



OLD DOMINION MOOSE LEGION #148 WINTER CELEBRATION 2014-15



Message from President....*Ryan Spain*

Fellow Moose Legionnaires:

This year is flying by; our Moose Legion Committees are doing a good job at attending meetings, remitting endowment money, and signing Moose Legionnaires. We need to focus more on membership and signing new members of our lodges to the Moose Legion. Get them involved, and mentor a new Moose Legionnaire. I would like thank Tappahannock-Warsaw Lodge for hosting the Summer Celebration. As usual the Lodge, MLC, and WOTM did a great job. We thank all the members who attended and supported their Moose Legion. Without their support we would not have had a successful endeavor. Thanks again.

As for the All State Celebration, we had a good showing of Moose Legionnaires from ODML#148. We still need to try to get more Moose Legionnaires and ladies interested in coming to the All State Celebration. This is a great chance for you to meet Moose Legionnaires from all over the State of Virginia and share fun and fellowship. I would like to say thank you to Keith, Donna and my wife Kristina for their time and efforts making sure our hospitality room was the best it could be. Also to all of the Board of Directors for their efforts in making it a successful fundraising event.

Please make plans to attend the Winter Celebration on February 5-7, 2015. This is our biggest celebration and fundraiser for the year. Our Official Visitor will be the International Moose Legion President Brother Bruce Snider. Please come out and show him your support for our Moose Legion and the Moose Legion as a whole.

Note from Vice-President....*Gary Easter*

Brothers:

As of now we have had forty-five (45) applications turned in; this is great, however we still need more. I know its hard right now to get people to join the Moose Legion, but we need to continue the good job you all are doing.

Hopewell asked if they signed at least six (6) new applicants could we hold a Mini Conferral for them. So on November 6th, Hopewell conferred seven (7) new Moose Legionnaires. Great job!

Callao has pledged to sign at least twenty (20) new applicants so we could hold a Mini Conferral there. So far they have eight (8) signed by Glen Sydnor alone from their lodge.

Let's all keep up the good work and hopefully at the Winter Celebration we will have a full house for the Conferral.

Chaplain / Publicity.... *Jack Gaulin*

I greatly appreciate your support as your Chaplain. If you know of any sickness and distress, please let me know or call me.

If your Lodge is having any Moose Legion Functions, please email or call me. We will get the function posted on the website. This is a great way to get the word out to the other Moose Legion Committees.

My phone number is 804-271-3389 or email gaulin_08@comcast.net

Desk of the Secretary....*Jim Cridlin*

The Summer Celebration hosted by Tappahannock-Warsaw was again a well-planned success. Kudos go out to the Lodge, Chapter, and Moose Legion Committee that put on this fine event. There are simply too many of you to individually thank but we all appreciate this hospitality that you extend to all of us attending.

The All-State Celebration was again successful thanks to the Moose Legionnaire's and Lodge MLC's that continue to support our Moose Legion. Special thanks to Keith Williams and Donna Wynne for running our hospitality room and for the great job they did.

Our Annual Winter Celebration is approaching. We hope you will be able to join us and make this celebration successful. Without your support these celebrations would not be possible. If there is something you would like to try differently, please offer the suggestion for serious consideration. Room reservation forms are on the website and available from our Housing Chairman Bob Blankenship.

Special kudos going out to the Hopewell Governor Troy and their Administrator Marvin for taking such a personal effort to keep their Moose Legion Committee membership drive so successful. We need more Governor's and Administrators to support our efforts on membership.

Also special kudos going out to Glen Sydnor of Callao and Artie Ransone from Lancaster for their efforts on membership. Their goal is twenty-five (25) new or former members and they are already at twelve (12) as of this newsletter. Thank you guys for your efforts on behalf of this Moose Legion.

On a sad note Past International President Sonny Clay has passed. Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers through this difficult time. His contributions to the ODML#148 and his lodge - Richmond East Moose and to this fraternity have been significant.

Financial Director's Report

The upcoming Winter Celebration to be held in February is fast approaching. The fundraiser for this Celebration will be a \$500 Walmart Gift Card. You can use this card to purchase whatever Walmart offers in any of its stores or maybe give to the wife as a belated gift or Valentine's Day gift. With your help and support for this Moose Legion this should be a very successful fundraiser. President Ryan has the tickets available for you individually or as a committee.

