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Courier

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MID-YEAR CONFERENCE ... A (SABER) BLAST

The Mid-Year Conference held on March 7-10 was, by all accounts, a resounding success. Starting out with a welcome dinner held at the Peninsula



Moose Lodge and hosted by the outstanding Officers and members of the Peninsula Moose Lodge and honoring our Official Visitor Allan Marx and his wife Cheri.

The following morning found our dedicated members washing walls, cleaning windows, sweeping

floors, walking puppies and petting kittens at the South County Humane Society. Our members were so efficient, they ran out of work for them after only an hour. Good job, guys, showing the community what the Moose can do.



Next on the agenda was an afternoon of information and presentations from your WSNIMA and International Officers and Chairmen following by another delicious Prime Rib dinner served by those incomparable hosts at the Peninsula



Moose Lodge.

Back at the hotel, in the new, improved and larger hospitality room, members got in the spirit of Star Wars as well as enjoying a bit of refreshment and games with their fellow attendees.

Saturday was a full day of presentations, information and updates on changes coming from Moose International

and even a visit from the feared villain from beyond our Galaxy, Darth Vader, who warned us not to carry our Membership efforts beyond our own planet. Good luck with that, you evil overlord.

The Saturday night Banquet was another great success held at the Senior Center. Members were recognized for their

achievements, including awarding the Lifetime Achievement Award to our own Fred McHenry

from Nisqually Valley Lodge. Congratulations Fred and a well deserved award. All in all, a very successful Conference. We hope to see everyone in Pasco in September.





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Association Officer Messages

Association President Ed Taylor

We made it through the Mid-Year Conference, and it was a remarkable success. I heard many positive comments, and I am incredibly happy you all had such a fun time. I had a wonderful weekend with my wife and all my Moose friends. I must admit I did not expect to be quadruple flocked, but the money went to a worthy cause, although my pocketbook suffered a bit of a loss! Hats off to Rebecca Hoffarth for an unconventional and good-humored fundraiser.

I am immensely proud of our lodges that are on track to make premiere lodge award. This is a huge accomplishment. This has truly been a remarkable year. Membership is up across the association, and we will be rising from the bottom. Everyone should be proud of the accomplishments they have seen in their lodges.

Remember to keep working on

the arrearage lists as we are still losing too many members on the back end.

Mark your calendars for June. The Chairman of the Board, John Snipes, will be visiting three (3) of our association lodges! He will be at the Bellingham Lodge on Thursday

June 20, 2024; Snoqualmie Valley on Friday June 21, 2024; and Nisqually Valley on Saturday June 22, 2024. Come on out to one of the lodges for the meet and greet.

As always thank you for everything you do for the Mooseheart children, the Moosehaven Seniors and the communities that are the heart of our Lodges! Continue to strive for excellence!

1 Team Working Together for a Brighter Future



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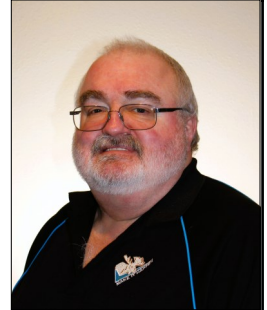
Our Association is proud to be hosting the top elected One Moose Official, the Chairman of the Board of Moose International John Snipes.

Please plan on welcoming him at one or more of the following events:

- **Bellingham Lodge on Thursday, June 20, 2024.**
- **Snoqualmie Valley Lodge on Friday, June 21, 2024.**
- **Nisqually Valley Lodge on Saturday, June 22, 2024.**

All Lodges are planning special events and dinners, so check with them for times and events.

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Congratulations to District 3 for winning the “Hit it out of the Park” Membership Campaign by a gain of 202 members during that six month period. That district took home a check for \$1,000 that was divided between all their lodges.

The “Out of this World” campaign was announced at the Mid-Year Conference where three Lodges with the most membership gain in the six months between March 1, 2024 and August 31, 2024 have an opportunity to win some nice cash prizes. Apparently, however, Lord Darth Vader,

who visited the meeting room on Friday at Mid-Year Conference, was not happy we were taking our “goodie two-shoes” attitude of supporting our twin cities and local communities off our planet. He is apparently, “Keeping his eyes on us.” So let’s give him something to worry about.



