THE NEXT STEP IN FRATERNALISM

The Opening, Closing and Enrollment Ceremonies of the Moose Legion, the Degree of Service

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MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

The Moose Legion is known as the

DEGREE OF SERVICE

OUR MISSION. . .

TO HAVE FUN WHILE PROVIDING GREATER SERVICE TO THE MOOSE FRATERNITY

OUR VISION. . .

PERSUADE ALL QUALIFIED LODGE MEMBERS TO JOIN THE MOOSE LEGION AND DO SOME GOOD THING FOR SOMEONE EACH DAY

KEY TO FLOOR POSITIONS

1. Sergeant-At-Arms, Ritual President and Chaplain position at Altar, centered, facing class, and toes within eighteen (18) inches of Altar edge.
2. Centered and three (3) feet in front of the President station on the line of march.
3. Fraternal Director and Pilgrim Chair is three (3) feet to the left of President station, with front edge of chair in line with the back edge of President station.
4. Chaplain and Faith station.
5. Vice President and Hope station
6. Junior Past President and Charity station.
7. Sergeant-at-Arms and Ritual Chaplain chair is three (3) feet to the right of President station with front edge of chair in line with the back edge of the President station.
8. An imaginary rectangular area thirty-two (32) inches wide and twenty four (24) inches deep between the Altar and President station for staff members when starting and finishing their charges to class unless otherwise instructed. Front of rectangle three (3) feet from edge of Altar and back five (5) feet from edge of Altar. Toes shall be within these limits. **Position 8 area** - An area as deep as the back of position 8 and the front edge in line with the edge of the Altar toward the class and eight (8) feet wide and centered on the Altar. Refer to Diagram No.1 page 5.
9. Chairs for Ritual Staff, to the right and in line with front of Faith station with Chaplain and Charity chairs splitting the line of march in front of President station.
10. Flag
11. Candidates - four (4) feet from the Altar and centered. For competition —- two (2) chairs, four (4) feet from Altar and centered with outside edge of chairs eight (8) feet apart.
12. President Station
13. Optional State, Provincial or Moose Legion Flag. (not for competition)
14. Chaplain position for opening and closing prayers. Toes within eighteen (18) inches and centered, facing the side of the Altar.
15. Ritual Chaplain position for obligation with toes two (2) feet to three (3) feet from Altar and centered, facing the side of the Altar.
16. Ritual Chaplain position for prayer with toes within eighteen (18) inches and centered, facing the side of the Altar.

17.-20. Ritual prayer positions for Faith, Hope, Charity and Pilgrim centered in front of stations facing Altar.

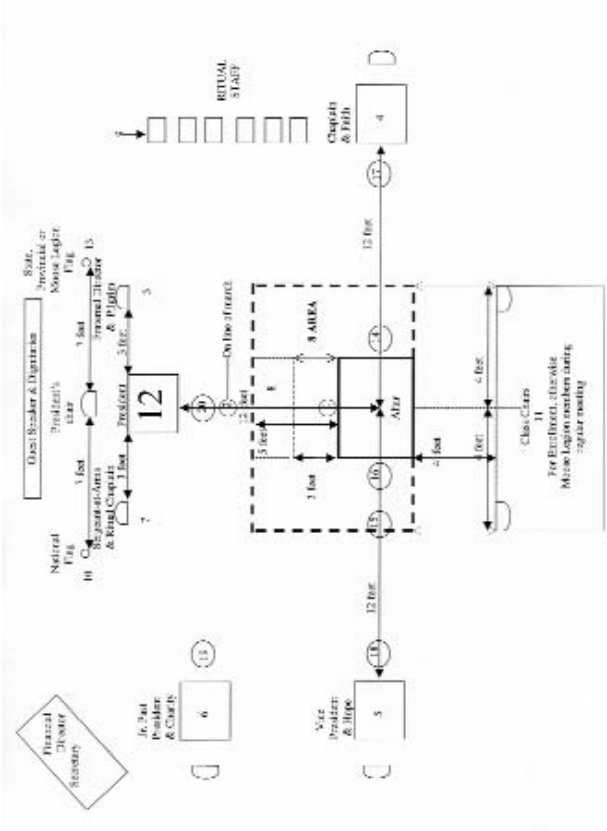
RITUAL STAFF
Chaplain & Bible
4
12 feet
Guard Breaker & Digitarius
State, Provincial or Moose Legion Flag
15
Trained Chanter & Pipeline
3
Neutral Flag
10
Sergeant-at-Arms & King Chapeau
7
President Gavel
President Gavel
12
On-line Entrance
8 AREA
Altar
Class Chairs
11
For Enrollment, Outsider Moose Legion members during regular meeting
Financial Director Secretary
Jr. Past President & Charts
6
13
Vice President & Hope
5
14

