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**OF THE**

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### **State Board**

**Proven winners by  
their actions -- as  
individuals or as  
committee leaders**



**A careful reading of these pages week-in and week-out, along with reviewing the other elements of the Ohio State Moose Association's web site, will expose an Ohio Moose member to the many exciting events and activities which the Association sponsors. Members of the State Board--approximately 120 men strong--work hard with their committees to promote activities which support the program of the Moose. The whole idea while working for the Moose in any activity is to have a good time !**

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of this  
Weekly  
Update  
July 19, 2006**

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# KID'S PAGE

Hello!!! We had no column last month for a simple reason: No one furnished us with any information or pictures. This is the second month in a row with my being unable to furnish a report. Do you want me to go back to Coshocton 935 where obviously there is an active Teen Club, and I can become their public relations person, or are you prepared to invite me to your Lodge either in person or with information about what you are doing?

I want to do my best to be your Teen News Editor, but I've got to have your help. So, once again I'm asking you to send me information about your Teen Club, and if you have pictures of an event, you can send them too so that we can scan them and print them on our page.

Thank you for reading this page, and keep sending your updates to my Grandpa newsletter editor, Jim Grandy!

*Kayla Birchfield, Editor, Kids' Page*



# Lodges Under Fire

**Lodges must send representative(s) to Annual International Convention and to State Convention if they wish to remain in “good standing”**

*By Jim Grandy, newsletter editor*

In the beginning” or “Once upon a time” are standard beginnings of fairy tales -- usually stories about something or someone who achieves greatness but which are not based in fact.

Following is NOT a fact: Once upon a time, there was a Moose Lodge in Hagerstown, Maryland, a Lodge of about 10,000 Moose members, the largest Lodge in the Fraternity. Their Administrator and Board of officers thought they and their 10,000 members were greater than the Fraternity itself! They were wrong! And, for their failure to obey the General Laws, the Lodge was dissolved, and the remnant of the 10,000 members was distributed among neighboring Lodges. Today there is no Hagerstown, MD Moose Lodge!

Those of you who've served in the military will recognize at once the expression that all servicemen use when they want to tell about what appears to be a fairy tale-quality experience. This expression always prefaces a GI's story: “This ain't no s\_\_\_!”

Let me share with you something that is neither a fairy tale nor a GI's story, but one which must be introduced in such a way as to emphasize its theme. “So, Boards of Officers of Ohio Lodges, ‘This ain't no s\_\_\_!’” You had better be planning right now to send at least one representative to attend the Annual International Convention in Orlando, FL next June. You can't use “lack of funds” for an excuse!

If you were to begin now to raise the necessary money to send representation to Orlando, you achieve it with no problem. How? Try the sure winner, the Moose International chocolate program, or purchase the Moose grills, which will bring a profit of \$60

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ach, along with many other items that the Moose International gift store has which would assist you in making money. In short, the money excuse no longer works!

“Why is having a Representative so important?” you may ask. “After all, it’s just a convention!” Three important reasons make conventions mandatory, state or international:

1) Reports by key members reveal the status of various programs, programs which every Lodge supports.

2) Key members expose and explain the new goals for the coming year.

3a) Many and varied social activities throughout this near-week demonstrate the meaning of “fraternity,” for they provide a venue to enjoy while renewing old friendships and acquaintances and while meeting new persons who will join that friend/acquaintance category.

3b) Whenever our Convention takes place in Chicago or Orlando, representatives get a chance to see first-hand the effects of their own Lodges’ efforts to support the programs of the Moose. They get to attend, on the one hand, a graduation ceremony and a visit to Baby Village, and, on the other, to enjoy the beauty and tranquility of the lives of our seniors at Moosehaven. It goes without saying that anyone who visits either Mooseheart or Moosehaven will never fail to renew his or her dues!

Perhaps it is the third reason that is most important. Consider the annual meetings we’ve had in the desert of Nevada the past several years. The very nature of these meetings has provided a venue in which fraternal friends and acquaintances have been able to put their heads together to provide rationale for new directions to enable our Fraternity to succeed.

