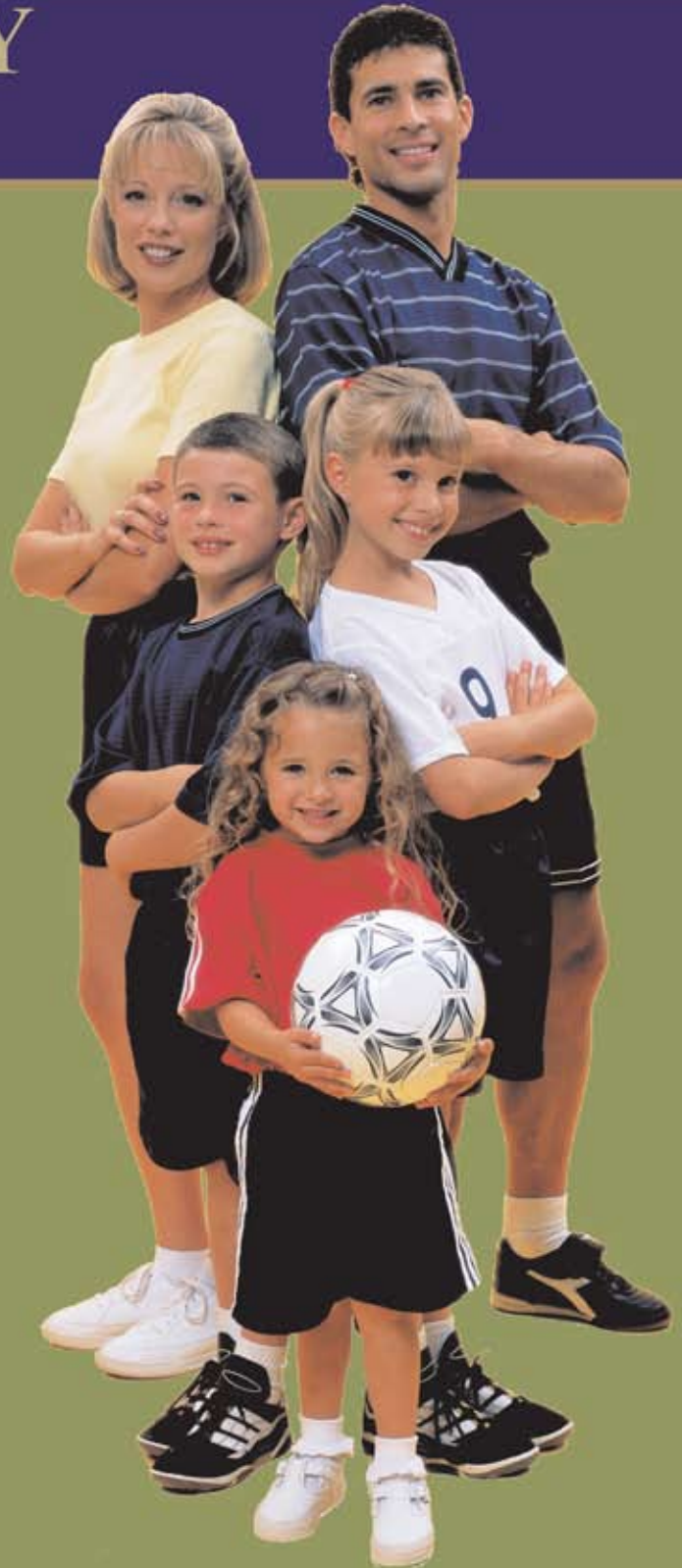




# MOOSE FAMILY ACTIVITIES & SPORTS



CHAIRMEN GUIDE BOOK

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# *The Family Fraternity* **MOOSE**

*Loyal Order of Moose  
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Dear Sports and Family Activities Chairmen:

Congratulations on being appointed to these very important positions. Throughout our Fraternity, it has become readily apparent that well-rounded sports and family activities programs are key to the strength of our Lodges and Chapters.

You have the opportunity to lead your Lodge or Chapter along the pathway to success by providing the leadership as chairmen for these two vital fraternal programs. If you devote your time and effort to developing sports and family activities programs for all ages, I am certain you will experience a sense of accomplishment from a job well done.

The Chairmen's Guide is designed to assist you during your term. I want to personally thank you for your dedication to our program and wish you the best as your unit's Sports and Family Activities Chairmen. If you need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our office at any time.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,



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# FAMILY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Family Activities Committee should be comprised of a Chairman (appointed by the Chapter Senior Regent or the Lodge Governor) and a minimum of four committee members. In order to assure diversity in your activities, committee members should be selected from various age groups. For example, one member may be between the ages of 21-25, a second member between 36-50, a third member between 51-65 and a final member over the age of 65. Please note that the age breakdowns in this example are not set in stone and should be based on age ranges in your fraternal unit.

The primary duty of the Family Activities Committee is to ask the various age groups within the Moose Center what types of activities they would participate in. The committee should have regular meetings and the Chairman should meet with the Board of Officers at least once per month to report on the various activity ideas that have been funneled through the Family Activities Committee.

