



Loyal Order of Moose Arlington #1315 Lodge NEWSLETTER

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SEPTEMBER 2016



Nessa Ruoff Receives **Green Cap** at the 79th Annual Virginia Moose Association Convention in Norfolk, VA

Congratulations to Junior Graduate Regent, Nessa Ruoff, for earning her Green Cap of Honor by providing the leadership guidance to qualify Chapter #1253 for the Award of Achievement during the 2014-2015 Moose Year. Patti Green-Shupp was the Chapter #1253 College of Regents installation representative at the Green Cap Convocation on August 27, 2016. **The Green Cap Celebration to honor Nessa Ruoff at our Fraternity is scheduled for Saturday, November 12, 2016.**



Arlington #1315 Received First Award for the 2015-2016 VMA – Lodge Publications (up to 300 Members)

Virginia Moose Association (VMA) has selected our monthly Newsletter – **FOR THE THIRD YEAR IN A ROW** - as the best publication to inform members of the activities and accomplishments in the category of Lodges with up to 300 active members in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

WOTM Leadership Training at Arlington



September 10th

Upcoming Social Events (details on Page 2)

September 5th (MON)

Labor Day Cookout

September 10th

WOTM Leadership
Training Class

September 11th (SUN)

Legion Breakfast

September 11th (SUN)

Kickoff of Legion NFL
Food Offerings

September 24th

Farewell to Summer
Cookout

Thank you Arlington Members who represented our Fraternity at the VMA State Convention

Information from the VMA 79th Annual State Convention on Page 12



We Need to Know Who are Veterans at the Arlington Fraternity

A new program is being established by Moose International to have the Lodges honor veterans within their membership. If you are a veteran (including active military members), please identify yourself to the Lodge/Chapter. Form on bulletin board in Social Quarters.

Thank You Members for Donating School Supplies in the Chapter Community Service Campaign for Cleveland Elementary School

Refer to Senior Regent's Message on Page 8



Special Election for Administrator Position September 20th at General Membership Meeting



LABOR DAY



September 5



September 11

First Day of Autumn



September 22



Arlington #1315 Moose Lodge Hours of Operation

**Monday –
Wednesday**
3:00pm to 11:00pm
Thursday
Noon to 11:00pm
Friday – Saturday
Noon – 2:00am
Sunday
Noon to 10:00pm

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

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

Lodge Fall Clean-Up



**October 1st
8:00am –
12:00pm**

SEPTEMBER EVENT



Labor Day Cookout

September 5th (2:00pm – 6:00pm)

Let the Arlington Fraternity provide the “labor” to cook on this National Holiday! Just sit back and relax, have a few of your favorite beverages, and enjoy the friendship of the other members (*but all political discussions are banned*). The planned food being offered is the standard cookout of grilled hamburgers & hot dogs, cold salads, baked beans, chips & dip, and watermelon. Hopefully, the weather will be nice and the children (and probably many adults) can play outside in our Fraternity’s back yard!

SEPTEMBER EVENT



Mexicana Meal

September 10th (5:00pm – 7:00pm)



The WOTM is sponsoring a Saturday Night Mexican Buffet. Bring a guest or one of our members who have taken a siesta from the Lodge for a bit. Come and enjoy!

Price: All-you-can-eat for \$10.00/adult

Legion Breakfast

Sunday, September 11th (10:00am – 1:00pm)

As usual, the buffet portion of this event will consist of sausage patties/links, bacon, heated maple syrup, fruit salad, and home fried potatoes. From the kitchen there will be “made-to-order” eggs (any way you want them including omelets), pancakes, and French toast. Furthermore, there will be at least one “surprise” food item, coffee, and orange juice.

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

SEPTEMBER EVENT



SEPTEMBER EVENT



Farewell to Summer Cookout

September 24th (2:00pm – 6:00pm)

Summer is not officially over until the Lodge gives it a proper send-off ... **And the Lodge is going to do it right!** The Arlington Fraternity promises that there will be no “clam bake” in the sand; but we hope to have some surprises above the normal summer cookout food offerings. After the sun sets in the west and our appetites have been fulfilled, the Arlington Fraternity acknowledges that the cooler weather will impact our local environment.