Following is a list of Lodges which chose not to send a representative to International Convention in Chicago this year:

Hamilton 36  
East Liverpool 122  
Lima 199  
Caldwell 221  
Canton 233  
Bellevue 238  
Greenville 329  
Trenton 330  
Alliance 362  
Clyde 393  
Conneaut 472  
Newark 499  
Ashtabula 547  
Lake Erie 552  
Sidney 568  
Cambridge 631  
Medina 647  
Bucyrus 669  
Elyria 778  
Napoleon 788

Tiffin 846  
Rittman 860  
Logan 873  
Coshocton 935  
Lancaster 955  
Bryan 1064  
Piqua 1067  
Upper Sandusky 1093  
Wooster 1115  
Delaware 1167  
Gloucester 1197  
Sabina 1244  
Fremont 1286  
Van Wert 1320  
Newcomerstown 1337  
Amsterdam 1495  
Fostoria 1567  
Jackson 1569  
Chillicothe 1626  
Xenia 1629

Parma 1744  
Willard 2153  
Northfield 2156  
Killbuck 2184  
Woodfield 2247  
Waverly 2263  
Malta-McConnelsville 2317  
Pickerington 2321  
Lowell 2382  
Hillsboro 2402  
Circleville 2440  
Navarre 2471  
St. Clairsville 2504  
Lexington 2511  
Whitehouse-Waterville 2537  
Loveland 2583  
Miami County 2611  
Senecaville MSC 2623  
Harrison MSC 2633

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Put all this together and you'll see why men and women of Ohio Moose Lodges need to attend Annual Convention of both Moose International and of the State. To do otherwise risks your creating an ending for your Lodge and Chapter that is not a fairy tale, and "That ain't no s\_\_\_!"

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**OHIO STATE MOOSE  
ASSOCIATION  
78th Annual Convention  
August 16 - 20, 2006  
Holiday Inn Independence & Sheraton  
Independence Hotel  
Independence, Ohio**

*Tentative Agenda*

**Wednesday, August 16, 2006**

Registration -- **2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. (Ballroom Foyer)**  
10:00 A.M. Nominating Committee Breakfast and Meeting  
11:00 A.M. Credentials Committee Meeting  
1:00 P.M. State Board Luncheon  
2:00 P.M. State Board Meeting  
4:00 P.M. Convention Committee Meetings  
Rules and Order  
Resolutions  
Finance

**Thursday, August 17, 2006**

Registration -- **9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. (Ballroom Foyer)**  
**10:00 A.M. -- NOON** Opening Business Session (Ballroom)  
• Jr. Past President **Don Leptak** Presiding  
• **Special Tribute** "In God We Still Trust"  
• Invocation - Prelate **Mike Thatcher**  
• Pledge of Allegiance  
• Singing of National Anthem  
• Rules and Order Committee Report - **Danny R. Albert, Chairman**  
• Convention Obligation - **Don Leptak**  
• Presentation of Gavel to President-President **Jim Monroe**,  
now presiding

- Roll call of Association officers and Chairmen - State Secretary  
**John R. Sipes**
- By-Laws Committee Report - **Jim Grandy**
- Introduction of Official Visitor - **Assistant Director of Membership Byron Dalton, Sr.** by Regional Manager  
**Dwaine Brown** (Official Visitor's Welcome Remarks)
- Nominating Committee Report - State Secretary  
**John R. Sipes**
- District Presidents' Reports/Recognition - Vice President  
**David Simpson**
  - District # 1 - Robert (Bob) Wolf**
  - District # 2 - Lincoln Poling**
  - District # 3 - Bob Hauenstein**
  - District # 4 - Thomas Ziegler**
  - District # 5 - Dan Thomas**
  - District # 6 - Wade A. Orwig**
  - District # 7 - Don L. Perdue**
  - District # 8 - Rodney A. Rodgers**
- Report of Moose Legion - Moose Legion  
Ambassadors **Michael Hayes, John Robinson**  
and **Jim Witker**
  - Introduction of Moose Legion Secretaries
  - Liberty # 5 - **Robert Goldsmith**
  - Western Reserve # 7 - **Bruce Layman**
  - Maumee Valley # 30 - **Jim Witker**
  - McKinley # 34 - **Jon Allen**
  - Rainbow # 35 - **James Voge**
  - Central Ohio # 63 - **Richard Heid**
  - East Ohio # 87 - **Michael Hays**
  - Miami Valley # 103 - **Mike Wilt**
  - Buckeye # 192 - **Glenn Hanson**
- Moose Legion Ritual Report - **Dan Denney, Chairman**
- Moose Benefits Report - **Rod Henning**
- Announcements - State Secretary **John R. Sipes**

