



CONFERRAL STAFF OPENING

Do you have what it takes to be a Moose Legion Ritual Conferral Staff Member?

Blue Ridge Moose Legion Conferral Staff is looking for someone to join our staff in the part of Hope. Don Harris can no longer go with us due to the change of moving it to the same time as Moose International in the summer. He will remain on the staff as coach.

You must be a team player and be able to attend all Celebrations. We practice two to three times a month usually on Sunday mornings at Bedford Moose Lodge and you must be able to attend all practices.

If you feel that you have what it takes and is willing to make the commitment, then please let me know by email, blueridgemooselegion82@gmail.com or call me @ 434-607-5726 or 434-993-2109. You will be required to audition for the part. The part of Hope follows.

HOPE: The year 1913 was momentous in the history of our fraternity. In addition to the formation of the Women of the Moose, we saw the opening and dedication of our Child City, Mooseheart. This community was a most ambitious undertaking for our young organization, and it presented a new urgency to provide an avenue for those members who wished to make even greater contributions. As a result, the Moose Legion was born that same year.

Initially, the sole purpose of the Moose Legion was to create a one million dollar endowment fund that would meet the financial needs of the fledgling Mooseheart campus. As the fraternity continued to grow, so too did the role of the Moose Legion. When our fraternal leaders sought to establish a retirement community for our senior members, it was the Moose Legion that helped to finance the purchase and development of the land that would become our City of Contentment, Moosehaven. Today, our campuses are filled with structures and landmarks that have been constructed thanks to the generosity of Moose Legionnaires throughout the fraternity. In addition, the Moose Legion provides financial support to maintain two important resources. Since 1959, our Mooseheart children have enjoyed year-round recreation at Camp Ross, a one hundred fifty-acre facility located 60 miles west of Mooseheart. Funds from each member's annual dues are designated for the operation of Camp Ross, and are used to maintain and expand the facility. This rolling, beautifully wooded retreat, combined with modern amenities and a secure location, has given our students a getaway that they continue to enjoy throughout the year.

Members of the Moose Legion also ensure top-notch medical care for our Moosehaven residents by maintaining the Moosehaven Seniors' Medical Fund. As with Camp Ross, a portion of each Moose Legionnaire's dues is used exclusively to help defray the increasing costs of medical services for our seniors. By assuming these added responsibilities, it is easy to see why the Moose Legion is identified as the "Degree of Service".

Gentlemen, we are the men who make things happen, the men who get things done! Our instant response, whenever an essential need has been presented at Mooseheart or Moosehaven, has become legendary within this Order, and indeed expected as the norm. We are extremely proud that we have earned this reputation (*Pause*) and we have no doubt that you will do your part in helping to maintain it. You have heard the messages of Faith and Hope. Listen further as you are enlightened with words from Charity.