This may sound surprising, but it is not the responsibility of the Family Activities Committee to plan and execute all activities. The committee's primary function is to develop and share ideas for activities, based on suggestions from the committee members and the membership at large, with the Board of Officers. The Board should take action when it deems an activity program to be well balanced and economically feasible. The Lodge Governor or Chapter Senior Regent would then ask an individual to chair the activity and see it through to completion.

Lodges and Chapters can no longer rely on Wednesday night bingo, Friday night fish fries and Saturday night dances to entice members of various age groups and their families to frequent the Moose Center. A comprehensive and extensive program of activities can set your Lodge or Chapter apart from the rest.

A strong Family Activities program is one of the keys to building successful Moose Family Centers as we continue far into the 21st century. These programs are also proof that "We Value Families".

# SPORTS COMMITTEE

Participation in sports activities of all kinds is a huge part of the leisure and recreational past time of a large segment of our population, and can certainly be a primary attraction to both current and prospective members. The wide variety of sports makes it possible to appeal to members of all ages. Perhaps more importantly, sports activities can be a major attraction for whole families to become involved with the Moose Center. Statistics from Semi-Annual Family Activities Reports show that more than one-half of all family activities involve participation in some type of sports.

As Chairman of the Sports Committee, you have a great opportunity, and a responsibility, to assure that your fraternal unit provides a variety of activities that appeal to the broad range and diversity of your membership. To accomplish this goal, you will need to find out what kinds of sporting events the members and their families would like to participate in. You will also need to recruit committee members who represent the diversity of interests, ages and family status.

The first duty of the Sports Committee is to plan a comprehensive sports program for the entire year. The more activities and the greater the variety of activities you plan, the more members will become involved. Planning well in advance will improve the organization and implementation of the activities to make them as successful as possible.

When a detailed plan is complete, it should be submitted to the Board of Officers and the members for approval. The Sports program should be self-sustaining, as these activities are not intended to be an expense. A Sports Committee may undertake whatever fund raising activities are authorized by the Board of Officers; however, such funds shall be handled by the Lodge Administrator or Chapter Recorder, who shall issue an official receipt and deposit the funds to the unit's account and earmark those funds for the Sports Committee.

The committee should hold regular meetings and the Chairman should meet with the Board of Officers at least once a month to report on the suggestions, feasibility and timing of various sporting events. The Chairman should also attend all unit meetings to report to the membership any activity of the Sports Committee and results of any events.

The committee should also work closely with other committees to further increase member participation and the publication of event results to members and the media.

# PURPOSE STATEMENT

*TO DEVELOP SOCIAL, RECREATIONAL AND ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMS THAT BENEFIT OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.*



# **RESPONSIBILITIES OF FAMILY ACTIVITIES & SPORTS CHAIRMEN**

## **ASSOCIATION CHAIRMEN**

- a. To promote family and sports activities at the Association level and to communicate with districts and fraternal units as to the time and place of the events.
- b. To establish Association-wide programs (with approval of the Executive Board) for the members and their families.
- c. To establish Association level recognition/awards programs.

## **DISTRICT CHAIRMEN**

- a. To assist the Association Chairmen in maintaining open communications between the fraternal units and the Association.
- b. To assure that all Lodges and Chapters in the District have Family Activities Chairmen and Sports Chairmen appointed by the Lodge Governors or Chapter Senior Regents and ensure they are functioning.
- c. To develop and promote District family activities and sports activities (with the approval of the District Executive Board).

## **LODGE/CHAPTER CHAIRMEN**

- a. To develop and promote family activities and sports activities at the fraternal unit level.
- b. To make reports to the fraternal unit at their regularly scheduled meetings, which shall include information received from Moose International, the Association Chairmen and District Chairmen.
- c. Report to the District Chairman all activities and results from local programs and activities.
- d. Both the Family Activities Chairman and Sports Chairman should work closely with each other in establishing combination events (i.e. taco night/dart tournament).
- e. Work with other chairmen in the fraternal unit to increase participation in the various activities (i.e. Publications Chairman/Newsletter Editor).
- f. Refer to pages four and five for committee duties.

