation to all the volunteers that performed the cleanup after the event.



**WOTM Italian
Dinner Night**



**Saturday,
November 7th**

**Casserole
Cook-Off**



**Saturday,
November 21st**

**Thanksgiving
Family Feast**



**Thursday,
November 26th**



**Green Cap Celebration:
Honoring Elizabeth Coombs**



**Saturday,
December 5th**

**Salute to
Christmas
December 24th**



**Complimentary
drink to
celebrate the
spirit of the
Holiday
Season**

**Watch
College
Football
at the Lodge
on Saturdays**



**Save the Date: October 17, 2015
We Need Your Attendance at the Next VA Moose Association District 4 Quarterly Meeting**

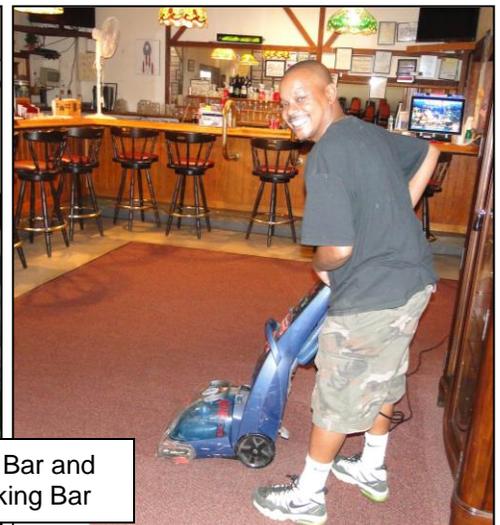
Our Lodge had won the Attendance Trophy at the last VMA District 4 Quarterly Meeting at the Franconia Moose Family Center #1076 in July 2015; which is the first step in obtaining another permanent trophy within our Lodge. Our fraternity takes pride in reaching an accomplishment against other Moose Lodges without any physical activity or necessary talent. Just showing up for a VMA District 4 Quarterly Meeting is easy; especially when we enjoy the offerings presented by the other Moose Lodges (e.g.: food, gaming, friendliness). With that said, we are setting a goal to have the most members in attendance at the next two meetings; which are fairly close to our Lodge ... at the Dale City Moose Family Center #2165 on October 17, 2015 and Centreville Moose Lodge #2168 on January 9, 2016. The "home" Lodge of Dale City Moose Lodge #2165 at the next Quarterly Meeting has a large membership and it is estimated that we will need 30 members of the Arlington Fraternity to attend to attend the Attendance Trophy. Show your spirit and support for our fraternity by attending this District 4 meeting for the "second notch" towards the trophy.



Lodge Clean-Up Day - September 26th

We are ready for the Association Student Congress of the Youth Awareness Program on October 3rd. The area where the event will be held (Fireplace Area), as well as the Social Quarters, were thoroughly dusted, vacuumed, and cleaned (including the carpets) ... *the main objective of the cleanup!* In addition, the nasty ceiling tiles within the Smoking Bar Area of the Social Quarters were replaced with many dysfunctional lighting fixtures removed (*future lighting planned to be implemented*). In preparation of the pancake breakfast the next day by the Moose Legion Committee, the gas grill was repaired to become operational/cleaned and the Kitchen was thoroughly scrubbed down. In addition, the lawn in the backyard was cut and trimmed.

The Arlington Fraternity would like to thank the following members who offered their time and efforts to participate in the Lodge Cleanup Day: Tom Oderwald, Billy Hensley, Chuck Berge, Joyce Chaffins, Liz Coombs, Andre McFail, Brian Birtell, Joseph Russo, Dominick Russo, Chris Garrett, Steve Lehtma, Brian Van de Meulebroeke, Colonel Bruce, and John Matis. For the record, the breakfast offered to the volunteers were donuts & coffee and the lunch was hot & delicious bean soup!



