



**What an amazing year we have had and I can't thank our members enough! We had the best membership year in decades as we grew our Association and finished plus one. We even beat Florida – Wow! I can't thank you enough for your efforts to bring your friends and family into our Lodges and have them share in the benefits membership provides. I would really appreciate any effort you can make to bring in a new member and to call those who dropped their membership in an effort to bring them back into this awesome Moose organization. Let them know we miss them. Every member is important so listen to their complaints and solve what you can.**

**I would like to thank our amazing Chairpersons, our awesome District Presidents, Secretaries and the team members they put together! We would not be where we are today without your significant efforts. You**

**really made a difference!**

**As I began my President's year, I started the Association President's Project that supported the Lunchroom Table Pods in the cafeteria at Mooseheart and asked for your support. You came through in a very big way and more than doubled the needed amount. We then started the Bingo President's Project and closed that out in record time for our Seniors! What I thought would be my final project for the year was the Motorized Tricycles for Moosehaven but you have come though again and will close that out shortly. So, after coordinating with Moose Charities and the executive board we are pleased to announce the next President's Project is for our Mooseheart kids. Our association is sponsoring one of the cars to support the kid's driver's education. The goal is just over 22K and we hope to make good progress at our convention. I am asking for your support during our convention to make a difference and really make a dent in this project! Set our new President up for success! Any individual, Lodge, Chapter, District, Moose Legion, etc. are encouraged to donate and make a difference. Consider a personal donation and join in the March of Checks! These checks should be made out to Moose Charities and marked for the CNMA Mooseheart car.**

**We are having TWO upcoming seminars for our District Presidents, Secretaries, Chairpersons and as always, they are open to all. One in the north at Hayward Castro Valley in October and one down south in January to minimize your travel and costs. Flyers are already out which have all the details. Our Association has sponsored a booth at the Moosehaven Chili Cookoff! Our team's name is *Goldminer Heat* and the CA/NV team will be cooking up a storm for the win... we hope. The cost is minimal as we are just buying the food and some aprons. Our Territory managers and our Association Moose Legion Ritual Team volunteered so there is no travel expense to the Association! Rod Black will be our head chef, provider of the equipment and our ace in the hole as he now lives in Florida. If you're in the Moosehaven area for the ritual competition in November please stop on by the booth and taste what is sure to be amazing chili!**

**I have been traveling and visiting numerous Lodges as I along with my wife (most of the time) have wondered across California and Nevada. I want to thank our members for the great hospitality and friendliness shown to us. We have enjoyed some really delicious meals, awesome hospitality and really appreciate the efforts made to welcome us. Especially to the Lodges we visited on the spur of the moment as the opportunity opened up. We will continue to visit Lodges as I close out my year as President. As of this writing we have visited 81 Lodges and will continue as a road warrior through September. Hope to see you this weekend and at your Lodge as I continue to visit within our fantastic Association. Thank you for making a difference and making my year very memorable!**

**Bill Thompson, CNMA President**

# ANNUAL CNMA



**DISTRICT PRESIDENTS  
AND**

**CHAIRPERSON MEETING**

**Saturday January 14, 2023**

**Time 9:30 am to 3:30 pm**

**Ventura Moose Lodge #1394**

**10269 Telegraph Road  
Ventura, CA 93004**

**Lunch \$7.00**

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**Hayward/Castro Valley Moose Lodge #1491**

**20835 Rutledge Road  
Castro Valley, CA 94546**

**Lunch \$7.00**

## Moose Charities Report

Submitted by Jason Evans, Chairman CNMA Moose Charities

As of October 1, 2021, CNMA Moose Charities has chosen to focus on a few specific endeavors. These undertakings have been chosen specifically in support of our current goals within the CNMA as well as Moose International. Our success can only be measured by progressive contribution from our dedicated membership and the effort dispersed by our leadership. I present a brief synopsis of the progress to date on these important ventures:

**The Presidents Project:** In the inception year of this goal, this project and the funds collected will benefit the children at Mooseheart and/or Mossehaven. Initially our goal was to provide lunchroom table pods in the cafeteria at Mooseheart. This project began on September 15, 2021 with a goal to raise \$10,045.00. Our committee exceeded this goal, very quickly and prior to the end of the date we set. Way to go!