# TEN STEPS TO SUCCESS

1. CREATE AN IDEA OR A THEME
  - A. DEVELOP A PLAN
  - B. ESTIMATE COST AND POTENTIAL PROFIT
2. SUBMIT IDEA FOR APPROVAL OF BOARD OF OFFICERS AND MEMBERSHIP
  - A. CHAIRMAN OF ACTIVITY OR EVENT IS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR OR SENIOR REGENT
  - B. KEEP BOARD OF OFFICERS UPDATED
  - C. ACQUIRE DISPENSATION FROM GENERAL GOVERNOR IF REQUIRED
3. FORM A COMMITTEE FOR THE ACTIVITY/EVENT
  - A. COMMITTEE SHOULD CONSIST OF AS MANY VOLUNTEERS AS NECESSARY
  - B. SUB-COMMITTEES MAY BE FORMED TO HANDLE EACH SEGMENT
4. PROMOTE THE ACTIVITY/EVENT
  - A. NEWSLETTER
  - B. BULLETIN BOARD
  - C. POSTERS
  - D. MEETINGS
  - E. DISTRICT MEETINGS
  - F. MOOSE LEGION MEETINGS
5. PURCHASE NECESSARY SUPPLIES
  - A. FOOD AND BEVERAGES
  - B. DECORATIONS
  - C. SET OF RULES, BRACKETS AND RELEASE FORMS (SPORTING EVENT)
6. FOLLOW-UP (UPDATE EVERY TWO WEEKS AND ONE WEEK BEFORE EVENT OR ACTIVITY)
  - A. BOARD OF OFFICERS
  - B. COMMITTEE AND SUB-COMMITTEES
7. HOLD THE ACTIVITY
  - A. CONTACT ALL VOLUNTEERS PRIOR TO ASSURE THEY WILL BE PRESENT
8. GIVE RESULTS
  - A. BOARD OF OFFICERS
  - B. MEMBERSHIP
  - C. COMMITTEE AND SUB-COMMITTEES
9. PUBLISH RESULTS IN NEWSLETTER
  - A. WINNERS OF SPORTING EVENTS
  - B. ARTICLE CONCERNING ACTIVITY, ETC.
  - C. RECOGNIZE VOLUNTEERS
10. SET DATE TO REPEAT THE ACTIVITY/EVENT (E.G. WEEKLY, BI-WEEKLY, MONTHLY, ANNUALLY, ETC.)

## THEME EVENTS

1. M.A.S.H. Party
2. Luau
3. Oktoberfest
4. 50's Night
5. Country Western
6. Mardi Gras
7. Sock Hop
8. Roaring 20's
9. Hobo Dance
10. Gilligan's Island
11. 60's Dance
12. Celebrity Roast
13. Italian/German Night
14. Gong Show
15. Mr. Moose Beauty Pageant
16. Talent Show
17. Shotgun Wedding
18. Crazy Hat Night
19. Hillbilly Hoe Down
20. Sadie Hawkins Dance
21. Family Feud
22. Major Sporting Events
23. Winter Carnival
24. Springfest
25. Beach Party
26. U.S.O. Show
27. Battle of the Bands
28. Godfather Night
29. Dime a Dip Dinner
30. Cook Off (Chili, etc.)
31. Wild Game Dinner
32. Mexican Fiesta
33. Rookie/Baby Moose Night
34. Mystery Trip/Dinner
35. Scavenger Hunt
36. Prom Night
37. Newlywed Game
38. Slave Auction



# EVENTS

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## **COMBINATION ACTIVITIES/EVENTS**

1. Pizza/Pool
2. Buffet/ripple Sports
3. Hot Dogs/Cards
4. Taco/Shuffleboard
5. Dinner/Shows
6. Cold Cuts/NASCAR
7. Pot Luck/Line Dancing
8. Hors D'oeuvres/Karaoke
9. Ice Cream Social/Bowling
10. Pop Corn & Nachos/Movies
11. Brats/Pool
12. BBQ/Horseshoes
13. Burgers/Darts
14. Wings/Monday Night Football

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## **YOUTH ROOM**

1. Video Games
2. Trading Cards (baseball, etc.)
3. Computer (educational games)
4. Youth Library
5. Pool, Darts, Air Hockey
6. Board Games
7. Claw Machine
8. Toys, toy box
9. Table Games
10. TV Set, VCR, DVD
11. Art Supplies
12. Coloring Books, Crayons
13. Play Tunnels
14. Indoor Putt Putt
15. Slot Car Racing

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## **OUTDOORS (Adults)**

1. Horseshoes
2. Softball
3. Turkey Shoot
4. Volleyball
5. Bocci

6. Badminton
7. Baseball
8. Tennis Court
9. Fishing/Boating
10. Camping
11. Horseback Riding
12. Skeet & Trap/Archery
13. Golf
14. Biking

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## **OUTDOORS (Youth)**

1. Playground
2. Swimming
3. Sandbox
4. Field Trip
5. Fishing Derby
6. Putt Putt Golf
7. Soccer
8. Basketball
9. Hay Ride
10. Sleigh Ride
11. Roller Blading/Skate Boarding
12. Flag Football
13. Softball
14. Hiking
15. Volleyball

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## **HOLIDAYS (Family)**

1. Breakfast with Santa
2. Easter Egg Hunt
3. Halloween Party/Haunted House
4. Christmas Party
5. New Years for Family
6. Thanksgiving Dinner
7. Family Picnics
8. Mothers/Fathers/  
Grandparents event
9. St. Patrick's Day
10. Valentine's Day

# SPECIAL ACTIVITY GROUPS (CLUBS)

**THESE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE ACTIVITY GROUPS THAT COULD BE FORMED TO PROVIDE ACTIVITIES FOR THOSE WITH SIMILAR INTEREST**

## **1. MOOSE YOUTH PROGRAMS**

Moose Youth Programs provide lodges the opportunity to focus on specific activities for teenagers. The club is made up of sons, daughters, stepsons, stepdaughters, granddaughters, grandsons, etc. and is structured with the teenagers as the officers and members of the committee. Adult members (Loyal Order of Moose and Women of the Moose) serve as advisors of the club. The teens can have dances and other social functions, sports activities, fundraisers and community service activities under the guidance of the adult advisors and with approval of the Board of Officers (this applies to all clubs, activity groups and committees).

