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There are some very positive signs appearing across Moose.

The batch of New Member Welcome Packages for next Monday contains 8,792 new members. This is about two-thousand more Welcome Packages than we've ever shipped in a single week. While the "Moose Economic Stimulus Plan" seems to be working, more than halfway through April, 250 Lodges have yet to report their first application this month.

In less than two days, 2,000 Loyal Order of Moose and 1,100 Women of the Moose members who were in expired status, renewed their dues. Undoubtedly some of these members paid on their own. Equally likely, is that there are SOME Lodges and Chapters working their expired member lists and encouraging those members to ensure that their renewal payments are received before our Fiscal Year closes. EVERY Lodge, Chapter and Moose Legion needs to be doing this.

I can't imagine how many former members would jump at the opportunity to reactivate their Moose membership with the advantage of a zero-dollar application fee. If each of our Lodge's and Chapter's committed to convincing just one former member, each day for the remainder of April, to rejoin the Moose, we can add another 47,000 or more Active members to our rolls by the end of the "Moose Economic Stimulus Plan".

There are some important dates to remember as we near the close of the year. Online renewal payments must be made no later than April 29th in order to be processed in time to be counted in this year. Similarly, payments mailed to the Moose International Dues Processing Center must arrive by the morning mail delivery on April 29th in order to count in this year's final totals.

Any completed applications received should be promptly entered in LCL.Net and transmitted to Moose International. In order to count in any recognition programs based upon applications reported, the application must be transmitted to Moose International prior to 10pm Central Time on April 30, 2009. If a Lodge, Chapter or Moose Legion also plans on reporting the applicant as enrolled in time to count in the 2008-2009 totals, the application must be transmitted to Moose International prior to 10pm Central Time on April 29, 2009.

Any application already transmitted to Moose International and "accepted", must be retransmitted with an enroll date, prior to 10pm Central Time on April 30, 2009 to be added as an active member prior to the April 30th year end closing.

2009-2010 Officers should not be entered until May 2, 2009! ONLY, current year officers who are no longer in office should be updated between now and April 30, 2009. Moose International will automatically enter an end date of 4/30/2009 for 2008-2009 officers.

Attention Lodges! Please review the proposed General Law changes to be presented at the International Moose Convention in Chicago.

<http://www.mooseintl.org/portal/pdf/BulkMail/4-16-09A.pdf>

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