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Update - October 7, 2009

# Ohio State *moose association*

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**the promises**  
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Rob Dorman, Chillicothe 1626

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### 25 Division

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### 50 Division

Linda Flory, Creston 687

**Webmaster  
is on a  
week's  
vacation--  
no  
Moosenews  
is good  
Moosenews!**

Webmaster Steve Speaks is gone on a cruise for a week on a well-deserved vacation--Oct. 3-10; thus, the update for October 7th may not (make that "will not") appear in a timely way.

The totally black page at the head of this update was intended to be funny, and we hope you all have taken it as such.

jim grandy, editor

# A Request from Deputy Supreme Governor Kenneth L Ourant

To: District Presidents  
Moose Legion Secretaries

Would you please have your Meeting/Celebration schedules sent to the OSMA Webmaster, Steve Speaks, so that he can post those dates on the OSMA Master Calendar.

The OSMA Master Calendar is a great resource-tool, and it certainly will help me out in selecting meetings I just might attend.

Fraternally,

*Ken*

Kenneth L Ourant

## Moose International Membership Department Party Drawing Winners Announced

Congratulations go to  
Cortland Chapter 341  
winner

Lisa A Starcher  
and

Dan Denney  
Hilliard Lodge 2236

## GO RED RAMBLERS!

When the Red Ramblers defeated rival Alden Hebron 14 - 10 last week, they set up a great Homecoming Weekend beginning with equally great rival Hope Academy, which is also at 5 wins - 1 loss!

Thus, October 10th looms LARGE for Mooseheart High School this year.

Let's hope for their success!

## GO RED RAMBLERS!

# Updates present a quick glance at Annual Convention Highlights!



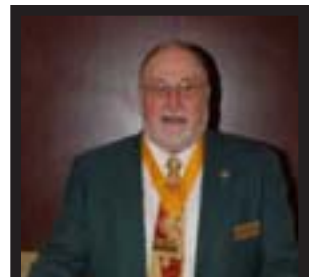
## First, let's check out the Nominating Committee!



Under the watchful eye of Secretary John R Sipes, the Committee first has breakfast and then gets on to the deliberation of the qualifications of various candidates.



President Arnie Holley starts the meeting, while Past Presidents Mike Thatcher and Supreme Councilman Danny Albert sit in supporting roles. RM Dwaine Brown traditionally nominates incoming President--in this case, Bob Haley. Albert nominates Mike Humble for Treasurer. And the voting is on! Guess what? Bob Haley wins!





## Next, let's move to Wednesday P.M. for the Convention's State Board Meeting

Too many State Board members treat this meeting (and the pre-Mid-Year Conference meeting as well) as a ho-hum affair - "On the Floor" is the frequent cry!

Isn't it time for State Board members to realize that while they may indeed have a report to give 'on the floor,' this is an opportunity for each chairman to talk candidly with ALL other state board officers, to flatly state whether their committees are succeeding or failing, and to project the future of their committees!

Too often State Board chairmen -- with their actions (or inactions) -- reflect an "Oh well attitude. I've got my activity done for another year!" and they lose interest in all else.

Isn't it time for State Board members to realize that each is a part of the whole, that each individual success or failure is part of the entire Ohio State Moose Association program?

As one reviews the past of the Ohio State Moose Association and its commitments to the Moose Program, he sees that indeed Ohio has 'come through' -- a huge success -- but at what loss?

One has to ask these kinds of questions - - not to condemn anyone -- but to assess where we are and where are we headed. Have Ohio Moose quit playing euchre? Where's the OSMA program? Have Ohio Moose quit camping out? Where's the Camp-O-Rama program? Have Ohio Moose quit playing basketball, softball, fishing for walleye? Where are the OSMA programs?

Perhaps if the involved chairmen were to have 'come clean' so-to-speak to fellow State Board members at pre Mid-Year and Annual Convention meetings, we could have resolved the issues and their programs would be intact

Remember, a burden borne heavy to one is borne lightly by many!