## **2. MOOSE SENIORS CLUB**

This club's makeup is, as the name indicates, a special Moose Center activity group for those Lodge and Chapter members who have reached the age requirement for membership (this can vary from center to center). The purpose of the club is to provide social, recreational and community service activities for club members. This group is very popular throughout the Moose fraternity because of the camaraderie it provides for our seniors.

## **3. MOOSE CAMPING CLUB**

The name may vary from Moose Center to Moose Center, but the reason for this club

remains constant. A camping club provides outdoor activities (camping, R-Ving, etc.) for Lodge and Chapter members who enjoy the same kind of outdoor activities.

## **4. MOOSE RIDING CLUB (horses)**

The purpose of this club is to bring Moose families together to have fun and enjoy horseback riding. They often ride together in local parades representing the local Moose Center or the State/Provincial Association.

## **5. MOOSE RIDERS CLUB (motorcycles)**

The purpose of this club is to bring together Lodge and Chapter members who enjoy riding motorcycles. Besides the social benefits, they can also be involved in many charitable activities. In most cases, the best known or recognized (for those clubs already established) is an annual "TOY RUN", which provides toys for the less fortunate youth in their communities during the Christmas season.

## **6. BOWLING LEAGUE**

The purpose of this club/league is to bring together Lodge and Chapter members or Moose Families on a regular basis who enjoy bowling.

## **7. GOLF LEAGUE**

The purpose of this club/league is to bring together Lodge and Chapter members on a regular basis for the purpose of enjoying a game of golf.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Most clubs or activity groups adopt by-laws to define the purposes of the club, elect officers, establish dues or fees and enact rules and regulations for the governance of the group. The Moose Center and the General Governor must approve the by-laws. For assistance or to obtain a sample set of by-laws, visit our web site at [www.mooseintl.org](http://www.mooseintl.org) or contact the General Governor's office at 630-966-2207.

# RULES FOR ALL SPORTING EVENTS

1. A non-member sports participant may come in as a “qualified guest” twice if he or she is actually a prospective member. The third time must be for orientation or enrollment. All non-members must be signed in, wear some form of identification (i.e. guest badge or sticker) and cannot make purchases (Section 50.2)

2. After a non-member sports participant has exhausted the two visit rule (or does not qualify as a “Prospective member”), he or she thereafter comes in not as a “qualified guest” but as a “sporting participant” without the privilege of consuming purchased food or beverages in the lodge (purchased by a member or otherwise) as that person is no longer a “qualified guest”. A “sporting participant” does not enjoy the same privileges afforded to a “qualified guest”. A member may not purchase anything for a “sporting participant” (alcohol or otherwise) and, of course, the “sporting participant” cannot make purchases. The “sporting participant” should be provided a form of identification to distinguish him or her as a “sporting participant” versus a “qualified guest”.

3. All non-members engaged in any sporting event or activity on lodge property or sponsored by the lodge or chapter must sign a form approved by Moose International releasing the lodge, chapter, Moose International, etc. from all liability for injuries or damages sustained by the participant while engaged in the sporting event or activity.

4. All non-members involved in sporting events (either as a “qualified guest” or “sporting participant”) are prohibited from making any purchases; putting money in gaming machines; buying raffles, 50-50’s,

pull tabs, rip-offs, etc.; or otherwise spending money in the lodge or chapter.

5. All non-members participating in a lodge or chapter sporting event must arrive no earlier than 30 minutes before the competition and leave within 30 minutes following the conclusion of the sporting event.

6. The lodge should maintain a separate “guestbook” or register separate and apart from the regular guest register required by Section 48.5 to list the names of “sporting participants”. Prospective members, since they are qualified guests, may be listed in the regular guest register.

7. Sufficient parking should be set aside and designated for participants during these events and enough spaces must be available to members for normal lodge business.

8. Non-member participants in organized sporting activities on lodge property must be informed of these rules, the lodge’s social quarters rules and regulations (including dress code) and any other applicable laws and policies. Any non-member participant knowingly violating lodge rules or any other law, policy, ordinance or regulation should be asked to leave the premises immediately.

9. The lodge should be respectful and considerate of its entire membership and establish a broad range of activities for all ages. The lodge should be careful that sporting events do not become so predominant to exclude other lodge activities and community service events consistent with a family oriented operation.