We’re going to reward Lodges for their Membership signing and retention efforts. For the top 3 Lodges with a numerical gain in membership from March 1, 2024 to August 31, 2024 we will be awarding cash prizes of:

- \$750** For the Most Membership Gain
- \$500** For the Second Most Membership Gain
- \$250** For the Third Most Membership Gain

And here’s the starting numbers:

Bellingham	157	Mt. Vernon	192	Snoqualmie Valley	321
Chehalis	422	Montesano	1014	Lakes	167
Nisqually Valley	541	Port Angeles	502	Cowlitz Valley	438
Camas/Washougal	691	Woodland	305	Dollars Corner	1155
Peninsula	1763	Ellensburg	203	Grand Coulee	269
Quincy	395	Royal City	99	Moscow	242
Pullman	80	Kennewick	441	Finley	27

Campaign runs from March 1, 2024 thru August 31, 2024. Winners based on numbers received from

Moose International. Membership Committee is not responsible for new members not received or unsubmitted by August 31, 2024.

Prizes will be awarded from the WSNIMA Membership Committee fund once information is received. Winners will be announced by the Membership Committee on September 14, 2024, at the Convention Banquet in Pasco. Good luck!



I can’t tell you how pleased I am at our Association Membership numbers. During the last Membership Campaign, we had a gain of 351 members with only 2 Lodges showing a minor loss. Unfortunately we lost Enumclaw Lodge, but the rest of the Lodges are certainly picking up the slack. We are pulling up out of the 42nd place showing for Associations in the International Standings and hopefully will be in the top 10 at New Orleans. So, please keep up the good work!

See you down the road!





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John Mangiantini Secretary

Hello WSNIMA Colleagues!

I came away from our Mid-Year Conference in Long Beach very optimistic about our future. The Peninsula Moose Lodge and Chautauqua Resort were fantastic hosts. I am very grateful to both for the service they provided all of us. If you weren't there, I think you missed out on something special. I have been going to these for close to 30 years. There was something different, but very exciting about this one. The board seemed more charged up and the members seemed to be more engaged than ever before.

If you did miss it, don't cry over the past that you can't change. All you can do is look ahead and join us in our quest to become a top Association. What does that mean? It means our lodges are being awarded the Premiere Lodge Award, which means that they are growing in membership and assets. They are doing great things for their communities and they are providing fun activities for their members and families. They are having fun while supporting Mooseheart and Moosehaven. We want to become a top Association because it means that our lodges are healthy and ready to be there for years to come for their members. And, it means that lodge officers will be receiving the recognition for their great work that they so deserve.

I can hear you thinking "That sounds great. How can I be a part of that?" I have just the answers. **First**, keep helping your



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Getting the word out!

This Courier takes us through the transition to a new Moose year. The Moose Legion ends this year pretty much as it began. We're down slightly in membership even with each of

lodge by volunteering for events, work/clean/fix-up parties, kitchen duty, or a committee chair or lodge office. Do these things to the best of your ability and you are doing the most important thing you can do for the Moose, that is to help your lodge thrive. **Second**, sign a new member and share the purposes of our noble order with them. Don't just sign them up, tell them the story and invite them to meetings and functions. **Third**, attend District meetings. Check www.wsnima.org for dates and times of your local district meetings. **Fourth**, attend the WSNIMA Fall Convention happening in Pasco on September 12-15 at the Red Lion and the WSNIMA Mid Year Conference next March, date and location TBD. You will meet lifelong friends and you will be amongst many other people who are doing the same things you are. They get you, they understand you, they welcome you.

Everyone wants to be in on the ground floor of something big and we all want to participate in it. I have a gut feeling WSNIMA is on the cusp of something we have only accomplished once before. The difference this time will be you and your friends being a huge part of making it happen. I also know that when we get there this time, it won't be a one-and-done. We will remain where we belong, at or near the top, every single year. We owe that to our members, and the ones that will follow them. If you have any questions, contact any of the officers. You can find their contact info at www.wsnima.org also.

