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Bellefontaine Moose Lodge, Ohio
Lodge #2563 Chapter #2228
Loyal Order of the Moose

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Ringing out good news for our Moose Community, Mooseheart, and Moosehaven!

Moose teams with Kiwanis for Amtrykes



A presenting of two Amtrykes to two children with developmental disabilities are three Kiwanis members and Moose members Jacque Rowe, Ty Rowe, Sandy Peyton, Joann Moore, Chuck Peyton, and Tim Moore. See the story on page six.

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Latest Academy of Friendship Higher Degree

Please congratulate the two latest Bellefontaine women Lori Wisse and Jenna Spirzzo to receive the Academy of Friendship Degree, Women of the Moose.

This Degree is a higher degree and was con-

ferred upon them at the Ohio State Moose Association Mid Winter Conference. They earned this Degree by sponsoring members, working on various committees and on fundraising.

We are very proud!



Ohio State Moose Association Special Project

As one of the largest Moose Associations in the nation, the Ohio State Moose Association COMMITTED TO A PROJECT OF \$1,000,000.00 FOR A PROJECT FOR OUR SENIORS: THE MOOSEHAVEN CENTENNIAL PROJECT.

THIS WAS TO CONSTRUCT A NEW LIVING FACILITY FOR MOOSEHAVEN TRADITIONAL RESIDENTS. THE PROJECT GOALS: IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR TRADITIONAL RESIDENTS AND REDUCE OPERATION COST. AS OF THE MIDYEAR CON-

FERENCE, THIS GOAL WAS 75% COMPLETED.



Special points of interest:

- ◆ Please congratulate the two ladies for the Academy of Friendship Degree.
- ◆ Check out the fun for St. Patrick's Day party.
- ◆ The O.S.M.A. parade of checks went well.
- ◆ Check out the Moose International Special Project write up

Greetings from the Governor

Greetings Moose members! Having just returned from the Ohio State Moose Conference, there are many things to bring to your attention. We really need to get to work on signing new members. With only two months left in the Moose Year, we need over 20 new members to meet our Moose membership quota. However, there are several new members in process. This is very important because it affects many things.



We need to scout for new members!

We are a strong growing lodge with lots of good people and we want to keep being strong. We have members in nine states other than Ohio. Men and women keep their membership here **because we are** "The Friendliest Place in Town". **There is also** much pride in what we do for our community and for the Moose Organization. Also keep in mind, there are 43 of 97 lodges in Ohio smaller than us. *Be positive!*

Ty Rowe, Lodge Governor

Other Men Officers:

Administrator: Richard Sharon

Jr. Governor: Tim Moore

Prelate: Mike Arledge

Treasurer: Chris Suman

Trustee (1yr.): Cam Dyer

Trustee (2 yr.): Geoff Wisse

Trustee (3 yr.): Frank Stewart

Jr. Past Governor: Chris Walker

Sergeant at Arms: Wayne Prater

Inner Guard: Bryan Wilson

Outer Guard: Jon Kunze

Administrator highlights

The Bellefontaine Moose Lodge continues to get stronger and create more pride in the Moose. At the Parade of Checks our Lodge gave \$3000 to the Ohio State Moose Association and to Moose International. This amount was more than the amount given by half of the lodges in Ohio. Also, we gave one of the larger donation amounts to the Special

Our lodge was rated Superior the last two quarters in Community Service and also received the Bronze Award in the nation last year.

Olympics of Ohio.

Thanks to all of you for your support of our fundraising for these projects. You members can be very proud of all the good things

our Moose lodge does for the various projects listed on page five and also for the Amtryke project.

Finally, thanks for your support and understanding of our fill in administrator, Donnie Sutherland, while I was unavailable.

Richard Sharon, Bellefontaine Moose Lodge Administrator

Moose International State Association



If you want a fun trip, go to Tampa for the 2017 Moose International Convention June 29-July 3

for more fun and learning than you have ever experienced. Make reservations on OSMA website.

The Ohio State Moose Association Presents gives you: The Tampa Bay Get-A-Way; EACH TIME YOU SPONSOR A NEW MEMBER you will be entered into a drawing for a trip to Tampa for the 2017 Moose International convention.