# STATE/INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT SUGGESTIONS

1. Develop a list of duties and responsibilities of a tournament chairman.
2. Require tournament chairman to appoint someone who will be responsible for still photos (color film) and video recordings of the tournament. This individual should provide photos for the Moose Magazine. Photos should have name, lodge or chapter number and what place they finished on the back of the photos. This will save a lot of phone calls.
3. Keep good records for the financial report. Report all merchandise costs and sales. List inventory of leftover merchandise.
4. List things that worked. List things you would change.
5. Pass this information on to Moose International for the tournament next year.
6. Work with area Chamber of Commerce and Travel Bureau. They are interested when a large group will come to their city and it is a good way to build community relations.
7. Work with local businesses; ask them to be a part of the tournament booklet that you distribute.
8. Work with the chapter (or lodge) on tournament activities.
9. Plan to have good food; publish menu and prices. Ask people who hosted the tournament before what participants liked: buffet, order from menu, soup and sandwiches, etc.
10. Must advertise, publish the dates, let people know what to expect, have greeters at the door, have things to sell; hats, shirts, towels, etc. It's a good time to ask people to volunteer who never helped before. You must create interest in this tournament. Promote the event at every opportunity you have.

# AMERICAN POOLPLAYERS ASSOCIATION

## **The Moose & APA: A Winning Combination**

Moose International and the APA began a close working relationship in 1997. APA Leagues are recognized as the official pool leagues of the Moose and offer individual Moose Lodges the ability to host teams and build member loyalty while also generating revenue for the Lodge.

The alliance between the APA and the Moose fraternity has been endorsed and approved by the Supreme Council of Moose International, as well as by the Director General.

The Moose recognizes that the APA League Operator will actively present the APA program to the Lodge and Chapter officers and Sports Chairmen with a primary goal to help Moose Lodges and Chapters expand membership base, increase social activity and add to the Lodge or Chapters bottom-line profits through increased sales.

As the Moose and APA relationship evolves, we are continually looking to enhance the growth of both associations. We are very encouraged by the increasing popularity and drive toward our goals that both the Moose and APA are achieving.

Five quick steps to help you get started:

1. Pick a night that would work best for APA League play.
2. Give permission to the APA League Operator to post announcements.
3. Inform your staff so they can answer or direct questions.
4. Talk up the idea of getting teams together among your members.
5. Post the APA League Operator's contact information in a place where you can easily refer to it.

***Special Note:*** *By opening your doors to the APA, you are not replacing any existing pool-related sports programs. Instead, you are enriching the Lodge or Chapter environment with additional recreational activities that are inclusive to pool players of all abilities.*

## ASSISTANCE

**For assistance in establishing specific Sports programs in your Lodge, Chapter, State/Provincial Association. Contact the following sanctioning Organizations.**

United States Bowling Congress  
(USBC)  
5301 S. 76th Street  
Greendale, WI 53129  
800/514-BOWL  
www.bowl.com

National Horseshoe Pitcher Assoc.  
of America  
(N.H.P.A.A.)  
3085 76th Street  
Franksville, WI 53126  
262/835-9108  
www.horseshoepitching.com

United States Curling Association  
(A.S.C.A.)  
1100 Centerpoint Drive  
Stevens Point, WI 54481  
715/344-1199

Amateur Softball Assoc. of America  
(ASA)  
2801 NE 50th Street  
Oklahoma City, OK 73111  
405/424-5266

AMOA National Dart Associates  
5613 W 74th Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46278  
317/387-1299  
www.ndadarts.com

United States Golf Association  
P O Box 708  
Far Hills, NJ 07931  
908/234-2300  
www.usga.org

American Darts Organization  
(A.D.O.)  
230 N. Crescent Way #K  
Anaheim, CA 92801  
714/254-0212  
www.adodarts.com

Billiards Congress of America  
(B.C.A.)  
4345 Beverly Street, Suite D  
Colorado Springs, CO 80918  
719/264-8300  
www.bca-pool.com

