



New York State Moose Association



Fellow Moose Members,

The 137th International Moose Convention is now complete and I couldn't be prouder of being your New York State President. Our Lodges made an extraordinary effort over this past year and it showed:

- 5 College of Regents Degree recipients (conferred at Mooseheart)
- 4 Pilgrim Degree of Merit recipients (conferred at Mooseheart)
- 1 Star Degree recipient (conferred at the International Convention)
- 1 Fellowship Degree of Honor recipient (conferred at the International Convention)
- 1 member being listed as a Top Sponsor for the Moose Legion
- 1 Lodge listed in the Top 10 Reporting Lodges for Membership
- 18 Lodges achieving the Premier Lodge Award
 - 2 Lodges achieved this award for the 1st Time!
 - 1 Lodge achieved this award for the 13th Time in a row!

As you can see from the above list, your hard work and efforts for this Fraternity has paid off. Give Yourselves a Hand and Congratulations! Knowing that we will have more honorees at our upcoming Convention, I will hang onto the details till then.

The new Moose Year is always a tough one. We started May with a -1,049 in membership. Through all of your hard work, we finished May with a -268 on the active member rolls. That means we had 781 renewed & new members in just this month! THANK YOU! In order to help minimize this monthly impact to our numbers, we need to work together; Membership Chairs, Higher Degree Councils, Lodge Officers and member sponsors. As we contact those members who have lapsed, we also need to call the members who are about to expire to renew prior to their date to ensure an uninterrupted membership. We need to "get the word out" to new prospective members of what a wonderful organization we have and all of the good things we accomplish!

God Bless Mooseheart and Moosehaven!

Thank you for All that you do!

Paul LaMartina
NYSMA President

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