NOTICE

**Bull Run Moose
Legion #185
Bull Roast
has been canceled
on September 10th**



School Starts in September

**Watch for
Children
when Driving**

Arlington #1315 Board of Officers 2016-2017

Governor

Gregg Cady

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Meulebroecke

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

The Moose Legion Committee will be offering food refreshments at a reasonable price every Sunday during the regular NFL season beginning September 11th through December 18th. The Lodge has the NFL game package; so watch your favorite team play on Sundays at the Lodge while enjoying your favorite beverage and some snacks.

The following are the food offerings planned in the month of September and the first two weeks of October:

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| September 11 th - | Wings, Onion rings, & French Fries |
| September 18 th - | Hot dogs & Half Smokes, Chili, Nachos |
| September 25 th - | Meatballs, Jalapeno Poppers, Corn Nuggets |
| October 2 nd - | Wings, Nachos, French Fries |
| October 9 th - | Italian sausage, Peppers & onions, Macaroni Salad |



Moose Legion Committee to Try Something New! Football Bingo while watching the Sunday NFL Games at the Lodge Beginning September 11th

An NFL Game played at 1:00pm will be selected each Sunday as the basis for various actions during the game that initiate a bingo numbered ball to be drawn. Each player selects one of the teams in the selected

NFL game; which is written on the purchased 2-board paper bingo sheet. When a team accomplishes a specific action (e.g.: makes a touchdown or field goal, recovers a fumble, sacks a quarterback, etc.), a bingo numbered ball is drawn to be played only on the 2-board paper bingo sheet that identifies that team. The Football Bingo game continues until a player gets a marked "bingo" (5 boxes either up/down, across, or diagonal). The total money collected (100%) in the sale of the 2-board paper bingo sheets will be awarded to the player with the marked "bingo". If the selected NFL game is completed without a player getting a marked "bingo", the collected money will be rolled-over to the Football Bingo game on the next Sunday. Rules of Play will be posted in the Social Quarters by September 9, 2016.

Football Bingo is being offered to entice our members to come watch the NFL games on Sundays at our Lodge; therefore, all players must be in attendance at the Lodge during the selected game in order to play the Football Bingo game!



Arlington WOTM Chapter #1253 Board of Officers 2016-2017

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Patti Rodas



2016 VMA State Golf Tournament September 16th thru September 18th Hopewell Moose Family Center #1472 Information on the Social Quarters Bulletin Board



Moose International Annual Membership Campaign



Moose of the Month





Chapter Award of Achievement (5th Consecutive Year)

**Issue: 2016-9
Newsletter
Contributions**

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John Matis

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

Moose Legion Breakfast



**Sunday,
October 2nd**

**Free WiFi
at Lodge**



"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.



Fish Fry Revisited - No. 9 (since August 2012) Saturday, August 6th

A good fish story always "reels in the catch" and this event was < -----THIS BIG----- >. Besides the boat load of fish that was offered at this event, there were several surprise seafood entrees provided at the buffet. The usual event staples of breaded/fried catfish and cod were provided; BUT, the Galley Chefs made a minor alteration in the standard menu by offering baked flounder (even if no one was counting calories). In addition, our Galley Chefs presented a spicy Jambalaya (sausage & shrimp), fried oysters, fried clams, AND SUSHI (California style). To complement the tasty seafood, the buffet included macaroni and cheese, collard greens, stewed tomatoes, hush puppies, potato salad, deviled eggs, a cheese and cracker platter, a pickle tray, and potato chips with dip.

The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank our Galley Chefs of Tom Oderwald, Joyce Chaffins, and Liz Coombs for their efforts in providing the fish fry buffet for our membership! Furthermore, our fraternity extends a thank you to Donna Field for preparing the California-style sushi for the event (it was impressive watching her roll the ingredients into tight "logs"). Our Fraternity would also like to extend our gratitude to those volunteers who performed the cleanup after this social event ... especially in the gallery with the greasy pots and pans for frying the various fish selections.



