



Plainfield Moose Tales

May/June 2011



Mother's Day Breakfast at the Lodge

All ladies eat free on Sunday, May 8th

Breakfast will be served from 9:00 to noon.

Cinco de Mayo!

Date: 05/07/11

Time: 5:30 pm

\$10.00 Dinner will include:

Chicken & Steak Fajitas, Beef Flautas, Cheese Enchiladas

ALL DINNERS SERVED WITH;

Rice, beans, Roasted Potatoes with Chorizo.

Condiments available: Sour Cream, Hot and Mild Salsa,

Shredded Lettuce & Tomatoes & Taco chips

MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT BY RUEBEN VEGA BEGINS AT 8:00PM

(Cut along line for entry of your hat)

Ladies, get your hats ready! Bring and wear a hat to enter it into the

The Kentucky Derby!

Kentucky Derby Big Hat Contest - Cost is \$5 per Hat -pictures will be taken prior to race!

Date - Saturday, May 7th

Time - 4pm



Name _____

(fill out this slip and turn it in with your entry fee)



Help us Help the Lodge!

Recycle your Aluminum Cans.

Earl Rury has a trailer behind the Lodge for collecting aluminum.

Recycling is easy, it's ecological, and it doesn't cost you a thing except the cost of the can.

Proceeds will help fund children's programs.

Preferred Members and Officers Dinner Sunday, May 22nd at 4 p.m.

A dinner will be served for our members who have sponsored a new member for our Lodge since last May, and our officers.

Personal Invitations will be delivered to eligible sponsors



Racers! Start your engines for our Nascar Parties!

Our Nascar fans have asked us to schedule a few Sunday races in the lodge this season to enjoy like we do for Football Sundays. That is where we post a signup sheet for people to provide food, for halftime enjoyment. And to show appreciation to them for cooking for the lodge, we ask them to name a charity that they would like the donation jar proceeds to go to. Then fans, enjoying the food that day, contribute to the cause.

So we have scheduled a Sunday race a month, from May till August, all beginning at 1pm. We are asking members to bring food to share with everyone. The charity can be named on race day. We will have racing pools for each race and drink specials. The schedule for the Nascar Parties is as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Track</u>
May 15	Autism Speaks 400	Dover Int'l Speedway
June 12	Gillette 500	Pocono Raceway
July 31	Brickyard 400	Indianapolis Motor Speedway
Aug 21	CARFAX 400	Michigan Int'l Speedway

Memorial Day Memorial

May 30th

Remember our service men and women who gave their lives for our citizenship.
Offer a moment of silence in their honor.

Never permit failure to become a habit

Kudos to the unknown donor, that gave \$500.00 to help cover the costs for the "WALL OF HONOR".

Let the Shuffling Begin

Card Party!

Saturday, May 14
6 p.m.

All men and ladies of the
Moose, and their guests are
welcome to play.



LODGE OUTDOOR PARTY

We are planning on throwing a party right outside the doors of our lodge. There will be a BBQ, music, outdoor games & lots of fun! As always we are looking for volunteers to ease the load of the work. Signs will be posted in the lodge and on the website www.plainfieldmoose.com. So be sure to save the date Saturday, June 18th starting at 3 p.m.



Baseball players are smarter than football players. How often do you see a baseball team penalized for too many men on the field? ~ [Jim Bouton](#)

Baseball is a game where a curve is an optical illusion, a screwball can be a pitch or a person, stealing is legal and you can spit anywhere you like except in the umpire's eye or on the ball. ~ [James Patrick Murray](#)

"Cross Town Classic" Party!

**White Sox
Vs.
Cubs**

Saturday, July 2, 2011 — 3:10 p.m.

Come out to the Lodge for a fun filled time watching your favorite team!

Saturday, July 9th Bus Trip



to see
**The Chicago White Sox
Vs.
Minnesota Twins**



Cost \$70, includes Ticket for the game, bus ride from and to the Moose to US Cellular field, beer on the bus and food at that lodge. Watch for a sign up sheet in the lodge and more details on the website.

If you have any questions, you can email Ed Cardella at webmaster@plainfieldmoose.com

We would like to welcome the following new LOOM members that have joined our lodge in February and March:

Kenneavy, Jim
Duff, James
Rocha, Sergio
Mauer, Steve
Ania, John
Izzo, Bruce
Fisk, Tim

Martens, Mike
Kelly, Tyler
Minasola, Joe
Olson, Tim
Paraf, Ron
Angelus, Mike
Johnson, Bill

Brinkman, Don
Stapay, Nick
Sacks, David
Hultz, Jeff
Johnson, Jeff
McAdam, Rob
Marchetti, Michael

Kvidera, James
Vaughn, Mark
Midlock, Chris
Yarbough, Paul
Ross, Brad
Shreve, Doug

Have you been wondering what is going on at the Lodge . . .

