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Do You Have Your One Star and Two Star Awards ?
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All Units should have paid their \$400.00 annual commitment for the Mooseheart School Administration Roof Project. If you have not paid for the year 2009 and 2010 your Unit owes \$800.00, an obligation we agreed upon, two years ago !

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Moose Member Benefits
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Moose International website
<http://www.mooseintl.org>

News and Notes from the Travels of your President - - - Fred Reichelt



Greetings all and thanks again for the opportunity to be your President.

Since Palm Springs I have hit the floor running and seems like I have been somewhere every weekend. First I should note that in every lodge I visited the "Never Pay Dues Again" was posted in addition to local programs. It is really a good feeling to see some of the ingenuity put into Membership Programs. I say keep up the great job and work on keeping the members we have and please share membership programs that work for you...

On the weekend of September 25th I attended the Pilgrim Robing for Russell Nelson at the Red Bluff Moose Lodge. The Board of Officers, Chapter, and the Administrator Walter Hulburt did a fantastic job preparing the Lodge for the event. I believe we had 14 Pilgrims plus the Staff present.

While in District 2, I also had the opportunity to visit the Orland Moose Lodge where my wife Carol and I were greeted by Dee and Kathy and other members of the lodge and made us feel right at home. On Saturday the 25th, Gail Marlatt took me to the Redding Moose Lodge where I met ILA and Mike and we had a tour of the lodge. Here I learned about their Potato Dinners and using Balloons hanging from the ceiling as another means to raise additional monies for the Lodge. Each balloon had a prize either a "Thank You Try Again", or a discount on a beverage or maybe even a free meal. From Redding we went to the Anderson lodge where we found the Balloon idea again.

In October, the first weekend was with Gail Marlatt; our Assistant Regional Manager at the Fresno Moose Lodge and everyone was very friendly and we had a great time. Having a Military base very close to the lodge explains high membership writing.

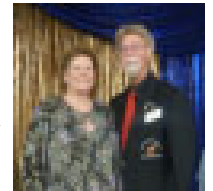
On October 7th, I went to the San Jose Moose Lodge for an evening Youth Awareness Congress. Unfortunately we had only one student but everything went well.



On the October 9 & 10th I was at the Ebbetts Pass Moose Lodge for a dinner sponsored by the Hesperian Moose Legion followed by a Moose Legion Conferal on Sunday. The guest speaker was Moose Intl. Legion President Bruce Berger. If you have an opportunity to attend function or meeting where Bruce will be present, do make every effort to attend. He is here to help, has a great attitude, and highly motivated speaker. It should be noted here the Moose Legion Secretary Bud Harwood, assisted by his wife Donna, did an outstanding job.

On October 16th, I was in Richmond for my Presidents Reception Dinner. We had approximately 130 in attendance and had a great time. I would also like to thank everyone who attended my reception Dinner, it was a great evening. The dinner was followed by the Jun Simundo Band and many stayed to closing.

The weekend of October 23, was spent in Southern California. In the morning I went to the Pismo Beach Moose lodge and attended the Youth Awareness Congress being held by YA Coordinator Harvey Higgins. He had 4 students and did a great job. I was then off to the Camarillo Moose Lodge for the Reception Dinner for Deputy Gran Regent Cheryl Volden.



The dinner went very well and I had the opportunity to meet members and officers from the surrounding lodges. In fact I was told I will be receiving invitations to revisit the area in January -February of 2011.

At the close of the dinner, Administrator Dale Pyle of the Oxnard Moose Lodge invited me to his lodge and then a visit to the Ventura Family Center. Both lodges are very impressive and well setup to handle multiple functions at My next destination was back to the Orland Moose Lodge for their Youth Awareness Congress on November 6. The Lodge representative, Jo Collins -Tivbssart with the support of the lodge obtained 7 students. She did an outstanding job and the lodge support was fantastic. They had a great meal and the guest speaker was the Chief of Police.



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Regional Manager - - - - -

Charlie Lopez

"Tell Them Why They Should Become and Remain Members"

I have talked to you about this before, but the issue needs to be revisited. Way too many members join our organization and never are exposed to the true "VALUE" of their membership cards. In most cases, their sponsors have told them about the 20 or 30 cents that they can save on a drink in the social quarters, or about the dollar or two that a member can save on a dinner on Friday or Saturday evenings. He may even have told them that some of their friends are members and it is a good place to get together for some good times.

Is this a bad thing? Certainly not, but these sponsors are not fully disclosing all of the fantastic opportunities that one's Moose Membership provides.

One of the biggest "VALUES" that goes undiscovered by our members is something called "MEMBER BENEFITS." I would venture a guess that 90% of our members across the fraternity cannot explain exactly what these are. It is unfortunate, because our members could realize more money saved by utilizing one of these benefits than the by the money they can save drinking in the Social Quarters for 6 months. Now, we do not want to discourage anyone from using our Social Quarters, but when it is time to renew their dues, they will remember the \$125 he saved with his Moose Card when he rented that car, or the \$50 a month he saves by using his Moose Member Benefit to purchase those monthly prescriptions. What about that 2 week vacation he took and used his Membership to secure lodging at several Comfort Suites and Comfort Inn Hotels and saved between \$30 to \$40 a night. Those are the things that they are going to remember when they get ready to shell out that dues renewal money. Check out all of the Member Benefits available to all lodge and chapter members at:

www.mooseintl.org/portal/Benefits/default.asp

There has always been and will always be a huge emphasis on Membership Production, and rightly so. The CNMA "Active Members Up Yours By One" program is just as important and deserves the same effort and diligence as the sponsoring of new members. Last year, we had two lodges (Fresno & Stockdale) that achieved not just a "Plus One" but a "Plus One Hundred and Thirteen." This came not only by strong membership programs, but by focusing on current members. "The Friendliest Place In Town." "Member Benefits." "Consistently Full Calendars of Activities." "Officers willing to LISTEN, then taking action." These examples are only a small part of the process to keep your "Customers" happy and willing to remain members.

Again, this mission can be accomplished by making sure that every member is aware of every opportunity they have to enhance their lives with their membership in our lodges and chapters. Be proud of what we have for our members. Make certain that there is no member in your unit that not only knows about the standard reasons to belong with us, but the EXTRAS that also make their membership card, the most valuable card in their wallet or purse.

