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International Conference:

Women of the Moose International Ritual Competition - 12 Ritual Teams have registered to compete using our new competition script in Anaheim!!! Our competition will be held at the Marriott Hotel in the Platinum Ballrooms 3, 4, & 5 on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Stop by and watch a performance or two. All Conference/Convention attendees are eligible to view the Ritual Teams compete. To gain entrance into the Competition room, you will need your Conference/Convention badge.

Also new for this Competition - the Floor Judges will be using a new computer program that Darrell O'Brien, Director of Lodge Operations has designed! The Floor Judge can take the laptop into the Competition room and mark the "hits" on the judging forms by way of a keyboard! How cool is that?!? Yay Darrell!!!

Bring Rosie to our Ritual Demonstration/Workshop and Awards on Tuesday afternoon. There may be a little added surprise just for you! Don't forget, the Grand Chancellor will also be announcing when Rosie can pick up her 2011 accessory - so don't miss any of our meetings, workshop/panels or events!



Everyone remember the 1982 movie, WarGames? A famous line in the movie is, "Shall we play a game?"

Your answer should be "YES!" Having entertainment before and after Chapter meetings is a great way to **Create Some Interest**.

With the help of the Internet - searching for games, all types and skill levels, is so easy!

Try this...

Open your Internet browser

Type in *GAMES* and hit the enter button

My browser came back with a total of **1,010,000,000 results**

Phew! That's a lot. 😊

Naturally, you can "narrow your search" by adding just one word - Indoor
Even with adding Indoor - I still received **42,200,000 results**.

Just by adding a word or two - the search becomes defined. Tell your browser exactly what you are looking for. There are teambuilding games. Not necessarily the type where you "trust fall" and hope everyone has the strength to catch you. There are puzzles and word games that a group can try to figure out together. **Oh My Goodness** - over 500, 000 card games to choose from.

In our Fun, Fun, Fun booklet we describe a card game by the name of "Sticks" or "STIX", as it is referred to by the Red Deer County Chapter in Alberta, Canada. The co-workers play the game everywhere - in the Lodge and co-workers' homes. They play before and after Chapter meetings and they also bring the game with them to their Provincial Conferences. They have a great time and new card players are always joining in on the fun!

If you do not have access to a computer, then visit a local Library - many "How to" books on almost everything you can think of.

Not into playing games every night? How about: Making lap quilts for Moosehaven residents? Building a birdhouse? Creating scrapbooks and greeting cards? Collecting clothing for a local shelter? Sitting together, telling stories and enjoying each other's company?

Whatever activity you choose to do, be sure to invite everyone to "get involved" and share the fun! 😊

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR CHAPTER?

The Women of the Moose will "Spotlight" chapters who are "Creating Some Interest" within their chapter, lodge and communities. Send stories and pictures to me at jssison@mooseintl.org.

Mooseheart Chapter #3001 sponsored a Senior Pizza Night just last week. We give each Senior a "care package" to get them through the first month or so; toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, laundry soap, etc. Belvidere Lodge #295 donated hand painted/decorated boxes that were used to hold their goodies. Here are some pics of our now "Grads" enjoying time together. Photographs courtesy of Emily Jones.



Aaron and Sidney will be attending the 2011 International Convention and going to Disneyland.



Teresa serving the cake