Our main Galley Chefs for the Fish Fry Event (picture of Donna Field on Page



**26th Annual VMA State Dart Tournament
October 14th thru 16th, 2016
Lynchburg South Moose Family Center
Information on the Social Quarters Bulletin Board**



Pun of the Month

**Show me a piano
falling down a
mineshaft ...
and I'll show you
A-flat minor!**



Electronic Pull-Tabs by Powerhouse Gaming



**at the Arlington
#1315 Moose Lodge**



6th Annual Bill Lewis Memorial Chili Cook-Off



**Saturday,
October 8th**

WOTM Children's Halloween Party



**Saturday,
October 22nd**

WOTM Italian Dinner



November 5th

Special Election Schedule for Administrator

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



- **Tuesday, September 6, 2016**
Nomination Committee to present nominations (Official Lodge Ballot) & Establishment of the Election Committee
- **Tuesday, September 13, 2016**
Individuals to submitted petition to be included on Official Lodge Ballot if not nominated by the Nomination Committee
- **Tuesday, September 20, 2016**
Election at General Meeting at 7:00pm



Dominick Russo receiving an award at the Special Olympics Tennis State Games in June

**VMA District 4 Quarterly Meeting
Saturday, October 15th
at 11:30am**

**Fredericksburg Moose Family
Center #1655**



Moose Youth Awareness Program Arlington #1315 to Sponsor Association Student Congress on October 29, 2016

The Lodge will be sending out letters during the month of September to our local high schools, PTA organizations, the Boy Scouts of America, and the Girl Scouts of America requesting participants for the Moose Youth Awareness Program and attendance at the Association Student Congress that will be held at the Arlington #1315 Lodge.

Furthermore, in case you have not noticed, this event is "just around the corner" (i.e.: one month away) and the Lodge has not finalized a program to present to the students at our Association Student Congress. **The Lodge needs your assistance!** If you have any ideas for a presentation, know someone who could participate in making a presentation, or you and/or a friend want to help for this worthwhile cause ... **please step forward and talk to John Matis.** John can explain the overall details of the Moose Youth Awareness Program and possible subjects for the presentations (ideas for the students in the program to present to the elementary children).



**Brochure of Program in the
Social Quarters**

BE SAFE!



**Please Drink
Responsibly
when attending
our events**



Chapter Award of Achievement (5th Consecutive Year)



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



**Christina
Davies-Tribble**
WOTM Volunteer
of the Quarter
(April –
June 2015)



Labor Day is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country.

The vital force of labor added materially to the highest standard of living and the greatest production the world has ever known and has brought us closer to the realization of our traditional ideals of economic and political democracy. It is appropriate that the nation pay tribute on Labor Day to the creator of so much of the nation's strength, freedom, and leadership – the American worker.

Thank You Members for Purchasing the VMA Raffle Tickets

The Arlington Fraternity sold all 50 raffle tickets this year; unfortunately, no one from our fraternity won a prize. Thank you Anna Phillips, Gwen Collins, and John Matis for selling the raffle tickets.

Children Ice Cream Social on Saturday, August 6th

"Work of art" sundaes were created from multiple ice cream flavors with toppings consisting of chocolate syrup, caramel syrup, sprinkles, and miniature M&Ms. A pin dropping could be heard (a rare occurrence at our Lodge) while the children devoured their sundae creations. The ice cream sundaes were also offered to the adults (after the children) for a small donation.



The Arlington Fraternity wants to thank the Chapter members that assisted in making the sundaes and provided the clean-up after the event.



Ice cream sundae being prepared by Rose Russo for Keith Medel



Keith's father taught him this trick (sticking out his tongue for the camera)

Members Retention Week

November 6th
thru
November 12th

Welcome New Lodge/Chapter Members

► Ronald Jones ► Dennis Shannon ► Charles Layne ► Jenny Fowler
► Anna Magee ► Sarah Shannon ► Katherine Walter



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



Green Cap Celebration for Nessa Ruoff



November 12th



Thanksgiving Family Feast



Thursday,
November
24th



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



Governor's Corner

Labor Day...how did we get there so fast...can you believe it summer is over...WOW. The lodge attendance continues to increase. More new members and transfer members are joining our Lodge.

