

Official Communication for August 9, 2023

Lodge Grant Applications Close This Friday

All lodges looking to make improvements to their lodge homes through the 2023-24 Lodge Grant Program must complete their applications by close of business this Friday, August 11th. The application can be accessed by administrators on LCL web.

Lodge Grants are intended to provide funds for infrastructure/decor improvements to make the home more inviting for new and existing members. Grants in this program can reach up to \$25,000 per approved lodge. Last year, 177 lodges received grants in excess of \$1,250,000 combined. Information about the grant programs can be found in the Programs/Events section of the Moose International website (www.mooseintl.org).

Requirements for lodges to apply for either 2023-24 grant program:

- As in the past, lodges must have at least one representative scanned into the **International Moose Convention** to qualify.
- **New starting in 2023**, lodges must have had at least one representative at their **Association's Midyear Conference**.

Chastain Heads for Indy This Week

Moose NASCAR driver Ross Chastain will have a busy weekend at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway this weekend, hopefully culminating in a Cup Series win on Sunday. Chastain brings some momentum to Indianapolis after leading the first 16 laps and finishing seventh in Monday's rain-delayed race at Michigan International Speedway.

Chastain will drive the blue and black No. 1 Chevrolet Camaro for Trackhouse Racing in Sunday's Cup Series race where he should be one of the favorites. In last year's Indy race, Ross appeared to finish second but he was later penalized by NASCAR and relegated to a 27th-place for using the access road to avoid trouble on the course just before the end of the race.

He should become even more familiar with the layout after driving the No. 91 Chevrolet in Saturday's Xfinity race for DGM Racing. Before his work at the big track begins, he'll be at Indianapolis Raceway Park Friday night to watch his younger brother Chad Chastain, as well as Cup teammate Shane van Gisbergen, drive in the Truck Series race for Niece Motorsports.

Moose members can watch the Cup Series race this Sunday at 2:30pm ET on NBC.

Don't forget: Ross's next race driving the No. 1 red and black Moose Fraternity Chevrolet will be a week from Sunday at Watkins Glen International at the Go Bowling at the Glen Cup Series race. Make plans now to host or attend a Moose watch party at the lodge! Sunday, August 20th at 3:00pm ET on the USA Network.

Lost and Found Items from International Convention in Reno, Nevada

Please see the attached listing of items that were turned in to our lost and found. To inquire about an item, please contact Rhonda Jones at 630-966-2243 or rjones@mooseintl.org. Please include your name, ID # or Moose unit, phone number, identifying description of the item and preferred mailing address.

Moose Magazine Online Version is available

The latest issue of the *Moose* magazine is now available online via our website, or simply click on the link: <https://www.mooseintl.org/moose-magazine-current/>. Printed copies of this issue should arrive at your home in the next few weeks.

Activities & Heart of the Community

Soft Tip Darts is now open. Plus, registration is open for **Texas Hold Em**. You can register for these events online via www.mooseintl.org at Moose International Sports. Registration is also open for **Cornhole** and **Trap Shoot**. Registration forms for both are available online, but must be printed and mailed in with the appropriate monies. Trap Shoot will only be open one more week and the registration forms must be postmarked by Aug. 14, 2023. Don't be someone that says, "Man I wished I had gone to that."

Lodges can now enter their **Valued Veteran of the Year** for this year. The deadline to submit your Valued Veteran is Sept. 1, 2023. Don't delay – enter your Valued Veteran today.

Heart of the Community 1st Quarter Reports due next Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Thank you to those lodges that have already started/completed their 1st quarter Heart of the Community report. Please be sure to look it over and make any changes as soon as possible. If you have not yet completed your report, please look over Quarterly Reporting Tips by clicking on the following link to assist you with the submission: [HOC-Reporting-Tips.pdf \(mooseintl.org\)](#). No changes will be made to the report after the deadline date. Make sure you have the right community project in the right category. The biggest oversight was lodges entering events/programs into the incorrect category. The report is due August 15th, 2023. We ask that you complete your form as soon as possible allowing your Territory/Regional Manager staff time to review and contact you to make any necessary changes, prior to the deadline of August 15, 2023. We want your lodge to succeed – good luck! As a reminder, your lodge must receive a grade of good or better to be eligible for the Premier Lodge Award.