Diagram No. 1

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING MEETING ROOM

Prior to Moose Legion meeting the Sergeant-at-Arms will assure the meeting room is in readiness. Stations, Altar, chairs, tables, and flag(s) in their proper position (see diagram 1). The Sergeant-At-Arms will also properly place gavel and prepare Altar and stations. The correct station cloth should be on each station, and Altar properly draped. A closed Bible and folded Charter is placed on the Altar.

ORIENTATION-GENERAL INFORMATION

One-half hour prior to the meeting the candidates are asked to enter the meeting room and be seated. The President and Secretary will introduce themselves and briefly outline procedures and information helpful to the candidates. A roll call of candidates, by the Secretary, at this time will save time during the meeting.

It is recommended that eligible ladies be invited to attend all regular membership meetings, enrollments, social functions and Celebrations. Ladies may be seated in available seating within the meeting room.

The Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms shall take positions at the principle entrance to the meeting room, and all other entrances shall be closed. Good Standing membership cards, and candidates' credentials, as provided by the Secretary, shall be examined upon entry. Any questions should be reported to the President. Moose Legionnaires may be directed to seats around the room, and candidates shall be seated in prescribed chairs.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MOOSE LEGION OFFICERS

OPENING — Officers shall be in place prior to the

appointed hour, and the President shall call the meeting to order at the scheduled hour if a quorum of seven good standing Moose Legionnaires are present, even though no other member of the Board of Directors is in attendance. The President shall fill all vacancies by pro-tem appointments. If the President is absent the Vice-President shall preside.

MEMORIZATION — All elected Directors prior to their installation, will commit their parts in the Opening and Closing ceremonies to memory. The Moose Legion should be opened and closed and the enrollment conferred without the use of printed ritual.

MEETING — The President may be seated during the business session of the Moose Legion meeting, or when so instructed. He should stand when speaking or being addressed. All remarks should be directed to the President, unless permission has been given to address another Moose Legionnaire.

ADDRESSING DIRECTORS — The Board of Directors are addressed by their titles followed by their first name (i.e. "President Bob", "Fraternal Director Bill"). All other members of the Moose Legion are addressed as "Moose Legionnaire *(first name)*". A member desiring the floor will rise, wait to be recognized by the President, and address him as "President *(first name)*". The President will address the member by saying "Moose Legionnaire *(first name)*" whereupon the member will proceed. When the President calls for a report or gives individual instructions, the member being addressed will rise and proceed.

ORDER — When, in the opinion of the President, a Moose Legionnaire is guilty of disorderly conduct, he shall be denied the floor and may be reprimanded, fined, or both (see Code of Rules)

ADJOURNMENT - The presiding officer will accept no motion to adjourn from the floor. The closing ceremony must be completed in full.

PARAPHERNALIA - Altar and station cloths, officer emblems and all other Official Moose Legion paraphernalia must be obtained from Moose International. The Sergeant - at - Arms is responsible for making sure all paraphernalia is properly stored after each meeting.

VISITING MOOSE LEGIONNAIRES - The President will assure himself that all visiting members of the Degree of Service are in good standing with their Lodge and Moose Legion, and eligible to be present at the meeting.

ATTIRE AND MEDALLIONS - Moose Legion officers should be dressed in appropriate Moose Legion regalia (Moose Legion vest or coat and tie, or, higher degree blazer with matching striped tie) for all meetings of the Moose Legion, and shall wear their official Director's medallion during Celebrations and meetings of the Moose Legion. Director medallions shall not be worn outside the official Moose Legion Celebrations or meetings at any time.

