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

Bellefontaine Moose Lodge, one of the top 11 Moose Lodges in Ohio to be awarded the Premier Lodge Award for the 2016-2017 Moose Year.

Polar Bear Plunge for Special Olympics



On March 24, Moose Rider Ethan Wisse participated in the Polar Bear Plunge at Indian Lake for Special Olympics. He raised \$255 for Ohio Special

Olympics before taking the plunge.

Special Olympics Ohio will be held this year from June 22-24 at OSU Jesse Owens Stadium. This is a tremendous Ohio State Moose Association community service project.

The Mission of Special Olympics is to provide year round sports train-

ing and competition opportunities for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

Tent Town is the fun event for Special Olympics participations. The Moose and many other organizations are there to help the participants have fun after their Olympic events. See page 4 for reservations.

Bellefontaine Moose Save a Life Blood Drive

Community Blood Drives will be held at Bellefontaine Moose Lodge on Saturday, April 7, on Saturday, June 9, and Saturday, September 15.

All blood drives will be held from 8 AM to 12 PM. Everyone is invited!



We encourage appointments to be made at Donortime.com or contact Frank Stewart at 937-407-7224. This is part of the Community Blood Center, phone

1-800-388-GIVE.

Blood drives save many lives and you can help! Please come out and spend a few minutes giving blood to help a number of people.

The life you save could be your own.

25 Club and 5 Club for 2017-2018

The following Moose Members have reached the 25 Club so far during the 2017-2018 year with total members signed: Mike Arledge, Cory Ames, and Pat Miller.

Betty Clark reached the 50 member level.

The following members joined the 5 Club for this year by signing at least 5 members: Cory Ames, Mike Arledge,

Christina Frank, Wayne Prater, and Benda Moon.

A big congratulations to all these members for their efforts in signing up new members.

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Special points of interest:

- ◆ Please congratulate all the men and Women who brought so much cheer to others.
- ◆ Blood drives at our Moose Lodge
- ◆ Breakfast pictures
- ◆ Moose Rider events
- ◆ Special events
- ◆ Dart tournament winners

Greetings from the Governor

Greetings Moose Brothers:

Our Moose year of 2017-2018 will come to a close on April 30, 2018. Thank you to the many men and women and outside volunteers that worked together in so many ways to make our Moose Lodge one of the best in Ohio in community service, and in service to Moose Charities, Mooseheart, and Moosehaven.

Thanks to those who work on dinners and support for the many functions we have in our lodge and for all of you that came in to enjoy them. Thanks to our Officers for their leadership. A really big thanks to our lodge employees. Thanks for the work **done by members who can't** always be here.

I could go on and on, but you understand there are hundreds of volunteers each year. Thanks for making Bellefontaine Moose the friendliest place in town.

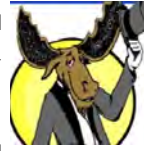
Finally, a big thank you for just being members!

We are always being told that we are one of the best givers in community service and support for those in need.

We have many fun and prideful events here at Bellefontaine Moose. Bring people in for fun and to learn about all the Community Service we support.

We are only at 72% of our membership Quota and we really need to get busy and ask people to join the Moose Organization. As of March 26, we need 17 members to make our Quota. We have over 400 men members; if everyone would ask just 1 person to join the Moose, we would really grow.

Tell them about Mooseheart and Moosehaven. Show them a copy of our newsletter. Tell them how much their membership means to



the community.

Many people think you "have to pay to drink here". It is not about drinking, it is about pride in community, in community service, Mooseheart children, and in Moosehaven seniors.

Please sponsor members for our membership drive for 2017-2018. There is no \$20 membership fee until May 1 for new applications.

Cory Ames, Lodge Governor

Other 2016-2017 Lodge Officers:

Administrator: Richard Sharon

Jr. Governor: Chris Suman

Prelate: Cam Dyer

Secretary/Treasurer: Jon Kunze

Trustee (1yr.): Geoff Wisse

Trustee (2 yr.): Bryan Wilson

Trustee (3 yr.): Wayne Prater

Inner Guard: Dan Noffsinger

Outer Guard: Jim Snyder

Jr. Past Governor: Ty Rowe

A Note from our Lodge Administrator

Please make your reservations for the Moose International convention from July 11 thru July 15 on ohiomoose.com. Please check here also for hotel reservations. We look forward to seeing you

there. Also, it is time to start thinking about the OSMA Convention from August 15-19. Finally, there are a lot of things for which you may need to make a signup. If you need help with any of these

please contact me at the Moose number on the back page. We have a full schedule of events and fun parties this summer, so keep checking our communication services. Dick Sharon, Administrator.