Thanks for being a great Moose and for being my brother/sister. We are one big family and we are lucky to have each other.

WSNIMA's three jurisdictions signing new members. Support of the five programs the ML specifically supports (can you name them?) stands almost the same as last year. (Nope, I'm not sayin', you're going to have to look up the programs yourself at <https://www.moosintl.org/forms/>)

For the coming year, we will try for a little

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As Vice President of WSNIMA, I would like to say thank you to all that came to Mid-Year and hope to see more of you next year. I really enjoyed being able to talk to so many members that I knew but the best of all was learning things from some of the new people I met. I promise you that I will take our conversations seriously and appreciate your comments. We are here to represent you and to make our Association and lodges bigger and stronger.

I always look forward to hearing your ideas about what works at your lodge and what doesn't. The more we work together the better we all can prosper and grow into something great. I am always here to offer my support and help with anything I can.

I will be travelling to all your District meetings over the next couple of months and hope to see you all there as you represent your lodges and chapters.

In closing, I would like to say thank you for everything you do for the association, your lodges, and your communities.

Mike Moreau, Chaplain



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Thanks to all who made it to Long Beach for our Mid-Year Conference. No longer surprised but always impressed with the people who take their time to work and share these events with us. It's a privilege to be allowed to help on a very worthy and fulfilling mission. For all those that choose to spend their time and resources for the Moose, Thank You!

Already looking forward to our next WSNIMA Convention. Hope all who can will schedule us into their calendar September 12th-15th, Pasco WA. Make it for weekend, make it for a day. Hope to see you all there.

Please keep your fellow members who are dealing with recovery and loss in your thoughts and prayers. Don't disregard our collective ability to help those in need. The power of prayer, the power of our virtue provides comfort for all who we connect with.

Be a Believer! Be a Moose!

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Fun and Fellowship and work on spreading the word to new members.

An All-State Moose Legion Celebration is scheduled and will kick off the fun at Nisqually Valley on June 8th. There will be no meetings at the June 8th event, but there will be outdoor movies, horseshoes, a bonfire, s'mores, adult beverages, cards, darts... um, pool, etc. There is parking with power and water for RVs. Space for tents... ok, yes, there are local motels. No, the June 8th celebration is NOT limited to ML members. Remember, one of the things we're working on is getting the word out. The event will be hosted by ML members, but we REALLY want more people interested in the first degree of fraternalism. Invite members to come and play. We can show them what we're about when they get there.

The other thing we can work on is strengthening our partnership with the Higher Degree Council. We had tremendous success talking to members about The Moose Fraternity's higher degrees at the Mardi Gras event hosted by the Higher Degree Council a couple of months ago. There was confusion about this "higher degree thingie" before the event and it was a perfect opportunity to get the word out by talking one-on-one with people. Higher degree members are encouraged to attend the ML Celebration on June 8th, (both men and women). Just talking at WSNIMA events and Higher Degree events does not get the word out to new members. All that gets us is another "Harumph" from Governor Lepetomane!!! (Yes, Blazing Saddles)





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Suzanne Dinning Chapter Advocate

The end of our Chapter year is coming up very soon. You should have your officers and chairman in place to be installed before the end of April, 2024.

Deadlines for 2023-2024 Chapter year:

May 31, 2024 – deadline for ALL forms (114/166/audit)
NO EXCEPTIONS!!

June 10-15, 2024 – Award of

Achievement and Golden Gavel Processing; Chapters will be notified by mail in order of their Association Annual Convention date.

July 10, 2024 – deadline for appeals Post-New Orleans Convention – Higher Degree Processing; Matriculant letters will be mailed in the Fall of 2024

2-HOTT Waiver The Grand Council of the Women of the Moose recently approved the

requirement for 2-HOTT Training for the 2023-24 Chapter year. Requirement will be waived for Treasurers working for the Star Degree. We continue to encourage the Officers' to attend 2-HOTT training as available in your area.

