



Sailfish Moose Legion 197

Summer Newsletter

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100 Years Of The Pilgrim Degree Of Merit Congratulations to Richard Meals



Pictured above...11 New Pilgrims elevated from Florida and one from Sailfish Moose Legion #197... Richard Meals from West Palm Beach Lodge 1461

Mooseheart, Illinois June 2, 2018...

Pilgrims and invited Fellows entered the Mooseheart House of God during the 100th Anniversary of the Pilgrim Degree of Merit. What a fantastic and memorable way for these fine Fellows to spend their Saturday. A day not to be forgotten. One man from Sailfish Moose Legion 197 made the trip to be recognized with the highest degree of the Loyal Order of Moose. His dedication to the principles of Moose is without question. He has always been active in supporting his own lodge, his District, serving as District President multiple times, and his Moose Legion, working his way to become President during 2016-17. He remains a driving

force to guide our Moose Legion as Junior Past President.

In my experience with Richard, when I joined the Moose Legion, Richard was there to help me count my "coppers", teaching me the ways of the Fraternal Brotherhood, and how to dress with two different color socks. It was an Honor to be in the House of God with Richard and so many others this June. Richard will always hold a special place in my heart, as I use his dedication and commitment as an inspiration to do more good deeds for others every day.

We look forward to Celebrating with Richard and Doris Meals. Join us at the Moose Legion Celebration in Melbourne

Lodge 1406 on June 16 & 17 to show your support and help him Celebrate. The next opportunity will be at the All-State Pilgrim Presentation at the Florida Bermuda Moose Association Annual Convention. This will be an awe inspiring tribute to all the new Florida Pilgrims. Robert Neff, Director of Ritual and Higher Degrees, will be on hand as keynote speaker and to present each new Pilgrim their official Regalia. lastly every time you see Richard, thank him for what he has done for the kids at Mooseheart and the Seniors at Moosehaven over the years and for his dedication to the principles of the Moose Legion.

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2017-2018 Sailfish Moose Legion

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President	Joe Eriksen
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Chaplain	Bill Brumfield
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Candidate Registration	Leif Johnson
Moose Legion Store	Vacant
Candidate Parade	Mike Del Santos
Booklet	Phyllis Gainer

Upcoming Celebrations

Melbourne Lodge 1406
June 16&17, 2018

Fort Pierce
September 15&16, 2018

Sailfish Moose Legion 197 Fundraising as of 3/31

Endowment Fund
\$3017.34

Annual Project
(Centennial Project)
\$2000

Youth Awareness
Scholarships
\$475

Presidents Project
(Camp Ross Bunk House)
\$920

Mooseheart Student Trips
To Moosehaven
\$350

President's Message

Brothers,

Our next Celebration will be held at the Melbourne Lodge #1406, on June 16&17. Our Conferral will take place on the 17th. It is appropriate this will be Father's Day weekend. We know Dads are typically the head of the household, the ones the kids look up to, the breadwinners. At least this was the norm in the past. Today many Moms do the lions share. Some Dads are absent. But in a perfect world, Moms and Dads share the responsibilities. It is why a lodge with a strong Women of the Moose Chapter, that works well with the men, is a successful Lodge. Both should be recognized for their work and dedication.

Becoming a Moose Legionnaire is celebrating that dedication. Its like Father's Day, a special day to mark your leadership and your commitment to grow your family, after all, we are brothers, we are family. And Moose Legionnaires are responsible to grow, nurture, and mentor this family of ours. So to the new candidates, I say "Welcome, Thank You, and Happy Father's Day. "

Fraternally, **Joseph Eriksen, President, Sailfish Moose Legion #197**

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The Chaplain's Corner:

Last year was a great one for Sailfish 197. I look forward to an even better one this year. I am honored to be your Chaplin, and will do my best to see that Sailfish continues to have a great reputation.

As you all know I relay on you to help me do my job. Therefore I am asking each and everyone of you, to please keep me informed when someone is ill or has passed. I do not want anyone to feel that their Moose Brothers has forgotten them when the time for comfort is needed the most.

Here is my address, phone number and email address. Please don't hesitate to let me know if I can be of help.