Moose International Convention



New Orleans new and old!

New Orleans is 300 years old in 2018. Join us from Wednesday, July 11th – Sunday, July 15th, for the 2018 International Moose Convention. Then enjoy history, to Jambalaya, to Jazz, to steamboat rides, to French Quarters.

Make reservations on the OSMA Website for a really fun trip to New Orleans. This will be a great Moose Convention. There are events at the Moose International Convention that everyone can enjoy and learn.

Women of the Moose Spotlight

Greetings Co-Workers:

It has been a wonderful year for the Women of the Moose!

As we come to the end of the Moose year, I am proud of all the things we did for our lodge, our community, for Mooseheart and Moosehaven. Thanks to everyone that helped with the various community functions and with the monthly events here at the Lodge. Thanks to our Officers for going above and beyond.

We have made a big impression in our community. Thanks to our Administrator, Richard Sharon, for making things easy to work with him.

Special thanks to Betty Clark for a tremendous job as our Recorder.

As of March 26, we have made our Quota for memberships for our year. Hurray! A big thanks to women and men for working so hard to make sure we had a successful membership year. This means there will be several Bellefontaine Women of the Moose participating in various events at the Moose International Convention in New Orleans this summer.

We really need to continue to sign up more new members if we are

going to continue to be recognized for the Award of Achievement. Our yearly fee is \$30.

The \$20 enrollment fee has been suspended until May 1 per Moose International. Please ask those you know to join the Women of the Moose.

Sr. Regent: Christina Franck
Other 2017-2018 W.O.T.M. Officers
Jr. Graduate Regent: Sandy Peyton
Jr. Regent: Lori Arledge
Recorder: Betty Clark
Sec/Treasurer: Lori Wisse
Guide: Millie Stockdale
Assistant Guide: Tera Kunze.



Easter Egg Hunt for Kids

Easter is a great time for everyone for various reasons.

This year's Kid's Easter Egg Party was a really great turnout. It was so much fun and the kids that came were just amazing. It really was a special event!!

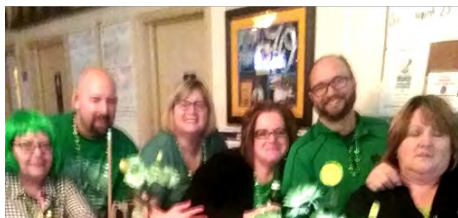
Thanks to all who helped in the coloring and hiding of the eggs. Thanks to all who helped prepare the munchies and organization.

And last, thanks so much to those who setup the yard blowups. A really big thanks to Chris Suman

for pictures and to Jon Kunze for drone pictures. We hope to have some of these in the next Newsletter.

Christina Franck

Some Special Events!



Part of the St. Pat's Day crowd!

The St. Patrick's Day was a lot of fun at the Moose. A lot of people were dressed in green adornments.

Special thanks to Chris Tillman for the beautiful table decorations. It was a day with a lot of laughs!

Some special events coming up in following months:

Mothers Day, Father's day, Hawaiian party, Moose Legion Picnic, Summerfest, several big Moose Rider events (see page 4 for more information on Moose Riders).

For whom the bell tolls, in sickness and distress!

Please remember the following individuals and others unnamed for health situations since the last newsletter: Brenda Moon, Brenda Mortimore. Eddie Tap.

Lost loved ones: Rick Funk, mother in law; Kim Levan, her father Keith Rose who was also a Moose member; Jason Brown, step child passed.

Where there are struggles or sadness, love plants a garden of strength and memories!



Dart Tournament Champions, Congratulations



First Place: Geoff Wisse and Chuckie Everhardt



Second Place: Wayne Prater and Jeff Jackson



Third Place: Curtis Young and Perry Pearson

Moose Riders, Moose on the loose

Our Moose Riders is now in second year of existence. There have been many wonderful things and good times for those involved. Thanks to all for your volunteer work and helping us to grow.

We are the only Moose Riders Herd in our District #3.

Our meetings are on the first Sunday of each month at 11 with a ride afterward. You do not have to own a bike to attend.

Moose Rider dinner on 4-27, 4 to 8. There are many other events coming up for the Moose Riders.



Ohio Blessing of the Bikes on May 20, at 1:00 at Xenia Kil-Kare Raceway with 1000's of bikes.

Bike-A-Rama Saturday July 21 at Bellefontaine Moose Lodge at 1:00. Lunch and fun activities will follow.

You can purchase Moose Riders t-shirts for Ohio Special Olympics to pass out to the participants June 22-24. This is a coveted gift.

The Mooseheart Blessing of the Bikes will be held May 19 at 12:15.