### RECESS

**2:00 P.M. -- 4:00 P.M.** Business Session (Ballroom)

- District Presidents' Reports/Recognition -- Vice President  
**David Simpson**
  - District # 9 - Daniel E. Bobbitt**
  - District # 10 - Jeffrey J. Pintur**
  - District # 11 - C. Joe Reese**
  - District # 12 - Charles R. Savage**
  - District # 13 - Kenneth L. Ourant**

**District # 14 - Wayne Clark**

**District # 15 - David Yutzy**

- Newsletter and International Publications Committee Chairman  
**Jim Grandy**
- International and Ohio State Moose Association Webmaster -  
**Steve Speaks**
- MooseVision and how it can help your Lodge - **Phil Dick**
- Moose Momentum - **Don Freed**
- Sunshine Child Report - **Mark Howdieshell**
- Roll Call of Lodges of the Association, State Secretary **John R. Sipes, with District Presidents**
- Comments - Regional Manager **Dwaine Brown**
- Comments - State President **Jim Monroe**
- Announcements - State Secretary **John R. Sipes**
- Benediction - Prelate **Mike Thatcher**

### **ADJOURNMENT FOR THE DAY**

**7:00 P.M. -- 15th Annual Buckeye Family Awards Night**  
**(Holiday Inn Ballroom)**  
**(Fun -- Food -- Beverages -- Excitement)**

### **Friday, August 18, 2006**

Registration -- **8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.**

- 9:30 A.M. -- 11:30 A.M. Business Session**
- President **Jim Monroe** Presiding
  - Invocation - Prelate **Mike Thatcher**
  - Roll Calls -Subject to discretion of President
  - Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) State Secretary  
**John R. Sipes**
  - Youth Awareness - **Patrick "Pat" Thomas**
  - Sports Reports - Sports Director "**Buck" Dials**
    - Basketball - **Larry Young Sr.**
    - Bass - **Tom Mann, Greg Smith**
    - Billiards - **Scott Hemans**
    - Bowling - **Fred Soddors, Marv Bosh**
    - Darts - **Denny Frank**
    - Electronic Darts - **Robert Edginton**
    - Golf - **Jim Strahm**
    - Mixed and Senior Golf - **Danny Albert**
    - Horseshoes - **Bob Hauenstein**
    - Softball - **William G "Buck" Dials**
    - Crappie Tourney - **D. J. Gray**

- Trapshoot - **Jessee Johnson**  
Walleye Derby - **Buck Dials**
- OSMA Car Show - **Gene Morelli**
  - Moose Riders Report - **Hal Gray, Paul Thompson, & Steve Riggs**
  - Moosehaven Chairman **Ted Bayles**
  - Comments - President **Jim Monroe**

### RECESS

**11:45 A.M.** -- Pilgrim Luncheon

**1:00 P.M.** -- Loyal Order of Moose and Women of the Moose -- Joint Session

- President **Jim Monroe** Presiding
- Invocation - Prelate **Mike Thatcher**
- Memorial Service  
Prelate **Mike Thatcher** in charge
- Introduction and Remarks - **Women of the Moose**  
**Official Visitor Shelia Posey, Grand Council Member**
- Introduction and Remarks - **Loyal Order of Moose**  
**Official Visitor Assistant Director of Membership Byron Dalton, Sr.**
- Report of Higher Degree Councils - **Bob Snyder**
- Report of Mooseheart/Moosehaven Admissions - **Terry Goldstein**
- Women Excused