Who needs WOTM training: Senior Regent working towards the Golden Gavel; Junior Past Regent working towards the College of Regents degree; Treasurer working towards the Star Recorder degree.

The 6-hour WOTM Training is conducted February 1 thru October 31 each calendar year. This counts for the future/current Chapter year. Participants who attend between February 1, 2024 and October 31, 2024 will receive honors credit for the 2024-2025 Chapter year.

Current WOTM training sessions scheduled are: **April 27**, Kennewick Chapter; **May 11**, Moscow, ID Chapter and **May 25**, Dollars Corner Chapter.



Moose Charities Moose Charities Chairmen Geri & Ross Winters

We would like to thank everyone: individuals, Lodges, Chapters & Moose Legion Jurisdictions for the \$8,730.00 in donations to Moose Charities at Long Beach. WOW!

We are now at 75% of our goal for the AAA project and 39% of our goal for the Mooseheart dart boards.

We now have 25 M & M Club members. M & M Club members make recurring donations to Moose Charities of at least \$10.00 per month. How do you join the M & M club? The next time you make an online donation put a checkmark in the box marked "Yes, make this a monthly gift! I want to join the M+M Monthly Giving Club!"

Moosheart Boosters donate specifically to Mooseheart City & School. WSNIMA now has 15 Mooseheart Boosters.

The Donors Circle is a Moose Charities recognition program honoring donors to the

endowment fund. WSNIMA now has 53 Donors Circle members. The donations are cumulative, and you receive a Moose Charities heart pin for each level of giving you reach over time. If you make a \$10.00 donation to the Donors Circle and designate it as a monthly gift then you will receive your first pin in only 10 months.

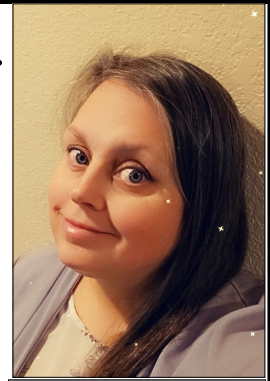
The League of Guardians are those that donate at least \$1,000.00 to Moose Charities each year. WSNIMA now has 24 members. If you want to join the League of Guardians You can sign up for a monthly donation of only \$83.34 each month.

Thank you everyone for your generosity and keep giving to Moose Charities. Remember when you donate to Moose Charities 100% of your donation goes to the cause you designate.



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What an amazing Conference Mid-Year 2024 was! It was truly out of this world. Do you know what else is out of the world? The WSNIMA Activities for this year. I took your amazing suggestions and ideas and created an event schedule that we believe will have something for everybody. It was so well received that I have locations for three of my events already! Please work with your chapter and lodge leadership to book one of these events at your lodge or chapter today. I am so excited to be working with all of you. Please reach out to me at blackorchidwhip@gmail.com or by text

at 509-308-7928. Let me help with bringing an exciting Association event to your area and we can all make this year out of this world!

So far I have locations for the Soft Tip Dart Tournament in Moscow for August 24th, the costume contest for Annual Convention and the Trivia Tournament for next year's Mid-Year Conference. I need participation for the rest of these events. Please contact me if your Lodge is interested in hosting.

Upcoming International Moose events

Trap Shoot

August 24-25
Host Lodge: Muskego, WI
Lodge #1057

Horseshoes

June 22-23
Host Lodge: Sylvania, OH
Lodge #1579

Cornhole

August 10-11
Host Lodge: Paradise, CA
Lodge #2227

Golf

September 13-15
Host Lodge: East Mesa, AZ
Lodge #2082

Bowling

April 27-28 & May 4-5
Host Lodge: Sandwich, IL
Lodge #1016

Pickleball

February 10-11
Host Lodge: Tamarac, FL
Lodge #2267

Pool

July 9-12
Host Lodge: Duncan, OK
Lodge #2202

Soft-Tip Darts

October 11-13
Host Lodge: Pacifica, CA
Lodge #1944

Steel-Tip Darts

April 20-21
Host Lodge: Lynchburg South, VA
Lodge #1727

Texas Hold 'Em

January 7th-11th
Location: Golden Nugget
Hotel & Casino



For more information visit the QR code to the moose international site



WSNIMA OUT OF THIS WORLD EVENTS

Costume Contest **Pool Tournament**
WSNIMA Annual Convention February (2025)
Pasco, WA