As one goal was met, we started a new goal which was to raise enough money for a Bingo Machine and a Big Screen TV for the residents at Moosehaven. With great pleasure and satisfaction, we reached this goal prior to conclusion of the association year. This is a testament to all of the amazing Brothers and Sisters within the CNMA.

Once again, we began a new goal which was initially projected to begin October 1, 2022, however based on how strong our efforts have been with the previous two projects, we kicked off yet another project earlier than anticipated. This project will provide motorized tricycles to the residents at Moosehaven. We are currently within just a couple thousand dollars upon completing this goal!

**MAC Project:** This project will provide a thriving hub of activity for our youth at Mooseheart. This space will offer many options that will help benefit both the body and mind through physical activity and social opportunities. The Mooseheart Activity Center will create a sense of belonging, improve social skills, provide academic support and a safe environment that builds confidence. This project began on November 15, 2019, with a goal of \$150,000.00. As of July 31, 2022 the CNMA has raised a total of \$224,259.94, meeting and substantially exceeding our goal by \$74,259.94!

**Endowment Report:** The CNMA has done a tremendous job on the current year's endowment progress, everyone should be very proud of our progress! As a comparison, just in the last quarter; from May 31, 2021 to July 31, 2021 (last year) we collected \$52,048.87. In the same time span for this year; May 31, 2022 to July 31, 2022, we collected \$60,896.28. Further, we are very proud to announce our annual performance! From May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022, we collected a total of \$240,506.61. Congratulations on a job well done brothers and sisters!

**Cradle Fund:** During the month of October 2021, we encouraged all of our lodges within the CNMA to participate in the Cradle Fund events to help support its cause. October 2021 was a very successful month and we exceeded the previous year's totals significantly. During the October 2020 campaign, we raised \$7,266.28, and in October of 2021 we raised a total of \$11,830.07. Congratulations on significantly increasing our previous year's numbers!

**Rocker Fund:** During the month of February 2022, we encouraged all of our lodges within the CNMA to participate in the Rocker Fund events to help support its cause. Rocker Fund totals from February 2021 were \$5,552.25, and in February of 2022 we more than doubled those totals collecting \$12,675.50! Excellent job to all of those lodges and members who helped coordinate and institute this fund within your lodge!

**League of Guardians:** The CNMA has produced 83 League of Guardians this past year, which is seven (7) more than last year. Thanks, to all our CNMA League of Guardians, your generosity is very much appreciated!

In closing, CNMA Moose Charities continues to need your help. We have made amazing strides this year, and I know we can continue to elevate our progress with your help! Our Moose Family is strong, and this year's report should certainly reflect the strength we possess when we come together as One. Please stop by the Moose Charities booth during our 89<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in Sparks, Nevada and introduce yourself. Our committee would love to meet you and tell you how you and your Lodge can help our cause grow even more over the next year.

Fraternally Yours,

Jason Evans

CNMA Moose Charities, Chairman

**Heart of the Community** this year has been pretty busy. In March for the CNMA Conference in Costa Mesa the Heart of the Community had a Blood Drive partnering with Southern California Blood Bank with 20 units of Blood donated during the Conference. Costa Mesa Fire and Police departments were given blankets, Tommy Moose and Rosie Moose to distribute to children in need. We donated over 16 cases and about 150 blankets. The Stuff the Ronald McDonald house in Long Beach was also a success with over \$4500 in donations for the families who stay at the Ronald McDonald house. Our Moose members are the Heart of the Community when it comes to donations. Awesome Job everyone!

We are planning to do this all over again in Reno at the CNMA Convention in September. We are partnering again with Viatalant Blood Source with a Blood Drive. We are aiming for 21 units this time to beat March's total. Marci Whitton will be dressed as the Vampire again and will be after your blood! The Reno Police and Fire departments will be looking for blankets, Tommy and Rosie Moose. The Stuff the Reno Ronald McDonald house is also on the menu this year and we are looking for gift cards or anything off their wish list would be greatly appreciated. We will be visiting Reno Renown Children's Hospital this year and delivering the Tommy and Rosie Moose to them also. We are excited to be able to return since Covid. Looking forward to seeing those smiling faces when Tommy the Moose comes to visit!