We appreciate the MLC's that have already received their books of tickets. Thanks for what you do for this Moose Legion and for what you continue to do.

Junior Past President....*Rick Harshman*

I have two topics to cover.

First is Retention... It is just as important as membership is to your Lodge. When you lose a Lodge Brother you may lose a Moose Legionnaire as well. This should never happen, unless due to illness. We must try to find out why they leave and correct it. Each Lodge Moose Legion committed should do something every month or every other month for their Moose Legionnaires at little cost or no cost to them rather it be a dinner or a happy hour for them. When other Moose Brothers see them having fun, they may want to join in the fun as a new Moose Legionnaire.

Second is the Winter Celebration... It is right around the corner which means nominating for the new Board of Directors. Any Moose Legionnaire who wants to run for office must submit his name in writing to me as well as his resume designating the particular office he desires before the nomination committee meeting. The nominating committee will meet on February 7, 2015 at 10 AM. All positions on the Board is open to nominating with the exception of President. You must serve and complete at least one year in another elected office in the Moose Legion. We need qualified Moose Legionnaires to run for office to ensure the continuing success in Old Dominion #148 Moose Legion.

Pursuant to Chapter II, Para: 11.3

The Nominating Committee will meet Saturday, February 7, 2015 at the Winter Celebration in Virginia Beach, Virginia at 10 AM. The Nominating Committee consists of the Board of Directors and the duly appointed Assistant Secretaries representing the Lodges within the jurisdiction. A Moose Legionnaire wishing to be considered for the nomination shall submit his name in writing to a member of the committee prior to the scheduled Nominating Committee Meeting. This applies to all current Board of Directors.

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Pursuant to Chapter II, Para: 11.4

Campaigning for Office – the printing, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, tickets, other written or printed matters or through any electronic media by a Moose legionnaire or anyone acting on his behalf, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the name of proposed candidates for office is hereby prohibited. For any violation of this section, the International Moose Legion Director may declare the election of such office or officer void and order a new election, and with the approval of the General Governor, may suspend the offending member or members from the Moose Legion.

Pursuant to Chapter II, Para: 11.7

A Moose Legionnaire is eligible for an elected office after he has been a member of that Moose Legion for period of six (6) months preceding May 1st of the year of his election. He must have also completed an authorized Moose Legion Educational Conference (MLEC) within two (2) years of election. Also pertains to current Board of Directors.



Fraternal Director....Robert Bateman

Brothers:

During the All-State Fall Celebration at Virginia Beach, our Rifle Raffle did not go as well as hoped but we did raise approximately \$1200. Thanks to everyone who help sell the tickets and also to the ones that purchased tickets.

Our Winter Celebration is just around the corner and we are asking for your help again to help raise funds for our Ritual Staff. We are doing a 50/50 Raffle. Tickets are 6 for \$5.00 and you do not need to be present to win. The winning ticket will be drawn on February 7th.

Please see your MLC or any member of the Board of Directors, Ritual Staff or you may contact me directly 804-652-7266 or by email R.Bateman100@comcast.net for more information or to purchase or sell tickets. We need everyone's assistance to promote our fundraisers and with you help, we should be able to maintain our operating cost by having a great fundraiser. Remember we need your support to help make our raffles productive.

I know this is a busy time of year for all of us, but we still need to try and find time to fulfill our Fraternal obligations. As a matter of fact the holidays find a lot of people getting in a more generous state of mind. Combine that with the fact that most lodges have a lot of holiday functions that gives us ideal opportunities for endowment collections. So please keep doing what we have been doing for our children at Mooseheart and our seniors at Moosehaven. Both of those facilities have increased expenses during the holiday season.

Colonial Heights Moose Legion**SHRIMP FEST****Saturday, January 31, 2015**All U
Can Eat**6:00 PM — 8:00 PM**All U
Can Eat**Moose Milk, Soda, Water,
Hot Dogs, Cole Slaw, Fries, Beans****DJ, Wildman Karaoke****\$20⁰⁰** Per Person**Only 250 Tickets Available****Sandston Moose Family Center #1937****Moose Legion Go-Getters****Raffing Off A****GAS GRILL****Drawing: Saturday, February 7, 2015****Donation: \$1⁰⁰ Each or 6/\$5⁰⁰****(YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN!!!)**

Welcome To ... **Bruce L. Snider** *(OV for the Winter Celebration)*

Bruce serves on the International Moose Legion Council. He was appointed to this position in May 2009 at the International Convention in Chicago. Bruce joined Woodward, OK Lodge 452 on October 7, 1996. He has served as Prelate, Governor, and Past Governor. He has held the position of Administrator since 2004. He also holds dual membership in Duncan, OK Lodge 2022, Tulsa, OK Lodge 862 and Iowa City, IA Lodge 1096. He served as District President, Association Treasurer, and Association Secretary. He received Honorary Past President. He served as Deputy Supreme Governor for Oklahoma in 2005. He was in the Circle of Distinction in 2007-08, for having sponsored at least 25 new members in that single year.



