



MECCA #9 MOOSE LEGION

**MARCH 13, 2010
DINNER FROM 6-7
\$15.00 A TICKET
ENTERTAINMENT
TO FOLLOW
RICK SAUCEDO
TICKET CUT OFF IS
MARCH 5, 2010!!!**

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ST. CHARLES, IL 60174**

President's Message

As I sit here writing this newsletter article it is snowing outside. I hope by the time your reading it the snow will be melted, and the sun will be out warming us up.

The past 2 years of being President of Mecca #9 Moose Legion has been a great adventure in my life. I have made many new friends, and got to know some old one's a lot better.

First I would like to say **THANK-YOU** to my Board of Director's for the past 2 years. Without the help of these dedicated individuals Mecca #9 Moose Legion would not have been so successful.

I also would like to thank the Past Mecca #9 Moose Legion President's for their help and advice when I asked them for it.

A BIG THANK-YOU to all the wives of my Board of Officers for without the help of those women at our events I would not have been able to get them run so smoothly. Thank-you again.

If I did not have the assistance from Richard Kalensky these past 2 years I could not have done this so successful. **THANK-YOU** Rich for putting up with me. Ginger **THANKS** for putting up with both of us. Sorry Rich for giving you a few gray hairs.

If there is anyone I want to **THANK** for getting me started on this journey in Mecca #9 Moose Legion is Jeff Racich. He asked me to help him for 1year. Now six years later, I'm writing this letter. **THANKS** Jeff for getting me started on this journey.

I would also like to **THANK** my family. For without their support and help I would not have been able to do this the last 6 years. **THANKS** Joyce for putting up with me.

By the time your reading this newsletter our Annual Moose Legion Awards Night will have happened. Congratulation to all our Mecca #9 Moose Legionnaire's of the year. St. Charles put on a fabulous dinner that night.

On February 27th Mecca #9 Moose Legion will be having a **NEW** event "Fred of Hollywood" at Carpentersville Moose Family Center. Come out and see one of the best fashion shows of the year!

On March 13th Mecca #9 Moose Legion will be having **RICK SAUCEDO** who does a spectacular show as the Prince of Rock & Roll, none other than "ELVIS" at the St. Charles Moose Family Center. Please be sure to come out for dinner and show. This **NEW** event will be the highlight of this year.

(Look at the poster at your lodge and remember your lodge has the tickets on hand for you to purchase)

On April 11th Mecca #9 Moose Legion will be having our Election and Installation of Board of Director's for the new year at the Downers Grove Moose Family Center at 12:00p.m.. Please come out and show your support to your New Board of Director's.

I would like to Congratulate Bob Neff on becoming the New Director of the Moose Legion at Moose International. I have had a wonderful time, serving all the Moose Legionnaires of Mecca #9 the last 2 years. If there is anyone I forgot to say THANK-YOU to please forgive me.

Fraternally,

Michael Kovacevich-President of Moose Legion Mecca #9

****Remember to do some good thing for someone each day****

Notes from the Fraternal Director

Well, here we are in the dead of winter. Cabin fever will be settling in soon. What better way to beat the cabin fever than to come out to one of the following Mecca #9 events scheduled!!

On February 27th, we will be having a "Mr. Moose" competition, or should I say "Fred of Hollywood"? at the Carpentersville Moose Family Center. Conferral will begin at 5 PM dinner will be served at 6 PM. Those of you, who have eaten at Carpentersville, know how great the chefs are. The "Mr. Moose" competition will follow. I can't wait to see President Mike and Secretary Rich in skirts!! It should be a great time.

On March 13th, Elvis is coming to the St. Charles Moose Family Center!!!Rick "Elvis" Saucedo is bringing his incredible show, Rick has been performing since 1972. He has performed in Vegas, Aruba, Sweden among other places. If you have never seen his performance you are in for a great time, and if you have seen him perform, his show never seems to grow old. Dinner at 6 PM, followed by Elvis. This is one you do not want to miss.

On April 11th we will be holding our election and installation for the Mecca 9 Board of Directors at the Downers Grove Moose Family Center. Conferral will be held at 12 noon. Election and Installation of Directors to follow.