The success of our committee relies on all our Lodges and Chapters for support. I have to say we have the most AWESOME Lodges and Chapters in the California Nevada Moose Association. We want to THANK ALL OF YOU for helping the Heart of the Community.

Darcy Wilbur, Chairman  
CNMA Heart of the Community

## **MEMBERSHIP**

What a great year for membership! It all started in May 2021 when all the lodges in California-Nevada Moose Association opened up and started bringing back former members and a large amount of new members. CNMA went from ranking 42<sup>nd</sup> in the Moose Fraternity the year before, up to the #2 spot in the Moose Fraternity. CNMA continued bringing in new members and finished up in May 2022 at 52,402 members. A gain of **4,507 new members**. What a difference a year can make. How did this happen? YOU made a difference. YOU MADE IT HAPPEN!

The CNMA Membership incentives that began on October 1, 2021 and ended on April 30, 2022, were very successful. We gave away challenge coins for sponsoring three new members, CNMA Caps for sponsoring five new members and for those who sponsored 10 or more new members, they received a gift card for \$50.00. Totally outstanding was the only way to describe the work our Lodge members did to earn these incentives and boost our CNMA membership numbers.

Our current membership incentives started on May 1, 2022 and went through August 31, 2022. We had two incentives, in which the members that sponsored 3 new members will receive a unique LED flashlight that easily fits in a purse, or on a night stand or in your vehicle. Wherever you want it, it will fit.... Our other incentive was for sponsoring five new members and they received a sports bottle with lid and a carabiner to attach to a bicycle, back pack or beside you in your car. Thank you for making the incentives program beneficial the past two years. Moose members never fail to amaze me. Thank You, Thank You, Thank You.

Our annual CNMA Convention will again be held in Sparks, Nevada at the Nugget Casino. A few adjustments have been made by the Nugget staff and some from the CNMA Board. This year's convention should be the best ever. If you haven't registered you need to do so immediately. You can register on line through the CNMA Website. We want everyone that can possibly make it this year to come and support the convention and at the same time find out the fun time you can have with your friends and the new friends you will surely meet. You will learn more about the Moose Fraternity and our California-Nevada Lodges. Presidents and Administrators are required to attend and the District Presidents are also required to attend the convention. Let's set a record for attendance!

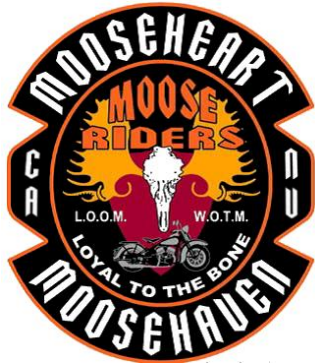
If you have met the Membership Incentives, either 3 or 5 new members, be sure to come to the Membership table and pick up your incentive gifts. Encourage others from your lodges to attend and pick-up their incentive gifts also.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the Nugget September 15<sup>th</sup> through 18th.

Fraternally,

*Bob Criss*

Membership Chairman



## California Nevada Moose Riders Established September 4, 2014

The VIP Trip to Mooseheart/Camp Ross was a success for our winners (Sam & Tracy Easley) on June 1 to June 6. Sam told me that it was a most enjoyable trip, and he learned a lot of new things about the Moose. That is the main reason why I put these trips together besides using it as a fundraiser. I believe that if you personally see Mooseheart and/or Moosehaven you will be an ambassador for the Moose Fraternity for LIFE.

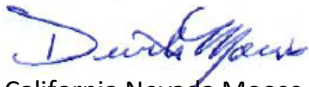
This convention will be my final convention as the CA/NV Moose Riders Chairman/President. It has been a very rewarding experience and one of the highlights of my Moose career. Thanks to those on the Association Board back in 2013-2014 that allowed the activity group to be formed, especially Bob MacKay for appointing me to the position of Founding Chairman/President. In the 8 years so far, our activity group has donated in excess of \$80,000!! A feat I am very proud of and thank the members for their participation and support to make this happen. In the 8 years of our existence, we have had over 760 individual Moose members that are or have been CA/NV Moose Riders with a max of around 375 active at any one time. Women historically and currently represent 38% of our membership. We currently have 312 members of which 186 are life members. We have 70 of the 150 Founding Members that are still Active members!!