# Let's Look at This List Again!

## OHIO LOOM MEMBERS ELIGIBLE FOR ADVANCEMENT TO THE MOOSE LEGION

LegionNbr	LodgeNbr	FName	LName	Suf LodgeName	LegionName
35	11	Michael	Thompson	Columbus	Rainbow
87	188	James	Fillmore	Trumbull	East Ohio
30	199	Michael Lee	Bell	Lima	Maumee Valley
30	199	Rob	Rhoad	Lima	Maumee Valley
30	312	James L	Bexten	Montpelier	Maumee Valley
30	312	Kurtis	Moore	Montpelier	Maumee Valley
63	341	William A	Herder	Mansfield	Central Ohio
63	341	Ralph	Watson	Mansfield	Central Ohio
63	422	Clifton	Frisby	Shelby	Central Ohio
63	422	Robert	Seaco	Shelby	Central Ohio
30	428	Ben	Naus	Kenton	Maumee Valley
87	487	Gene	Hilderbrand	East Palestine	East Ohio
87	472	John	Aho	Conneaut	East Ohio
87	472	Bruce F	Kohowski	Conneaut	East Ohio
87	472	Peter J	Nursi	Conneaut	East Ohio
31	481	Roger A	Mc Quin	Massillon	McKinley
31	481	Brian	Ullman	Massillon	McKinley
7	490	Steve	Barnhouse	Painesville	Western Reserve
35	499	Shawn	Hornsher	Newark	Rainbow
5	501	Chuck	Davidson	Middletown	Liberty
5	501	Malcolm D	Eby	Middletown	Liberty
5	501	Doug	Little	Middletown	Liberty
5	501	Bradley	Hose	Middletown	Liberty
5	501	James E	Turner	Middletown	Liberty
5	501	Rodney K	Webster	Middletown	Liberty
5	501	Rick C	Williams	Middletown	Liberty
103	538	Timothy P	Beverly	Springfield	Miami Valley
103	538	Donald D	Hatfield	Springfield	Miami Valley
103	588	Edward D	Sparks	Sidney	Miami Valley
63	689	Andrew	Buttermann	Bucyrus	Central Ohio
30	698	Bruce	Baker	Findlay	Maumee Valley
30	698	Larry	Levy	Findlay	Maumee Valley
192	701	Rick	Easterling	Ironton	Buckeye
192	701	Frank	Murphy	Ironton	Buckeye
7	759	Troy	Austin	Barberton	Western Reserve
7	759	Nick	Phillips	Barberton	Western Reserve
7	759	Donald	Schuck	Barberton	Western Reserve
7	759	Jason	Visher	Barberton	Western Reserve
7	759	Lloyd	Ward	Barberton	Western Reserve
192	762	Donald	Bender	Portsmouth (Pocahontas)	Buckeye
192	762	Dail C	Irwin	Portsmouth (Pocahontas)	Buckeye
30	846	Bob	Barger	Tiffin	Maumee Valley
30	846	James R	Black	Tiffin	Maumee Valley
30	846	Shawn	Fuhrer	Tiffin	Maumee Valley
30	846	James	Omlor	Tiffin	Maumee Valley
30	846	Thomas	Whitman	Tiffin	Maumee Valley
31	860	Douglas	Parker	Rittman	McKinley
192	873	Mark S	Blythe	Logan	Buckeye
192	873	Zachery	Westenburger	Logan	Buckeye
63	889	Douglas M	Beery	Marion	Central Ohio
35	935	Justin	Morris	Coshocton	Rainbow
35	935	Terry	Peck	Coshocton	Rainbow
87	1012	Jeffrey E.	Finley	Cortland	East Ohio
87	1012	Neil	Tobin	Cortland	East Ohio
30	1064	Nick	Keifer	Bryan	Maumee Valley
7	1082	Joseph	Baglia	Mogadore	Western Reserve
7	1082	Willis F	Hench	Mogadore	Western Reserve
63	1093	Dennis W	Schindler	Upper Sandusky	Central Ohio
31	1102	John	Nestlerood	Brewster	McKinley