Chili Cook Off
September (2024)

Trivia Tournament
March (2025)
WSNIMA Mid Year

Soft-Tip Dart Tournament
August 24 2024
Moscow, ID #871

Texas Hold'EM
November (2024)

Golf Tournament
July (2024)

BAKE OFF
April (2025)

BBQ COOK OFF **Cribbage Tournament**
June (2024) May(2025)

If interested in hosting or participating contact the WSNIMA Activities Chair





Reports from the Districts

District 1



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Two quarters down and two to go. Got to admit, I'm having fun going to my lodges in the district.

I would like to thank everyone that put on our Mid-Year Conference in Long Beach and the Peninsula lodge for the great meals they provided us and their hospitality.

The meetings were informative, fun and I enjoyed seeing Darth Vader. I hope everyone learned something new and will have a better understanding about the Moose and what we do.

District 3 won the Hit It Out Of The Park Campaign and decided to split the money between the lodges. Each lodge did their best and a

We are having our District 1 meeting on April 13th followed by a dinner at 6 pm. If you're in the neighborhood stop by and enjoy a smoked rib dinner with mashed taters, baked beans and Cole slaw for \$13. Mike Peabody is smoking up the ribs.

District 3

few lodges could really use the extra money.

I have two more lodges that I will be doing my visitation reports on this month. I enjoy seeing what lodges are doing and seeing the wonderful leaders and members.

Hope everyone is getting ready for the New Orleans Convention, it's gonna be a fun time.



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District 5



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We are quickly approaching the end of the Moose Calendar Year and you should be getting ready to have our next Board of Officers installed. Before that, I wanted to thank all of the current Boards of Officers in their respective Lodges For all you have done: THANK YOU.

We are holding our District 5 meeting in Kennewick on May 18th. We will have Lodge Officer Training in person at

this meeting, followed-up with a Cascade-Traehesoom Moose Legion Celebration and Conferral. There should be no reason that any of our Lodges should be out of compliance due to lack of training. We have this scheduled for your convenience and it's FREE! Please contact me if you cannot make it and need Lodge Leadership

Training or Moose Legion Conferral.

District 5 has lots of great activities and upcoming events within our Lodges. Moscow and Pullman Moose Lodges have joined forces for their annual 'Palouse Moose Fishing Derby' on April 20th. Look for Finley Lodge helping throughout the community and getting ready for their 4th of July Fireworks stand. Kennewick will be hosting their Moose Legion Golf Tournament as well as many other activities. We would love for you to join any of them.

And as a friendly reminder... please be ready to enter new Board of Officers into LCL, be ready to submit all reports due, enter all scheduled enrollments/101's into LCL (Don't forget to email Duane Lusby, our Territory Manager, on these), submit Moose of the Year, and all endowment or other requirements due at the beginning of the new Moose Calendar Year. We don't want any Lodge to miss out on the Premier Lodge Award due to not submitting these.

Thanks for all you do. It is appreciated.

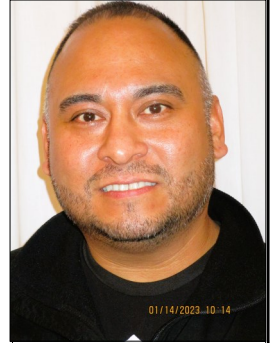
Hello all from the District 4 area. I would like to give a big thanks to the Ellensburg Lodge for hosting our District 4 meeting this last Saturday March 23rd. I'm very pleased to have seen our special guests Dan Barnhart and Mike Peabody who gave us great advice and news on upcoming events. We truly have missed our Royal City folks these past couple meetings, sure hope they can attend our next District meeting.

We have had some new members step in and volunteered to become Lodge Officers and Administrators which means leadership training is underway.

District 4

Our next District 4 meeting will be on June 1st at noon in Grand Coulee, hope to see you there if not sooner!