Billy Hensley replacing the ceiling tiles in the Smoking Bar and Andre McFail shampooing the carpet in the Non-Smoking Bar



Chapter Award of Achievement
(4th Consecutive Year)

WOTM Children's Christmas Party

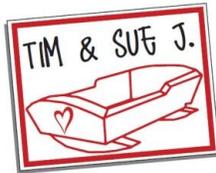


Saturday, December 12th

Watch Washington Capitals at the Lodge

Regular Season in October 2015

- SAT, OCT 10 (H) New Jersey Devils
- TUE, OCT 13 (H) San Jose Sharks
- THU, OCT 15 (H) Chicago Blackhawks
- SAT, OCT 17 (H) Carolina Hurricanes
- TUE, OCT 20 (A) Calgary Flames
- THU, OCT 22 (A) Vancouver Canucks
- FRI, OCT 23 (A) Edmonton Oilers
- WED, OCT 28 (H) Pittsburgh Penguins
- FRI, OCT 30 (H) Columbus Blue Jackets
- SAT, OCT 31 (A) Florida Panthers



Endowment "Cradle Fundraiser" October 2015

Mooseheart Founder's Day is October 27th, the date of James J. Davis' birth. Moose International has requested that all Lodges implement a fund raiser for the endowment in support of Mooseheart and Moosehaven during the month of October. Each member can participate in this program by obtaining a "cradle" tag (hopefully more than one) and displaying it with your name in our Social Quarters. A minimum donation of \$1.00 is suggested for each tag ... but a more generous donation is gladly accepted. Officers of the LOOM & WOTM will be offering the "cradle" tags to our members during each Friday night (Queen of Hearts drawings) and at the 5th Annual Bill Lewis Memorial Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, October 10, 2015. Please support this program; as the main existence of our Moose fraternity is to support the children at Mooseheart and the senior citizens of Moosehaven.



Redskins "Calling All Cooks" Sundays

Arlington #1315 had begun the 4th year of having volunteers offer main dishes to the membership while watching the Washington Redskins games on Sundays at our Lodge in the month of September. **Joyce Chaffins and Anna Phillips** started with beef tacos (including all the toppings), beef burritos, and nacho chips with salsa for the Miami Dolphins game. The following week **Tom Oderwald & Liz Coombs** offered beef & chicken shish kabobs for the St. Louis Rams game; with a contribution by **Gwen Collins & James Davidson** of chili and artichoke dip. The last game in September was on a Thursday night (September 24th against the New York Giants) and no food in the Redskins "Calling All Cooks" program was offered; however, appetizers by the Lodge were offered.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS in making the first two games bearable to watch while the Redskins get their "comfort zone". One win out of two games is a great start for the Washington Redskins. Please volunteer for a specific game to show off your cooking talents, while contributing to an eventful and fraternal atmosphere for cheering our home team to victories. *And get your name in our Newsletter.*

Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members

- ▶ Carmen Jacobs ▶ Algout Mohmed ▶ Mohomed Amine Essas
- ▶ James Babington



Pun of the Month

A chicken crossing the road is ...
poultry in motion!



Moose of the Month



Unity



Senior Regent's Message

It's Boooo Time at the Arlington Lodge. Ghosts, Goblins, Spiders, Pumpkins and some of the Cutest Children in Costumes. Our Annual Children's Halloween Party is just around the corner. On October 24th, we will be inundated with kids looking for candy and fun. Let's make this day Fun, Fun, Fun for the little ones. We need candy and lots of it (individually wrapped please). Let's make this a super great day for the Kido's of Arlington Moose.

If you missed our meeting on September 1st, you missed a very special event: Donna Field was given her star pin and we celebrated her "STAR RECORDER". Looking towards the future in November, we will be celebrating Andi's conferral into the College of Regents and Donna Field's tassel change.

Our meetings for the Month of October are: October 6th and October 20th, both beginning at 7:00 pm. I hope to see some new faces there.

What makes this group of Women so special? Our Fraternal Sisterhood. Please join us for a meeting and experience the fun and laughs we have in our meetings.

Un-Oktoberfest



Saturday, January 30th

Chinese New Year Celebration



Saturday, February 6th



Pancake Breakfasts are a Success – August 30th & September 27th

The thought was to start simple; by offering a "Boy Scout type" pancake breakfast and increasing the menu a little at a time! But, it is noted that the word "simple" is not in the vocabulary of our members and they are always trying to set the "bar" high at every event. The simple food offering at both events were three types of pancakes (regular, chocolate chip, & blueberry), heated maple syrup, sausage patties, scrambled eggs, fruit salad, coffee, and orange juice. A special offering of deep-fried "puffs" was provided at the August 30th event, and hash brown potatoes was provided at the September 27th event. The menu will remain the same for the next upcoming Pancake Breakfast ... with a least one surprise food item.