At our Association Convention in Palm Spring in September, we passed out 1000 Member Benefit Pamphlets to our Administrators and Governors for distribution in their lodges. Additional Pamphlets can be ordered for only the cost of shipping from the membership Department at 530-859-2000 ext 2228.

"Active Members UP YOURS By One"





Henry Weaver - - - - Vice President

Well guys another year is close at hand. Soon Christmas, will hit us then New Years and of course Taxes. Should you need a tax write off keep Mooseheart in mind. I hope you all remember our troops as we keep them in our prayers please also contact the local Blue Star Mothers

and set a box up in your lodges to collect items to send to our troops over sea.

Again I hope every member in every lodge in California and Nevada get to read this state newsletter it is full great information for you and your members.

The association again has the \$10,000.00 raffle going. Speak to your district president to buy one or two or three. It seems easy if 5 or 10 people combine their efforts to buy these \$100.00 tickets.

With our association taking on so many projects at Mooseheart we really need the support of every member, lodge, legion, legion riders, and every fraternal unit available. Our current obligations are the roof project, purchase a Tommy the Moose suit for use through out the fraternity, we always send gifts and

cards to our children at Mooseheart, And cards to the seniors at Moosehaven. We also do something very special for our graduates at Mooseheart. On top of paying for two state conventions per year. It cost a lot to run this association. As your association executive board we are struggling just as your lodges are with the down turn in the economy and our membership thru out this fraternity.

We hope and pray that the campaigns put on by Moose International and CA-NV Moose Association are helping all of the units in this association. So purchase a ticket from your district president and maybe the money will help with your lodges needs.

We hope to see lots of officers at the triple play seminar in Reno. If not we will see you at Reno in March for our mid winter convention. Also remember International convention is in our own Anaheim. Thanks for all you do. God Bless all of you and Mooseheart.

CA-NV Vice President

Henry Weaver



Alan Phillips - - - - Prelate

What a great start to the year, we started with an over the top Convention in Palm Springs then off to the Triple Play Seminar in Reno. What an excellent learning experience that was. I have heard nothing but positive feedback from both the Lodge

Operations, and the Moose Legion training.

Now let's talk membership. We have the Association Membership Campaign. **MONEY MONEY MONEY.** Sign members and receive gift cards for \$\$\$\$\$. The more you sign the more \$\$\$\$\$ we send you. See poster for details

Moose International has an ongoing campaign. **NEVER PAY DUES AGAIN.** Just sign two members and they pay the next years dues for you. That is

simply just money in your pocket. You can't beat that. Do this each year and **NEVER PAY DUES AGAIN.**

Moose International just came out with an excellent short-term campaign. **RACE FOR THE WINNERS CIRCLE.** Sign just one member and you are put in a drawing for a trip for two to the Daytona 500. This includes airfare and a 500-dollar visa gift card. You are entered for a chance for each application you turn in. The more applications that are turned in the more chances you have. This runs from Nov. 1st through Dec. 31st.

I hope all of the campaigns are displayed in your Lodge so you can take advantage of all the great membership opportunities available to you. Let's go to Anaheim as the number one Association with a big gain in Members.



Notes from the Association Secretary - - - - George Montgomery

We have just returned from an outstanding session in Reno, Nevada at the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa. It was the Triple Play program. This program had separate sessions for the Lodge, Chapter and Moose Legion. I attended the Lodge session and the ones of you that did not attend, you missed some very valuable information on how to properly manage the lodge and social quarters operations. There was a very good attendance from California/Nevada and they all came home with great ideas how to make your lodge successful. The presenters all made fantastic presentations.

In early September we sent letters to all lodges, chapters, association officers and committeemen concerning helping Andy Collins and his family get Andy home from Palm Springs after suffering an aneurism in his aorta, which has an extremely high mortality rate. We are all very fortunate and most important, the Collins family that Andy has survived. You have responded admirably to the request and have donated to date \$7440.00. Andy and Joan are overwhelmed by the thoughtfulness of the members of this great association. I have compiled a list of donors for them and we know that will be eternally grateful to each of you. Thank you and May God Bless each and every one of you for your kindness and willingness to help them.

Hopefully you will receive the information for the Mid Year Conference at the Atlantis in Reno on March 24-27, 2011 before you receive this newsletter. I stayed an extra day in Reno to work with the hotel and everything is all set. The Executive Committee will meet in January 2011 to set the agenda and we know it will be very helpful to all lodges and chapters. As soon as we get it set, D. V. Gregory will post it on the Website.

I made a glaring mistake on the new association roster that has been given to some to the members and it is posted on the Website. **Our Vice President, Henry Weaver has an incorrect E-Mail address on the roster. The published one is: roadie@gnet.com. The correct address is: roadie@qnet.com. I certainly apologize to Henry and anyone who has tried to contact him using the wrong address.**

From my family to yours, we wish each and everyone a Most Bountiful Thanksgiving and a Wonderful Christmas and the best New Year ever. Many thanks to all who have helped this year to make California/Nevada Moose Association the best ever and we will reach the top again.

Fraternally,
George Montgomery

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Watch for forthcoming information
on Registration, Hotels, Locations
& Other Details

www.moose2011anaheim.org!

Travels of Robert Mackay - - - Deputy Supreme Governor



What a wonderful time and great attendance at the Annual CNMA Convention in Palm Springs. On my travels home I had the honor of visiting Temecula Valley Lodge #261, Mira Mesa #2108 and Kearny Mesa #1852 where I had the great pleasure of attending The Star Recorder Chapter Night. On September 25th

I was part of the Pilgrim Honor Guard for New Pilgrim Russell. L. Nelson's Celebration and Robbing at Red Bluff Lodge #2002. October 8th I made a visit to Sunnyvale Lodge #2049 where a delicious dinner was served and we enjoyed the "great sounds" of a 20 piece



Jr. Past President - - - Allan "ACE" Charlton

Greetings to all!
We've just returned from attending the Triple Play Conference held in Reno , Nevada , November 7-10, 2010. The sessions offered were: improving Lodge operations, an open forum for the WOTM, hosted by Director General, William B. Airey and a Moose Legion session for Moose Legionnaires, Commit-

tee Chairmen and Directors designed to provide tools to help strengthen the relationship between the Moose Legions and Lodges. A tremendous amount of information was covered, which you will be hearing and seeing more about as attendees return home to their respective Lodges, Chapters and Moose Legions.