Just a reminder that our Annual International Convention is just around the corner and you need to get your reservations in now if you plan to attend. Hotel rooms are tight and I know MI is working toward making more rooms available.



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Chris Jones, Higher Degree & Men's Ritual Chairman

I hope you all had as big a blast at midyear as did I. Let me remind you to get your nomination forms in for your Fellowship candidates.

As you know, the Past Presidents started a fund raiser last September to purchase two Dart Boards for the Mac center at Mooseheart. This was an Eight Thousand Dollar project. I am

pleased to report that we are nearly half way to our goal after the Mid-Year Conference. Thank you so much to all those who donated. I would encourage everyone and all the lodges and chap-

ters to continue in your efforts to get this project completed by or during our convention this September.

Remember that we are about service to others and make an effort to go to your lodge 2, 3, or 4 times a month. Ask what you can do to help. Get on a committee, cook once in a while at the lodge and give those who are always doing it a breather. People do get tired and sometimes all it takes is a little help to make all the difference in the world. Ask yourself this. If not me, who? If not now, when? Gwen and I have cooked at Snoqualmie Valley lodge a few times and really enjoy doing it.

All for one and one for all.

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Heart of the Community Ron and Heather Morgan

We want to thank everyone who helped at the South Pacific County Humane Society in Long Beach. They were very grateful for our help and impressed with how much we accomplished in a short time. We try very hard to find community service events that can be completed regardless of members' physical abilities. If you have suggestions for our Heart of the Community event in Pasco in September, please let us know.

We were asked to specifically address how to complete an HOC report during our talk in March. Please remember there is also infor-

mation on reporting on the WSNIMA website. If you still have questions about reporting, please reach out to us or Duane Lusby.

Otherwise, we'll assume that you each will receive a Good or Better on all your quarterly reporting and will be receiving the Premier Lodge award this next year. Thank you for being amazing each and every day.



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WSNIMA 2024 Calendar



April 2024

- 13 Puget Sound Moose Legion Celebration, 2 PM, Snoqualmie Valley
- 13 District 1 Meeting, 3:30 PM, Snoqualmie Valley
- 27 WOTM Training Session, 9 AM, Kennewick
- 28 Ross Chastain races at Dover Motor Speedway in the Würth 400 at 2 PM ET on FS1



May 2024

- 11 District 2 Meeting, noon, Nisqually Valley
- 18 Executive Officers Training, 10 AM, Kennewick
- 18 District 5 Meeting, 11 AM, Kennewick
- 25 WOTM Training Session, Dollars Corner



June 2024

- 1 District 4 Meeting, noon, Grand Coulee
- 8 Moose Legion All State Celebration, 2 PM, Nisqually Valley
- 20 Chairman of the Board John Sipes visits Bellingham
- 21 Chairman of the Board John Sipes visits Snoqualmie Valley
- 22 Chairman of the Board John Sipes visits Nisqually Valley

July 2024

- 13 WSNIMA Summer Board Meeting, Ellensburg
- 20 Puget Sound Moose Legion 91 Meeting, 2 PM, Bellingham
- 20 District 1 Meeting, 3:30 PM, Bellingham
- 21 Ross Chastain races at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway in the Brickyard 400 at 2:30 PM ET on NBC
- 24-27 International Convention, New Orleans



August 2024

- 10 Chapter Rally Day, Nisqually Valley
- 17 District 5 Meeting, Pullman



September 2024

- 12-14 WSNIMA Annual Convention, Pasco



October 2024

- 12 Puget Sound Moose Legion 91 Meeting, 2 PM, Mt. Vernon
- 12 District 1 Meeting, 3:30 PM, Mt. Vernon



November 2024

- 3 Ross Chastain races at Martinsville Speedway in the Xfinity 500 at 2 PM ET on NBC



December 2024



Look for Chastain's car, emblazoned with the Moose Fraternity logo, as he competes for victory in the following races:

April 28, 2024

Würth 400
Dover Motor Speedway
FS1 – 2:00pm ET

November 3, 2024

XFINITY 500
Martinsville Speedway
NBC – 2:00pm ET

July 21, 2024

Brickyard 400
Indianapolis Motor Speedway
NBC – 2:30pm ET



NEED HELP?