The Moose Legion Committee wants to thank Brian Van de Meulebroeke (Kitchen Chief), Tom Oderwald, Luis Cruz, John Webb, Anna Phillips, Joyce Chaffins, Liz Coombs, Ralph Phillips, & John Matis for their cooking & cleaning efforts; as well as for the food and beverage donations in support of these events.

WOTM Valentine Dinner



February 13th

"Love is in the Air"



25th Annual VMA State Dart Tournament
October 16th thru 18th, 2015
Hopewell Moose Family Center
 Information on the Social Quarters Bulletin Board



Nominate a Lodge & Chapter Member for Volunteer of the Quarter



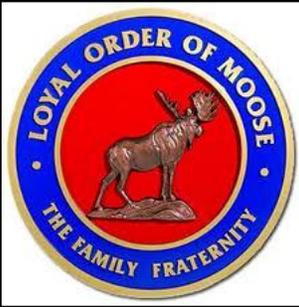
(October – December 2015)

Deadline is December 31, 2015
 And remember to nominate a Youth Organization of the Quarter

MEMBER RETENTION WEEK
One Week Focus — Year-Long Commitment



November 1-7, 2015
 Details on Page 12



Watch Washington Redskin Games at the Lodge

Regular Season October 2015

SUN, OCT 4
@ 1:00pm
Philadelphia Eagles
(HOME)

SUN, OCT 11
@ 1:00pm
Atlanta Falcons
(AWAY)

SUN, OCT 18
@ 1:00pm
New York Jets
(AWAY)

SUN, OCT 25
@ 1:00pm
Tampa Bay Buccaneers
(HOME)



Remember Mooseheart & Moosehaven



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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Happy Birthday to Lodge members **James Sebolka** (10/01), **Steven Varner** (10/06), **Joseph Flores** (10/07), **John Ruoff** (10/12), **Dennis Walker** (10/14), **Charles Enlind** (10/15), **Howard Boland** (10/16), **Frank Haddock, Jr.** (10/17), **Steven Vaughan** (10/18), **Frank Abbate** (10/19), **Michael Chambers** (10/19), **Thomas Twomey** (10/19), **Douglas Voss** (10/19), **Ronald Gilpin** (10/20), **William Hill** (10/20), **Thomas Sisson** (10/22), **Claran McAlonan** (10/23), **Michael McDonough** (10/23), **Roger Troup** (10/23), and **Kevin Robair** (10/29).
- Happy Birthday to Chapter members **Annie McAlonan** (10/01), **Mary Voss** (10/01), **Grace Sweeney** (10/04), **Diana Howell Smith** (10/06), **Valerie Brown** (10/10), **Melinda Arpa** (10/12), **Anne Halal** (10/15), **Vilma Ochoa** (10/17), **Judy Shaffer** (10/18), **Amsale Muletta** (10/23), **Teresa Thomas** (10/23), **Sonia Bouadis** (10/25), and **Julie Parkhurst** (10/31).
- Thank you **Gwen Collins** for maintaining the Facebook Page for the Arlington Fraternity.

SICKNESS and DISTRESS:

- Please keep our Moose members and families in our prayers for those who have current health or distressed situations; especially:
... Luther Hodges, Mike Entsminger, & Phyllis Hamilton.

Give Generously!



51st Annual International Moose Golf Tournament
October 30th & November 1st
Kiskiack Golf Club – Williamsburg, VA
Information on the Social Quarters Bulletin Board



"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!**



Chapter Award of Achievement
(4th Consecutive Year)

Future Planned Major Social Events

(November 2015 – January 2016)

November 1st - NEW

Moose Legion Pancake Breakfast

November 7th

WOTM Italian Dinner Night

November 21st

Casserole Cook-Off

November 26th (THR)

Thanksgiving Family Feast

December 5th

Green Cap Celebration: Honoring

Elizabeth Coombs

December 6th - NEW

Moose Legion Pancake Breakfast

December 12th

Children's Christmas Party

December 24th (THU)

Salute to Christmas

December 31st (THU)

New Year's Eve Gathering
(*Tentative*)

January 16th

Bull Run Legion #185 Winter Celebration/Conferral

(Continued on Page 10)



New Arlington #1315 Lodge Membership Challenge (for 2015-2016 Moose Year)

Sponsor a new LOOM member between May 1, 2015 and April 30, 2016 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. **Brian Birtell** was the winner of the September monthly raffle.

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.

Think New Members, New Members & New Members!