August again was a busy month for the lodge. Many of our brothers and sisters provided great deal of volunteer time assembling and collecting much needed school supplies and assisting in the assembly of backpacks for multiple schools in the area. A special thanks to the Women of the Moose for coordinating these activities. The Moose Legion again delivered another wonderful breakfast for members and guests. And additional steps forward with improvements within the Social Quarters. Installation was completed on additional bottle coolers and the delivery of the new behind the bar ice machine. The work completed included new electrical circuits for the coolers, microwave and ice machine. The end of August activities included several members attending the State Convention in Norfolk. Arlington was successful again with multiple awards and recognitions'.

As we enter the fall months we have multiple events scheduled including lodge clean-up, football tailgating parties with multiple menu items, breakfasts and much more. Come on in and join the growing fun soon!

Regards, Gregg



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 (and Moose International) is that you must show the bartender your Moose Identification Card (ID) when you enter the Social Quarters. **There are no exceptions!!** Please do not jeopardize the Moose Lodge by not carrying or showing a valid Moose ID when at the Moose Lodge; as penalties can be sanctioned against the Moose Lodge for violating this rule; including suspension of operations by Moose International, possible financial debt with the IRS (for back income taxes, interests, penalties & fees due to not being considered a private organization), etc.

Note: All previous Moose members MUST re-enroll to enter the Lodge!

You can Pay Moose Dues Online!

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

Watch College Football at the Lodge

The NCAA Division I Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) season begins in September, and the Lodge will have as many different games to view as possible ... *from the time the Lodge opens until closing.* **Come watch your favorite college teams in their quest to get picked for the NCAA Football Playoffs (and the other Bowl Games in December).**





Watch NASCAR at the Lodge

in September 2016

SUN, SEP 4
Bojangles' Southern 500
Darlington Raceway
SAT, SEP 10
Federated Auto Parts 400
Richmond International Raceway
SUN, SEP 18
Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 400
Chicagoland Speedway
SUN, SEP 25
New England 300
New Hampshire Motor Speedway



Youth Awareness Program



Association
Student
Congress on
October 29th
at our Lodge



Senior Regent's Message

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

I want to start off by congratulating Nessa Ruoff on receiving her green cap at the Virginia State Association (VMA) conference ceremony. So sorry I couldn't be there Nessa, but the rest of the board and a few other members from our chapter were there to celebrate her accomplishment. Patty Green-Schupp was the installing officer. Well done, Nessa!

A big shout-out is in order for Julia York and her higher degree committee for their second successful fundraiser which was held during the fish fry on August 6th. Thank you to Donna Heflin and Ralph Phillips for their assistance. Although we only had a small number of children at the ice cream social on the same day, those that did come appreciated their treats as did many adults who gladly donated a few dollars to offset the cost. What could be better during such hot weather than a bowl of ice cream atop a banana with syrup, sprinkles, and whip cream. Yummy! Thanks for coordinating this event Rose Russo.

I also want to thank the members of the chapter who donated items for the basket that we donated to VMA WOTM to help make money for re-roofing the administration building at Moosehaven.

Lastly, thank you to all Lodge and chapter members for donating the necessary school supplies and or money to buy such supplies/backpacks for our yearly drive to help local school children. Since we helped our Fairfax County children through the Jeb Stewart Pyramid in July, our board decided to give to a local needy DC school. Dawn Feltman, a Women of the Moose member and principal of Cleveland Elementary (a title one school with most students in need of free and reduced lunch), Washington DC was thrilled to pick up at least six boxes of goodies for her school children. She thanks us all wholeheartedly for these much needed resources. Thank you Anna Phillips for connecting us with this school and for Liz Coombs and the board for getting this accomplished. Coming up in September: WOTM Officer's training on the 10th from 8AM to 4PM. Please come if you want to learn more about the WOTM leadership opportunities.

