

April 15, 2009 Update

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**Ohio Lodge activities
are living proof of
this promise . . .**

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The road to achieving 25 Club status has several mile-markers: It begins in your first year as a Moose member with sponsoring that first applicant; then, four more times that year, you sponsor applicants, thus achieving the 5 Club status, which grants you the opportunity to enjoy a great evening at Mid-Year or Annual Convention, and, on sponsoring five each year for five years, you waltz into the 25 Club where you receive your gold lapel pin which entitles you to participate in subsequent 25 Club events, state and International.



We are so proud of our 5 Club Achievers!



5 Club

Sharyn Farley, Hamilton 28
Diane Heimann, Massillon 32
Stacy Shafer, Lima 52
Marilyn Dickel, Barberton 61
Christine A Aho, Conneaut 86
Patricia A Honkonen, Conneaut 86
Hope Wethington, Cincinnati 101
Katherine McGinnis, Lake Erie 167
Cheryl Blackburn, Columbus 206
Joanna VanGundy, Columbus 206
Kim Moore, Norwalk 239
Annabelle Olden, Cambridge 396
Jill M Kolodny, Parma 397
Mary Lou Staley, Ashtabula 583
Angela M Crispen, Fremont 624
Joyce Hunt, Fremont 624
Kimberly Smith, Fremont 624
Jamie Stansbery, Fremont 624
Sandy I Baughman, Zanesville 663
Mary Bonham, Newark 964
Deborah Lee Hart, Medina 968
Sue Heck, Tiffin 1001
Pat Walker, Hilliard 1076
Barbara McCartney, Defiance 1246
Kim Koberstein, Sylvania 1788
Vicki Smith, Sylvania 1788

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Jeff Keiter, Dayton 73
Steven Pfeister, Kenton 428
Rodney Seabert, Kenton 428
Randall Cooper, Portsmouth 762
Jack Hixson, Portsmouth 762
George A Wyler, Coshocton 935
Charles Richards, Glouster 1197
Charles D Aldrich, Fremont 1286
Andy Bordner, Van Wert 1320
Michael J Binkowski, Sylvania 1579
Mike Dean, Marysville 1651
John V Gronek, Northfield 2157

25 Club Division

Teresa Lynn Norris, Marion 448
Donald S Sorgen, Kenton 428
James D Pierce, Whitehall 1245

50 Division

Linda S Sayre, Miamisburg 224
Kimberly Yates, Ironton 1847
James E Bonham, Newark 499
Dennis Gehring, Brewster 1102
David R Bond, Waverly 2263
Frederick Althouse, Chillicothe 1626

75 Division

T K Graham, Barberton 759

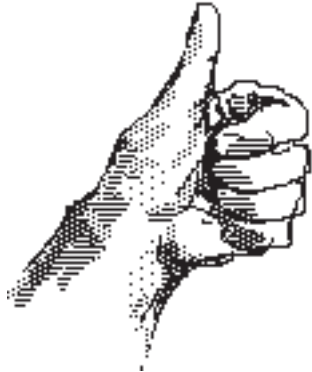
350 Division

Kenneth Dible, Marion 889

THE NUMBERS ARE CLIMBING! Over 70 Ohio Chapters have achieved quota. Regional Manager Dwaine Brown has emailed quota listing for both men and women as of 04-09-09. Please note that the Ohio WOTM Quota has been achieved.

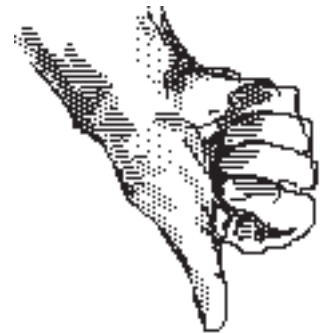
More work is yet to be done, especially on showing a good-standing increase. Get on the phones and contact your delinquent co-workers and Lodge members.

Remember, IT'S TIME TO INVEST IN YOUR CHAPTER'S AND YOUR LODGE'S FUTURE BY SIGNING NEW MEMBERS TODAY!

To Smoke  or

Not To Smoke --

That's the Question!



Yes, but "Here's the rub!"

General Governor Steve Greene, according to Regional Manager Dwaine Brown, has concluded that action will be taken on ANY Ohio Moose Lodge that is violating the No-Smoking Law in Ohio.

Your Lodge could be facing the following if you do not go smoke-free:

- 1) Suspension of Lodge Officer(s)
- 2) Suspension of your Social Quarters Permit
- 3) Repeated offenders could be facing the suspension of their Charter.

It's time to focus on membership production. Most of the new members signing up today expect a smoke-free environment. Just as many Ohio Lodges have done -- creating special out-of-doors smoking areas -- all other Lodges ought to consider doing the same. In other words, furnish your smoking members that environment!

Potpourri! A Digest of Various Considerations!

THE RETENTION PROBLEM IN OHIO -- A question for Ohio leaders Joe Pozutto and Sharon Miller: "Is the Council of Higher Degrees doing its part in membership retention? Have you made phone calls to your members who are in arrears? Are the Lodges in each Council doing anything to attract and to keep members? Could giving "Moose Bucks" back when dues are paid a helpful suggestion? Giving Moose Bucks always means spending in the Lodge and probably a few more!

