

# AT THE TOP OF OUR GAME

WEEKLY  
UPDATE



**Outstanding activities**  
**Top-notch facilities**  
**Innovative Boards of Officers**  
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## **OHIO STATE MOOSE ASSOCIATION: KEEPING GOOD COMPANY**

**Ohio Lodges are ranked among the best of the fraternity  
in areas such as:**

• Community Service • Family Activities • Publications

### **WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?**

**That's up to you.**

Each Ohio Lodge is challenged to achieve at least one membership quota; each Lodge is challenged to achieve the Lodge Merit Award; and each Lodge is challenged to make Moose Charities the major recipient of its charitable dollars.

**WORK TOWARD YOUR ANNUAL GOALS TODAY!** If you need help in meeting any of these challenges, call Regional Manager Dwaine Brown today.

**CHECK YOUR PROGRESS:** Weekly Update for November 2, 2005

### **The Inside Scoop!**

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# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Beginning with this update, the first update of each month will feature the anniversaries of Ohio Lodges. Enjoy!

## LODGE

## ANNIVERSARY DATE

Alliance 362	November 7, 1910
Napoleon 788	November 7, 1911
Harrison MSC 2633	November 7, 2004
Pickerington 2321	November 8, 1987
Woodsfield 2247	November 10, 1985
Lexington 2511	November 15, 1998
Gloucester 1197	November 16, 1912
Hamilton 36	November 17, 1913
Youngstown 1673	November 18, 1920
Ironton 701	November 18, 1940
Bucyrus 669	November 21, 1914
Navarre 2471	November 24, 1996
Sidney 568	November 26, 1944

If one of these Lodges happens to be a favorite place that you like to visit, perhaps you might want to choose the anniversary celebration time for your next visit. Check in your directory for the telephone numbers, and give the Lodge a call for the details on their celebration this year. Have a great time!

# Sign Up A Friend To The Moose Legion Today!

Here's a scenario for you: You are your Lodge's Moose Legion Chairman. Here you sit on a Saturday night, watching your Lodge's Ritual Team enroll nine new members. At the conclusion of the ceremony, your Governor acquaints the nine new members with what are the higher degrees of our Order.

All at once you are aware that your Governor has just identified you as Moose Legion Chairman and has asked you to acquaint the new members with the Moose Legion. Struggling to get to your feet, you mumble a bit and stammer, "Welcome, Brothers!" and look for a place to hide. But there's no hiding this time. You've got to press on!

"Brothers," you repeat, "the first degree of our Order is being a member--what you are now. Next, however, is a big step, for the second degree of our Order is the degree of service. We Moose Legionnaires make a decision to go above and beyond the initial requirement of being a Moose, because we have discovered the joy in working for our children at Mooseheart and for our seniors at Moosehaven, along with working in the various activities of our Lodge."

"But we aren't just reactive persons," you go on to explain. "We also meet to figure out ways to help our Lodge, to promote a program of social activities for our families. You will soon discover just how involved we are in Lodge life, and we invite you to participate with us. And there's more: Every quarter, Moose Legionnaires meet at what we call a 'Celebration' at a Lodge in our Moose Legion to report our successes and to hear of other successes in the support for our Moose programs. We have many social activities and great fellowship at these Celebrations, and, obviously, we'd like for you to join with us there too."

WOW! You've been on your feet for three minutes with this explanation and realize that the Governor wants you to wind it up, but he's too late: You're on a roll! You issue a kind of challenge: "If you are a Lodge officer, elected or appointed, if you aren't a Moose Legionnaire, then a) it's not too late for you to resign your position, or b) it's not too late for you to become one, for only if you are a Moose Legionnaire, then are you a fraternalist."

"A fraternalist," you explain to your new Brothers, "is a man who takes his oath seriously. In addition to supporting your Lodge, the children at Mooseheart and the seniors at Moosehaven, you also know that your District represents you to your state Association. You may, in fact, aspire to serving District and Association. If you

aren't a Moose Legionnaire, forget it! You won't be considered. You can't ever be a Fellow or a Pilgrim if you aren't a Moose Legionnaire."

You realize that you've taken up about four minutes with your speech and confess, "Brother Governor, I apologize, but I just wanted our new Brothers to appreciate the significance of becoming a Moose Legionnaire. Our new Brothers aren't going to get nearly as much from their membership unless they become involved, and becoming a Moose Legionnaire is the only way. In the words of Larry, the Cable Guy, 'Let's Git-'R-Done!'"



## Tradition Has To Give Way At Times!

Why do we do what we do? Tradition? Let's try a new one (or in this case, two): Recently a well-known Moose Ritual Team chose to take advantage of the occasion to exemplify the enrollment in Halloween costume! What a great idea and what fun for the new candidates! Earlier in the month, another Lodge, which had taken a busload of members to Founder's Day Weekend at Mooseheart, had its Board of Officers and Ritual Team on board and, utilizing contemporary technology, enrolled the bus driver in a special ceremony on returning to the home Lodge. What creative ways to implement our needs! Way to go!



**At left, the bus driver, who, above, on arrival back to the Lodge, experienced the solemn ceremony of the Loyal Order of Moose, under the competent direction of the Gahanna 2463 Moose Lodge Ritual Team.**



## Founder's Day Weekend Proves To Be A BIG Day For Many Ohio Moose Who Had Never Been On Campus!



Gahanna Moose Lodge 2463 pushed for a bus-load of Moose members to attend this year's Ohio Day at Mooseheart and Founder's Day. And what great dividends this bus trip paid off, for every person who had not yet visited the campus and home of the Moose returned to Ohio convinced of the value of their philanthropic efforts and convinced of the necessity of being a Moose member for so long as they lived! At left, Governor George Grosser clowns with Sunshine Children.



# Gahanna Lodge 2463 Members Only, Please!

Well, they purchased the scoreboard; thus, they had the right to claim it as their own!



State Board members  
enjoy pizza party with  
Mooseheart kids.

# Greenville Moose Lodge 329 The Letter-Jacket Lodge!



**Living up to its reputation, Greenville Moose Lodge 329 once again provides all award-winning athletes with letter-jackets. Congratulations, Mooseheart athletes!**



### Ohio Moose Debate Issue: Can Mooseheart Museum Better Ohio's?

When museum curator and Ohio Historical Chairman Jim Stonerock and OSMA officials made the decision to move the museum to Gahanna Moose Lodge, little did anyone suspect that Stonerock and his committee would create an Ohio monument which would rival that of Moose International.

But the truth is, when you visit both places, you have to be hard pressed to decide.

What matters, really, in the long run, is that you take the time to visit both.

It would seem that if you take the time to drive to Mooseheart, you would want to allow yourself the time to visit the museum in a leisurely fashion.

By the same token, a great one-day, one-tank trip around Ohio Moose Lodges would include Gahanna Moose lodge 2463 in Ohio's capital so that you could enjoy the hospitality of the Lodge and take the time to lose a couple of hours of your time in Ohio's history.

Thanks, Jim Stonerock, and committee, for a job well done for our membership.