Job Postings

Position: Territory Manager – Great Lakes Region / Territory 36 – Iowa, Missouri, and north Kansas

The Membership Department of Moose International, Inc. is seeking individuals whom are energetic self-starters with knowledge suitable to operating a successful business operation; ideal applicants are knowledgeable on the workings of The Moose Fraternal Organization. Applicants with higher degree education in business and accounting; or have professional experience in business – especially restaurant and/or bar operations should identify this education and experience in their submission for consideration.

Position requires travel 4 or more days per week, including overnight travel and applicants must have their own transportation (business miles are reimbursed per Moose International Policy); and be able to read and write the English language. The ability to use Micro-soft products: Word, Excel, Outlook, and Power Point are a plus.

Position is paid an annual competitive salary (paid bi-weekly); and subject to current policies has the ability to earn commission and incentive bonus, offers employee benefits that include vacation leave, medical, dental, and vision coverage, 401-K, life insurance, and other benefits may be offered.

Territory Managers (TM) provide oversight to Moose Lodge operations, promoting programs of The Moose and other units of Moose International; Territory Managers also ensure Moose Lodges and members adhere to the General Laws of Moose International. Territory Managers assist with providing training to association and lodge leaders, as-well-as to Moose members in general. TMs serve as first line representatives of The Moose and all units and departments of Moose International, and provide assistance to members when questions or issues arise.

The Location:

Territory 36 covers Iowa, Missouri, and north Kansas and includes 35 lodges – with a current total Active Membership of 10,339. This Territory Manager reports to the Great Lakes Region – Regional Manager, Frank Vorhees.

Ideal applicants live within the respective Territory or within 50 miles of the respective Territory.

This TM position is presently available; It's our desire to fill the positions as soon as possible. These Job Postings may be withdrawn without notification at the discretion of Moose International.

Moose International is not offering or providing any funds or expense reimbursement for the successful candidates to relocate to the respective Territory; however we will coordinate a reasonable amount of time to relocate.

Interested parties must identify which Territory Manager position they are seeking, and submit their answers (a single paragraph for each is acceptable) to the following questions:

- Why I am interested in this position.
- Why I should be considered for this position.
- If offered this position I will be able to accomplish the following for The Moose.

Submit your cover letter identifying the TM position you are seeking and with answers to the above questions along with your professional resume and Moose resume (if a member); make certain to provide dates of education completion and dates of employment. If your resume includes earned certificates of completion in specific software or courses of study – then include a description of the process learned and/or benefit of the certification. **Submissions should be sent to: Dave Smoot, Assistant Director – Field Operations, Membership Department, Moose International, Inc. via email at dsmoot@mooseintl.org** Questions regarding this job posting may also be directed to Dave Smoot.

Moose International, Inc. and its affiliated divisions are equal employment opportunity employers; no person will be discriminated against in employment because of actual or perceived race, pregnancy, color, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin or ancestry, age, religious convictions, disability, military status or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal or state law.

POSITIONS: Financial Review Specialist (FRS) – West Coast

The Membership Department has positions available for a Financial Review Specialist (FRS) in the West Coast region. Assignments will vary but can include any location in U.S. and Canada. Applicant should have (or be able to obtain) a valid U.S. Passport for purposes of traveling to/from Canada.

Deadline to submit: Until withdrawn

Interested parties should submit their Professional and Moose resumes', and submit a letter of interest, making certain to answer the following questions:

- Why are you interested in the Financial Review Specialist position?

· What do you believe you will be able to contribute to The Moose if hired?

Submissions should be addressed to Larry Meade, Assistant Director – Lodge Development, Membership Department at Moose International; email to: lmeade@mooseintl.org

Ideal applicants: Have a college degree in business or accounting, or related professional experience including management. Must be able to work without direct supervision and be goal orientated; able to provide own transportation (miles driven are subject to reimbursement), and be able to stay-away from home on overnight trips. Good communication skills, including the use of email, telephone, and written word – which will include preparing reports with sentence and paragraph structure. Use of Word, Excel, Power Point, and working knowledge of QuickBooks are desirable.

Proud Past, Bright Future Campaign Merchandise is Available

Now available through Catalog Sales, Proud Past, Bright Future merchandise. This year we have 2 styles of polo shirts, 2 styles of lapel pins, ink pens, and back by popular demand, circle charms. Quantities are limited and will not be reordered. Call Catalog Sales at 630.966.2250 or order online at

<https://shopmoose.mooseintl.org/Our-Products/2023-Proud-Past-Bright-Future>