PRE-INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE 121ST ANNUAL EVENT ENDS APRIL 27, 2009. Just 12 more days remain for a delegate to save \$25.00! Remember, the on-site registration at Convention in Chicago will cost \$75.00! Members can save \$25 by registering on-line or by printing registration forms and mailing them with a check, prior to April 27, 2009. On-site convention registration will open on Thursday, May 21st at 4:00 P.M. outside the Grand Ballroom of the Hyatt Hotel. On-line registration and downloadable forms are available at

www.mooseintl.org/portal/Convention/materials/2009-Chicago.asp

EARLY ARRIVALS FOR THE 121ST ANNUAL CONVENTION -- Witness the Mooseheart 5th-Grade Promotion at 2:00 P.M. on Friday, May 22nd, in the Chicago Ballroom of the Sheraton Hotel. You are welcome to share this exciting time in the lives of our Mooseheart students.

DON'T FORGET TO TRANSMIT ENROLLMENT DATES FOR YOUR MOOSE ECONOMIC STIMULUS PLAN APPLICANTS! During March, LOOM Lodges enrolled 89% of the applicants reported in the "Moose Economic Stimulus Plan" campaign. Remember, any applicants reported during this campaign and NOT reported as enrolled by May 31, 2009, will be billed back to the respective Lodge or Chapter at the rate of \$20.00 per un-enrolled applicant.

VISIT THE NEW AND IMPROVED MOOSE CHARITIES WEBSITE!

www.moosecharities.org

You can garner information with regard to Recognition Programs, Gimme 5, School Support Programs, Wish Lists, and Brag Boards. Coming Soon! -- Enewsletters from Moose Charities. This e-letter will include news, program updates, events and more. Join this important newsletter by subscribing at

www.moosecharities.org

How to say "Happy Birthday" to Ohio's children at Mooseheart!

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oops!
Editor can't
count!

~~Eight Ohio children presently dwell at Mooseheart . . .~~

Trace Lee Shrimplin, (born 12/27/05)

sponsored by Colonial City 2555

Ukiah Michael Shrimplin, (born 07/24/03)

sponsored by Colonial City 2555

Nupée Weah 'Aldrin,' (born 06/19/96)

sponsored by Columbus 11

Evello 'Love' Coker, (born 08/08/01)

sponsored by Montpelier 312

Candace Casey, (born 03/21/96)

sponsored by Norwood 301

Brianna Casey, (born 10/13/99)

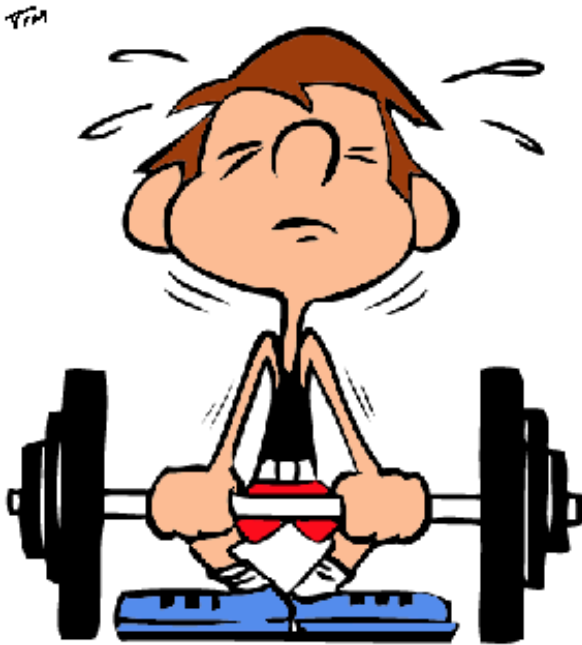
sponsored by Norwood 301

Cloe Casey, (born 03/03/02)

sponsored by Norwood 301

Please put these children's' names on your Lodge calendar -- both Lodge and Chapter -- and be sure to send them birthday cards and gift packages, along with notes of encouragement for their progress in school.

IT'S "CRUNCH TIME"!



You've got a three-week window -- April 12 to April 30 -- to take advantage of the "stimulus package" from Moose International!

Use this time to bring back many of your members who are in arrears with their dues! They need pay only your Lodge dues!

As officers, here's what you need to do --

First, let's get this straight: If you are a Lodge officer and if you are sincere in serving your Lodge, then it's time for you to act seriously.

Each officer should sit down, delinquency list in hand, and decide whom each one knows whose name appears on the list.

Each officer should then select at least three of those delinquents and dedicate himself to going to visit them to bring them back to the Lodge, with . . .

THE BIG SELL! ...

No initiation fee! Just pay the Lodge's dues!



Remember,
it's crunch
time!

News From Your Deputy Grand Regent Carolyn Arbuckle, Zanesville 663



Deputy Grand Regent Carolyn Arbuckle presents Mandy with a \$100 check from the Women of the Moose to help her with traveling expenses. Good luck to Mandy and her family!