Make reservations for the state convention Aug 16-20. Hotel space is limited!

District #3 news

The next State District #3 Meeting will be at Lima Lodge March 19, and at Kenton April 9. (note the date.)

Bellefontaine Moose has often won the big attendance trophy!



District #3 Trophy

Women of the Moose spotlight

Big Congratulations to Lori Wisse and to Jeanna Sprizzo on their receiving for a great big **Academy of Friendship Degree**. We are so very proud of you! Thank you very much for your hard work.

Our Chapter is



Women of the moose glass decal can be ordered from Moose Intl.

Place this on your car or a visible place.

active in the community lending a hand wherever we can. A new **project for us is "Dwell at the Bell"**. This is a youth organization giving spiritual and social guidance plus a place to go to for fun for our local youth. More details on this very worthwhile community project will be made available in coming weeks.

Anyone willing to chair a committee or help the Women of the Moose and our Chapter in any way, please let an Officer know.

Help and ideas are always very much appreciated!

Sandy Peyton, Sr. Regent

Other Women of the Moose Officers:

Jr. Grad Regent: Christina Pearson

Jr. Regent: Jeanna Sprizzo

Secretary: Jennifer Hammond

Recorder: Kim LeVan

Guide: Lori Arledge

Asst. Guide: Brenda Hall

Honor our community heroes with Moose membership

From January 1st through April 30th, 2017 Moose International will waive first year fees and dues for active military personnel and first responders. If you know someone who is serving our country or provides first responder services for your community, now is a great time to reach out and offer them a membership in the Moose. The gift of membership is

a natural fit for those who look to make the best of difficult situations, just as Moose members try to improve the lives of those they touch as well.

We hope these individuals will learn about the great things we do for children, seniors, and our communities, and will want to stay involved.



Erin Go Bragh! Big St Patrick's Day Party March 17

"May the road rise up to meet you" at our super fun, dance celebration for St. Patrick's Day on March 17. There will be costumes, hats, and decorations galore and even a little "jigging" from our band. You may say **Kiss me I'm Irish** or **I'm not Irish** but kiss me anyway. With a little luck of the Irish, you might

even be elected as "Best Kisser" or you could be the "Blarney Stone".

So, come on down and let's all get *sham-rocked* with a lot of blarney. You can dance with your favorite Leprechaun or Lassie. Good golly, Miss Molly, don't miss out on one of the most fun parties of the year! The band is **Pegasus**.



Here, hold my pot of gold!

March 2017



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Happy Hour Monday through Thursday 4-6

 March 17 band			1 Women's meeting 6:00	2 Higher Degree discount all day Free darts 6	3 Free jukebox Weekly drawing 9	4 Pool tourney 6, signup 5:30
5 Dart tourney 2, signup 1:30	6 Trivia Day: On this day in 1836 what Happened? You can buy pizza here anytime!	7 Queen of hearts 8:00	8 Mexican night 4-7  Moose races 6	9 Men officers 6 Higher Degree discount all day Free darts 6	10 Band 8-12: Diamond Jim DJ Weekly draw 9	11 Pool tourney 6, signup 5:30, smoker drawing
12 Dart tourney 2, signup 1:30 Moose Legion 12 Daylight saving time starts, push ahead 1 hour.	13 Get up 1 hr. early 	14 Queen of hearts 8:00	15 Women's meeting 6:00	16 Higher Degree discount all day Free darts 6	17  St Pat's Party Band 8-12: Pegasus Weekly draw 9	18 Pool tourney 6, signup 5:30
19 Dart tourney 2, signup 1:30 District Mtg. Lima 11:00	20 It's spring, time to dance outside!	21 Queen of hearts 8:00	22 Moose races 6 Mex night 4-7 	23 Men officers 6 Joint Mtg. 7 Higher Degree discount all day Free darts 6	24 Band 8-12: BJ & Billie Karaoke Weekly draw 9	25 Pool tourney 6, signup 5:30
26 Last day for Dart tourney 2, signup 1:30 Moose breakfast 9-12	27 Monthly drawing	28 Queen of hearts 8:00	29	30 Free Darts 6 Higher degree discount all day	31 Band 8-12	1 Last day for pool tourney Golf tourney coming up

[April 2nd is our Lodge Anniversary](#)

Parade of Checks at the Ohio State Moose Conference

Bellefontaine Moose: Parade of checks

\$1400 Ohio Special
Project (see page 1).