Enjoy the rest of your summer,
Roxy



Spirit Antique and Custom Bike Show
Sunday, September 4, 2016 beginning 10:30am
at Vienna Moose Lodge #1896
All proceeds to Jill's House & Moose Charities

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



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



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

Deadline is September 30, 2016



Chapter Award of Achievement (5th Consecutive Year)

Future Planned Major Social Events

(October –
December 2016)

October 1st

Lodge Fall Cleanup

October 2nd

Legion Breakfast

October 8th

6th Annual Bill Lewis

Chili Cook-Off

October 15th

Kitchen Cleaning

October 22nd

WOTM Children's

Halloween Party

October 29th

Youth Awareness

Student Congress

November 5th

WOTM Italian Dinner

November 6th -

Date Changed

Fellowship Meeting

November 6th

Legion Breakfast

November 12th

Green Cap

Celebration for

Nessa Ruoff

November 24th

Thanksgiving Family

Feast

December 4th

Legion Breakfast

December 10th

WOTM Children

Christmas Party

**Dates & Activities
subject to change**



Personal/Family Corner

As a "Moose Family" we need to celebrate your personal and family milestones together. Therefore, if you have an upcoming birthday, an upcoming wedding anniversary, a new "clan" member, a promotion/change in your career, or anything else in your life that you want to share with the Moose members, **please** let John Matis know [in person when at the Moose Lodge or by jimatis@cox.net].

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Happy Birthday to Lodge members: **James York** (9/01), **Avee Ranjan** (9/01), **Jose Argueta** (9/5), **Floyd Hensley** (9/08), **Phu Ngo** (9/08), **Brian Van de Meulebroecke** (9/08), **Alex Wantrobski** (9/08), **Charles Burke** (9/09), **Thomas Michaliga** (9/12), **James Davidson, Sr.** (9/13), **John Rodas** (9/14), **Paul Lucas** (9/16), **Ron Mifflin** (9/16), **Michael Savaides** (9/16), **Andre McFail** (9/17), **Kevin Walker** (9/18), **Larry Anderson** (9/25), and **Robert Anderson** (9/27).
- Happy Birthday to Chapter members: **Marirose Russo** (9/03), **JoAnn Redditt** (9/04), **Leonora Tanangco** (9/04), **Christina Rappa** (9/10), **Anne Hinkle** (9/14), **Shirley Coles** (9/17), **Helene O'Connor** (9/16), **Josefina Ortiz** (9/21), **Rose Russo** (9/22), **Metse Bodulala** (9/24), and **Shaina Byron** (9/30).

SICKNESS and DISTRESS:

- Please keep our Moose members and families in our prayers for those who have current health or distressed situations; especially ... **Nora Rodas**, **Patti Green-Shupp**, **Rosemary Haddock**, and **Bob Peake**; all long time members of our Arlington Fraternity who are trying to get back to good health.

Remember You are the Future of the Fraternity

We as members of the Arlington Fraternity have a responsibility to ensure the future of our Lodge & Chapter, our Moose organization, and our mission. We absolutely must take care of the children now residing at Mooseheart and those who will need its services in future years. In our commitment to support Mooseheart, we give the children an opportunity to grow in a secure and caring home, to have a good education, to become worthwhile citizens and to be prepared to face the future with determination resolve to be the best they can be. Furthermore, we need to support the needs of our qualified senior members at Moosehaven to show our appreciation for their efforts in continuing our Moose organization through the past years. Without their dedication, we would not be enjoying the benefits offered by our Moose organization. Therefore, we want to remind our members to continue in supporting our Fraternity by any means that you can offer.

**Congratulations to George (Chuck) Warrington in being elected
as President of VMA District 4 – an Arlington #1315 Member**





Lodge Repairs/Replacements

It has been a long time since there was no required repairs within a month; therefore, the month of August was an exception. It is noted however that the Lodge lost electricity for about 4 hours during a storm in August and we have been "tweaking" the mechanical timer associated with the air conditioning unit to re-establish the correct "on" & "off" times (in case you have been wondering why the Lodge is hot sometimes).

WOTM Children's Christmas Party



**Saturday,
December 10th**

Everyone needs to be reminded:

Moose Member Oath

As a member of the Moose -
I promise to always be fair and accountable -
for my words and actions -
I will treat others, as I like to be treated -
I pledge to work in harmony -
with all members of this fraternity -
to ensure our growth and prosperity -
I will at all times -
comply with the General Laws -
And pledge to do everything in my power -
to ensure our success -
for future generations to enjoy.

Haven't been to the Lodge for some time?