BALLOTING-Balloting on candidates shall be conducted in an orderly manner. The ballot box (or designated container) shall be placed on the Altar. Should it be necessary to move the Charter and Bible, to accommodate the ballot box, the Bible shall be closed, and Charter folded. They will be re-opened and unfolded upon return to the center of Altar. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall position himself on the right side of the Altar facing the Chaplain (Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms on the left side of the Altar facing the Vice President), until the President declares the balloting has been completed. To conserve time when balloting, especially when there is a large attendance, the President shall instruct a double line be formed

approaching the Altar from both sides.

The President shall strive to make the meetings interesting and entertaining by reducing serious business to a minimum. Fun sessions should not exceed a reasonable amount of time. The President is likewise responsible to ensure excessive, or repeated, fining is not allowed, and shall at all times control the overall conduct of the meeting.

All fun, games, kangaroo courts, etc., shall not involve the candidates, unless they have been so informed in advance, and their individual permission granted. Fun sessions shall be moral, not personally degrading or offensive to any individual in attendance at all times.

No alcoholic beverages or smoking shall be allowed in the meeting room during a Board of Director meeting, regular membership meeting, or Official Ceremonies of the Moose Legion.

OPENING CEREMONY

PRESIDENT: *(Gives one rap)* _____*(name)*_____ Moose Legion No. ____ will come to order. The Directors and appointed officers will assume their respective stations. Candidates (and ladies) will remain seated until otherwise instructed.

PRESIDENT: Sergeant-at-Arms ____*(first name only)*____, (*pause*) are all Moose Legionnaires present in good standing in their Lodge and Moose Legion?

(Sergeant-at-Arms rises after name)

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: They are President _____*(first name)*_____

PRESIDENT: Moose Legionnaires (candidates and ladies) I welcome you to this meeting of the Moose Legion.

Secretary _____*(first name only)*_____ will proceed with the roll call of Directors, appointed Officers and Committee Chairmen.

(As the Secretary calls the roll, the Sergeant-at-Arms responds as each name is called. Each Director, appointed Officer and Chairman will stand as his name is called, and remain standing until seated by the President. If someone is called absent, the President will make a pro tem appointment.)

SECRETARY: President _____*(first name only)*_____, the roll has been called.

PRESIDENT: *(Gives one rap)* Sergeant-at-Arms *(first name only)*_____, prepare the Altar.

(Sergeant-at-Arms will proceed to Position 1 — He raises and unfolds Charter as he speaks, he then places open Charter in center of Altar - he then raises and opens Bible as he speaks and places open Bible on top of Charter, Bible and Charter will face position 1.)

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: The Moose Legion Charter is our link to those who first believed in the principles and purposes of the Degree of Service. We place upon the Charter an open Bible as a symbol of our faith in a Supreme Being.

(Sergeant-at-Arms returns to his chair and remains standing.)

PRESIDENT: Candidates (and ladies) will remain seated; *(Gives two raps)* Moose Legionnaires, please rise.

(The President and Chaplain in unison will proceed directly to the Altar - The President to position 1, the Chaplain to position 14).

PRESIDENT: *(At Altar)* Please repeat after me: *(pause)* I promise to aid and protect —- Mooseheart and Moosehaven - to the full extent of my ability. - I will remain loyal to their ideals - and noble purposes. - I will earnestly strive - to do some good thing -for someone each day.

PRESIDENT: *(At Altar)* Moose Legionnaires, we are privileged and honored to assemble as members of the Degree of Service. Our mission is to have fun while providing greater service to the Moose Fraternity. May we set an example of fraternal service, worthy of emulation by all our Brothers. The candidates (and ladies) will please rise. *(pause)* The Chaplain will lead us in prayer.

CHAPLAIN: *(At Altar)* Fold your arms *(pause)* and bow your heads *(pause)*. Our heavenly Father, we are gathered to provide greater service to our Mooseheart children and Moosehaven seniors. Bless those who have the responsibility of caring for the residents on both campuses. Let us always extend the hand of fellowship and brotherhood to our Brother Moose and their families, and inspire us to seek only the good there is in our fellow man. In these things we ask Thy divine guidance. Amen.

(President and Chaplain return to their stations.)

PRESIDENT: *(in the U.S.A.)* Moose Legionnaires (candidates and ladies), please face the flag, place your right hand over your heart, and join with me in the Pledge of Allegiance:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

PRESIDENT: *(in Canada)* Moose Legionnaires (candidates and ladies), please face and salute our flag. You will join me in singing "O Canada."