I am very pleased with the makeup of the new Executive Board Members and I look forward to working with them throughout the next year. As in the past years, we will have some tough challenges before us. However, I also know and I am confident that we will overcome those issues and we will be successful as we move forward.



Happy Holidays!



orchestra band. October 9th we were "on the road again" to the Auburn Lodge #2264. October 23rd I was the Honored Guest Speaker at the Meeting of District #2 at Anderson Lodge #509.

On November 20th there was a great turnout, lots of fun and great food at a dinner I helped prepare/serve honoring New Fellow Dan McCarte of Kearny Mesa Lodge #1852.

From myself and my family,
Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Safe New Year!

Fraternally,
Bob Mackay,
Deputy Supreme Governor

Please remember to take advantage of the new on-going Moose International Membership Campaigns and NEVER PAY DUES AGAIN by sponsoring just two new members each year! Also, don't forget our CNMA Membership Campaign, "Money, Money, Money!" Earn gift cards for the new members you sponsor as well! Please see our award winning CNMA Website for further details!

Make plans now to attend Moose International's Convention in Anaheim , June 30, 2011 through July 6, 2011! This is a prime opportunity for everyone in our Association to attend an International Convention!

Merry Christmas and have a Happy, Safe and most prosperous New Year!

Please keep our men and women of our Armed Services in your thoughts and prayers until they are home safe with us once again.

God bless Mooseheart and Moosehaven.
Allan "Ace" Charlton

California - Nevada Moose Association Meeting Schedule

March 24-27, 2011, Association Mid-year Conference, Reno Nevada
June 30 - July 6, 2011, International Convention, Anaheim, California
September 8-11, 2011, Association Convention, Reno Nevada
March 22 - 25, 2012, Association Mid-year Conference, Reno Nevada



Cheryl Volden - - - -

Deputy Grand Regent

Happy Holidays !

I can't believe that it is almost Thanksgiving and we all know that after that comes Christmas. Sorry to say but it is only a few weeks away! How can time be passing by so quickly?

Can you believe that half of the chapter year has already passed? Has your board of officers been reviewing the Checklist each month to ensure your chapter is on track for the Award of Achievement? Have the chapter Recorder and Audit Committee been reviewing and submitting the monthly reports by the 10th of the month and the Chapter Audit Report by the 12th of the month? What about the Recorder Checklist? Do you know where your chapter stands on membership? We must work as a **T E A M** in our chapters "**T**ogether **E**veryone **A**chieves **M**ore".

Preparations have begun for our Mid-Year Conference in Reno, Nevada at the Atlantis Resort & Casino March 25th through the 27th. Our official visitor for the conference will be the **Grand Regent of the Women of the Moose, Olivia "Libby" Schmidt** and Vacaville Chapter #1498 will be the hostess chapter. In accordance with the new requirement for the Award of Achievement all chapters should be making plans to ensure that they have representation at the conference. Information on the Atlantis Resort can be found on the CNMA website at www.ca-nvmoose.org. Stay tuned to the website for the registration form and agenda which should be published by December. In order to ensure that all chapters receive the registration form a letter and email will be sent to all CA and NV chapters.

The Academy of Friendship conferral will be conducted by the CA/NV Conferral Team lead by our Conferral Coordinator, Charlene Mead and the Conferral Committee. As announced at the International Convention in Nashville, TN, a new Ritual Competition has been developed and teams from CA and NV will be allowed to register to compete during the Mid-Year Conference. Anyone interested in forming a team should contact Charlene at fredmead@cox.net. Additional information on the Ritual can be found at <http://www.mooseintl.org/portal/WomenOfTheMoose/WOTM-Ritual.asp>.

We have created a section down at the bottom of the Deputy Grand Regent page of the CNMA Website entitled "**WOTM HUGS**" to post items of interest to be shared with co-workers at our meetings. This month's posting is the story entitled "**Red Marbles**" by W. E. Petersen. The Moral of this story: We will not be remembered by our **words**, but by our **kind deeds**. Please take a moment to read this story and to share it with others.

"**The Time Is Now**" for us to sponsor members - sponsor 2 members between June 1st and April 30th and you will receive your next year's dues **FREE**. Let's be sure and get the word out about this great membership campaign. Did you know that a chapter can create their own membership or membership retention campaign? Got any ideas on how to encourage membership growth or retention in your chapter? Why not put together a proposal and share it with your chapter?

Life is not measured by the breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath.

Cheryl





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May Your Blessings Be Many!

WOW! How time flies! It seemed like only yesterday it was New Years day. Now here we are almost into the end of the year.

I think back about the many things that have happened this year so far. How we have lost so many of our brothers, co-workers and friends. How we have also had many close calls with those that fell on hard times.

Guess the many prayers and the offering of blessing help to keep them with us.

Keep sending those prayers and blessing for there are many that still need your help!

Presidents message continued from page 2

My next location was into Fernley, Nevada for their Youth Congress on November 7th. Our lodge representative is Joe Rigazio and the lodge was well set up for the Youth Awareness day. We had 7 students that did a great job and all plan on doing their Kids Talks. This is the third year for Fernley and Administrator Mac McClurg stated he will continue the program as long as he can as Fernley supports our Youth.

It should be noted that our guest speaker for the day was Jim "Happy" Trails, Association President for the state of Missouri. Upon leaving Friendly Fernley, I went to Reno for the Triple Play at the Atlantis. This proved to be well organized and stocked with a lot of information. Our Executive Board attended the Lodge Operations presentation and a few of the topics were as follows: Membership Key to success, Community Service your image, Meetings procedures both House and Exec, Audit Committee and their importance, Importance of good Lodge appearance, Attitude of the Officers of the lodge, guidelines for Lodge rentals, importance of Insurance for Rentals, and importance of recognizing members in your lodge. There was so much information that many asked that the slide presented be available on the internet.

It should also be noted that "Never Pay Dues Again" was discussed in length and a new program that is currently on the WEB. The new program is "Race for the Winners Circle." This should be a hot program and put the spark into many car enthusiasts. Winners will receive a Daytona 500 package for 2. The package includes airfare, hotel, and transportation. You get one chance per application and the program runs November 1-December 31, 2010.