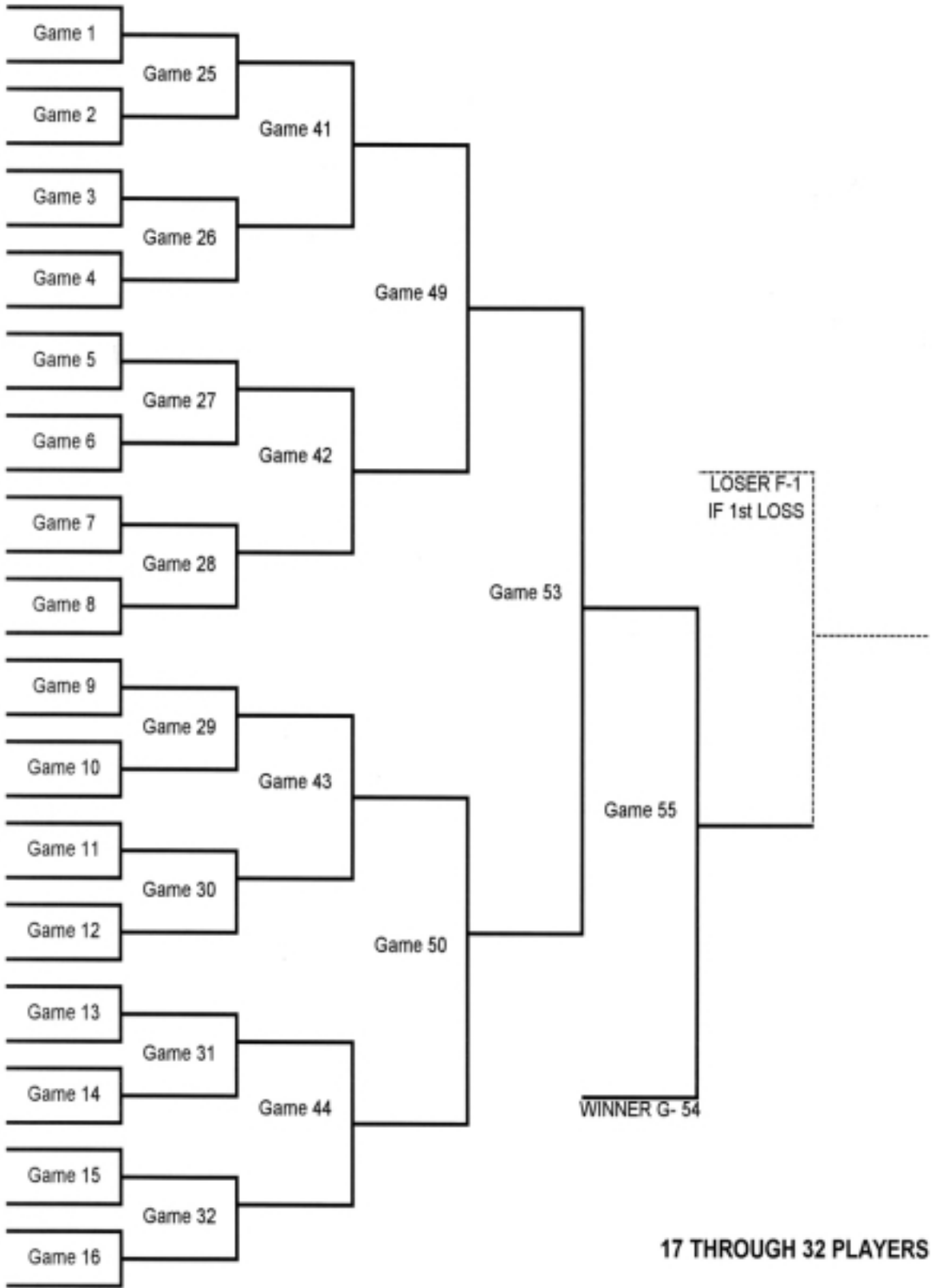
United States Bocce Federation  
(U.S.B.F.)  
44 Park Lane  
Park Ridge, IL 60068  
847/692-6223  
www.bocce.com

Slo-Pitch Softball  
(U.S.S.S.A.)  
611 Line Drive  
Kissimmee, FL 34744  
321/697-3636  
www.usssa.com