As you see, we are working hard to bring different types of entertainment to our conferrals. If you have any ideas please tell us. We certainly hope to see each of you at the above listed events.

Fraternally,

Gary Kromrey – Fraternal Director

Message from the Financil Director

Hi Everyone,

Happy New Year!! As you know without your support our Mecca 9 Moose Legion would not meet their goals of Membership and Money Donations. We are truly appreciative of every Moose Legionnaire.

Please be sure to mark your calendars and make plans to attend our conferrals and our planned fundraisers.

My main focus is the “365 Club” are you a member???? This past year with the support of the 365 Club members we were able to give a \$1,000 donation to Moose Charities toward a Scholarship for a graduating Senior. This year we need ALL our Mecca Moose Legionnaires and their families to join and continue their membership in the 365 Club. Please see the application in this newsletter to join our very own “365 Club”.

In my absence due to illness, I want to thank the Don & Joan Kubilius for handling the 365.
Fraternally,
Chuck Kennedy – Financial Director

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The following is a sample ballot for the election of Mecca 9 Officers for the 2010 – 2011 fiscal year as voted on by the Nominating Committee. The election will be held at the Downers Grove Moose Family Center on April 11, 2010 at 12:00 p.m.

SAMPLE BALLOT

- President..... Donald Kubilius
- Vice-President.....Gary Kromrey
- Chaplain
- Financial.....Rudolph(Rudy) Bromund
- FraternalRobert Vodicka Sr.

Jr. Past President’s Report

So have you looked at the lodge delinquent list to see if you had any friends were on it, now the lodge Moose Legion has a list of delinquent Moose Legion members. Brothers, these lists are not getting

smaller. The Moose needs you to get these members to keep their dues up to date, for as to the saying “Burden Heavy to one is born lightly by many”, as to the many being Moose Legion. Work the delinquent list to keep our many members and keep our fraternity strong.

Some members might be in financial trouble and unable to pay their dues, so maybe the lodge Moose Legion committee could pay their dues or take a donation from the committee members. So be our “Be a Piece of the Solution” and get those members to pay their dues. Thank You for working our lists.
Fraternally,
John Schroyer – Jr. Past President

Chaplain’s Message

Hi, this is the time to plan to join us at our activities. We would like to see you at our next scheduled Conferrals and Functions.

Please be sure to keep those of us not feeling so good in your thoughts and prayers. Remember, we need to strengthen our Moose Legion Membership. We like to see the sponsor and the candidate both attending our Conferrals, it shows you care enough to join him on his conferral day. Oh, by the way call me at (630) 377-9352 if there is anyone who needs a card sent to them.

Fraternally,
Timothy Kunstman – Chaplain

Vice-President’s Notes

Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. Did you use January, “Moose Legion Month”, to have your qualified Moose Members signed up or conferred into the Moose Legion? Now that you are on a roll, don’t stop. We are now into the fourth quarter of the year, the final stretch. How close are you to your sponsoring goal? Revisit your list and try again. It’s never too late to help qualified Moose members reach the Second Degree, the Degree of Service, and become a Moose Legionnaire.

Congratulations to our newest conferees-Richard Guerra, Thomas J. McSorley, Frank Ritt, Jack R. Stenger, Barry Voltz and Bob Hughey and welcome to MECCA 9. I would also like to congratulate all the “Moose Legionnaires of the Year” who were chosen by their Lodges, and to Leonard Difiore for being chosen as Mecca 9 Moose Legionnaire of the Year, honored at our Annual Award Banquet held at St. Charles Moose Lodge on January 9 th. Help increase our membership by using the list your Lodge has been given to see who is eligible to join the Moose Legion. The Moose Legionnaire who sponsors the most into the Moose Legion will receive \$100.00 and the Moose Legion unit that sponsors the most will also receive \$100.00. The Member must be sponsored and conferred by April 30, 2010. When you sponsor your first new Moose Legionnaire, you will receive a pin with the Motto of the MECCA 9 Moose Legion “GO WITH THE FLOW”

Remember, our mission is to have fun while providing greater service to the Moose Fraternity, and “TO DO SOME GOOD THING FOR SOMEONE EACH DAY”
Fraternally,
Don Kubilius – Vice-President

From the desk of the Secretary

Happy New Year! I have what I feel is very important information so please be sure that you read this article SLOWLY to absorb all of the information.