A crowning achievement is our first initiative that provides for \$500 cash awards to the youth that represent CA/NV at the International Youth Awareness Congress up to a max of 6 students per year. We have provided \$21,500 in funding for this program, over 25% of our total donations. We created the Lodge Visitation Program and provided the patches at no cost to members or the Association as our 2<sup>nd</sup> initiative. This is just a small portion of the good we have done.

A personal THANK YOU to those that believed in this activity group before it was formed almost 8 years ago. My era is concluding at the upcoming Association Convention and a new Chairman/President of the CA/NV Moose Riders will be appointed by the incoming Association President and installed at the Banquet on September 17<sup>th</sup>. I am looking forward to the new era and I will assist and support the new Chairman/President as best I can. I will forever be a FOUNDING LIFE MEMBER of this activity group and hope for its continued success.

Thanks for the Ride and I will see you around!!

Derrick Morris



California Nevada Moose Riders Founding Chairman/President 2014-2022 (8 Years)

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## CNMA Activities Committee The "ACT" in activities

We continue giving money away at least twice a month to the individuals and Fraternal Units that purchased calendars. Even though I will no longer be the Activities Committee Chairman after the Association Convention, I will continue to join you at 7PM on CA/NV Moose Association Facebook Live for the remainder of the drawings on the 2022 Calendar. Look for the \$ and \$\$ on the calendar to see what days the drawings will be held!!

This has become a task that I have started to look forward to and have come to enjoy. And many Moose members outside of CA/NV also watch the broadcast as I found out at Moose International Convention that was just held in Orlando!!

This will be my last CNMA Activities Committee Report. It was an honor to be the chairman of this committee and wish that we could have had more activities and more participation this last year. Please support the next Activities Committee Chairman and committee and try to participate in the programs they bring forward.

Make sure to come by the Activities Committee Booth at the Association Convention September 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> as we will have some parting gifts from the committee for those that choose to come by and PARTICIPATE!!



**CNMA Activities Chairperson Derrick Morris 2021-2022 – North Monterey County MSC2719**

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Serbando Bonilla – Pacifica Lodge

Sue Morris – North Monterey County MSC

Rick Balthazar – La Habra Lodge

Cyndi Hanley – Placerville Lodge

Rich Russitano – Pacifica Lodge

Leonard Iniguez – Pacifica Lodge

Fred Harris – North Monterey County MSC

Donnie Britt – Buena Park Lodge

**CA/NV Moose District 2 Report**

Our District has had a busy 1st quarter. We have started a "CA/NV District 2 Events" Facebook page that all lodges are sharing events, and attending other Lodge's events. This is a great tool.

District 2 has submitted a total of 166 YTD applications, and 32 applications in Aug---with a goal of 39 total. We are making it happen.

Our District Camp Out was a huge success, with Orland Lodge 1901 and Oroville Lodge 519 BBQ Teams having a "Cook Off." District 2 Lodges love working together.

Paradise Lodge 2227 celebrated their 53rd Anniversary with a "Whole Pig" and side dishes cooked by Oroville Lodge 519's BBQ Team. Many District 2 members were there. Administrator Cy Morris thanked all for this epic gathering.

**MAKING IT HAPPEN**

Dist. 2 Secretary Leonard Sanders

**District 4 Gary Gildemeister President**

Welcome to the convention. I have been asked to list and explain some of hi-lights of the past year in District 4.

District 4 is the largest in the CNMA, with a total of 12 lodges from So. Lake Tahoe on the east, Placerville on the south, West Sacramento on the west, and my lodge Yuba City on the north.

Our District Meetings are the 4th Sunday of every month and a different lodge each month, makes for a lot of traveling. Executive Board at 12 o'clock and social meeting at 1 o'clock. 1 lodge gets skipped each year because our July meeting is held at our annual 4-day campout. This year it was at the Nevada County Fair Grounds Campground. Over 200 campers and about the same for Day Trippers.