**2:30 P.M.** -- **4:00 P.M.** Business Session (Pavillion)

- President **Jim Monroe** Presiding
- Legal Advisor - **Jeffrey P. Knapke**
- Photography Report - **George Grosser**
- 2005-6 Deputy Supreme Governors' Reports -  
**Ron Martin and Gary Ryan**
- Government Relations Report - **John Starkey**
- Euchre Report - **Linn Ackers**
- Charitable Gaming Report - **Robert Schaffer**
- Pilgrim Report - **Ron Johnson**
- Ritual Report - **Dan Denney, Jim Witker, and Steve Baker**
- Tax Report - **Paul McIntosh**
- Veterans Administration Volunteer Service Report -  
**John Robinson**
- Family Day & Teen Sports - **Robert Goldsmith, Charles Stidham, & Freeman Bever**
- Family Centers - **Joe Pukansky**
- Founder's Day - **Don Lazenby, Wade Orwig**

- Senior Club Report - **Don E.L. Basham**
- Continuous Accident Prevention - **Mike Murphy**
- Moose of the Year Report - **Rod Seabert**
- Building Membership - **RM Brown w/Membership Advisors**
- Comments - Jr. Past President **Don Leptak**
- Announcements - State Secretary **John Sipes**
- Benediction - Prelate **Mike Thatcher**

**ADJOURNMENT FOR THE DAY**

**7:00 P.M. 5 Club Party  
(By Invitation Only) (Cocktails and  
Entertainment To Follow 5 Club Entertainment)**

**Saturday, August 19, 2006**

Registration -- **8:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.**

**8:00 A.M.** Fellowship Degree Breakfast and Conferral

**10:00 A.M. -- Noon** Final Business Session

- President **Jim Monroe** Presiding
- Invocation - Prelate **Mike Thatcher**
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Acknowledgment of New Fellows - **Steve Chaney**
- Fellowship Report - **Steve Chaney & Gary Muter**
- Credentials Report - **John Johnson**
- Roll Calls - Subject to Discretion of President
- Community Service Report - **Ted DeVoss**
- Camp-O-Rama - **Mike Morris**
- Youth Conservation Corps Report - **James W Gibson**
- Mooseheart Scholarship - **Charlie Olsen**
- Ohio Special Project Report - **John Rethman**
- Special Olympics/Tent Town - **Mike Thompson and Dave Yutzy**
- Finance, Budget, and Audit Report - State  
Treasurer **Arnie Holley**
- Resolutions - **Jim Grandy**
- Announcements

**RECESS**

**2:30 P.M. -- 4:30 P.M.** Business Session

- President **Jim Monroe** Presiding

- Report of President - **Jim Monroe**
- Report of State Secretary - **John Sipes**
- Report of the Regional Manager **Dwaine Brown**
- Remarks - Official Visitor **Assistant Director of Membership Byron Dalton, Sr.**
- Election of Officers
- Final Comments
- Benediction - Prelate **Dave Mike Thatcher**
- Adjourn sine die

**5:45 P.M. State President's and Deputy  
Grand Regent's Cocktail Party**

**6:30 P.M. State President's and Deputy  
Grand Regent's Banquet and Ball**

- Master of Ceremonies - Regional Manager **Dwaine Brown**
- Remarks -- **Assistant Director of Membership Byron Dalton, Sr.**
- Installation of Officers -- Regional Manager **Dwaine Brown** and State Secretary **John R. Sipes**
- Introduction of Past State Presidents - Regional Manager **Dwaine Brown**
- Selection of R. Robert Dale Scholarship Winners - State Secretary **John R. Sipes**
- Exchanging of Gavel
- Remarks - **Jim Monroe**
- Remarks - W.O.T.M. Official Visitor **Shelia Posey, Grand Council Member**
- WOTM Ritual Results

**Sunday, August 20, 2006**

**10:00 A.M.** State Board Continental Breakfast  
State Board Organizational and Directional  
Meeting (All 2006-2007 Ohio State Moose  
Association Officers and Chairmen)