# This List Is As Of October 2nd

## OHIO LOOM MEMBERS ELIGIBLE FOR ADVANCEMENT TO THE MOOSE LEGION

35	1167	Ronald	Parker	Delaware	Rainbow
192	1197	Mike	Russell	Glouster	Buckeye
103	1215	Jeffrey L	Hayes	Urbana	Miami Valley
103	1215	Blake	Ostendorf	Urbana	Miami Valley
34	1224	Darrell L	Smith	Creston	McKinley
63	1248	Charles E	Conney	Norwalk	Central Ohio
35	1427	Mark A	Dell	Worthington	Rainbow
35	1427	Steven	Gwin	Worthington	Rainbow
35	1427	William	Hayes	Worthington	Rainbow
35	1427	Bill	Vinka	Worthington	Rainbow
87	1462	David	Pritts	Lafferty	East Ohio
87	1462	Edward	Schlicher	Lafferty	East Ohio
30	1473	Roger E	Bruns	Celina	Maumee Valley
30	1473	David P	Evans	Celina	Maumee Valley
30	1473	R Dale	Gray	Celina	Maumee Valley
30	1473	Brian	Nedderman	Celina	Maumee Valley
30	1473	Mike	Sudhoff	Celina	Maumee Valley
30	1473	David	Weitzel	Celina	Maumee Valley
30	1473	Brian	Wernitz	Celina	Maumee Valley
103	1533	Gene	Clevenger	Indian Lake	Miami Valley
103	1533	Matthew A	Crabill	Indian Lake	Miami Valley
103	1533	David B	Harmon	Indian Lake	Miami Valley
103	1533	Carl W	Lee	Indian Lake	Miami Valley
103	1533	Steve	Reece	Indian Lake	Miami Valley
103	1533	Michael D	Stayrook	Indian Lake	Miami Valley
103	1533	Michael	Stokes	Indian Lake	Miami Valley
103	1533	Robert	Woodside	Indian Lake	Miami Valley
30	1567	John	Mosley	Fostoria	Maumee Valley
30	1579	John A	Billis	Sylvania	Maumee Valley
30	1579	Robert	Johnson	Sylvania	Maumee Valley
192	1626	Robert G	Lanzer	Chillicothe	Buckeye
103	1629	Kevin	Hayslip	Xenia	Miami Valley
103	1629	Mike	Marshall	Xenia	Miami Valley
103	1645	James L	Rudzinski	Miamisburg	Miami Valley
35	1651	Lawrence I	Reaven	Marysville	Rainbow
34	2070	Brian	Humble	Wadsworth	McKinley
30	2094	Bill H	Collins	Delance	Maumee Valley
63	2153	Forrest	Osborne	Willard Firelands	Central Ohio
63	2153	Cj	Ousley	Willard Firelands	Central Ohio
192	2263	Louis M	Fulton	Waverly	Buckeye
192	2263	Tim	Tackett	Waverly	Buckeye
192	2440	Gerald	Ott	Circleville	Buckeye
103	2464	William R	Kistner	Crystal Lakes	Miami Valley
35	2555	John E	Kinney	Colonial City	Rainbow
35	2555	James R	Spearman	Colonial City	Rainbow
5	2583	Mike	Clark	Loveland	Liberty
103	2611	Ron	Bonser	Miami County	Miami Valley

Let's work on this list and get these men into our Moose Legions so that they might become eligible for Higher Degrees. We can do it, IF WE'RE PART OF THE SOLUTION!

# To Do Some Good Thing For Someone Each Day" -- A Brief Look at the Importance of Being A Moose Legionnaire and the Rewards Inherent in the Status!