Bus Trip to Charles Town Hollywood Casino Saturday, October 17, 2015

The Arlington Moose Legion Committee is sponsoring a bus trip to the Charles Town Hollywood Casino in West Virginia on Saturday, October 17th.

- The bus will first go to the Dale City Moose Family Center #2165 for the VMA District 4 Quarterly Meeting. It would be appreciated if you represented our Arlington Fraternity at the meeting; *however, you do not have to attend ...* as there are electronic pull-tab gaming and the bar will be open. A free lunch is only available for those individuals who attend the meeting.
- The next stop on the Bus Trip is the main event ... the Charles Town Hollywood Casino. We plan to stay at the casino no more than 3 hours; which is plenty of time to try and win your "retirement" savings, have a snack and/or a beverage, and enjoy the atmosphere & friends. Also everyone will receive a \$20.00 Hollywood Casino rebate.
- Once we leave the casino, the Bus Trip will make two (2) "mystery" stops; of which one stop will be to another Moose Lodge that is not in the Northern Virginia area.

There are still seats available on the Bus Trip; so if you want to be adventurous and enjoy a Saturday with your fellow Moose members ... sign up today!

Leave Arlington Lodge: 10:00am (sharp)
Return to Arlington Lodge: 9:00pm – 10:00pm



Notice:

No refund unless the Bus Trip is cancelled!

Notice for LOOM Members about the Moose Legion

In discussions with Bull Run Moose Legion #185, we were enlightened that Moose members do NOT have to enroll a new member before they can join the Moose Legion (*a correction to the information our Lodge had published*).



Therefore, there is no reason why any active LOOM member should not proceed to the second degree of the LOOM Moose organization.



Lodge Repairs/Replacements

If you have not noticed, ALL the pole lights within the parking areas are now illuminated again! Thank you Tom Cahill for coordinating the effort with Virginia Dominion Power to make our members safer at night.

Did anyone notice the pig that flew over the Moose Lodge on Friday, September 25th? Wait, it was Kermit the Frog's new "squeeze" Denise. Anyway, a thank you is extended to Tom Oderwald and Billy Hensley for completing the installation of the gutter and the downspouts at the exterior of the storage room adjacent to the Rental Hall. Furthermore, a thank you is extended to Tom Oderwald for replacing the outside water faucet by the kitchen door.

The Lodge would like to thank Steve Lehtma for cleaning up the storage room adjacent to the Rental Room; which had been discombobulated (*big word by the editor*) from repairing the timber roof rafters and the exterior fascial board in May.

Future Planned Major Social Events

(January - March 2016)

January 30th

Un-Oktoberfest

February 6th

Chinese New Year Celebration

February 7th (SUN)

Super Bowl Party

February 13th

WOTM Valentine Dinner

February 27th

Fish Fry Revisited

March 5th

Down Home Pot Luck

March 12th

St. Patrick's Party

March 19th

Children's Easter Party

March 26th

March Madness Potluck Tailgate Party

Note:

Dates & Activities subject to change

Third-Annual Member Retention Week November 1 – 7, 2015

The Moose Fraternity has designated the first week of November as Member Retention Week, representing an opportunity to celebrate our current members as well as encourage expired members to rejoin the organization. Any expired member (LOOM and WOTM) that rejoins at the Moose Legion Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, November 1st will get a free breakfast. Any expired member (LOOM & WOTM) that rejoins at the WOTM Italian Dinner on Saturday, November 7th will receive a free dinner. Consideration is being made to have a Member Appreciation Event during this week.



The Chefs at the Moose Legion Pancake Breakfast on August 30th



2nd Chance Drawing by Powerhouse Gaming

Congratulations to Tom Oderwald for winning the Second Quarter Promotional "Treasure Chest" Drawing sponsored by Powerhouse Gaming, and to Joyce Chaffins and Anna Phillips in winning the consolation prizes offered by the Moose Lodge. All members are thanked for supporting the Moose Lodge in playing the electronic pull-tabs. Best of luck in winning the BIG prizes!