Now is a great time to give the gift that keeps on giving, membership into the Moose.

Let's all end the year with a pledge to do some good thing for someone each day.

Our family wishes everyone a Fantastic Thanksgiving, a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, from Our House to Yours.

Thanks for all you do for the Moose!
 Fraternally, DV Gregory
 Judy and the boys

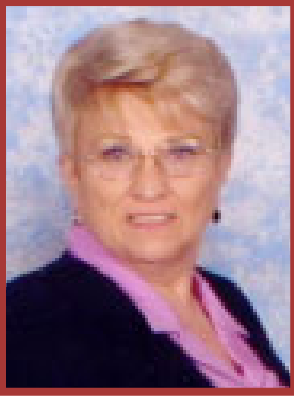
While in Reno, I took advantage of the location and accompanied our VP Henry and Rocky Rockafellow travelled to the (Blue Moose) Mason Valley Moose lodge where we were well received and given a tour of the lodge with Bob and Becky Boatwright.

The months of December and January are very special. The time to come together with family and lodge are very important. Think of the Christmas and New Years Eve parties for the lodge, family, and the younger children of the lodge. The "Time is Now" to show your friends that are not members, what the Lodge is about. The lodges provide a good place to meet and enjoy your membership in a safe and warm environment. A time to give thanks for what we have, and help those where the lodges have closed. It is a time where sharing and helping each other is so important, bringing in new and old members, and keeping the members we have.

The New Year also provided new opportunities, what are your goals for 2011? , Getting new members, putting your Lodge in shape, or do more for the Association and community? It might seem too early for New Year's resolutions but you can look beyond the New Year and Planning for the next 10. Planning is everything and Communication should be one of your priorities. Share your thoughts with your brothers and co workers and develop common goals. If you don't have plans, plan on doing nothing. Plan and develop Membership programs and new members will come when the community is aware of what we do.

I hope you had a great Thanks Giving, a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New year. God bless Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

Thanks again



Women of the Moose Membership

By Carol Veach, CA-NV WOTM Membership Coordinator

QUESTIONS FOR OUR LEADERS

A Conference for Those Who Care was held in Reno November 8th and 9th and I attended the Women's Session. Director General Bill Airey

was in attendance with a microphone in hand for the entire 12 hours, which is a first in the history of the Women of the Moose. Grand Chancellor Barb McPherson helped with many questions and Grand Regent Olivia Schmitt was there, too. By the way, Olivia will be our CA/NV Official Visitor at the March Mid-Year Conference.

Co-workers from all across the US and Canada went to the standing microphone and voiced questions or concerns. Bill and Barb said we would be told what happened to every question that was turned in to them – maybe it would be sent to the Grand Council or General Governor or several other places for consideration. Every one of the topics would be dealt with in some way and they would let us know by e-mail or in writing. Whew! They have a lot to do. Subjects went through: ritual for Faith, Hope and Charity; rewriting the funeral service; dress code; better trainers; update the magazine; clean up Moose Homes so we are all proud to sponsor members; women's role in the District; transfer fees; smoking; **it is possible to have a Joint House Committee; LOOM not allowed to 'charge' WOTM for meeting and function rooms but WOTM need to make sure it doesn't cost the LOOM either; Service Chapters; why can't women raffle firearms; joint round table meetings; Moose International is developing a line of children's clothing with Tommy Moose on them; if you are a Collegian and a Star Recorder, you may hang a gold star from your tassel with the year – nothing else, please; require all officers to attend training like we used to; update Quick Books.** That was *part* of day one.

Major topics from day two include: why can't women vote on the General Laws; how is a new Deputy Grand selected; bring back Chapter Rally Day; **cost per**

child per day at Mooseheart is \$200; hold seminars in Anaheim; maybe consideration for deaths after April 15th; new program Recipe for Retention will be rolled out in December; vital to hold welcoming party in new member's honor; add Mooseheart Founders day to WOTM program; MI sends sympathy card when a member dies; children at Mooseheart want a new song; open procedures book okay for all at meetings. And much more. It was thought-provoking to hear how Bill was thinking. It was also hysterical to watch him cover his ears when he learned we aren't allowed to wear pants under our caps and gowns! I learned about a few new things in the pipeline - or subjects deemed extremely important - and I have shared these nuggets with you here in bold print.

Bottom line – membership is our number one concern. Use your benefits and you will cover your dues. Always recognize sponsors. We all need to ASK people to join. We must talk about what we believe. We are meeting a great need in today's society. We are needed much like churches in this economy. Reach out to others. Take pride in your Moose Home. ASK your friends to join. **Let's increase the volume of our membership.**

LET'S PUMP UP THE VOLUME!



California & Nevada Women of the Moose

PUMP UP THE VOLUME!

Sponsor 3 New Members between May 1, 2010 and February 28, 2011 and have your name entered to WIN any of the items below

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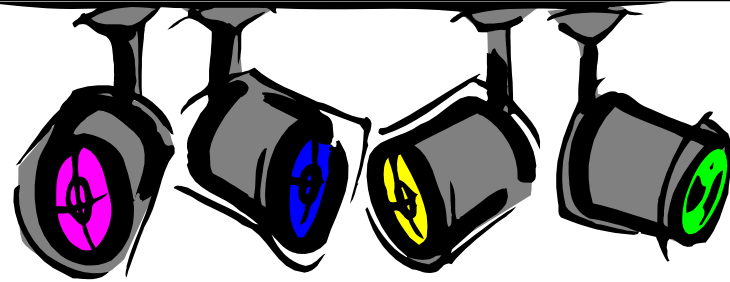
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In the Spotlight

William Stukes



Bill Stukes was sponsored into and joined Camarillo Moose Lodge #2047 on July 31st, 1993. Soon thereafter he was appointed inner guard. He was enrolled into Channel Islands Moose Legion #175 on October 9th, 1994.

