

Official Communication for October 21, 2026

Valued Veteran's Certificates

Lodges, please be on the lookout for your Valued Veterans Certificates. They were all mailed out on or before Oct. 15, 2026. They should be getting to your mailbox any time in the next two weeks. This will be the last time Valued Veterans Certificates will come to the lodge. Starting next month, all Valued Veterans Certificates will be mailed directly to the member. Next October the lodge will get the Valued Veteran of the Year Certificate only.

Have you planned your Valued Veteran Fall Recognition Ceremony?

Each year Moose International encourages lodges to conduct a formal ceremony in which Valued Veterans are honored at the Lodge. Moose International will provide the newly self-identified Valued Veterans with a certificate of appreciation and pin. The Lodge's Valued Veteran of the Year will be honored with their certificate and be celebrated. The certificates were mailed to the lodges on October 15th, so many lodges will be planning events to honor their veteran members on or near Veteran's Day, which is Wednesday, November 11th this year. Has your lodge made plans? Attached is a form that outlines how the ceremony should be conducted.

5th Annual Rudolph Run 5k/Walk for Mooseheart

Join us in person or virtually for the 5th Annual Rudolph Run 5k/Walk for Mooseheart. The in-person event will be held on the Mooseheart campus on Saturday, November 21st, 2026. You can create or join a team and host your event virtually during the month of November.

Last year, your support made all the difference. We had 79 teams and over 600 participants! A huge thank you to [last year's sponsors](#). This year we hope to have 85 teams and 700 participants. You can register today by clicking the reindeer on the Moose Charities homepage.

Register before 10/29 to receive an event t-shirt*

Go to <http://support.moosecharities.org/2026rudolphrun>

**** Registrations made after 10/29 will not include the event t-shirt. ****

Lodges, Chapters, Moose Legions, Moose Associations, and even individual members are invited to help us raise our goal of \$200,000 for Mooseheart. Sponsorships range from \$250 - \$10,000.

For any questions about the 5th Annual Rudolph Run 5k/Walk for Mooseheart, please contact Moose Charities at 630-966-2200 or email acervantes@moosecharities.org

Top Ten Finish for Chastain in Phoenix, Heads to Talladega

Moose Fraternity and NASCAR driver Ross Chastain started last Sunday's Phoenix race from the 11th position. He maintained strong track position throughout Stage 1 and ended the segment in eighth. After varying pit strategies during the Stage 1 break, Ross restarted 10th for Stage 2. After a caution late in the stage, he restarted 10th and completed Stage 2 in 11th. Chastain then restarted the final stage in 10th and maintained a top-15 running position throughout the segment before finishing ninth in the 312 lap race.

"We put together a solid weekend at Phoenix (Raceway) in the No. 1 Chevrolet. We stayed towards the front in track position all day and made small adjustments. We went through the range of weather from starting overcast and cooler to the sun coming out and it really heating up. It feels good to leave Phoenix with a ninth-place finish and have a good day overall." – Ross Chastain

This week Ross heads to Talladega Superspeedway for the YellaWood 500. Chastain's had success there in Alabama as he won his first race in the Moose Fraternity Chevrolet in 2022.

Members can follow the YellaWood 500 this Sunday, October 25th, starting at 2:00pm ET. The race will be broadcast on CBS. Despite Chastain being eliminated from the playoffs, he continues to race in the remaining Cup Series races with a chance to win each week for the remainder of the season.