Come see how we have continued to improve the facilities, discuss our expanded social events and our involvement in the local community, and enjoy the friendliness of our members. **You are a valuable member of the Arlington Fraternity that we wish to get to know better!**

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."
(Winston Churchill)

Salute to Christmas December 24th



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



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

After 1-1/2 months of fumbling through the responsibilities as acting Administrator, I want to encourage our members that I'm learning the job BUT still have a considerable amount of "unknowns" to work through. For the record, I did complete the 2-HOTT training class at the Front Royal Moose Lodge #829 on August 20th & 21st, which provided the basic knowhow in working in the Moose financial and membership software.

I want to extend a thank you to Nancy Koditek in her continuation of performing the weekly sales tabulations and the employee payroll, to Billy Hensley who has regularly assisted me in performing those other non-Moose responsibilities in the Administrator position (i.e.: Virginia sale taxes, party insurance, etc.), to Brian Birtell for completing the necessary quarterly reports to Moose International (i.e.: Heart of the Community), and to Joyce Chaffins for continuing her efforts in operating the Social Quarters. Their efforts are keeping our Moose Lodge in daily operations for our members, in good standings with Moose International, and in legal standings with the federal & state organizations.

Remember Mooseheart



Remember Mooseheart and Moosehaven



Give Generously!

Support Special Olympics





Watch the Redskins at the Lodge

September 2016



Pre-Season

THU, SEP 1
@7:30pm
Tampa Bay
Buccaneers
(AWAY)

Regular Season

MON, SEP 12
@7:10pm
Pittsburgh Steelers
(HOME)
SUN, SEP 18
@1:00pm
Dallas Cowboys
(HOME)
SUN, SEP 25
@1:00pm
New York Giants
(AWAY)

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

**Legion is
\$15.00**



2016-2017 Arlington #1315 Lodge Membership Challenge

Sponsor a new LOOM member between May 1, 2016 and April 30, 2017 and your name will be placed on a ticket in a raffle conducted each month during the entire Membership Challenge.

The more new LOOM members you sponsor, the more times your name will be placed within the raffle. The monthly drawing prize will be \$10.00 in Arlington "Moose Bucks" to the sponsor that is named on the selected ticket. **Elizabeth Coombs** was the winner of the August monthly raffle.

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

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



Goal: Obtain Premiere Lodge Award in 2017

Current Arlington #1315 Membership Status

As of August 22, 2016:

| 2016-2017 +1 Goal | Current Active Members | Difference | Expired | Dropped |
|----------------------|---------------------------|------------|---------|---------|
| 268 | 261 | -7 | 47 | 43 |



New Members since April 30, 2016: 6 (As of August 22, 2016)

Think New Members ... We need to exceed our 2016-2017 Goal



New members from the Bailey's Crossroads Rotary Club enjoying the Fish Fry event



In-House "Sushi" Chef Donna Field being assisted by Liz Coombs

VMA Moosehaven Centennial Project Contribution Status (As of August 12, 2016)



\$203,791.52 (40.75%)

GOAL = \$500,000



Chapter Award of Achievement (5th Consecutive Year)

Support the WOTM



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

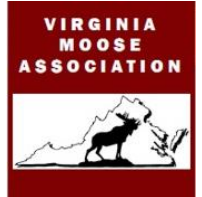
**Arlington
#1253 Annual
WOTM
Membership
Fee is \$30.00**



Notes from 79th Annual Virginia Moose Association (VMA) State Convention

(August 25 – 27, 2015 in Norfolk, VA)

Our fraternity organization wants to thank our contingent of LOOM and WOTM members who attended the VMA Convention in Norfolk, VA; consisting of Nessa Ruoff, Elizabeth Coombs, Patti Green-Shupp, Julie Parkhurst, Judith York, Patti Rodas, Gregg Cady, John Matis, Thomas Oderwald, and John Ruoff.



The following are some important information provided at the VMA State Convention:

- It was announced that the Virginia Moose Association won 1st Place as the TOP ASSOCIATION within Moose International for the 2015-2016 Moose Year.
- A Moose Valued Veterans Program is being established to have each Lodge honor the veterans within their Lodge membership. This program will be a requirement in the Heart of the Community. Details of the program will be provided in the near future.
- It was stressed that 100% of all donations to Moose Charities (i.e.: endowment, the Donor Circle, League of Guardians) go directly to Mooseheart and Moosehaven; no expenses/employment are deducted for the operations of Moose Charities.
- 30 students graduated from Mooseheart this year and there are now 200 students living at Mooseheart.
- The new Supreme Governor is planning to visit the Commonwealth of Virginia in February 2017 (Lodges to be visited are being determined by VMA).
- Dedicated trainers have been assigned to the various Districts within the VMA.