After being elected to Junior Governor in April 1995. Bill was elected and installed as governor for the 1996 – 1997 Moose Year. Camarillo Moose Lodge received its Merit Award that year and the following year. In 1998 Bill was elected and installed as District President for District 14. The following year Bill was appointed as a committeeman on the Equestrian Committee for Cal./Nev Moose Assn. Since then Bill has been and active member on the State Assn. and currently holds the title of Cal./Nev. Families Activities Chairman. On July 29th of 2000

Bill received his Fellowship degree of Honor in Chicago Illinois. Bill was elected and installed as President of Channel Islands Moose Legion #175 for the

2000 – 2001 Year. Currently Bill is also the Secretary of Channel Islands Moose Legion #175. And is the Secretary for District 14.

During the past 2 + years his Moose Legion has shown an increase in membership as well as finances. Also during Bill's term as Moose Legion Secretary his Legion has earned it's Director's Key Club.

While all the offices Bill holds are important he feels one of his greatest contributions to his lodge was helping his Lodge move into their current location by installing all the electrical that was needed in the remodeling of the new lodge building. His lodge honored Bill in 1995 for Rookie of the Year, in 1998 - 1999 for Moose of the Year and again in 2005 – 2006 for Comeback of the Year. Bill is the membership chairman for his lodge and is a member of the 25 Club 50 category. He has also signed 40 new members of former members into the moose legion



Bill Drake - - - - Treasurer

Greetings!

Does your Lodge have goals for the year? Is there a plan or roadmap for your Lodge's continued future success? These are questions that every member of every Lodge should be asking of their respective leadership teams. For without a well thought out plan for the future, a few "stretch goals" and a fiscally sound budget, it can only mean trouble for your Lodge's future success. As members, we have a right and a responsibility to ensure that those whom we have entrusted in our respective Lodges, are working together to keep the Lodge operation solvent and that they are operating in compliance with the General Laws of our Order and operating in accordance with State and Local Laws. Ask questions, regularly provide suggestions and feedback and stay involved!

As members of your 2010/2011 Executive Board, our work is cut out for us as well. We continuously look for ways to help our Lodges succeed in their individual charges. Given that MEMBERSHIP is our lifeblood, we are always looking for ways to help you increase your membership totals, including searching for ways to help you retain existing members. We can use your

help in these areas! Sponsor a new member today and share ideas with your leadership teams to increase your Lodge activities and events!

To keep things in context, the two paragraphs above relate to our continued ability to care for our children at Mooseheart and our seniors at Moosehaven. Although there are numerous benefits made available to us as members, our charge is not to "receive", but it is to "give" of our substance for those who can not care for themselves. This is reason for our very existence as an organization.

We are told that registration for the 123rd Annual Moose Convention in Anaheim, this coming June 30, 2011 through July 6, 2011, is already in full swing! Reserved rooms are expected to be used up rather quickly, so do not procrastinate, register today! I look forward to seeing you there!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
God bless,
Bill Drake
Treasurer

*~ Success is measured by a willingness to keep on trying.
If we try to the best of our ability, we will achieve our set goals. ~*

Correspondence Due Dates for December & January

12/10/10	Transmit monthly financial reports from Quick Books
12/15/10	Mail Monthly Moose International A/R Payment and Endowment
01/10/11	Transmit monthly financial reports from QuickBooks
01/15/11	Mail Monthly Moose International A/R Payment and Endowment Fund Remittance
01/31/11	Quarterly Form 941 Employers Federal Tax Return submission deadline for Oct - Dec (U.S. Lodges Only)
01/31/11	Annual Form 940 FUTA submission deadline for 2010
01/31/11	Form W-2 issued to employees for 2010
01/31/11	Form 1099 MISC copy B issued to non-employees paid more than \$600 in 2010



Chuck Dombrow - - - Editor and Past President

Editorial



What is Moose Charities - - - and Why Should We Support It?

What is Moose Charities ? Moose Charities is charged with the primary goal of providing the necessary resources of support and maintenance of Mooseheart Child City & School and the Moosehaven Retirement Community. We as members are charged with building a bridge to the next generation by supporting our two Fraternal organizations as we pledged to do so when we took our oath as new members.

There are four areas in which we can promote our support to Moose Charities, the individual member, your Lodge, Chapter and our Association. All four can make a difference in the lives of children and senior members,

As a Member you can give a Tribute Gift a memorial gift that will serve as a lasting tribute to the life of a friend or loved one. An honorary gift to serve as a lasting tribute and can be directed to any fund requested. Employer Matching Gifts; Many companies match the charitable contributions of their employees, you can double the impact of your generosity by using your companies matching gift program. The Gimme 5 program has been a great success so far, but we still have members that do not know or understand the program, it is an Endowment fund campaign to ensure the future of both Mooseheart and Moosehaven. Additionally, there is the School Support Programs, Car Donation Program, Planned Giving; Bequests, Wills, Charitable Gift Annuities, Charitable Trust, Life Estate Reserved and Bargain Sale.

All donations can be made Online, it is easy and secure.

Your Lodge/Chapter is instrumental in making all our Moose Charity Programs work. Your members need to know why Moose Charities exist, all the methods of giving and that it is a nonprofit 501 © 3 charity, tax deductible charged with the primary goal of provid-

ing the necessary resources for the continued support and maintenance of the Mooseheart Child & School and Moosehaven retirement community.

Your Lodge/Chapter should be collecting Endowment Fund donations at every meeting or function in the name of the Order, as required by the General Orders. You should be supporting our Association projects such as the Roof Repair for the Mooseheart School Administration Building. You can accomplish all of these task with the use of your lodge newsletter, at general meetings, Orientations and when you make your announcements at Friday and Saturday night functions.

Our Association continues to take on special projects to help lessen the burden of Moose Charities. At present time we are obligated to repair the roof on the Mooseheart School Administration Building at a tune of \$275,000.00. Once our obligation is completed we should immediately take on another project to make life more rewarding for our Mooseheart children or seniors at Moosehaven. We as an Association cannot rest on our laurels, we need to promote Moose Charities at every Convention, Conference, Website and Newsletter.

Why Should We Support It ? If you have ever gone to Mooseheart or Moosehaven you would not ask the question. We are making the difference in the lives of our children and our seniors. We make sure that all our Mooseheart graduates go on to college or a trade school. All students "Enter to learn, Leave to Serve". At Moosehaven we bring warmth and comfort to the residents from everyday activities, a place our residents call home. Opportunity, Active, Teamwork Health, Integrity and Comfort is what it is all about.

The Time Is Now !