Are you getting our EBLASTS?

For over a year we have been using the internet as a means to broadcast bulletins, announcements, and events to our lodge members. If you haven't received any, then perhaps we don't have your current email address.

Please email your contact information to LODGE2491@SBCGLOBAL.NET. Remember to include your whole name, along with your email information.

For those that are not connected to the computer, we will provide copies of our EBLASTS in the lodge.



Dues Assistance Available

Knowing that we have members going through financial stress and renewing their membership dues is not affordable for them right now. We are offering assistance to keep them in our Moose family. Anyone facing this unfortunate situation, or if a member knows of someone we can help, please contact the Lodge Administrator, Jim Massey at 815-342-8839. All communications will be kept in strictest confidence. It is expected that any assistance will be reimbursed when the person is able.

It's what fraternity is all about!

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Hello Plainfield members, I am Jim Massey, your new Administrator. I have been a Moose member since September 1978, a Moose Legionnaire since 1981 and a Fellow since 1992. I have served on numerous committees and have also chaired the Fellowship and Ritual Committees.

The new 2011/2012 Board of Officers for the LOOM and Moose Legion is in place. Please come to a meeting and meet your new officers.

Moose International is still awarding a year's free dues for every two members you sponsor. And a year free dues for each Moose Legion member that sponsors two members into the Moose Legion. So talk Moose to all your friends, neighbors and coworkers.

We are finalizing our decision on a flag pole so watch your emails or check the bulletin board at the lodge. We would like to have a nice dedication for the lodge.

GOD BLESS THE USA

Jim Massey

Thank You to the following for helping our lodge.....



To the Kitchen crews that work all the lodge functions.

To the WOTM Chapter, for providing, not only funds, but in all the support you ladies give to help our lodge and the Mooseheart organization exist.

Lodge members Paul Pankiewicz and Judy Baxter, as certified instructors, for teaching our lodge members CPR/AED Training, for free. Since that class, we have seen in the newspaper, the same certified class, that they taught us, going for \$60 - \$75.00 a person, thru local hospital and fire departments.

Julie and Bo Augello for chairing our lodge "WALL OF HONOR" program.

Bill and Kelly Gerard, Tom Kelly and all their volunteers for a terrific St Patrick's Day Celebration.

Jim Lawrence and his crew for all the Saturday lunches. Most of you don't know that Jim even donated the cost of food served each Saturday. Jim has always been a asset for getting us affordable food for most of our lodge functions.

Ed Nicholson, Bob Hammack and Joel Pennington, for cooking the Pig-Roast Dinner for our lodge Super Bowl Party.

Paul Fay, you're the man, for a great night of Sliders. We especially want to say thanks for you organiz- ing a lodge Spring Cleaning Day.



To the many of you that came out to help clean the lodge that day.

Lex and Oksana Johnson, for offering your ServiceMaster Company skills, to professionally clean our lodge floors.

The Corbett's, for handling getting all the eggs and candy for the Kids Easter Party. And everyone of you that helped the party be a great time for our kids.

Hopefully some of you have noticed, after all of our cringing, every time chairs are moved in our lodge, that we have attached nylon gliders to each leg of the chairs in the dining room. Mike Corbett handled ordering all the chair kits, and the WOTM and LOOM Boards split the costs of the project.

The Lodge Meat Raffle was a success thanks to Tom and Sandy Askew and Michele Keck and a lot of volunteers.

Thanks to each of you for sponsoring a new member into the Moose. The kids at Mooseheart and the seniors at Moosehaven, especially appreciate what you all do for them. Please keep renewing your membership!

Thank you very much!
Lodge Board of Officers



From the Governor:

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Yes, it is the Moose New Year, May 1st- April 30th.

I would like to thank everyone who has helped to make the past year a success. Thanks to all my fellow Board Members for their hard work and dedication to the Moose. To the board members who are stepping down, but not away: Bob Moore Sr., Bob Moore Jr., Gary Woods, Jim Judyck, and Ed Nicholson, thank you for your service. We will look forward to your continuing support and participation in the future. Thanks to Mike Cross and Ed Cardella for your support of the Lodge, we look forward to your continued leadership on the board of officers.

Welcome to our new board members: Chris Bell, Gary McCarthy, Al Wanek and Mike Vaughn. Thank you for stepping up and supporting your Lodge. We look forward to your hard work for another busy Moose year.