\$100 Endowment
fund

\$100 Safe Surfing for
Moose International

\$100 to Safe Web
Surfing Foundation

\$400 to Special Olym-
pics of Ohio

\$100 to Tent Town
for Special Olympics
of Ohio

\$100 to Tommy
Moose Project



On of the many Parade of Checks being presented at the O.S.M.A. Mid Year Conference.



\$100 to Ohio State
Moose V.A.V.S.
(for veterans).

\$100 to OSMA
Museum

This Parade of checks is for projects supported by the Ohio State Moose Association and by Moose International. Our Lodge continues to support local community service projects which will be listed from time to time in our newsletter (see example front page).

In addition, many of our members help put on non moose community projects such as school projects, church projects, projects as members of other organizations, and fund raising. These will be headlined as they are completed. Why? Because our members are involved.

Bellefontaine Moose members, you should be very proud of how you have made our Lodge great.

Ohio State Moose Association Conference Hospitality!

Did you know the Bellefontaine Moose lodge was well represented by both the men and the women at the recent Ohio State Moose Association Midyear Conference in Independence, Ohio. We had 15 members stand up for

roll call. This was one of the largest representations from a lodge in Ohio. Many people wondered how we had so many. The answer: because we believe in the Moose directives for communities and elsewhere.

The State Hospitality rooms had a contest for best hospitality. Our District, the State District 3, did not win, but we had the most fun thanks to Bellefontaine Moose in charge of the Moose races. A big thanks to all who helped out.

Do you hear Bellefontaine “bells” ringing in your ears?

We mailed newsletters to members in Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Florida, Tennessee, Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, South Carolina, Washington, California and to Moose International. We had some startup problems, but most people were glad to hear our lodge does so much. People must think positive to keep a lodge healthy and growing; this is just another positive way to be informed.

The “Moose Bell” wishes to say thanks to all the members who

helped put the Newsletter together. We especially want to thank all our special contributors including: Chris Suman, pictures; Jon Kunze, printing; Co-Editor Chris Tillman, final proof-reading and grammar; Chris Walker, band schedule; Ty Rowe for community and overall approval.

Also, to Chuck and Sandy Peyton for Moose Legion, and WOTM articles. Finally, to Dick Sharon for addresses and “The Heart of Community” giving.



The “Moose Bell” is always looking for good news in the lodge, the community and Moose International.

Phil Dick, Co-Editor

Ringing out good news

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Moose Legion, the 2nd Degree of the Moose where pride and fun go hand in hand!

Brother Moose Legionnaires,
Still a very busy year with many fund raising events underway for out Moose Legion Charities. We are currently raffling a dual thermal, twin burner propane meat smoker as shown below. The unit is on display at the Lodge along with all the details.

The Moose Legion with the Women of the Moose and the Men of our Moose Lodge partnered with the Kiwanis Club of Bellefontaine, for the purchase of Amtryke's for kids with develop-



Wow! Tasty!

mental disabilities. These help them overcome their limitations.

It was "so wonderful to see their eyes light up" when the Amtrykes were donated to the children as gifts. Thanks to everyone who helped.

Finally, thanks to all our members and Officers for your help in all we do. The Moose Legion is the 2nd Order of the Moose for the Men and has done fabulous things over the years for the Moose Organization for

only 4 cents a day (\$15 a year). Your immediate benefit, to you, is on the calendar on Thursdays.

Meeting times are:
second Sunday of each month at 12:00 noon.

Fraternally Yours,

Chuck Peyton,

Chairman of the Bellefontaine Lodge #2563 Moose Legion

A Moose Legion Directive:

Do some good thing for someone each day!