Bruce joined the Sooner Moose Legion 147 (OK) in April 1998. He served as Assistant Secretary and received Honorary Past President. He was appointed Sooner Moose Legion Secretary in 2004. He received International Moose Legion Special Award in 2005 and Moose Legion Medal of Honor in 2012. He also holds dual membership in Mississippi Valley Moose Legion 141 (IA). He is a member of the 125 Division of the Moose 25 Club. He received the Fellowship Degree of Honor in 2002 and the Pilgrim Degree of Merit in 2008. Bruce and his wife Kristy reside in Woodward, OK where he is a building contractor. The Sniders have three children and eight grandchildren.

Thursday, February 5, 2015

Membership Cards
to be checked at
door

Registration opens
Fri- February 6th

Friday, February 6, 2015

Registration
9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Saturday, February 7, 2015

Registration
9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Nominating Committee
Mtg
10:00 AM

Includes current Board of
Directors, ALL MLC Assistant
Secretaries, ODML#148 Past
Presidents

ODML#148 Board of
Directors Mtg
10:30 AM

Conferral Ceremony
2:00 PM

Golden Ball Ceremony
7:00 PM

Hospitality Rooms

Thurs, February 5th and Fri, February 6th

All Hospitality Rooms will close at Midnight

Sat, February 7th

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM (Open)
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM (Closed)
4:00 PM – Midnight (Open)

All Moose Legionnaires and Ladies must have their registration badge showing at all times to enter the hospitality rooms – **NO Exceptions!**

All alcoholic beverages must be kept inside the hospitality rooms and within the boundaries of the hallway. **NO BEVERAGES OF ANY KIND** allowed pass the signs posted in hallway.

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 Virginia Beach - Norfolk
 Hotel & Conference Center
 5655 Greenwich Road
 Virginia Beach, VA 23462

2015 WINTER CELEBRATION OLD DOMINION MOOSE LEGION #148

FEBRUARY 5-8, 2015

Room Registration Form

NO GUARANTEED ROOM NUMBERS

REGISTRATION CUT OFF DATE - JANUARY 10, 2015

Please **PRINT** Clearly



Moose Legionnaire: _____

MID# _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Name of person(s) staying in room for emergency purposes and name badges.
 Please list as you want to appear on badge (including the Moose Legionnaire's name above)

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

ARRIVAL DATE (PLEASE CHECK ONE)			DEPARTURE DATE (PLEASE CHECK ONE)		
Thursday	February 5		Friday	February 6	
Friday	February 6		Saturday	February 7	
Saturday	February 7		Sunday	February 8	

All taxes have already been applied to Room Rates

Please check the number of nights:

<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Night = \$81.94	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Nights = \$163.88	<input type="checkbox"/>	3 Nights = \$245.82	<input type="checkbox"/>	4 Nights = \$327.76
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Registration fee of \$10 per person **MUST** be included with your remittance and **MUST** be included in your total amount due.
 Forms WILL BE RETURNED if not completed with proper monies attached and non-legible

Registration Fee Total # _____ X \$10.00 = _____
 (#attendees list above)

Lodging Total # _____ X \$81.94 = _____

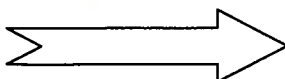
SUB TOTAL _____

TOTAL PAID _____

AMOUNT DUE _____

***ONE CHECK PER APPLICATION PLEASE**

Mail completed forms to: Bob Blankenship
 8201 Lyndale Drive
 Richmond, Virginia 23235



METHOD OF PAYMENT

Check # _____ Amount \$ _____

Please make all checks payable to the **Holiday Inn**



Credit Card: Type: _____

Card Number: _____

Name on Card: _____

Expiration Date Month _____ Year _____

With Our Deepest Sympathy....