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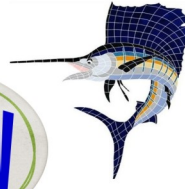
Fraternally, **Bill Brumfield, Sailfish 197 Chaplain**

Editors Note

As part of my commitment to Communications within Sailfish 197, the FBMA and Moose International, I thought you should know, you can send in your Moose Stories to me, The FBMA Courier, and Moose Magazine. Always send pictures and text separate and include who you are and where you are from. For this newsletter or www.sailfish197.com send them to moosepg2311@live.com, for the FBMA Courier, email to courierjdf@aol.com. And to submit your story to Moose International, go to www.mooseintl.org/ communication go to forms and follow instructions on the form. Let our peers now how we are supporting the Moose Mission.



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SUMMER CELEBRATION

Everyone Welcome!

Sat., June 16th, 2018

Dinner/Dance in the Lodge Room

\$12

Dance Only @ 7pm: **\$6**

Music by:
"Sax on the Beach"



MENU:

**HAWAIIAN
BBQ PORK
TENDERLOIN**

COCONUT RICE

GLAZED CARROTS

DESSERT

Melbourne Moose Lodge 1406

157 Dayton Blvd., West Melbourne, FL 32904

(321) 724-1480

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**ELEVATE YOUR FRIENDS
TO BE
MOOSE LEGIONAIRES**

**PAY THE FIRST YEARS DUES
AND THE APPLICATION
FEE IS WAIVED**

Vice-President Comments

The Moose Legion is dedicated members of our order. As Moose Legionnaires, we believe in doing some good thing for someone each day. We have Moose Legion Celebrations where we share information, ideas and have good times with fellow Moose Legionnaires. We need new members, explain to other members in your lodge what we are all about, and why they should become a member.

Fraternally, **Ed Heltzer, Vice President**

Sailfish Moose Legion Secretary's Message

Moose Legionnaires, I want to start off by saying how proud I am to be a member of Sailfish Moose Legion 197. At the end of this year Sailfish 197 reached the level of Pilgrim, finishing 26 out of 160 Moose Legions. I'm very proud of every member in our Moose Legion. I'm sitting here looking at a letter from Moose Charities, it says that we donated to the Endowment Fund the sum of \$3,699.96 and other Moose Charities gifts of \$3,895. For a total of \$7594.96, again I say I am very proud to be a Moose Legionnaire, this is what we do, we are the ones that make things happen and you should be as proud as I am.

Coming real soon will be our commitment to pay to the Moose Legion, for the President Project, this past year the President took on a very difficult project, to redo the windows and doors at the Camp Ross Bunk House. Every year we are asked to donate to the Student Trips along with Youth Awareness. As always we will also contribute to the Moosehaven Centennial Project.

This is one of the reasons we hold Celebrations quarterly. They are great fundraisers that give us a chance to support all the things we do. A way to have fun raising funds while enrolling new Moose Legionnaires. Another great reason for our Celebrations, they give new members a chance to hear what the Moose and the Moose Legion is about and, refresh our memories also. Thanks to our Ritual Team, we get to hear the story of the Moose Legion. It has been a difficult couple of years losing some of our Ritualist that had placed in International Competition. The men our working hard to build a good team back up, so that we can compete again in International Competition, with the guidance from our new ritual Chairman Bill Brumfield.

In November of this year there will be a Moose Legion gathering in Oklahoma City. I hope a lot of you will check into this and maybe go to this gathering of Moose Legionnaires. We have been promised that there will not be but a few meetings and a lot of fun. Moose International along with us, know that we have lost the fun in the Moose Legion and are trying to help put it back in again. So if you have a chance to go, make plans to be there, I'm planning on being there.

Along with your President and the board of Directors I am looking for a great year. Just remember it takes all of us working together to make it happen, we all can be a Proud Moose Legionnaire.

Fraternally, **Lee Singleton, your Proud Moose Legion Secretary**



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2018 International Moose Legion Conference and Ritual Competition

Hosted By: Sooner Moose Legion #147
November 9-11, 2018

November 8 - Ritual Teams, Members and Guests Arrive
November 9 - Moose Legion Council Meeting