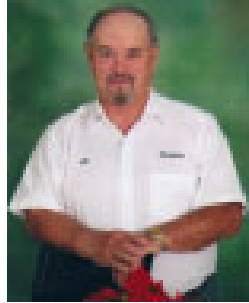
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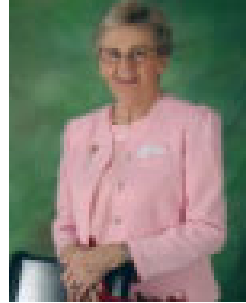
California & Nevada Residents



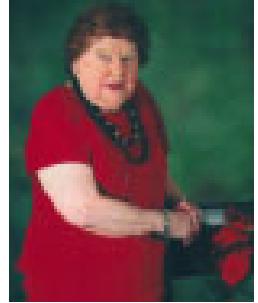
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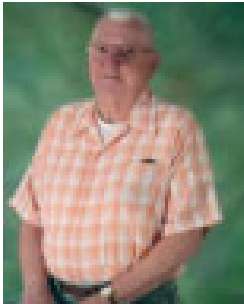
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Hazel Tennity
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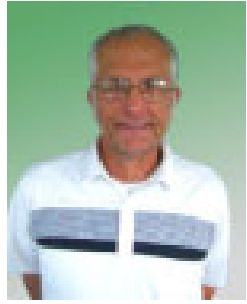
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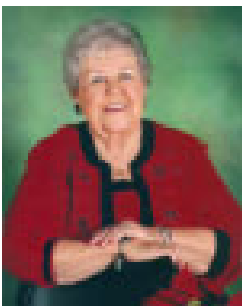
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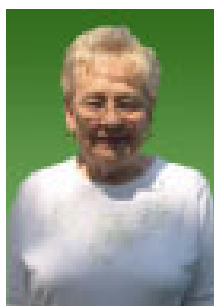
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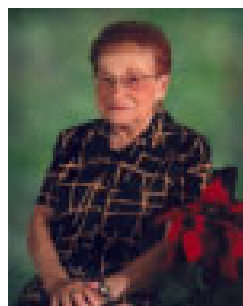
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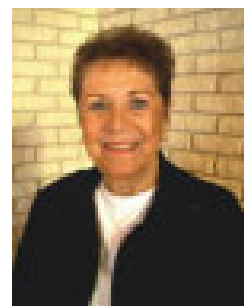
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San Diego #508
Arrived: 5-9-2001



Lila Williams
Birthday: 4-7-29
San Diego #508
Arrived: 5-5-2003



Mary Cabic
Birthday: 5-29-19
Torrance #785
Arrived: 9-16-1986



Gloria Jane Peterson
Birthday: 5-26-28
San Fernando Chapter
#1191
Arrived: 12-2-09



Fredrick Edward Huhn
Birthday: 8-22-17
Lemon Grove #1713
Arrived: 5-19-2010






California Nevada



Dear California Nevada Moose Association,

School has started, I'm having a good year and good grades. I had a good summer. Did you? Halloween is coming up, I am looking forward to Christmas. Do you? I like the snow and cold weather. Do you? I like having fun on Christmas. What do you like having on Christmas? I like going to church, I like opening my cards and presents. What do you like doing on Christmas? Christmas is about when Jesus was born. Have a good Christmas.

From,
Jonathan Serrano




Jonathan Daniel Serrano
Fontana #863
Birthday: 9-5-99
Arrived: 4-29-08

Dear California Nevada Moose Association,

I'm excited for Christmas. School has started and Middle School Football is over. We finished the season undefeated. Middle School basketball is about to start. I'm excited for Christmas because on campus we get to go to the Invas party with a very fun and we have a big, big dance at school and it is very funny. I like Christmas because everyone is in a jolly mood and everyone is out to each other. Halloween is coming up. I want to see what the other kids dress up as. I like Halloween because I get a lot of candy. One of my friends in my home is going to be Jack Sack, and other but in my home is going to be Wade.

From,
David Serrano





David Serrano
Big Bear #2085
Birthday: 2-21-97
Arrived: 4-29-08

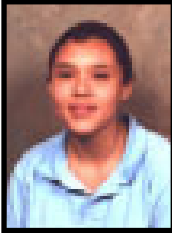
Hope you have a jolly Christmas!

DEAR CALIFORNIA/NEVADA MOOSE ASSOCIATION I AM GETTING READY TO SAY HELLO AND MERRY CHRISTMAS I AM GETTING READY TO START BASKETBALL SEASON FOR THE MIDDLE SCHOOL TEAM. I AM GETTING READY TO SNOW PRETTY SOON. I AM ON THE MIDDLE SCHOOL LIST. I STOP PRACTICING FOOTBALL ALREADY. THANK YOU AND I APPRECIATE EVERYTHING YOU DO FOR ME.

SINCERELY, ANGEL RODRIGUEZ


John Angel Rodriguez
Oxnard #561
Birthday: 2-14-97
Arrived: 2-5-07



Dear California Nevada Moose Association,

Thank you so much for the support here at Moosehearts. Over the past year I have been involved in playing on the volleyball team. It was my first time joining the program as I'm a new student to Junior High. We won a couple of games over, also qualified a big lot of the tournament. I was involved in recreation during the summer as well as swimming and games over, also had a part of it. I had to lose out of softball and some other events. I was also involved in band. I played the clarinet. I have been able to fulfill the needs of being at Moosehearts. I'm glad to start here to be involved and to get a lot of support by my teachers and friends. I really want you to help out with special events because it is so fun. I hope you all will enjoy the holidays!

Sincerely,
Krystal R



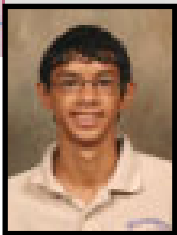
Merry Christmas

Dear California/Nevada Moose Association

Thank you for all you do! Also for allowing me the opportunity to come here and sponsoring me within your association. The Holiday season is coming up and I hope you have fun! I'm in my junior year of highschool and therefore I have started my search for colleges. It's tough, but I'm enjoying it at the same time. I can't wait to come back to California and see my familia! Thankyou again!

