

Official Communication for September 19, 2018

Deadline in 1 week! Registration For The Fall 2018 International Golf Tournament, hosted by Portsmouth, VA, Lodge 898!

Come join your fellow Moose members this fall in **Portsmouth, VA**, for the 2018 Fall golf tournament – and stay for a vacation! The Scramble will take place on Friday, October 26, and the tournament will take place Saturday & Sunday, October 27-28, 2018. Download the registration form from the Moose International website, at www.mooseintl.org, under: *'Programs & Events' / 'Sports' / Golf*. All registrations must be postmarked no later than **Wednesday, September 26, 2018** to be accepted.

Moose Legion FUN Weekend in Oklahoma City, November 9 - 11

Registration deadline extended to October 15th!! More Hotels added with housing blocks. The Moose Legion is planning to hold a FUN Moose Legion weekend in OKC this November. We will have Ritual Competition, programming to honor our Veterans, enjoy some fellowship, sightseeing, and just have fun. A couple short meetings will be held on Friday and Saturday and a banquet honoring veterans and ritualists will take place Saturday evening. A conferral of new members is planned for Sunday morning. Some advance information is attached to this message along with a registration form and flyer of some of the details. Souvenir patches and program booklets will be available. In fact - you can support your ritual teams and fraternal units by placing ads in the book.

For your added convenience - you can register online at: <http://www.mooseintl.org/international-moose-legion-conference/>

See you in Oklahoma City!

All New - Membership Campaign Car Contest!

Have you heard? Many are saying that we're the "best kept secret". Well, we want to try and change that! The attached flyer explains the **MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN CAR CONTEST** and could help us spread the word about the Moose. Please post this in your lodge and encourage the membership to participate. We can promote the Moose AND have some fun doing it. Good luck!

International Open House Day – October 27th

Moose International has designated Saturday, October 27, 2018 as "**International Open House Day**" for lodge homes throughout the Fraternity. This date corresponds with Founder's Day, which celebrates the birth of James J. Davis, the driving force who brought purpose and meaning to the Fraternity during its earliest stages.

All lodges and chapters are encouraged to conduct events that will bring friends, family and local residents in touch with the Moose, our lodge homes, and the work we do on behalf of children, seniors and our communities. Additionally, lodges and chapters that conduct an Open House on this day may use the event as one of their activities for Member Retention Week. Simply indicate your participation on your form following Retention Week.

The General Governor's Office has issued a blanket dispensation for all lodges and chapters to hold events on that day that are open to the public, as long as the Moose's general guidelines for public events are followed. Alcohol may or may not be served, based on the structure of the event, but cannot be sold to members or non-members during the event. Lodges and chapters should refer to Section 46.13 of the General Laws for guidelines to public events, such as Open Houses.

**Note, if October 27th is unavailable to conduct an Open House, the blanket dispensation allows lodges and chapters to hold the event a week earlier, on Saturday, October 20th.

Please check the Moose International website periodically for information pertaining to this coordinated Open House initiative at www.mooseintl.org.

Member Retention Week, November 4 – 10, 2018

Member Retention Week materials **are now available** on our website and can be accessed through Forms & Documents/Membership/Member Retention Week Materials. Printed materials will not be mailed automatically, but are available, upon request, by contacting Member Services at 630.906.3658 or memberservices@mooseintl.org. This week long program should be embraced by the membership, as it is their week to focus on the fraternal aspects of the fraternity. Remember, four events held during this week will make your lodge/chapter eligible for cash prizes!