Brother Pilgrim Sonny H. Clay of Stanardsville, Virginia (originally of Hanover County, VA), passed away Friday December 12, 2014. Sonny was born in Mount Hope, West Virginia on February 6, 1933. He is survived by his wife Shirley, daughter Michelle, three sons Richard, Russell & Michelle, and Raymond & DeAnn. His sister Mary & Norman. A very special niece, Starr. Thirteen (13) Grandchildren and Sixteen (16) Great-Grandchildren.

We share in this time of grief but also share in the love and memories of Sonny. Someone as special as Sonny will never be forgotten. He will remain in our hearts forever. He will be greatly missed but his warmth, kindness and gentle spirit will be remembered forever. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends at this difficult time.

In 1965 Old Dominion Moose Legion #148 was organized by two men appointed by then State Director Charles N. Brice. Sonny was one of those special men. Sonny became the first North Moose (*which today is known as the President*). He received his Past President pin for ODML#148 on June 1, 1966. Also one of the Charter Members. He also was appointed as International Moose Legion President in 1994-95. He joined the Virginia Moose Association with the Richmond East Lodge #1947 on September 18, 1958. He became a Moose Legionnaire on October 3, 1965 and received his Fellow Degree on June 20, 1963 followed by the Highest Degree of Loyal Order of Moose, the Pilgrim Degree on June 12, 1976. Sonny served as the first Governor of Richmond East and also was a Charter Member. He received his Past President's pin on May 1, 1964. He was listed in the "25" Club on March 20, 1962. He received his Medal of Honor on May 30, 1993. He has signed in seventy-one (71) Moose Legionnaires and two hundred and fourteen (214) Moose Members into the Fraternity. Sonny was a lifetime member of the Moose Fraternity.



"After the tears have dried and the goodbyes have been said, all we have to hold onto are the happy memories that we've shared with our loved ones who have passed, this is what keeps them alive in our hearts and in our minds, and they will continue to live on, through us. And that your life gave us memories too beautiful to forget." Sonny will be truly missed!

OLD DOMINION MOOSE LEGION #148
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS, RITUAL STAFF

2014-2015

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Deadline for Information to be submitted in the Winter Celebration – December 1, 2014

**OLD DOMINION MOOSE LEGION #148
MEETINGS AND CELEBRATIONS**

2014-2015

DATE	WHAT	PLACE	TIME
May 22, 2014 (Thursday)	General Meeting	Powhatan #1840	8:00 PM
June 10, 2014 (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Colonial Heights #1783	8:00 PM
July 21, 2014 (Monday)	General Meeting	Tappahannock-Warsaw #2133	8:00 PM
July 25-27, 2014	Summer Celebration	Tappahannock-Warsaw #2133	
August 20, 2014 (Wednesday)	General Meeting	Manchester-Richmond #699	8:00 PM
September 25, 2014 (Thursday)	General Meeting	Hopewell #1472	8:00 PM
October 13, 2014 (Monday)	General Meeting	Callo #917	8:00 PM
October 23-26, 2014	All State Fall Celebration	VA Beach	
November 20, 2014 (Thursday)	General Meeting	Richmond-Lakeside #1714	8:00 PM
December 8, 2014 (Monday)	General Meeting	Sandston #1937	8:00 PM
January 14, 2015 (Wednesday)	General Meeting	Richmond-East #1947	8:00 PM
February 3, 2015 (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Richmond-Manchester #699	8:00 PM
February 5-8, 2015	Winter Celebration	VA Beach	
March 19, 2015 (Thursday)	General Meeting	Dinwiddie #1993	8:00 PM
April 7, 2015 (Tuesday)	General Meeting	Colonial Heights #1783	8:00 PM
April 11, 2015 (Saturday)	Spring Celebration	Colonial Heights #1783	10:00 AM

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Caroline	2610		Lodge2610@mooseunits.org		Harshman
Chesterfield	1980	Albert Vaughan	Louisamooselegion@gmail.com		Spain
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Dinwiddie	1993	Jeryl Mann	Lodge1993@mooseunits.org		Gaulin
Hopewell	1472	Reggie Smith	Reggiesmith575@yahoo.com		Easter
Lakeside	1714	Gil Maddox	Lodge1714@mooseunits.org		Spain
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Sandston	1937	Robbie Childress			Gaulin
South Hill	1872		Lodge1872@mooseunits.org		Easter
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