Sincerely

James Ranum



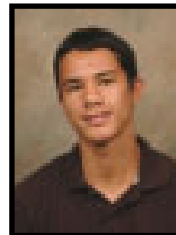
James Ranum
Campbell #1811
Birthday: 9-1-94
Arrived: 1-22-07



Merry Christmas California/Nevada Moose Association,

I'm fourteen now and have just completed the first quarter of my Freshman year with all A's and B's in my classes. I would like to wish all of you a wonderful holiday, and hope that all of you will manage the time to spend with your families this Christmas. Thank you again for everything you do for us.

Sincerely
John Ranum



John Ranum
Campbell #1811
Birthday: 1-5-96
Arrived: 1-22-07



Dear California/Nevada Moose Association,

Thanks for all you do! My family has been here for almost four years and think Mooseheart is a great place. I'm 13 turning fourteen on March 9, 2011. I'm joining basketball and have already done football this year. Christmas is coming and my family is going on a cruise to Mexico. I live in California, San Jose and hope everyone the best.

Sincerely

Jacob Ranum



Jacob Ranum
Campbell #1811
Birthday: 3-9-97
Arrived: 1-22-07

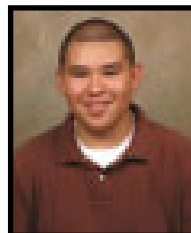


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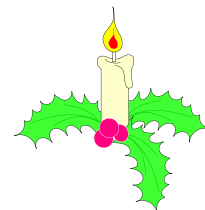
Merry Christmas! I'm writing to let you that I hope but as per wishes come true and have a good, convenient Christmas. I am looking forward to Christmas this year and not be snowy weather. Even though snow blowing will be soon I will still make it a merry Christmas. I am from Oxnard California and hoping to go home and visit my family. It will not snow then but so I hope I can go ahead for Christmas. Again, Thank you for everything you men and women do for me and Mooseheart!

Sincerely,

Paul Flores



Paul Frank Flores
Oxnard Lodge #561
Birthday: 10-5-95
Arrived: 2-5-07



Happy New Year

Dear California-Moose, Moose Association,
 I just wanted to say thank you for everything and supporting us at Mooseheart. Anyways I am going to play basketball this year too!! We have Founder's Day this weekend, looking forward to that. Basketball was great I had fun, I'm excited for Military Ball and Prom though. If it wasn't for you guys, we wouldn't have anything or even a place to go, so thank you again. I appreciate this place because we have fun, were safe, we get things, and also the staff members take care of us. Most of all we live together and get to know each other more. Since I'm a senior this year, I will be planning on going to college. West Valley, San Jose City, or Evergreen community colleges, I have applied to them. I would then like to transfer to San Jose State University. I'm still undecided on what to minor or major in for college. But once I graduate I plan to stay here for a couple days or weeks depending on my situation. I plan to find a job during the summer live with my grandma and start college in the fall. I like to play basketball, football, and softball. I like to cook, hike, swim, sleep, go shopping, eat, and be outside. I have 3 brothers and we have Mark and Thelma (our guardians mom and dad) Chris and Nick (our brothers) and Elise (our step sister). I will be leaving home this Christmas and on a cruise to Mexico for 3 days. My birthday is April 07, 1993. Again it's appreciate the effort and work you guys put into everything for this place. Thank you.

10-24-11

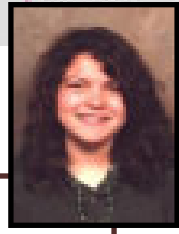
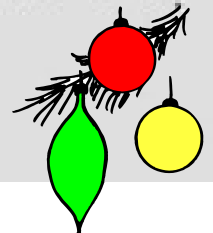
Sincerely,
 Joy Ranum



Jocelyn "Joy" Ranum
 Campbell Lodge #1811
 Birthday: 4-9-93
 Re-Admitted: 8-10-10

Dear Moose members,
 Merry Christmas moose members! I am currently in 9th grade. I have had a very fun Freshman year so far. School is going well and I have been involved in some extra curriculum activities. I was on the volleyball team and really enjoyed being a part of the team. I plan on joining Basketball when the season begins in November. I am also in band and I play the French horn, which I recently played in Chicago at a Moose event. During homecoming, I participated in the powder puff game, which was a lot of fun. Because of your generous spirits and contribution to Mooseheart, I am very fortunate to have a variety of activities offered to me. I am very grateful for everything you do for me throughout the year. I wish you happy holidays!

Sincerely,
 Jen-Ni Serrano



Jen-Ni Virginia Serrano
 Victor Valley #1808
 Birthday: 8-23-95
 Re-Admitted: 8-10-10

Dear CA/Moose Association,

I would like to Thank You for all that you do for me. So far things are going great at school and sports wise. I was on Mooseheart's Varsity football team. I played Wide Receiver and Cornerback. We ended the season being 4-4 with a rough loss (3-14) on our Friday (10-22) night game. Now, I'm getting ready for basketball season, hoping to get a chance to play varsity as well. My grades have improved to A's, B's, and a few C's. I'm planning to come and visit during Christmas time. I'm also grateful for all the little things you do. Sorry if I haven't written as often as I should. Hope to hear from you soon. Merry Christmas to all and Happy New Year

Love, Christian Villarruel

Christian Villarruel



Villarruel, Christian
 Yuba City Lodge #1204
 Birthday: 9-22-95
 Re-Admitted: 2-26-09





ROOF PROJECT COMMITTEE

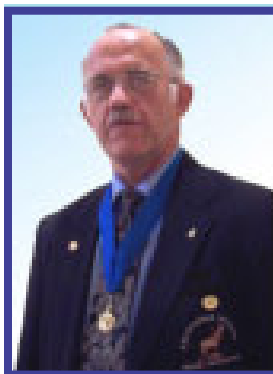
Bob Bakman Chairman

Mooseheart School Administration Building Roof Project

In April 2008 it was announced that the California/Nevada Moose Association had made a commitment to raise \$275,000.00 to refurbish the Roof on the School Administration Building at Mooseheart with an intended completion date of 2011. For whatever reasons, which are really not important, the project got off schedule. What important is, that at Annual Convention steps were taken to correct the situation and a new committee has been put together to rejuvenate the program and complete the mission of raising the money needed to complete the Roof Project.