PRESIDENT: Everyone will be seated. - Assistant Sergeant-At-Arms ___*(first name only)*___ will admit those who are entitled to enter. *(pause - members are properly admitted and seated)*

MOOSE LEGION OFFICIAL VISITOR

PRESIDENT: *(Gives one rap)* At this time we would like to welcome ___*(Moose Legion Title)*___ ___*(name)*___ who is visiting with us.

(Introduction only, Visitor will address meeting after Enrollment Ceremony.)

MEETING AGENDA

PRESIDENT: We will now proceed with the regular order of business.

1. Petitions for membership
2. Report of committee on petitions
3. Balloting on applicants

PRESIDENT: Sergeant-at-Arms ___*(first name only)*___, please prepare the ballot. *(pause)* In the Moose Legion, currency is used to vote. Paper elects, coins reject. The amount derived from the ballot is for the benefit of our Mooseheart children and Moosehaven seniors. Each Moose Legionnaire will approach the Altar, cast a ballot, then return to his place and be seated. *(gives two raps)*

PRESIDENT *(after balloting is completed)* Sergeant-at-Arms ___*(first name only)*___ please present the ballot for inspection to Junior Past President ___*(first name only)*___

(Sergeant-at-Arms presents ballot to the Junior Past President for his inspection, and then proceeds with the ballot to the station of the President.)

PRESIDENT Junior Past President *(first name only)*, how do you find the ballot?

JUNIOR PAST PRESIDENT: President *(first name only)*, I find the ballot favorable *(unfavorable)*.

PRESIDENT I confirm the report of the Junior Past President, and declare these applicants duly elected *(rejected)*.

(If unfavorable, the President may call upon the Moose Legionnaires to ballot again. Only two ballots are permitted. Applicants are not permitted to vote on themselves or donate money. When ballot has been concluded by the President, the Sergeant-at-Arms shall deliver the ballot to the Financial Director.)

4. Enrollment of Candidates

(Refer to page 17 for the Enrollment Ceremony)

(Ritual staff will take their places in position 9.)

(Directors and Officers vacate their respective positions as the Ritual Staff rises from their chairs in Position 9.)

(Following conclusion of enrollment ceremony, the Directors and Officers shall re-assume their positions.)

PRESIDENT: Our sincere thanks to the members of the Ritual Staff for enrolling our new Moose Legionnaires.

AGENDA CONTINUED

PRESIDENT: We will continue with the regular order of business.

5. Roll call of Lodges and Moose Legionnaires
6. Election of Directors (conducted at Annual Celebration)
7. Read Minutes from Previous Membership Meeting
8. Read Minutes from Board of Directors' Meeting (Note Both sets of minutes require motion and vote)
9. Communication and Notices
10. Report of Standing and Special Committees
11. Good of the Moose Legion

(Official Visitor address. If there is no enrollment, may be preferable to conduct 'Good of the Moose Legion' at the banquet in the form of speeches or toasts. The President shall use his judgment in this and similar matters)

OFFICIAL VISITOR'S ADDRESS

(President, or his designate, shall introduce the official visitor for his/her address. Following the address, the President shall proceed with 'Good of the Moose Legion' and closing ceremony.)

12. Installation of Directors (conducted at Annual Celebration or some other special occasion prior to May 1st of each year)
13. Closing Ceremony

ENDOWMENT FUND

PRESIDENT: *(gives one rap)* The Nine O'clock Ceremony has special meaning for every Moose Legionnaire. Today we have the privilege to repeat this special prayer and again add our contributions to The Mooseheart/Moosehaven Endowment Fund

PRESIDENT: (*gives two raps*) Everyone please rise. Let us face toward Mooseheart, (*President gestures in the direction of Mooseheart)* fold our arms, bow our heads, and join in silent prayer.

(*lights are turned low but never off and chimes sounded slowly nine times. After ninth stroke President starts prayer*)

PRESIDENT: Repeat after me

PRESIDENT: Let the little children come to me

MEMBERS: *(repeat)*

PRESIDENT: Do not keep them away

MEMBERS: *(repeat)*

PRESIDENT: For they are like the kingdom of Heaven

MEMBERS: (*repeat*)

PRESIDENT: God Bless Mooseheart

MEMBERS: (*repeat*)

PRESIDENT: Amen.

