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## Degrees Of The Loyal Order Of Moose

### Moose Legion Degree of Service



The Moose Legion is known as the Degree of Service. Every Moose member that meets the minimum requirements is eligible for membership into the Moose Legion.

Qualifications for Moose Legion membership:

- Must be an active Lodge member and
- Must have completed 1 year of Lodge membership and
- Must have sponsored 1 Lodge application that has been accepted through LCL.Net

OR

- Must be an active Lodge member and
- Must have completed 6 months of Lodge membership and
- Must have sponsored 3 Lodge applications that have been accepted through LCL.Net

OR

- Must be an active Lodge member and
- Must be a former Moose Legionnaire

The purpose of this degree is to band together the loyal and devoted Moose members who desire to make further contributions to the humanitarian objectives of our Order while providing fun and entertaining activities for members and their families. Additionally, it serves as the means for building a strong foundation for advancement to the Fellowship and Pilgrim Degrees. The official regalia of a Moose Legionnaire is a maroon blazer featuring the Moose Legion logo, coordinating necktie, white shirt, black trousers and accessories.

### Fellowship Degree of Honor



The Fellowship Degree of Honor is an honorary Degree of the Loyal Order of Moose conferred only upon Moose Legionnaires who are recommended by the Fellows of their Lodge and approved by the Pilgrim Council

The selection process begins during the month of November, which has been designated by the fraternity as Fellowship Degree Honor Month. While it is a time when special activities are scheduled within each Lodge to pay tribute to these dedicated fraternalists, it is also the time when the Fellows of the Lodge gather to review the service of members of the Moose Legion within their Lodge and, providing the Lodge has received a recommendation form from their Regional Manager, select a Moose Legionnaire to be recommended for elevation to the Degree of Honor. The recommendation is highly confidential and is never revealed until such time as the recommended Moose Legionnaire is selected and called by the Pilgrim Council and subsequently conferred with the Degree of Honor.

The opportunity to serve on the Lodge Fellowship Committee is one of the privileges of being a Fellow. This select group may meet as often as they like to socialize, raise funds for special projects or conduct other business beneficial to the Degree.

The official regalia of a Fellow is a French-blue blazer featuring the Fellowship logo, coordinated necktie, white shirt and black trousers. The regalia is worn in its entirety or not at all. The regalia may be worn at any function of the Order and is symbolic of the character and strength that these men provide to the Moose fraternal structure.

A Fellow is also entitled to wear the Fellowship medallion, available through Moose International Catalog Sales and may be worn at any function of the Order.

### **Pilgrim Degree of Merit**

The Pilgrim Degree of Merit is the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a member of the Loyal Order of Moose. This Degree is conferred only in the House of God at Mooseheart, Illinois and comes as a reward for extraordinary service to the Order. All Pilgrims of the Order are sent special recommendation forms annually and may recommend any member of the Order, who has attained the Fellowship Degree of Honor, by submitting this form to the Office of the Director General. Fellows recommended will then have their record of service evaluated for merit. Those attaining the highest level of service will be presented to the Pilgrim Consistory – all living Past Supreme Governors – for their review and approval. Once the list has been finalized, the candidates receive the call to assemble in the House of God for the conferral. The call remains confidential until the Degree has been conferred.

Special Pilgrim Presentations are scheduled in the Lodges of new Pilgrims, or at an association event, after the conferral. This presentation is where the new Pilgrim is officially presented with his regalia and is coordinated with the Regional Manager or a Pilgrim Representative. Family, friends, community leaders, Lodge members, and other Pilgrims of the Order are invited to attend this fraternal tribute.

The official regalia of a Pilgrim is a gold blazer featuring the Pilgrim logo, coordinated necktie, white shirt and black trousers. A Pilgrim is also entitled to wear the Pilgrim medallion with gold cord. This regalia and medallion may be worn at any function of the Order and is symbolic of the dedication, commitment and outstanding service that these men have provided to the Moose Fraternity.

### **Councils of Higher Degree**

Pilgrims, Fellows and Moose Legionnaires of the Loyal Order of Moose, together with College of Regents, Academy of Friendship and Star Recorder Degree holders of the Women of the Moose are encouraged to become members of the Council of Higher Degrees.

The Councils' main assigned responsibility and goal is to aid the Lodges, chapters and Moose Legions in the retention of active dues paying members through personal contact locally. This function, properly executed, can make a significant difference in our growth. Fraternal Units are encouraged to call on the Councils for assistance.

This group, at the Lodge and Chapter level, may meet as often as desired to socialize, raise funds for Moose Charities and help with other fraternal endeavors. One member of the group is selected as the Council Representative, and required to attend the Council of Higher Degree meetings on a regional level.