



*Message from Grand Chancellor
Barbara McPherson*

As we prepare for the holiday season, let's not forget about some housekeeping matters within our Chapters . . .

Women of the Moose Staffing

It is with great pleasure the Women of the Moose announce the addition of Denielle Baile as the new Administrative Assistant to the Grand Chancellor effective November 1, 2008.

Denielle has been employed in the Finance Department since her arrival at Moose International in June 2006. She is a member of York, PA and Mooseheart, IL Chapters of the Women of the Moose, attaining the College of Regents degree in 2000. Denielle's extensive fraternal background and love for the Women of the Moose will be an asset to her as she begins her new career.

Likewise, the Women of the Moose are proud to announce the promotion of Karen Zink to the position of Executive Secretary to the Director of Operations. Karen brings many years of fraternal and Women of the Moose experience with her to her new position. Karen is a Life member of Batavia, IL Chapter and has attained both the College of Regents and Star Recorder degrees.

We would also like to congratulate Charlotte Kuliner on her advancement to the position of Chapter Services Coordinator and Donna Cuny who has advanced within our Chapter Records Department.

Rounding out our staff is Executive Secretary to the Grand Chancellor Sandy Martin who continues to be an energetic and stable force within the Women of the Moose. Sandy is a member of the Monroe, WI Chapter.

Please join with me in wishing all of these staff members the very best in their new endeavors.

Academy of Friendship, College of Regents and Star Recorder Degrees

We have started running the honors for the Academy of Friendship, College of Regents and Star Recorder degrees. Award letters and Call Cards for the Academy of Friendship degree will be sent to the Chapter Recorder for distribution to the co-workers. Award letters for the College of Regents and Star Recorder degrees will be sent directly to the matriculant.

If you feel that a co-worker should have qualified for one of the above listed degrees and she does not receive her Award letter/call card by December 1, please email our office (ckuliner@mooseintl.org) for further information.

Beginning this year, Call Cards **will not** be mailed to the College and Star matriculants. The Call Card will be included in the pre-registration packet, therefore allowing them to pre-register online.

Family Involvement and Green Cap Ways and Means Forms 114 & 166

Recently, a "Missing Documents" report was mailed to all Chapters. Most of the Chapter listings included the Family Involvement and Green Cap/Ways & Means Forms 114 & 166. These are the most commonly overlooked documents that are preventing a chapter from earning the Award of Achievement. While in many cases, the reports are not due yet, we have included them in the report as a reminder.

Form 40's

Please remember that all officer information is now entered into the "Admin Menu" via the Moose International website therefore eliminating the Installation Report as well as all of the Form 40's.

Please do not re-enter officer information as it will override all current information that has been entered and affect personal honors. Once is enough.

District Hospitality Rooms

It has been brought to our attention that State/Provincial Association Districts may be soliciting Chapters for donations to the District Hospitality Room. It has been and will continue to be the position of this office that Chapters are not to donate funds for the hospitality room and will not be given a dispensation for such. Individual co-workers may donate items or funds.

Blank Checks

Rumor has it that Chapter officers may be signing blank checks. Please remember, in accordance with Section 83, b. of the Women of the Moose General Laws, an officer who signs a blank check "shall be removed from office."

Chapter Office

For some reason, it appears as though a few of our Chapter Recorders think the Chapter office is their personal space. Please know that this is an office to be used to house Chapter equipment, records and perhaps supplies. The keys to the office should only be in the possession of the Senior Regent, Recorder and Lodge Administrator, as he needs a key for security purposes.

As you gather with your family this Thanksgiving holiday, please remember. . .

When we count our blessings;
It isn't hard to see,
That life's most valued treasures
Are the treasures that are free.

For it isn't what we own or buy
That signifies our wealth
It's the special gifts that have no price;
Our family, friends and health.

Please be sure to remember our men and women who are serving our country and can't be with their loved ones this year.