Miranda (Mandy) Dennis is a sophomore at Maysville High School. She is the daughter of Albert and Kim Dennis. She has one sister, Ashley, and one brother, Albert. Mandy plays on the varsity football team as nose guard. She has played football since grade three. She is also on the wrestling team and won first place in Ohio in girls' heavyweight at USWA in Mt Vernon 2009. She also placed fifth in the nationals in girls' heavyweight wrestling at Eastern Michigan College Campus at Ypsilanti, MI in March 2009. She wrestles the guys also; so, they need to look out for Mandy! She also attends the Mid-East Career Center and majors in carpentry, carrying a 3.75 gpa. Mandy plans to attend college and specialize in engineering. Her father Albert Dennis is a member of Zanesville Lodge 867, and Grandmother Ruth Potts, Aunt Kelly Treadway and Cousin Sabrina Waxler are members of Chapter 663.

At five minutes and six seconds after 4:00 P.M. on the 8th of July this year, the time and the date will be . . .

04:05:06 07/08/09

This will not happen again for a thousand years.

Ohio W.O.T.M. Membership Newsletter

April, 2009



Ohio Chapters & Co-Workers:

Wow! The good news is as of April 9th, we hit our membership production quote with a plus of 188 applications or 104.47% over the quota number of 4197 members. Crunch time is really moving fast and we continue to need everyone's help to finish this year with a bang!

Our co-workers are really promoting the Moose Economic Stimulus Plan and it is really improving our membership numbers greatly. This will give our Ohio chapters a great increase in growth.

Dwaine Brown has given us a report as of April 9th - Ohio has signed 4,385 members for year-to-date toward our quota of 4,197 or 104.47% of our membership quota. 70 chapters have hit their quotas and many more are near their membership quotas.

Remember - We must continue to focus on bringing in new members and encourage those in arrears to renew their membership. The active membership report ending April 9th, is still showing a decrease of 3,612 members from the previous year due to the March arrears list which we still have the opportunity to turn around yet. Ohio would like to be in the top 10 states in membership increase this year. We also want all our chapters to have the opportunity to earn their Award of Achievement this year.

Please check your chapter emails everyday as important detailed information will be send by Moose International and our Regional Manager Dwaine Brown concerning year-end closing. Also, if you need to call special meetings to vote on candidates – please schedule accordingly and enter the applications into LCL.net and enroll & transmit before the cut-off date.

There is still plenty of time to promote the Moose Economic Stimulus Plan to our friends, family members and associates. This is really a good deal where our new members can join with a zero-dollar application fee – a savings of \$20.00 and join our great Moose organization.

Please keep spreading the word! Ohio Can Do It!

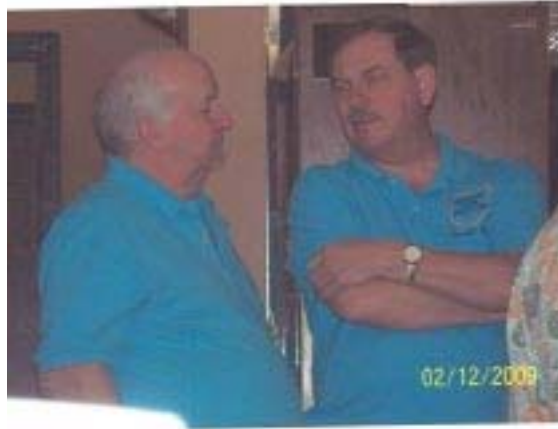
I will be out there cheering you on – Go team Ohio!

Fraternally and in friendship,

Linda Dick



You've Gotta Be Careful When You Visit District 1's Hospitality Room!



Thanks go to Jane and Ken Malloy, Norwood 301, for the pictures!



**"I thought you'd never ask!"
Yep! It's golf season!**



If you want to play like Tiger, you've got to be like Tiger, and that starts with getting into good physical condition!

It's mid-April, and there's a lot of time yet to kick off our golf leagues and to anticipate our Annual Ohio Moose Golf Tourneys -- mens, womens, and mixed.

That gives you time to do some serious conditioning and to contemplate how to improve your game. This column is designed to help you improve your game by giving you select examples of what to be and what not to be, what to do and what not to do. Please read on. . .

Here's a "what to do" -- Now that you senior golfers are older, instead of being concerned with your golf game, you might want to play the following games:

- 1) Sag, you're it!
- 2) Hide and go pee.
- 3) 20 Questions shouted into your good ear.
- 4) 'Red Rover, Red Rover,' the nurse says "Bend over!"
- 5) Musical recliners.
- 6) Simon says something incoherent.
- 7) Pin the toupee on the bald guy.

I promise to help your golf game with my helpful hints in next week's column. Since golf, senior or otherwise, is male, female, and mixed, here are some closing tips for seniors: going bra-less pulls all the wrinkles out of your face; getting a little action means you don't need fiber today; an all-nighter means not getting up to pee! If raising children was going to be easy, it never would have started with something called labor. Brain-cells come and brain-cells go, but fat-cells live forever.