One of the biggest achievements of the CNMA this past year was coming from near last to #2 in membership production. Our District played a big part in that. I don't wish to be seen as bragging but Yuba City Lodge on 4/30/22 ended the 21/22 Moose year at +346. District 4 at +847. District membership at that date was 7953. A better than 10% gain for the year.



I did not intend to write a book but I am very proud of our people and our Lodges

Gary Gildemeister, Pres. CNMA District 4

### **District 10 Accomplishments**

San Jose Lodge - 401

April 2022 - Participated in the Autism Awareness Month

August 2022 - National Night Out

August 2022 - Backpack Giveaway

Santa Cruz Lodge - 545

November 2021 - Autism Family Network - Blanket Drive for the Homeless

December 2021 - Valley Churches United Missions Fundraiser - Prime Rib, Prize Raffles and 50/50.

Donation to VCUM included: \$5 per plate, 100% Prize Raffle sales, 100% of Dessert sales, 50% of the

50/50 Opportunity drawing, plus numerous member donations.

April 2022 - Autism Family Network - Hero's for Autism Event, Motorcycle Poker Run, Family Resource

Center, Family Dance Night, and Fundraiser

July 2022 - Independence Day Celebration with City of Scotts Valley BBQ.

Largest event attempted and

accomplished. Donations of proceeds to Camp Ross, Scotts Valley Boys & Girls Club, and Scout Troop.

All Year - Significant updates, improvements, and repairs to Lodge landscaping, parking lot, fish pond and handicap ramp.

All Year - Monthly Highway Cleanups

Monterey Lodge 876

October 2021 - Participated in a community Trick or Treat event at the fairgrounds. Over three

thousand children received Halloween treats.

October 2021 - Hosted a Lions event to raise funds to purchase eye glasses for those in need

November 2021 - Several members participated in the Holiday Lights Virtual 5k

December 2021 - Sensory Santa Event - Santa visits one on one with children with social anxiety.

December 2021 - Provided gifts to local children shelters

February 2022 - Girl Scouts Cookies Sales Drive

March 2022 - Hosted a Military Appreciation Night

April 2022 - Hosted the Toastmasters PowerPoint Karaoke Event

April 2022 - Participated in the Autism Awareness Month

April 2022 - Participated in a community Easter Egg Extravaganza event at the fairgrounds. Over three

thousand five hundred children received Easter eggs with treats.

May 2022 - Hosted the Monterey Pacific Rotary Club Derby Event

May 2022 - Hosted a Leukemia Lymphoma Fundraiser

June 2022 - Hosted the Monterey Bay Aquarium Education Event

June 2022 - Members volunteered at the Annual Artichoke Festival

August 2022 - National Night Out  
August 2022 - Provided lunches for students  
All Year Community Service  
Deliver food and household supplies to local shut-ins  
Teddy Bears with Heart - Bag and Tag and delivery  
Weekly Autistic Adaptive Paint and Crafts  
Breast Cancer Assistance meetings  
By-Weekly Free Rapid Covid Testing  
Collect eye glasses for the Lions Club  
Members volunteer twice a week at the local food pantry  
Weekly Local Dart, Disc Golf and Corn hole teams hold games  
Dance Lessons - Salsa, Scottish Country, Hula, Afro-beat and Western Dance  
Rock Painting  
Ham Radio Club - The lodge is an emergency location  
Monterey Mini Painters  
Paint n Sip Events  
Host various High School Banquets  
Monthly Gold Coast Rods Car Club meeting  
Pacifica Lodge - 1944  
Inspired by North Monterey County Moose Service Center #2719 (MSC2719), the new home of the Childhood Autism Program (CAP), Pacifica #1944 took the initiative to designate April 2022: Autism Awareness Month (supporting letter attached). Much like the Cradle & Rocking Chair fundraisers, this was a month-long event. Lodges from throughout California/ Nevada Moose Association (CNMA) participated. Year to date funds collected are 200% of the previous year's total (before April Autism Awareness month was created). Childhood Autism Program (CPA) is a year round cause, additional funds are still being submitted to support this amazing program.

