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Fresh and New

THE NEW YEAR IS A TIME TO REFLECT ON THE YEAR THAT HAS PASSED AND TO GET

READY TO MAKE A MARK ON THE YEAR THAT TO COME!

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TAKE five

We promise to strive to give you at least five different insights into the Moose program as it operates in Ohio each month.

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Yet another example of one administrator leads his Lodge in demonstrating that "It's still the fraternal thing to do!"

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Presenting the second in a discussion of the qualities of leaders in the world of business and thus in Moose business.

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Pages 3 - 6 are a pictorial accounting of the New Pilgrim Presentation held at the Worthington Doubletree Inn September 13th.

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The efforts of LOOM and WOTM members to sign new candidates goes acknowledged - page 7

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Two Hamilton Chapter 28 women receive higher degrees; Mid-Year reminder; and Moose Legionnaire requirements - page 8

It's Still The FRATERNAL Thing To Do!

Moose Fraternal Planning Chairman, Administrator of Coshocton Lodge 935 Don Freed practices what he preaches, LESSON # 2 follows:

In a newsletter article to the membership, in an article entitled "A Brother Lost," Freed wrote: "I have lots of pictures of our members doing various activities in the lodge. With the passing of our brother Ed Griffith, I began looking for his picture. I couldn't find one, and I was disappointed.

"As I stewed over the scattered pictures on the table before me, a smile came on my face as I thought "This is how Ed would have wanted it."

"Some thought Ed was eccentric as he sat alone--by himself at times for hours on end--just him, his bucket of beer, and his thoughts.

"If you broke into his world, he would surprise you with his friendliness and his conversations covering many areas. If you didn't speak with him, well, that was okay, too! He saw me ready to go golfing one day and asked if he could come along. I was surprised but glad to have the company.

"We enjoyed ourselves, and I couldn't help but laugh as he hacked his way back into his old golf swing after years of idleness due to a heart by-pass.

"Ed was proud of our lodge, and, although would prefer to sit quietly in a corner away from the hustle and bustle, he once came to a lodge meeting to ask me to

We realize that most of the time the information in the updates is like preaching to the choir, but we also hope that Lodge Governors and Administrators take the time to check in every Wednesday to see what the latest thoughts are. Don Freed and other leaders are bringing District 13 out of the duldrums of ineffective leadership and putting it squarely on the Ohio Moose map as a District that succeeds because its members are "doing" the Moose program!

remove a song from the jukebox that he felt was inappropriate for our family center.

"Well, when we didn't see Ed for a couple of days and went to check up on him, as we often do for our solitary members, we discovered that we were too late, for our brother had died alone, maybe as he would have preferred.

"I would like to think that Ed enjoyed us as much as we enjoyed him. He may not have said it aloud, but I'm sure as he moved from table to table to escape a group of noisy Browns-Backers, or as he scolded my popcorn machine for some unknown intrusion, he was glad that we were there.

"We'll miss our brother Ed Griffith."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Our thanks go to Don Freed and his Board at Coshocton 935 for permitting us to re-print from the Lodge newsletter. We appreciate the great job that they are doing for the program of the Moose in Ohio.



Keys To Leadership Greatness!

As a Lodge officer or Lodge administrator represents the leadership of a unit, each one, at his time of election or appointment, should have an understanding of greatness in leadership. Last week, we discussed the need to keep absolute integrity.

This week's topic is a tad different. You can't be a leader and be an incompetent, plain and simple. You've got to **KNOW YOUR STUFF**.

Steven Spielberg, no yet 30 by the time he directed *Jaws*, was a self-made man. Rejected twice by the University of Southern California's film school, Spielberg simply took over an abandoned trailer at Universal Studios, started making contacts, and cranked out a short film.

The studio president signed him to a seven-year contract because Spielberg proved that he knew his stuff.

Reflect, for the moment, on the wisdom of the leaders of the Loyal Order of Moose over the years. The reason you are encouraged to accept an appointment for a chairmanship is to give you experience and to determine whether you can in fact become a leader.

Next comes your initial "elected" position, which should be Prelate and then Jr. Governor. Two years in these positions ought to teach you what you need to know to run for Governor and thus provide good leadership in that year. Past Governor is a condition that allows you to assist the next

The Best Leaders Often Act First, Ask Later!

Aspiring leaders often assume that their role models are successful because they make careful decisions.

The truth is a little more complex. While it is true that executives who act impulsively--without considering available intelligence--risk making huge mistakes, it is also true that highly effective leaders believe quick action is the key to success. Here's the #2 reason why:

TIMING IS EVERYTHING.

In this internet-savvy world, your competitors can figure out your business development plan almost as soon as you do. "Implementing the second-best idea now is a better strategy than doing the best idea a week from now," warns Stanford professor Charles O'Reilly.

Governor of your Lodge, just as your Past Governor assisted you with his guidance and direction.

Given that you have competently followed this path, then you now stand ready to become a Trustee. Three years experience as a Trustee ought to qualify you as competent to run for Treasurer, an elected office which is of vital importance to your Lodge, not only because you oversee the finances of the Lodge, but because you might have to step in for the administrator.

Now you see why integrity is so important and why "knowing your stuff" is just as important for you to be an effective leader in your Lodge.

New Pilgrims Conferred In Annual OSMA Ceremony!



**"Brothers, We Are Here
For A Very Happy
Occasion"**

Thus begins the Conferral under the direction of Acting Pilgrim Governor Dwaine Brown who directs Sergeant-At-Arms John Sipes, after the opening of the Holy Bible, to retire to the ante-room to conduct the Pilgrim Honor Guard to their places and to present the honored Pilgrims at the Altar.