MEMBERS: *(repeat)*

PRESIDENT: (*Gives on rap*) Please be seated.

PRESIDENT: The Endowment fund was created by the Moose Legion in 1913 to assure the continued operation of Mooseheart and Moosehaven. Today this fund provides significant financial assistance to our 'Child City' and our 'City of Contentment'. We encourage each of you to continue this tradition of giving today, and during your Lodge Moose Legion Committee meetings and functions. The Sergeant-at-Arms will now collect your contributions. The total collected will be remitted to Moose Charities and credited to the Endowment Fund.

(While the contributions are being received the President may call on the Fraternal Director to announce any current or future Endowment Fund activities.)

CLOSING CEREMONY

PRESIDENT: Our business being concluded, we will proceed to close. *(gives two raps)* What is our duty and responsibility as members of the Moose Legion? *(pause)* All Moose Legionnaires will repeat after me: *(pause)* To aid and assist - in the strengthening of our Order - and every unit thereof, - to support every effort - for the protection and care - of our children at Mooseheart - and our senior members at Moosehaven - so their future years - may be full of sunshine and contentment.

PRESIDENT: *(pause)* Chaplain *(first name only)* will deliver the closing prayer.

(Chaplain proceeds to the Position 1.)

CHAPLAIN: *(At Altar)* Let us fold our arms *(pause)* and bow our heads. *(pause)* Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the opportunity to meet as members of the Degree of Service. Grant us the courage to practice our principles of

Faith, Hope and Charity in our everyday lives. Prosper the cause of childhood and old age everywhere and make each of us a more worthy exponent of that cause. Let us return safely home with renewed determination to serve Thee and our fellow man through the channels of this Fraternity. All this we ask in Thy name. Amen

(Chaplain returns to his station)

PRESIDENT: Sergeant-at-Arms ____*(first name only)* will close the Bible and fold the Charter.

(The Sergeant-at-Arms proceeds to Position 1, closes Bible and folds Charter, placing the Bible on top of the folded Charter, then returns to his chair)

PRESIDENT: Thank you for attending. This Moose Legion is now closed to meet at the call of the Board of Directors. I bid you all Good __*(Day, Afternoon, Night)*__.

ENROLLMENT CEREMONY

(Ritual staff will take their places in position 9.)

MOOSE LEGION PRESIDENT: Moose Legionnaires, (candidates and ladies), during the Enrollment Ceremony you are asked to remain quiet, refrain from smoking or drinking, and turn off all cell phones and pagers. Now, please give your close attention to our proud record of service to the Moose Fraternity. *(pause)* The Enrollment Ceremony of the Moose Legion will now begin.

(Directors and Officers vacate their respective positions as the Ritual Staff rises from their chairs in Position 9.)

RITUAL PRESIDENT *(Gives one rap - staff, except President, seats themselves)* My Brothers, thank you for

accepting our invitation to this meeting of the Moose Legion. You are qualified and have been approved for membership in the Degree of Service and we are confident you will continue to provide outstanding service to your Moose Legion and our Moose Fraternity.

(President turns and then addresses Pilgrim - Fellow or Moose Legionnaire. Pilgrim rises and faces the President.)

PRESIDENT: *(Addressing Pilgrim, Fellow or Moose Legionnaire)*_____*(First name only)*_____ , you are familiar with the services the Moose Legion offers our fraternity. Please share the history and accomplishments of the Moose Legion, its service to our fraternity, and how these candidates may benefit as members of this degree.

(President is seated and Pilgrim proceeds to position 8)

PILGRIM: *(Fellow or Moose Legionnaire)* Brothers, the Moose Legion, your next step in the Loyal Order of Moose was organized in 1913. Originally founded as 'The Mooseheart Legion of the World,' this degree is comprised of thousands of men throughout the fraternity who desire to have fun while providing greater service to their Lodge and Moose Legion.

This degree was originally created for the sole purpose of raising a one million dollar endowment fund, plus giving Moose members an additional way to support the enormous task of building a new child city, later to be called 'Mooseheart.' Moose Legionnaires also played an important part in the development of Moosehaven, our 'City of Contentment', for the support of our senior members and spouses in their later years.