Originally the program was to be completed by September 2011, however that date is flexible, depending on when we receive sufficient donations to satisfy the obligation. There is also in place an Awards program of a wall plaque at the 400, 800, and 1200-dollar donation levels. The Awards plaques are available to all units and individuals who meet the required donation level.

So where do we stand and what is our plan? We currently have donations totaling \$114,000.00, which leaves a balance due of \$161,000.00. We hope to raise this amount within the next two years by raising the awareness level of those Fraternal Units who up until this point have not donated anything and by continuing to encourage those already involved to continue helping until we have met our committed obligation.



News & Notes from your Northern Reporter

West Sacramento #1762 Moose Legion Committee held a special event with a tri-tip dinner and ceremonies to honor their newest member of the Fellowship Degree and also pay tribute to other honored Moose Legionnaires on 11/6. Also recognized were new Academy of Friendship Degree members and all other members with a higher degree.

The advancement to a higher degree in the moose is a reward for going above and beyond the normal standards of being a moose member. It shows the lodge and chapter members a commitment to Mooseheart and Moosehaven and our community service efforts by these degree holders. It is growth for that member and also increased recognition for their lodge or chapter.

The following members were honored or recognized at this very special event. This involved each one being called to the front and being 'roasted' with a reading of their moose accomplishments and other past history. Presenters were: Richard Lake, Dean Woods and Charles Ellis for the honorees below.

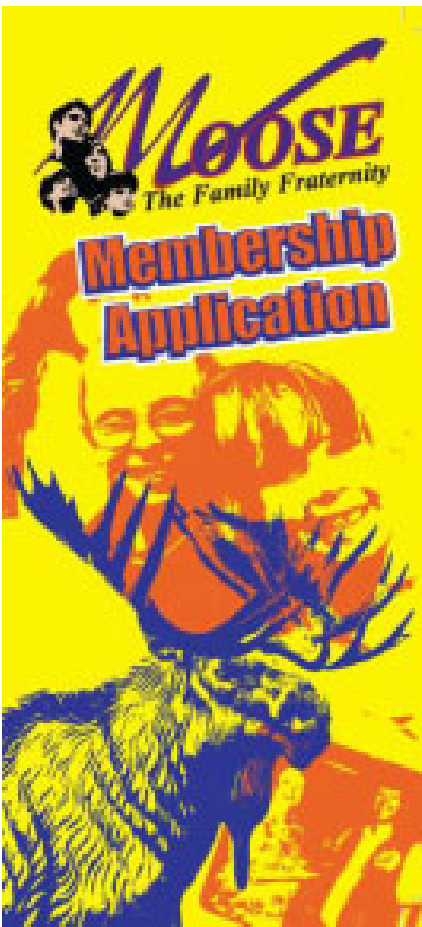
- * **Ted Machicek** -- 2010 new Fellowship Degree of Honor
 - * **Rich Huber** -- 2010 International Shining Star Moose Legionnaire of the Year
 - * **Charles Ellis** -- 2010 International Moose Legion Ambassador, 2nd year
 - * **Liz Slape, Stacey Henrikson, Jeanette Machicek, Nell Watson, Deedra Ross, Kelly Minix, Maureen Stewart, Virginia Norton and Kim Rodriguez.**
- All are 2010 New Academy of Friendship Degree members

Special guests for the evening were Past Supreme Governor and Moose Charities Board Member, Milt McGinnis and Moosehaven Board Member, Bob Sypnieski. Milt gave a very informative talk on the current moose program, congratulated the evening's honorees and thanked all for their support of the moose program. He also congratulated the West Sacramento lodge members who have worked so hard to improve the lodge appearance – it looks very nice. Bob gave a short talk about serving on the Moosehaven Board and current activities at the Moosehaven campus. He also thanked the honorees and all present for their past and continued support of our moose program.

This outstanding recognition event is an example for other lodges to follow. It showed what can take place when the LOOM and WOTM members work together and really enjoy doing it. The event chairman was Charles Ellis who really worked hard with a great team to ensure that every guest was served dinner in a timely manner and was the master of ceremonies for the event. Thanks to the West Sacramento lodge team for a really great evening enjoyed by all present.

Fraternally yours,
Bob Sypnieski, Pilgrim &
Moosehaven Board Member





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May 1, 2010 to April 30, 2011

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Happy Birthday



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Child City & School Inc.



December



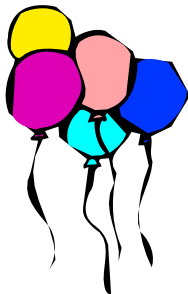
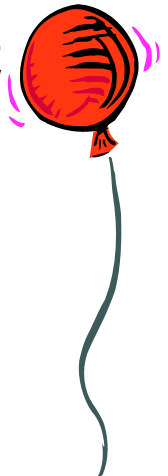
Mooseheart School Administration
Building Roof Repairs Needed!



January



John Ranum
Campbell #1811
Birthday: 1-5-96
Arrived: 1-22-07



No California Nevada Moosehaven birthdays in December or January

Fresno Lodge 445

Some of our Active Air Guard who we have as members just got back from Iraq and presented our Lodge with a Certificate and picture of a Moose Lodge #445 which they started in the Desert in Iraq to honor our Lodge. Of course it was a Quonset Hut and is no longer there but we have the small Flag which was on the Lodge while they were there'

Gail Marlatt, Administrator



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Sponsor 25 members during the period of June 1, 2010 - July 31, 2011 and you will receive a commemorative Centennial Moosehart Centennial award. (Award available in limited quantities only in qualified sponsored.)

Life members will receive an attractive personalized leather picture frame that will sit in line of a year's dues.

2010-2011 MOOSE INTERNATIONAL 5 CLUB
Sponsor and five members during the period May 1, 2010 - April 30, 2011 and receive a 5 club award card and window decal. Qualifying members will also be recognized for their support of this year's project to purchase food for a hunger relief project for the Alzheimer's campaign - made possible by State & Provincial associations and the Women of the Moose.

OTHER ANNUAL RECOGNITION PROGRAMS
- Sponsor 25 or more members from May 1, 2010 - April 30, 2011 and your membership in the Governor General's Circle will increase to the President of the Moose House of 100 members. You will receive special recognition for achieving levels of 25, 50, 75 or 100.
- Sponsor 100 or more applicants will receive transportation and five nights accommodations at the 2011 International Convention in Anaheim, California.

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