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** No, you don't ever have to become a Moose Legionnaire to enjoy the benefits of being a Moose, but when you DO become a Legionnaire, you immediately reap the benefits of being involved in the 'service' activities of the Lodge, you reap the good feeling because you've helped others, and you reap the acknowledgement of your Lodge for a job well done. A good local Lodge Moose Legion Chairman has constantly to be beating the drum for the Moose Legion. It's up to him and the other members of the Fellowship Committee to 'take care' of promising Lodge members and to encourage them to become Moose Legionnaires. The previous two pages of this update reveals a listing of those Ohio Moose who are currently qualified to become Moose Legionnaires. What is your Lodge doing to bring in new Moose Legionnaires?

Let's look at Zanesville Lodge 867 Moose Legion Chairman, Steve Ward, who recently wrote the following in the October newsletter, posted on-line at [www.ohiomoose.com](http://www.ohiomoose.com) to see what one most effective Chairman does to bring new Moose Legionnaires into the fold. Steve wrote:

**"The Fellowship Degree of Honor is a much coveted reward to a Moose Legionnaire for a job well done. It emphasizes the member's commitment to care for children in need, look after senior members, bring communities closer together and celebrate life.**

**During November of each year, our Lodge Fellowship Selection Committee, consisting of members holding the Fellowship or Pilgrim Degree, meet to determine if we have any Moose Legionnaire worthy of elevation to the Fellowship Degree of Honor.**

**The minimum requirements for eligibility include: As of September 30, 2009, they must have five years continuous membership in the Loyal Order of Moose and one year in the Moose Legion, must have sponsored at least one Moose legionnaire during his Moose career, and must be working toward membership in the Moose 25 Club.**

**Additional outstanding accomplishments and**

**contributions to our Lodge, Community and Country will be considered.**

**Any Moose Legionnaire feeling he meets the minimum requirements is encouraged to provide in writing details of Committees served on, Chaired and dates, Offices held and dates, along with how you have served our Lodge or any entity within our Lodge specifically. By providing this information, you will help ensure the Selection Committee remembers to give you your due credit. Any Moose Legionnaire meeting the minimum requirements, but chooses not to provide the information above, will still be considered for advancement."**

**Fraternally,  
Steve Ward, Chairman  
Zanesville Lodge 867**

**MAKES YOU PROUD  
YOU DON'T KNOW HIS NAME!  
TO BE  
HE'S JOHN GEBHARDT!  
AN AMERICAN!  
HE'S NOT FROM OHIO!**

Sgt. John Gebhardt is a member of the United States Air Force, serving in Iraq. Before deploying, John worked at the Cargill plant in Eddyville, Iowa. This brief story--pulled off the internet-- about him is a tough, but heartwarming story which ought to make headline news in place of some of the other junk that makes the news these days!

John's wife is Mindy Gebhardt. When she revealed this story, Mindy said that the little girl in the picture saw her entire family executed. The insurgents intended to execute the little girl as well and actually shot her in the head. But they failed to kill her. She was cared for in John's hospital and is presently healing up, but continues to cry and moan.

Nurses say that John is the only one who seems to calm her down; so, John has spent four consecutive nights holding her while they both slept in that chair. The little girl is coming along with her healing now.

In our mind, John is a real hero, serving as a sort of 'Tommy Moose' for this little girl, calming her in her panic. He'll get no ribbon for his effort, but he'll get the undying devotion of this little girl--that's for sure!

Pass this story along to your members because they don't get these terrific stories on the airwaves nor in the press. Blood and guts make better releases. But the American public needs to see pictures like this and to read stories like this to realize that what America is doing over there makes a difference in the quality of human life.

**EVEN IF IT IS JUST ONE LITTLE GIRL AT A TIME!**



**Sergeant John Gebhardt  
United States Air Force**

**DOES THIS ARTICLE NOT GIVE YOU  
PAUSE TO THINK ABOUT WHAT WE DO  
FOR THE CHILDREN COMMITTED TO  
MOOSEHEART?**