Mooseheart will hold its Moose Ride for Kids Saturday May 19 to Mon September 3.

Questions contact, Geoff Wisse, Bellefontaine Moose.

Some Editors' notes

We have completed our first year with our new newsletter. It has been very successful and well received by all, including OSMA VIP's.

I wish to thank the many people who contributed to it's assembly and success. Thanks to Chris Su-

man and Jon Kunze for pictures, also thanks to all those who took pictures one way or another.

Thanks to all those that submitted or helped with information. A newsletter is only as good as the information in it. Please submit news ASAP each month

I think our mailing problems are solved. Please do not be offended if your name is not on the newsletter. We are sending to only one resident per address.

Finally, I apologize for all mistakes; with 1000's of details it is easy to make a mistake.

See our Newsletter on line and also on Facebook

To look up our Newsletter online, go to ohiomoose.com then follow the steps listed below.

1. On the middle right list, click on Bellefontaine.
2. If not there, click on "see

more reports" (located at top of the list.

3. Then Click on Bellefontaine Moose (top right).
4. Click on current month (or any month).









Enjoy!

These instructions are here for your convenience. Also, because at some point in the future, we may have to stop printing and mailing due to cost.

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National Autism Awareness Month

Happy Hour Monday through Thursday 4-6

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1 Easter Sunday	2 Lodge Anniversary International Autism Awareness Day	3 	4 	5 Women's meeting 6:00 Higher Degree discount all day	6 Band 7-11: Hower Trio Weekly draw 9	7  Blood drive 8 AM-12 PM Tournament of Champions pool 6-8	
8 District Meeting Van Wert 11:30 Moose Rider meeting 4	9 Free Darts Free pool	10 Queen of hearts 8:00 	11 Woman's night	12 Men officers 6 Higher Degree discount all day	13 Band 7-11: Cruser DJ Moose Legion bologna sandwiches 4 'till gone Weekly draw 9	14 Pool tourney 6, signup 5:30	
15 Miami Valley Moose Legion #103 (our District Moose Legion Meeting) Urbana 2:00	16 Free darts Free pool	17 Queen of hearts 8:00 	18 All fun and games of your imagination here at the Moose 	19 Women's meeting 6:00 Higher Degree discount all day	20 Band 7-11: Pegasus Weekly draw 9 	21 Pool tourney 6, signup 5:30	
22 Moose Legion Meeting 12	23 Free darts 6 Free pool	24 Queen of hearts 8:00 	25 Woman's night	26 Men officers 6 Joint Mtg. 7 Higher Degree discount all day	27 Moose Rider Dinner 4-8 Band 7-11: Branded Unplugged Weekly draw 9	28 Pool tourney 6, signup 5:30	
29 Final Breakfast 9-12	30 Free darts 6 Free pool Monthly draw WOTM Monthly Dinner 4-7	1 (may) Mayday 	Watch for many summer activities				

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Moose Lodge Families and Friends

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

Brother Moose Legionnaires,

As the 2017-2018 Moose year ends on April 30, I wish to again thank the many Moose Legionnaires for all their help in the many activities and events. Also, thanks for the help on all our community services. Being a Moose Legionnaire is a very proud moment.

Some activities coming up: on 4-13 the Moose Legion will serve fried bologna sandwiches for Moose Charities with an auction of a special item to support the local Autism Charity.

Our next Bellefontaine Moose Legion meeting will be 4-22 at 12:00.

On 6-16 we will put on a Hawaiian party with dancers,

costumes, an imitation Hawaiian wedding, and songs. This is open to all Moose men and women members.

We have been asked to host the Miami Valley Moose Legion #103 picnic again this year on 7-28 28. Last year was a great time and a huge success.

The next District Moose Legion Meeting is at Urbana on April 15, 2018 at 2:00. Please support your Moose Legion and come out to this very important meeting.

The Moose Legion and Degree of Service Mission is to have fun while providing greater service to the Moose Fraternity.

There is a destiny that makes us brothers, none goes his way

alone; that which we send into the lives of others comes back into our own.

Chairman: Dan Noffsinger

The Moose Legion membership cost is only 4 cents a day (\$1.33 a month/\$15 a year). An immediate benefit is a Thursday discount for those with any Higher Degree.

Moose Legion Directive:

Do some good thing for someone each day!

2017-2018 Moose Legion Officers

Chairman:	Dan Noffsinger
Vice Chairman:	Wayne Prater
Secretary/ Financial Director:	Jon Kunze
Chaplin:	Perry Pearson
Fraternal Director:	Jim Fulton
Sergeant-at-Arms:	Mike Arledge
Past Chairman:	Chuck Peyton