A list of lodge members who are qualified to become a Moose Legionnaire is available at your lodge. See your Moose Legion Committee Chairman so you can go over that list and see if there are

any members that you would like to sponsor into the Moose Legion.

Remember, that the Moose Legionnaire who signs up the most new or re-enrolled members will win \$100.00, providing they are conferred before April 30, 2010.

Your Director's are planning new functions to raise money so when called upon to make donations we have the available funds.

As you know we have the 365 CLUB, we need more Moose Legionnaires to join, as this money provides the \$1,000 scholarship for a graduating senior from Mooseheart. This year there will be 25 in the 2010 Graduating Class.

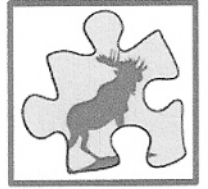
Our membership is down to a little over 1100 members, so you know we need your support. Let's get out and sign one up for our NEW 2010 Board of Director's. I do want to THANK the current Board of Director's for their support for the past two years, we had fun, tried new ideas and worked very hard to make MECCA #9 successful.

If you do not know, that \$1.00 of your dues goes to purchase the MOOSEHEART YEARBOOK this formerly was called "The Buck for the Book" with costs going up this does not cover the expense of printing the yearbooks. If you would like to donate any additional money please make the check out To MECCA #9 MOOSE LEGION & earmarked for the Mooseheart Yearbook, it would surely be appreciated.

Fraternally, Rich Kalensky-Secretary



"Be a Piece of our Quota"



MECCA #9 Moose Legion Membership Campaign

Starting January 1, 2010 thru April 30, 2010

**SIGN A NEW OR RE-ENROLLED QUALIFIED MEMBER
INTO MECCA #9 MOOSE LEGION**

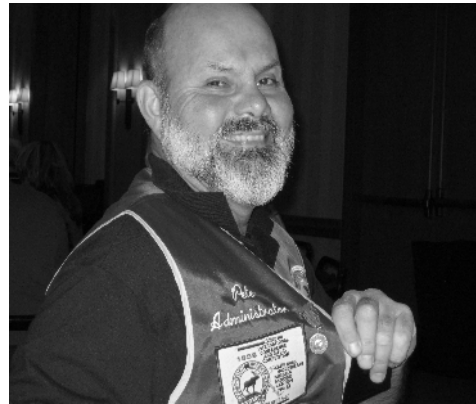
**TOP MOOSE LEGION SPONSOR – WINS \$100.00 CHECK
TOP MOOSE LEGION COMMITTEE – WINS \$100.00 CHECK
(MUST BE ENROLLED BY APRIL 30, 2010)**

GET YOUR APPLICATIONS IN TODAY

Mecca 9 Ritual Team



Pete Placed 3rd as President



Our Ritual Team represented Mecca #9 Moose Legion at the last Moose Legion Conference which was held on November 4-8 , 2009 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

365 Club

Your 365 Membership will be used for a scholarship for one of our students at Mooseheart. For \$3.65 a year you can help someone realize their goals in life for \$10.00 you can pay for three years. It's a small price to pay and is renewable each year after year. Mail this form and your remittance to Secretary Rich today, Thank-You

NAME: _____

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MECCA BOARD OF OFFICERS FOR 2009 - 2010

President - Michael Kovacevich
Kalensky

Vice-President - Don Kubilius
Kunstman

Financial Director - Chuck Kennedy
Kromrey

Jr. Past President - John Schroyer
Kunstman

Assistant Sargent At Arms - Frank Kirby

Secretary - Richard

Chaplain - Timothy

Fraternal Director - Gary

Sargent At Arms - Dave

RITUAL STAFF

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OUR VISION.....

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MEMBERS TO JOIN THE
MOOSE LEGION & DO SOME
GOOD THING FOR
EACH