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MOOSE PROUD PAST, BRIGHT FUTURE

May 1, 2023 - April 30, 2024

We are proud of the history of this great Fraternity. While keeping our past successes in mind, we look forward to the bright future with like-minded members who continue to play an important role in their local communities and supporting Mooseheart and Moosehaven for years to come.

Working together, our future is bright.



Lodge pin



Moose Legion/
WOTM pin



As members of the Moose, we are proud of all that we have accomplished in the past for our children in need at Mooseheart, our seniors at Moosehaven and our local communities. We have proven how positively influential and important these core missions of the Moose have been to our society, resulting in greater public awareness of our Fraternity and another year of an increase in membership.

Now is the time for Moose members to remember their proud past and work together to focus on an even brighter future. When our members come together and envision a shared future, the possibilities to have a positive impact on society are endless. By bringing together like-minded individuals who are passionate and dedicated to supporting their communities and raising money for Mooseheart and Moosehaven, we can only grow stronger. Our Fraternity will be strengthened as we look forward to further opportunities to accomplish great things relevant to the important values, expectations and needs of our culturally diverse current and upcoming generations.

We are proud of our great fraternity's history. While having pride in our past, we look forward to a bright future, coming together as a diverse culture of like-minded individuals who continue to play an important role in our communities and supporting Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

Working together, our future is bright!



5 Club members will be providing equipment for the sports complex including a top of the line golf simulator.



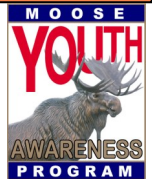
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With the new Moose year right around the corner, now is the perfect time to plan a Youth Awareness Congress into your calendar. Not only does this help support your local community, but it also allows the lodge to have non-members into the lodge, which helps to build membership and it gives your lodge points for the Heart of the Community report.

The Youth Awareness season for hosting a Congress is from August 15th to November 15th.

The only requirements for the lodge to hold a Youth Congress is that they provide snacks for the students and a space for me to meet with students and their families. It is also very helpful to have a member of your lodge who is willing to be the student contact for that any assistance the students need.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Here are the dates and locations:

- International Convention, July 24-27, 2024, New Orleans
- Annual Convention, Sept. 12-15, 2024, Pasco
- Annual Convention, Sept. 11-14, 2025, Pasco



We're going to reward Lodges for their Membership signing and retention efforts. For the top 3 Lodges with a numerical gain in membership from March 1, 2024 to August 31, 2024 we will be awarding cash prizes of:

- \$750** For the Most Membership Gain
- \$500** For the Second Most Membership Gain
- \$250** For the Third Most Membership Gain

And here's the starting numbers:

Bellingham	157	Mt. Vernon	192	Snoqualmie Valley	321
Chehalis	422	Montesano	1014	Lakes	167
Nisqually Valley	541	Port Angeles	502	Cowlitz Valley	438
Camas/Washougal	691	Woodland	305	Dollars Corner	1155
Peninsula	1763	Ellensburg	203	Grand Coulee	269
Quincy	395	Royal City	99	Moscow	242
Pullman	80	Kennewick	441	Finley	27

Campaign runs from March 1, 2024 thru August 31, 2024. Winners based on numbers received from Moose International. Membership Committee is not responsible for new members not received or unsubmitted by August 31, 2024. Prizes will be awarded from the WSNIMA Membership Committee fund once information is received. Winners will be announced by the Membership Committee on September 14, 2024, at the Convention Banquet in Pasco. Good luck!



Congratulations to Chrstina Dearey of Camas Chapter and Laura Tanner-Downey of Moscow Chapter for receiving their Academy of Friendship Degree at Mid-Year Conference

Get up to \$3000 in Marketing Grant Monies

The Moose International Board of Directors has extended the Local Marketing Grant program two additional years. This program offers lodges up to \$3,000 in grant money to promote themselves within the communities in which they operate and can be used in a variety of ways. For further information contact Territory Manager Duane Lusby.

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