Once every one else is in place, Brother Sipes escorts the new Pilgrims to their places on stage.





New Pilgrims are Don Basham, Whitehall 1245; Phil Dick, Findlay 698; Scotte Elliott, Trumbull 186; Clayton Gunther, Parma 1744; Mark Harper, Mansfield 341; Mike Humble, Wadsworth 2070; John Rule, Niles 627; and Bob Snyder, Colonial City 2555.



After Keynote Speaker Mr. Airey delivers his inspiring thoughts, the Ritual Staff from the stations of Purity, Aid and Progress take the new Pilgrims down memory lane to remind them and every one in attendance the long journey they've had to this moment.





“These garments, with cloth of gold that now surrounds each of you, has a special meaning that only your fellow Pilgrims understand,” intones R.M. Dwaine Brown. “May they, however, represent to those gathered here, all that is good, true, and best in the fraternity we love so well.” As one looks out at the audience, he can appreciate that concept “A Sea of Gold.”

After the call of the roll of Pilgrims, honored groups are then acknowledged, beginning with the College of Regents, represented by Deputy Grand Regent Carolyn Arbuckle of Zanesville Chapter 663. Then Fellows and Moose Legionnaires in regalia are acknowledged.

Acting Pilgrim Governor Ron Johnson concludes the ceremony with his comments: “As members of our great Moose Fraternity, these men have served either directly or indirectly in the affairs of our Fraternity, and for that we express our appreciation.”

Then the highlight of the ceremony’s conclusion came next: closing the Holy Bible and hearing The Lord’s Prayer.





Director of Moose International's Public Affairs and honorary Past President of the Association Kurt Wehrmeister concludes the ceremony with his beautiful baritone voice in his rendition of The Lord's Prayer, as Sergeant-At-Arms John Sipes slowly closes the Holy Bible.



Everyone then files out to the atrium where the new Pilgrims' tables are located so that they might offer personal congratulations, sign booklets, and accept gratuitous tokens.



ABOVE: Deputy Supreme Governor Fellow Dan Bobbitt, Circleville Moose Lodge 2464 is acknowledged . **RIGHT:** Before the ceremony, new Pilgrims set up their individual tables which are usually replete with the personal Moose memorabilia which highlights their careers.





2008-2009 25 Club & Higher Divisions



25 Club

Ted Huston, Montpelier 312
Gary Reedy, Ravenna 1234
Kurt Klima, Celina 1473
Noel E Miller, Sr.,
Indian Lake 1533
John Payne, Circleville 2440

50 Division

Richard Hornstein,
Ashtabula 547
Greg Batross, Zanesville 867
Garry Winget, Celina 1473
James M Rockford,
Indian Lake 1533
Kenneth Danhoff,
Willard 2153

75 Division

Jeffrey L McClanahan,
Circleville 2440

Century Division

Jerry Shorter, Columbus 11
John Sherer, Tiffin 846
Ken Miller, Willard 2153

250 Division

Andrew Gustafson,
Whitehouse-Waterville 2537

350 Division

Charles Serfozo,
Fremont 1286

5-Club

David JoHantgen,
Montpelier 312
Robert Bentz, Clyde 393
Craig I Frederick, Sr.,
Springfield 536
Kenneth W McElroy, Sidney 568
Dave Creque, Toledo 713
Ken Edwards, Barberton 759
Greg Batross, Zanesville 867
Steven R Ward, Zanesville 867
Cullen Rutter, Logan 873
William Bartholomew,
Cortland 1012
Charles W Lewis II,
Delaware 1167
Tod Haubert, Fremont 1286
Fred L Bushatz, Jr.,
Chillicothe 1626
Jim O'Neil, Miamisburg 1645
John Howard, Waverly 2263
David L Curnell,
Pickerington 2321
Jerry K Blessing,
Buckeye Lake 2434

WOTM 5 Club

Cheryl Taylor, Columbus 206
Beth Biggert,
Port Clinton 281
Beverly Buckley, Tiffin 1001
Michelle Webb, Waverly 1668
Sabrina Colburn,
Circleville 2082

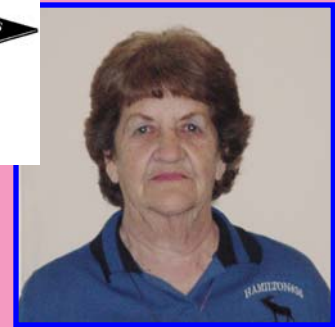


Congratulations, Sherry and Nina Fry!



Sharyn Farley, Senior Regent of Hamilton Chapter 28, recently reported that Sherry Fry (left) and Nina Fry (below) received higher degrees at the International Convention in Las Vegas. Sherry received the Star Recorder Degree and Nina received the College of Regents Degree.

Both Degrees require much hard work and dedication. Congratulations and great job, ladies!



REMINDER
Mid-Year
Conference
Feb. 11 - 15, 2009
Holiday Inn
Cleveland South
6001 Rockside Road
Independence,
44131
Telephone
216-524-8050

Effective October 1, 2007,
Moose members desiring to join
the Moose Legion must meet the
following criteria:

- be a lodge member for at least one year
- sponsor one Moose member
OR
- be a lodge member for six months and sponsor three Moose members. Now is a great time to sign up prospective Moose Legion members. Each Lodge Assistant Secretary has a listing of qualified Moose members who may apply for membership in the Moose Legion.

