



Front Royal Moose Lodge 829

Newsletter - March 2009

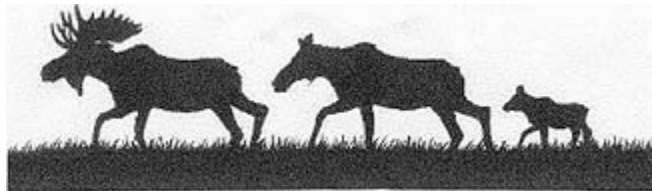
Governor's Message

Dear Members,

As all of you know I have been bugging you to death on signing members the last few months. Well, not this month. I want to thank all of you that have signed a member or more. Our membership chairman Robert Settle tells me that we are at 80 percent of our quota for the year with only two months to go. Here is some good news gents, as of March first Moose International is going to waive the \$20.00 application fee from March 1st through April 30th. But don't wait until April 30th, because the application still have to be reviewed by the board, sent to the floor to be voted on and be investigated by the application review committee. It would be to your advantage to sign them in March, or the first week of April at the latest. Now you can go out and sell the Moose for only the dues of \$40.00. Please don't stop now, we still need 30 or 40 members to make our quota. For 900 plus members that should be easy. Remember, some of the other lodges are raising their dues but we are going to hold on until it becomes necessary to talk about it. It isn't going to happen on my watch.

And now for a more serious matter. The House Committee has asked me to address the house rule pertaining to the 10:00 P. M. curfew for children under the age of sixteen. It seems that some of our members think the rule doesn't apply to them. I have news for you ladies and gentlemen that rule applies to everyone from the governor on down. No exceptions for dart players, pool layers officers and the Old Codgers Club but most of them are home in "LaLa" land by ten anyway. This rule was adopted when the lodge was on Water Street. As I recall, the curfew was 9:00 P.M. down there and it was not until we moved to our present site that it was changed. The reason being was that we were further out and people had further to drive. We are not trying to tell you how to raise your children or what time they should be in bed, but we love our little mooses and want to keep them, safe. It is your responsibility to abide by this rule and when the bartender makes that announcement, he or she does not have to give it again. They are only doing their job and will not make any exceptions. If you have guests, explain to them what our rule is as they may not be familiar with it. Also we will bring disciplinary action on any member that tries to skirt the issue by telling their kids to go outside or hide. That is all I am going to say on the matter. Like I said it is and issue with the House Committee and they will be watching what happens in the future Until next month.

Fraternaly Yours,
Jim McDonnell, Governor



Women of the Moose News

First things first, thanks to each of you for your participation in the Dexter Manly Night. It was a huge success and his talk was quite an inspiration to not only the youth of Warren County, but to the adults as well.

Speaking of inspiration, please mark your calendar for Saturday, April 11 for the Safe Surfing Day at the lodge. This should be a must event for each of us who have children and grandchildren. Watch the bulletin board and April Newsletter for more information on this special community service project hosted by Lodge 829.

Our newsletter is going green. You may look at the newsletter via the website at mooselodge829.org and copies can be picked up in the social quarters for those of you who don't have email.

Happy Birthday to all of you celebrating your birthday in March and remember our lodge is a very special place to celebrate -- this also applies to those of you who are celebrating your anniversary.

March 15 is a RED Letter Day - District Meeting in Winchester, Co-workers we need you! Front Royal has brought the roving trophy home for the past five years - we need to have the largest group of women there in order to bring it home again this year. Please help us win, we need to be there at one o'clock and they serve dinner after the meeting and we have fun meeting and greeting folks from the lodges and chapters in our district. If you need a ride please see me.

Now is the time to sign a candidate of two, or three - March 1- April 30 there will be no enrollment fee for new candidates! That's right! A candidate will only need one year membership fee (\$25.00 for women)

Co-worker of the month goes to Tammy Talton. Tammy thanks for all of your help.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 1 Spaghetti Dinner -Benefit Blue Ridge Opportunities - come out and enjoy dinner and support this worthwhile community service project.

March 6, 7 & 8 DART Tournament we need cookies, brownies and goodies to sell.

March 9 PEP Chapter Night - Kristie Wines, Chairman Slate of 2009-10 Officers read.

March 11 MLAC Dinner Meeting 7:00 pm

March 15 District Meeting, Winchester 1:00 pm -Let's have the biggest crowd and bring home the trophy!!!! Please help to support the WOTM

March 23 - WOTM Election 7:00 pm -Come vote!!!!

ANY TIMES, have we thanked our sponsors for their continued support -We are doing it again! Thanks to each of you and to each new member - we have made our quota for signing new members!!!! Keep up the good work and perhaps we will be number one again at State in July.

Fraternally yours,
Dixie McClary, Senior Regent



Administrator's Message

If anyone is interested in running for an office for the 2009-2010 term please fill out a nomination form which can be found at the bar or in the office. Offices that will need to be filled are 3 Year Trustee, Treasurer, Prelate, Junior Governor and Governor.

There is a new bulletin board in the hallway for the Moose Riders. If it involves the Moose Riders you can find it there.

Just wanted to remind everyone that the parking lots are marked so that emergency vehicles can maneuver around. If people continue to park on the side of the road, creating spots at the end of rows and parking in the hash marks we may have to start towing cars. This is a serious issue, one that we have addressed before so be advised that if the parking problems continue there may not be a warning if towing companies are called.

The social quarters has had a policy in effect for many years now that all children under the age of 16 are not allowed in the building past 10pm. We make this announcement every night in which there are children in the building. It is becoming increasingly difficult to enforce the rule as many members chose to ignore or take more time than necessary to leave. We have started suspending social quarters privileges to those members who blatantly disregard the rule. Please be aware of the time and be prepared to leave immediately at 10pm if you have children under 16 in your party.

On April 11th we will host 2 seminars in the lodge hall for those interested in learning more about the "Safe Surfin" campaign. The first seminar will be for anyone over the age of 18 years of age and will start at 10:30am and run until approx 11:30am. The second will be for children aged 9 thru 18 and will start at 12:30pm and run until approx 13:30pm. It is open to anyone and we encourage everyone to get the word out about this important issue. This was an idea from Ken Cooley and he has brought it to fruition. The information is located on the VMA website and you will hear more about it in the next newsletter.

Come out and support the Front Royal team as we host the 1st Annual Valley Dart Tournament, March 6-8, 2009. We wish the Sports Committee success and hope to see you there.

Fraternally yours,
Ben Auterback, Administrator

Bulletin Board

Parents please do not let your children play in the parking lot. It is very dangerous, especially after dark and please observe them when they are in the lodge.

O Support Mooseheart Schools. Mooseheart elementary and middle schools need our help. The WOTM chapter is supporting Mooseheart schools by saving BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION coupons from hundreds of General Mills' products and Campbell Soups. Chapter members and wives of lodge members are asked to help with this project. You may turn the coupons in to any chapter officer or place them in the WOTM collection box in the social quarters to the attention of Krystal Wines.

O Newsletters via E-mail and On the Web. Many thanks to all members who have asked to be placed on the newsletter E-mail list or stated they would view it on the website. Your many comments on how appreciative you are of the attempts of the lodge to Go Green are appreciated. The list is growing and thank you again. Please notify us at newsletter@mooselodge829.org if you would like to subscribe or obtain the newsletter and calendar via the lodge website.

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