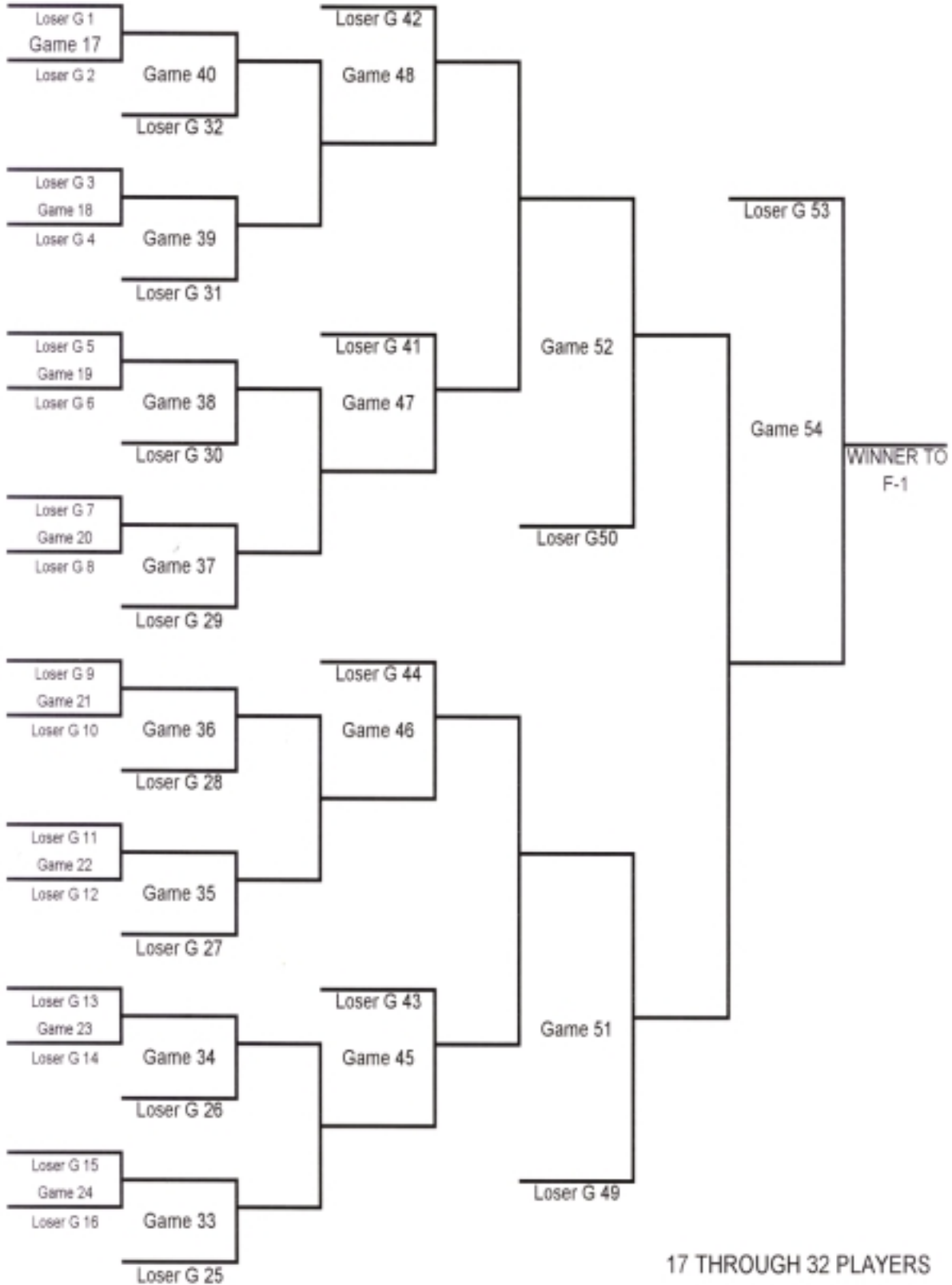
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Lake St. Louis, MO 63367  
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# WINNERS BRACKET OR SINGLE ELIMINATION BRACKET



# LOSERS BRACKET IF DOUBLE ELIMINATION



# ROUND ROBIN 24 WEEKS X 23 TEAMS

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**Special Note:** Week 26 could be used as a roll-off or any pairings as this would be their 2nd meeting.

\_\_\_\_\_ MOOSE ASSOCIATION

**RELEASE/PERMISSION FORM**

\_\_\_\_\_  
EVENT

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

IN CONSIDERATION of the acceptance of my son/daughter to participate in the above stated event, I hereby waive, release, and discharge any and all claims for damages, death, personal injury, or property damage which I may have, or which may subsequently occur to my son/daughter as a result of his/her participation in this event.

THIS Release is intended to discharge Moose International, Inc. an Indiana Corporation, the \_\_\_\_\_ Moose Association, a \_\_\_\_\_ Corporation And/or any sponsoring Lodge(s), their respective agent(s) and employee(s) from and against any and all liability even though liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the person(s) or entity(s) mentioned above.

THE terms hereof shall serve as a release and assumption of risk for my heirs, executors, successors, administrators and assigns in exchange for his/her participation in this event.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I am the parent/legal guardian of the participant and that my son/daughter is under no physical disability that would prohibit his/her involvement in this event.

My signature indicates that my son/daughter has my permission to participate in this event.

My signature also indicates that should it become necessary for my son/daughter to be transported to and from this event, my permission is granted.

I, the undersigned, attest and affirm that I have read this document and that the statements for the above are true and agreed to.

PARTICIPANT: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PRINT/TYPE NAME)

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

## RELEASE FORM

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EVENT

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

THE undersigned, herein referenced, make application to enter the event above indicated.

IN CONSIDERATION of the acceptance of my application to enter this event, hereby waive, release and discharge any and all claims for damages, death, personal injury, or property damage, which I may have, or which may subsequently occur to me as a result of my participation in this event.

This Release is intended to discharge MOOSE INTERNATIONAL, INCORPORATED, any State or Provincial Moose Association and/or any sponsoring Lodge(s), their respective agent(s) and employee(s) from and against any and all liability arising out of, or connected in any way with my participation in this event, even though liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the person(s) or entity(s) mentioned above.

THE terms hereof shall serve as a release and assumption of risk for my heirs, executors, successors, administrators and assigns in exchange for my participation in this event.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I am twenty-one (21) years of age or older and under no physical disability that would prohibit my involvement in this event.

I, the undersigned, attest and affirm that I have read the rules of this event and agree to abide to said rules. I also affirm that the statements set forth are true and correct.

I have read and agreed to the conditions stated above.