Brochure of Program in the Social Quarters

MOOSE - Build Our Foundation

May 1, 2015 - April 30, 2016





Chapter Award of Achievement
(4th Consecutive Year)



Continue to save BOX TOP\$ FOR EDUCATION coupons found on hundreds of General Mill products

Watch Washington Wizards at the Lodge
Regular Season In October 2015

SUN, OCT 25 (A) **Orlando Magic**
FRI, OCT 30 (A) **Milwaukee Bucks**
SAT, OCT 31 (H) **New York Knicks**



Governor's Corner

A good manager should recognize those employees who accomplish the goals of the organization; therefore, I want to thank all our members that have contributed their services and time to make our social activities, and the organization in general, a success! I try to verbally thank each individual for their contributions during the events; **however all our Arlington Fraternity members should know that without their efforts as volunteers the Arlington Fraternity would not survive ... and we seem to be doing everything right.** (Note: *It's been many months since I extended my appreciation in the Newsletter.*)

I want to express my heartfelt belief that our Fraternity's support to offer a third consecutive year in sponsoring an Association Student Congress for the Moose Youth Awareness is making a difference in providing guidance to the younger generation to make the right decisions to be future leaders of our community. No matter how many students attend our Association Student Congress (*and it could be none*), our Fraternity organization made an effort to improve the future of our world. I believe ... I hope you do to!

It has been clearly expressed that we are trying to resurrect the Moose Legion Committee at our Lodge over the past three months. I want to thank everyone who have donated their efforts and any expenses for the Moose Legion Committee activities to obtain financial stability in meeting our projected goals and commitments to support the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge and the Bull Run Moose Legion #185.



Goal: Obtain Premiere Lodge Award in 2016
Current Arlington #1315 Membership Status
As of September 21, 2015:

04/30/15 Members	Current Active Members	Difference	Expired	Dropped
260	259	(1)	50	26

New Members since April 30, 2015: 11 (As of September 27, 2015)

Show Your Team Pride Promotion

If you bring in a mug with your favorite football team shown on the mug between 1:00pm to 4:00pm on Saturday and Sunday (during the football season), you can get it filled with a draft beer for \$2.00.



Enjoy a tall cold draft beer at a discount price while supporting your team (or any other team)!

Sports Mug Weekends

Watch the MLB Playoff Games at the Lodge



Enjoy the postseason games of our country's "National Pastime" with friends and a few cold beverages at the Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge.

It looks like a "slim" chance; but maybe the Washington Nationals will be in the playoffs?

Support the WOTM



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

Just a Reminder



The winter holidays are coming up fast!!
(less than 90 shopping days left)

Support the Girl Scouts of America



Arlington #1315 to Host the Bull Run Legion #185 Winter Celebration/Conferral on Saturday, January 16, 2016



You can Pay Moose Dues Online!

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



The Arlington Moose Legion Committee Corner

The first two Pancake Breakfasts were a success! There was little advertisement (which we are trying to improve), and yet we had over 20 breakfast customers at each of these two Legion events. The Moose Lodge has approved two additional pancake breakfasts that will be sponsored by the Moose Legion Committee; one on November 1, 2015 and one on December 6, 2015. And now that our members know that *more* than pancakes are being offered, we hope that customer participation will increase.

The Arlington Moose Legion Committee was represented by Chuck Warrington, Ralph Phillips & John Matis (plus Chapter members Anna Phillips & Roxanne Coles-Matis) at the Bull Roast in the Fredericksburg Moose Lodge on September 12, 2015 that was sponsored by the Bull Run Moose Legion #185. Thank you representatives for donating/cooking the baked beans that were requested to be provided from the Arlington Moose Legion Committee for this event.

The Arlington Moose Legion Committee has appointed Eric Parkhurst (Vice-Chairman) to organize the Winter Celebration/Conferral on Saturday, January 16, 2016. It is noted that this event will require total effort for success, but presents possible financial benefits for the Arlington Fraternity; which includes the Lodge, Chapter, and the Moose Legion Committee. We need the support of all our members to provide ideas/suggestions for activities to provide a memorable event for the Moose Legionnaires of Bull Run Moose Legion #185 and their guests. It is noted that the Honorary Guest for this event will be Jim Cridlin, Virginia Moose Association State President (not sure the "top dog" of VMA has ever visited our Lodge).

The Lodge wants your Ideas for New Events

Tell us what you want to have for events in the next six months! We need to expand our events to keep everyone interested in the Lodge. Every idea will be considered (e.g.: a trip to a casino, a Capitals or Wizards game, a mystery bus ride, etc.). Please contact **John Matis, Gregg Cady, or Brian Birtell** with your suggestions.



Have something you want to tell the Membership?

Write an Article for our Newsletter

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

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