Welcome to the 65 new members of the Loyal Order of Moose. We look forward to working with you and enjoying fellowship with you. Welcome Brothers!

This summer we are planning as many outdoor activities as possible. We hope we will see many of you at these events!

All board members would like to hear from you, so please come to the membership meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. The Moose Family Center is our extended family of Brothers and Sisters. Stop by, visit, enjoy and get to know them. Current members, introduce yourselves to new faces and let them know what's coming up and ask if they would like to help with upcoming events.

Please feel free to talk to me anytime or call me at (815) 693-9690. I would like to encourage everyone to volunteer for at least one event during the year. Whether it's an hour or two to assist at a function or chairing an entire event, help is always needed and appreciated, so please talk to others about volunteering. It is a rewarding privilege to be a volunteer.

Welcome to Jim Massey, our new Administrator. Jim has been a Moose member for over 30 years and has the Moose Passion to get the job done.

Last but not least...Bob Provo. Six years ago I met a gentleman who told me he would like to get more involved with the Lodge. Ultimately he signed up for Prelate and was then elected to the Board of Officers. He continued to Jr. Governor and then to Governor at which time he also acted as Administrator. He then stepped up to be our appointed Admin for two years and has been extremely instrumental in moving the Lodge forward to a better position. On top of all his administrative duties he also has made time to volunteer for most of our activities throughout the years.

I cannot say enough about his passion for the Moose, our Lodge, and our members. He is the perfect example of what our Brothers and Sisters should follow to make our Lodge even stronger. His dedication has been and I'm sure will continue to be above the call of duty, plus he has again stepped up to fill the position of Past Governor on the Board.

Should you see Bob around the Lodge give him a big "Thank You" for a job well done. Thank you Bob for your dedication and hard work throughout the years. It is my honor to have you as a friend and Brother.

Thank you everyone for a great year!!!

Fraternally your Governor,

Floyd Schultz

From the Senior Regent: News About Women's Elections



Dear Co-workers of Plainfield WOTM:

I want to thank each and every one of you for all your help and support this past year! If you want to know how fast time flies, join the board! I remember thinking, "Wow, I am committing myself for a year to take on as Senior Regent! Can I make it through a year?" Well it's now done! We, as a chapter, have had many changes in our lodge between family and friends! But we coped, managed, accepted change and moved on. A learning process for us all!

I've enjoyed all the community service and fundraising this year! From dancing the "Duchess Hustle" to watching the Hula Dancers do the Hula at the Luau! And let's not forget the Turkey Trot! All to support those in need along with our Mooseheart children and Moosehaven adults! I am proud to have served as your senior regent this year! And now, I am turning over my position to Liz Collins! I know she will do a great job!

Many thanks to the chapter board: Kathleen Hammack as junior regent, Carol Corbett as recorder, Darcy Reed as Secretary/Treasurer, Jan Moore/Barbara Thompson as Chaplain, and Joyce Kinzler as Junior Grad Regent. We held it together as a team and I am very proud to serve amongst all of you!

And many thanks to all our chairmen for this year! We know how much time and effort you put into completing your fundraisers! Without you, we could not exist alone!

Co-workers, keep signing up new members! I'd like to see more co-workers receive their awards! Sign up 2 new members and get your next year's dues free! If your chapter makes their year, you may get your calling card to receive your Academy of Friendship award! God Bless each and every chapter member!

Diane Okrzesik, Senior Regent, 2010 - 2011



ANALYSIS
SOLUTION
PROCESS
OBJECTIVES
TEAMWORK
VISION
SALES

This year's success was last year's impossibility

INNOVATION
SUCCESS
EVALUATION
DEVELOPMENT
GROWTH
SOLUTION
PROGRESS
MARKETING

Loyal Order of the Moose - #2491
Women of the Moose - #2197

Officers of the Lodge:

Jim Massey, Administrator
Floyd Schultz, Governor
Bob Provo, Jr. Past Governor
Eddy Cardella, Jr. Governor
Garry McCarthy, Prelate
Chris Bell, Treasurer
Mike Cross, 1 Year Trustee
Mike Vaughn , 2 Year Trustee
Al Wanek, 3 Year Trustee

Officers of the Women:

2011-2012 New Chapter Board

Liz Collins, Senior Regent
Kathleen Hammack, Junior Regent
Darla Bell, Recorder
Darcy Reed, Secretary/Treasurer
Carol Corbett, Recorder
Diane Okrzesik, Junior Grad



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