PARTICIPANT'S SIGNATURE

PARTICIPANTS LODGE/CHAPTER NAME & NO.

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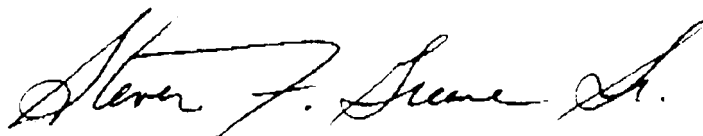
## DISPENSATIONS AND FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Varied activities for all ages and interests are the key to a successful lodge. However, the rules allowing us to conduct activities tax-free come with restrictions. Most members are unaware of these rules and the serious consequences resulting from violations. Thus, for the protection of our fraternity, we require dispensations (approval) for certain events.

A dispensation is not required for family activities limited to members and qualified guests. Except for sporting events conducted in accordance with our policy, a dispensation is required for lodge activities involving persons other than members and “qualified” guests. The definition of a “qualified” guest is contained in Section 50.2 of our General Laws. We no longer require dispensations for lodge activities held off lodge premises (i.e., ball games, family picnics, bus trips, etc.) involving only lodge members and qualified guests. However, if the trip involves a commercial vehicle (i.e., bus), the owner should have adequate insurance covering injuries to the participants and third parties.

Advertising of family activities in a public medium (i.e., newspaper, radio, television, Internet, marquee sign, printed flyers, etc.) requires compliance with Section 45.2 of the General Laws. Compliance with Section 45.2 eliminates the perception that the public is invited to participate which could threaten our right of privacy.

Associations (including districts) are subject to the same basic rules as lodge. Dispensations are required anytime an association conducts a fundraising activity involving the public. Dispensations are not required for activities at conventions, conferences, meetings, etc., involving only members and qualified guests.



Steven F. Greene, General Governor

# REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A MOOSE FAMILY CENTER

## **Lodge Home – Outside:**

- 1) Must be attractive and clean around the building, with the lawn kept mowed, no weeds and good landscaping.
- 2) Should have adequate space for outdoor activities, including but not limited to:
  - (a) Space for campers to park;
  - (b) Areas for picnics;
  - (c) Areas for games: (i.e, horseshoes, volleyball, tennis, softball,etc.)

## **Lodge Home – Inside:**

- 1) Must be clean and bright, with windows (or other indirect lighting)
- 2) Suitable seating in all areas of the Lodge Home for families (including the Social Quarters and dining area.)
- 3) Designated area for children's activities – we recommend a game/play room of their own.
- 4) Special areas for the adults – not just places for items such as pool tables, dart boards, shuffleboards, etc., but places like an exercise room.

## **Community Service:**

- 1) The lodge must be active in Community Service.
- 2) The lodge must send in the Community Service Report each quarter.

## **Family Activities:**

- 1) The lodge must have activities for all ages; some ideas may include:
  - a. Picnics
  - b. Fishing
  - c. Camping
  - d. Hay Rides
  - e. Karoke
  - f. Family Nights
- 2) There must be an emphasis on children's activities (beyond the "normal" celebrations of days and seasons such as Easter, Halloween, and Christmas).
- 3) The lodge must send in the Family Activities Report following the conclusion of the first and third quarters.

# REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A MOOSE FAMILY CENTER (continued)

- The Lodge **must strictly** comply with the Private Policy, as outlined by the office of the General Governor.
- The Lodge must **be active** in its District, as well as its State/Provincial Association
- The Lodge needs to demonstrate **participation** in the Youth Awareness Programs.
- The Lodge needs to **be active** in the Sports program within the State/Provincial Association, as well as Moose International.
- The Lodge must **be current** on all financial obligations, including those to Moose International.
- The Lodge must **send out** a newsletter to its membership on a regular basis, advising them on upcoming activities and other important dates.
- The Lodge must **obtain** a recommendation that the Lodge become a Moose Family Center from its Regional Manager or Special Representative.
- The Lodge must **submit** photographs of the lodge home. These photos must depict:
  - Front of Lodge Home
  - Rear of Lodge Home
  - Each side of the Lodge Home
  - Pavilion (if applicable)
  - All other buildings on the property
  - Social Quarters (including bar)
  - Any other area(s) that you feel may be important
  - Lodge Room
  - Kitchen
  - Dining Room
  - Children's Room
  - Outside areas (i.e., ballfields picnic areas, playground equipment)
- The Lodge must **submit** photographs of all activities (if possible) that may be listed within the application request.
- The Lodge must **submit** a diagram showing the layout of each floor of the Lodge Building
- The Lodge must **submit** a copy of the Lodge's newsletters covering the past 12 months (including the calendar).
- The Lodge **must have** a Women of the Moose Chapter.

**IMPORTANT:** Any Lodge that is granted the status of being a "Moose Family Center" must continue with all the activities and functions that earned them this celebrated designation. An annual review of all Family Centers will be completed during the anniversary month so designated. Failure to maintain standards could be cause for revocation of Family Center status.