March 2022 - Golden Spot 15 (Pacifica 1944 Moose Legion) organized/hosted the NorCal Moose Legion Spring Fling held at Yuba City Moose Lodge #1204 Teams from several jurisdictions completed in games such as pool, darts, horse races, corn hole, etc. The home team from Yuba City won it all, with bragging rights and \$250 donation to Special Endowment in their team's name. The event raised additional \$1000 also donated to Special Endowment

Pacifica 1944 has held multiple NASCAR watch parties for our members to support Ross Chastain every time he drives the #1 car in its full Moose Fraternity livery. The members enjoy cheering on the Watermelon Man and have raised over a \$1000 for various Moose programs.

May/June 2022 - Donations were collected for our Sunshine Child Josh Gaye. Josh was featured on the

June cover of Moose Magazine with a full article detailing his academic accomplishments and his placing top 5 in the state wrestling championships. Our Pilgrim Richard Russitano Sr & wife (Past Sr Regent Debbie Russitano) were able to attend Mooseheart Graduation Ceremony and surprise Josh with a \$800 check to help cover his first year of college expenses at Indian Hills Community College in Iowa. Josh will be competing on the wrestling team as he pursues his goal of being a lawyer. We look forward to continuing to support Josh as he strives toward his life goals.

June / July 2022 - Pacifica 1944 held raffles and fundraisers to support Relay For Life & American Cancer Society. More than \$1600 was raised to help fund cancer research, education and prevention efforts, free information & services and advocacy thru the American Cancer Society Action Network (ACS CAN)

July 2022 - \$1500 donated to the Pacifica 4H Club to Rebuilt and restock their old dilapidated utility shed.

July 2002 - Pacifica Moose 1944 annual fireworks booth sold over \$60k dollars' worth of product raising more the \$24k dollars that can be donated back into the local community to add programs/organizations in need.

We are most proud of a community service we offer to everyone, not just our membership. We provide our social quarters free of charge to grieving families to mourn lived ones they've recently lost. Times like these are hard enough and it's our honor to help ease the pain and stress level. In the past year we opened our doors to 150+ families in need.

Sunnyvale Lodge 2049

Received the 5 Star Award

Received Premier Lodge Award

Received Community Service Award

Signing Papers for new building

April 2022 - Participated in the Autism Awareness Month.

North Monterey County Service Center - 2719

Received Premier Lodge Award

Received SILVER Heart of the Community Award.

MSC2719 is managing the Childhood Autism Program.

Provided a cook crew for Santa Cruz 545 Burger nights and now providing the Cook Crew on the 2nd Thursday of the Month for the American Legion in Marina to relieve their one cook crew that cooks every other Thursday Night.

Volunteer distributing Food for the Food Bank of Monterey County in Chualar on the 2nd Thursday of the Month from 11:30AM to 1:00PM.

Mow the Manzanita Youth Sports Fields weekly (3 Soccer, 4 Softball and 4 Baseball Fields).

October 30, Community Trunk-n-Treat in front of Stevie's Restaurant from 11AM to 1PM utilizing Tommy Moose Halloween Bags was a success 16 Trunks and 100 Tommy Moose Bags with Heard of Moose / Tommy Moose Bookmarks were handed out. Met some potential members as well - over ½ of the trunks were from the community.

October 31, Fed the North County On-Duty Firefighters in conjunction with our 1st birthday party - 13 Firefighters at the 4 Firehouses were fed and was delivered by MSC2719 Board Members and the firefighters were very thankful and appreciative.

MSC2719 led the effort and participated with San Jose 401, Santa Cruz 545, Sunnyvale 2049 and Pacifica 1944 to sponsor the Bay Area Panthers Professional Indoor Football League team that plays home games at the SAP Center in San Jose. (3) On Field Dasher Boards, LED Banner shown 40+ times per game, Jumbotron Ad, 2 radio commercials per game. Tommy Moose in the Stands at one game & Moose Nights. This project was highlighted at Moose International Convention in both the General Opening Session and the Local Marketing Group break-out sessions.