There were 524 LOOM members and 503 WOTM members that attended the 79th Annual VMA State Convention. In addition there were 52 Moose Lodges that earned the Premier Lodge Award (only 29 Moose Lodges last year) and 31 Lodge Governors that earned the Governor's Award of Excellence.

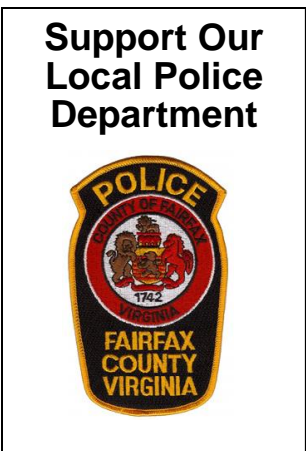


Congratulations to Bob Agnew (Dale City) in being appointed Deputy Supreme Governor for the 2016-2017 Moose Year



The majority of the representatives from the Arlington Fraternity at the VMA Annual State Convention (missing in picture are Julie Parkhurst & John Matis)





WOTM Senior Regent and Recorder with donated/purchased school supplies



School supplies being picked up by the Principal of Cleveland Elementary

VMA Shining Stars of 2015-2016 Moose Year

Chapter of the Year
Woodbridge Chapter #653

Coworker of the Year
Rena Creef, South Norfolk Chapter #947

Academy of Friendship
Carol Anderson, Luray Chapter #1647

Collegian of the Year
Joanna Mullins, Franconia Chapter #1042

Star Recorder of the Year
Bonnie Carter, Winchester Chapter #1367

Top Lodge up to 400 Members
Basset #383

Top Lodge 401 – 800 Members
Waynesboro #1309

Top Lodge 801 + Members
Hopewell #1472


Top Sports Lodge
Lynchburg South #1727



Top Administrator
Bob Blankenship, Richmond East #1947

Top Sponsor
Carl Martin, Lynchburg South #1727

Top District President
Ray Foster, District #11
Ralph Castle, District #13

 Arlington Moose Lodge #1315 was one of three nominees for this award
Our Lodge is being recognized by VMA!

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
(703) 324-4735





Watch Washington Nationals at the Lodge

in September 2016

New York Mets
SEP 2 – SEP 4 (A)
Atlanta Braves
SEP 5 – SEP 7 (H)
Philadelphia Phillies
SEP 8 – SEP 11 (H)
New York Mets
SEP 12 – SEP 14 (H)
Atlanta Braves
SEP 16 – SEP 18 (A)
Miami Marlins
SEP 19 – SEP 21 (A)
Pittsburgh Pirates
SEP 23 – SEP 25 (A)
Arizona Diamondbacks
SEP 26 – SEP 29 (H)
Miami Marlins
SEP 30 – OCT 2 (H)

Think Natititude!



Support Our Local Fire Department



The Arlington Moose Legion Committee Corner

The Moose Legion Committee wants to extend a thank you to John Tribble and Nick Hamedanchi for their efforts in providing the electrical service to the two coolers located within the Smoking Bar area. With the completion of this installation, the Arlington Lodge and the Arlington Moose Committee have approved the purchase of an ice maker for the Smoking Bar area; expectation is that this equipment will be operational by the middle of September.

The Moose Legion Committee wants to thank Joyce Chaffins, Liz Coombs and Tom Oderwald for preparing the meat tacos and fish tacos offered at the August Moose Legion Committee meeting.

As an extra activity at the conclusion of the September Moose Legion Committee meeting, a no cost "round the board" bingo game will be conducted and a prize will be offered to the winner.

Bull Run Moose Legion #185 Fall Celebration/Conferral November 5, 2016 @ Dale City Moose Family Center #2165

**Schedule to be published when known*



Pictures from the Green Cap Conferral at the
VMA 79th Annual State Convention

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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