Had a few members that walked the Holiday Lights Virtual 5k in the Prunetree Shopping Center on November 20th. MSC2719 was #5 Participant in the Entire Fraternity at \$500 in donations. Part of the #1 Team in Donations for the Fraternity (CNMA Gold Miners over 13% of the Fraternity Total!!).

Tommy Moose Run. Delivered Tommy Moose Plush Dolls to 6 south Monterey county rural fire departments organized by the NoMoCo 2719 Moose Riders and included American Legion Riders on the run - 115 miles around 3 hours not including stops.

CA/NV Autism Awareness in April Fundraiser (co-sponsor along with Pacifica 1944)

Provided the Poker Run for the Bikers For Autism event held at Santa Cruz 545 on 05/07/2022.

Volunteering at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca for Traffic Control, Helmet/Gear Check and Parking at multiple events.

Led the effort for RAINING TOMMY MOOSE on First Responders at the San Diego Strike Force vs. Bay Area Panthers Indoor football game on June 18 th in San Diego & Raining Tommy Moose on First Responders during Half Time was a success!! 7 Donated Child ID Kits from lodges/districts in Association

and 18 children ID's in the hour or so before the game, \$1300 raised from 9 lodges for 300 Flash Drives with over \$300 surplus donated to Safe Surfin, 28 Cases of Tommy Moose Plush donated by 18 lodges and CA/NV Moose Riders and over 330 Tommy Moose tossed on the field to First Responders and 22 Volunteers from 8 different lodges; Eddie Worth of Safe Surfin was introduced to the crowd and did the coin toss at the game. GREAT VISIBILITY.

Participated in National Night Out organized by the Monterey County Sheriff Department at Prunetree Shopping Center. Talked Moose and did Safe Surfin Child ID's providing parents with the information on 22 children in the 3 hours. Handed Tommy Moose Bookmarks to children that came by the booth. Community Sponsor of the 2022 Aromas Day on August 28 th . 10' x 20' Booth and Child ID event (with 3 Child Id Kits), Tommy Moose and Moose International Dignitary in the Parade. Tommy

## **DISTRICT 11 CA/NV STATE OF DISTRICT REPORT**

To whom it may concern,

I am the district 11 president, Don Ash. I am submitting my report on the condition of my district with its 4 lodges. To begin with I wanted to remind the state association that all 4 lodges are in recovery mode from California's shutdown of lodges due to COVID restrictions, some lodges as long as 1 year.

Starting with my northern most lodge is Paso Robles lodge #243. This lodge has been having a hard time with a landlord that has been a constant threat of tearing their building down. The property was sold and new owners have been wanting to build office buildings instead. New property has been secured with a move-in date of November 1, 2022. Functions that were productive through their year have included Monday night dinners, Halloween party with costume contest, breakfast every Sunday including one that raises money specifically for the legion, veterans dinner for free for vets and spouses (a memorable event), a kids christmas party, followed by an adult party, with leftover food being donated to the homeless shelter, and even a float built representing the Moose for the lighted christmas parade. That float was filled with our kids from the Moose with over 20 members walking alongside the float for the entire route. The lodge received a first place ribbon from their local community.

Highlights for the year were the New Year's Eve party, paint night, memorial day service at cemetery including over 30 members placing flags on graves, and sponsoring a youth soccer team (pink socks were bought for the entire team promoting cancer awareness). Also donations made for local boys and girls club and over \$200 donated directly towards endowment fund each month and \$150 every other month towards our various state charities through District 11. Over \$500 was donated through a fundraiser to be used by our local senior groups.

In closing I believe this lodge of being capable of many more accomplishments after the move into the new property.

Next is our Atascadero Lodge #2067. Money from the closure of the San Luis Obispo lodge was (instead of building new lodge) was used to remodel our current lodge. Bathrooms, main hall, and back porch were the main recipients of those funds. A new oven and grill were purchased from events by our members holding multiple fund raisers. Donated \$6500 to local scholarships for the high school students. This lodge after not being active in legion events has a new legion chairman who is doing a legion event every month to raise funds.

I am hoping for this lodge to become more active and more fraternal in the coming year.

Next is the Pismo Beach lodge #1409. Pismo is very active in raising money through lodge events for the K-9 units which are trained at our local Cal Poly University. This has been a feature for many years. Cancer fundraisers are also a staple at this lodge with multiple events taking place throughout the year. Senior citizen events are common place at this lodge as well. Not only for our own older lodge members but outside groups conducting fund raisers. Lodge provided over 300 lunches for the ISA and Amp Surf events. These are events aimed at veterans who have lost limbs and wish to learn to surf for fun and exercise. Veterans both local and statewide received help with their handicaps. The Season of Hope charity also uses their location as a drop off for donated food and toys for the local families during the holidays.

This lodge is always ready to step up to the plate for helping those in need. Both the President and Administrator work very hard in the success of this lodge which makes it a real plus. The high membership numbers are to be commended being an asset to not only the local community but the fraternity too.

The final lodge is Santa Maria #719. This lodge has been doing excellent in making improvements for not only their location but events as well. The lodge has prided itself on always having a full calendar with food almost every night. Membership is at an all-time high for the entire 108 year history of the lodge. Their board is working hard in conjunction with the more experienced gold coats, a good combination of energy and experience that really makes this lodge click.

Building improvements have included replacing windows with new double paned glass, remodeling of the kitchen and smoking room, and a complete tear out of the bar including rebuilding the floor from the dirt up. It is my understanding that the indoor BBQ area will be doubled in size during the rebuild.

Charity events include meals for the poor with even many volunteers from their lodge coming in on Christmas Eve day to BBQ tri-tip and chicken for the largest homeless shelter in town. Monthly meals go out to local charities including churches, homeless organizations, and rehab facilities.

Fraternal events and donations include \$150 every other month for their local district 11 to be used for various charities. Legion golf tournaments, RV campouts, special Bingo dinners, and Laughlin trips help to support not only their own legion but for the entire district. This lodge is always the first to step up to help in the support of district 11. The President and Administrator always show up to meetings and events. Lodge is by far always thinking fraternalism and helping our district and legion.

To close this lodge is always there to help me in the running of this district. We have a relationship of working as a team and always being there for each other.

To close as outgoing President and incoming President elect I have high hopes for all four lodges in strengthening their membership and providing a fraternal atmosphere for their members and families. I will be diligent in my obligations and expanded job scope. I am committed to building a stronger district in the hopes that each lodge can achieve their five star and premier lodge award.

With humility and fraternalism,

Donald E. Ash

## **District 15**

One of my major accomplishments so far this year is being on the committee that organized and planned our District 15 annual picnic. I served as the committee chairperson. It was quite an experience to say the least. The district 15 picnic is our large fund raiser of the year where all of the profit goes to our moose charities. Collectively, all of our lodges in our district donated funds and volunteered their services towards the success of the picnic as well as the womens chapters. The picnic was held at the Simi Valley Lodge. It was a very successful family event. We raised more funds this year over previous years. God Bless Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

Richard Burrola District 15 President

**Centinela District #16** is comprised of 6 lodges. Gardena, Hawthorne, Redondo Beach, Santa Monica, Torrance and Westchester/El Segundo. We hold District Breakfast and Meeting on a monthly basis.

Participation has been great by most lodges within the district.

Torrance and Westchester/ El Segundo lodges both earned the Lodge Premier Award.

Our community service efforts involve various lodges involvement in the community with efforts such as Amazon food pantry, community parade participation, convalescent and hospital visitation to local elderly including transportation for medical and shopping needs, sponsoring or donating to local kids sporting teams, donations to other venues such as Ronald McDonald House, Salvation Army, shelters for battered women and children, meals for local Veterans, local food and clothing pantry for homeless.

Fundraising by District has allowed for donations to moose charities with endowment, president's project, disaster relief fund, Youth Awareness, Safe Surfing program and various others.

It has truly been a wonderful experience representing members and lodges of District #16 as President, I Thank all the members for their participation and support of our District efforts throughout the year. We have a great board of officer's incoming and hope to see the continuation of forward progress and building a better District in our efforts to support Mooseheart / Moosehaven and our Community's.

Fraternally,  
Paul Blaisdell 2021-2022 District #16 President.