Members of the Moose Legion have always given generously to support the building programs at Mooseheart and Moosehaven and the funding of Camp Ross. Today's Moose Legionnaires play an active role in every charitable endeavor of our Order, illustrating the generosity of all Moose Legionnaires. Being active in the Degree of Service gives you the extra benefit of making new friends among Moose members and sharing good times with them during Celebrations and social functions.

An active member of the Moose Legion is recognized as a leader in our Order, a man 'advancing' in the ranks of the Moose fraternity. Membership in the Degree of Service gives you the privilege of wearing the official maroon Moose Legion blazer and striped tie with insignia. Black trousers, black socks and black shoes with white shirt complete the official apparel. The blazer color indicates the degree to which the Moose Legionnaire has progressed.

This official regalia may be worn at all Moose functions, and identifies you as a member working toward the Fellowship and Pilgrim degrees, which come only in recognition of distinguished service to the order. A French blue blazer is worn by those who have attained the Fellowship Degree of Honor, and the gold blazer symbolizes the highest degree awarded on behalf of a grateful fraternity, the Pilgrim Degree of Merit.

(Pilgrim returns to his chair and is seated. President rises as Pilgrim leaves position 8.)

PRESIDENT: We could not have reached such a level of service without the everlasting loyalty of all Moose Legionnaires, giving added force and meaning to the basic principles of our Order by applying the heartwarming elements of Faith, Hope and Charity. Listen closely as we describe our commitment to these endeavors.

(President is seated. Faith rises as President is being seated and proceeds to position 8)

FAITH: *There is a destiny that makes us brothers,*
none goes his way alone,
that which we send into the lives of others,
comes back into our own.
This is faith — the faith that abides in the golden rule -
"to do unto others, as we would have done unto us".

Our early leaders were endowed with this faith in its truest form. It was their desire to establish the Moose fraternity as an outstanding medium of service to humanity. Realizing a fraternity that works only for itself cannot grow and prosper, the idea of establishing a cause that would touch the hearts of our members was born. In those early years, the 'Degree of Service' directed its energies toward the development of Mooseheart, and expended its resources for the happiness and security of our children there.

When you think about the needs of a child, it is not surprising that Moose Legionnaires have led the way to provide for the needs of our Mooseheart children. Accomplishments of the Moose Legion on our beautiful child city campus include the Loyalty Training Center, the Museum of Moose History, the metric running track, the magnificent House of God and many other projects.

The Moose Legion also provides a peaceful year-round getaway for our students at Camp Ross. Located sixty miles west of Mooseheart, this one hundred fifty acre wooded retreat provides camping, swimming and plenty of room for other activities. A portion of our dues underwrites the operational expense of Camp Ross, and generous donations from individual Moose Legions help maintain and expand the facility. These gifts to our children are a result of the charitable efforts of all Moose Legionnaires.

The words 'Enter to Learn — Leave to Serve' are inscribed at the entrance to Mooseheart. This motto captures the essence of our 'Child City' and exhibits the faith our foster children have in us — that we will continue to provide them with our love and support. Your desire to advance to the Degree of Service, is an indication of your faith in our cause. Foster and maintain this faith, and we will surely achieve success.

(Faith returns to his station and is seated. Hope rises and proceeds to position 8 as Faith leaves position 8.)

HOPE: Hope is our inspiration - our guide - and a lantern in the darkness. It illuminated the path that led to our vision of caring for our senior members and spouses at our 'City of Contentment', located on the banks of the beautiful St. John's River in Orange Park, Florida.

Moosehaven was yet another accomplishment of the Moose Legion. In 1922, this remarkable group of Fraternalists financed the purchase and initial development of this property as our fraternity's second major humanitarian endeavor. For its first twenty years, this peaceful retirement community was solely funded by the Moose Legion, and continues to receive our full support to this day.

Moosehaven has grown into a modern and secure retirement community with beautifully manicured lawns, tree-lined paths, flower gardens, and even a large fishing pier for the enjoyment of our senior members. There are craft and hobby areas, a swimming pool, a bowling alley and a beautiful chapel where our residents can worship in their own way.

Conveniently located on campus are health care facilities that are continually being updated in preparation for our

residents' future needs. Today's Moose Legionnaire has assumed an added dimension of responsibility for medical services for our Moosehaven residents. A portion of our annual dues is used exclusively to help defray the ever-rising cost of their exceptional care.

In the Moose Legion we unite in service, promote fellowship and take pride in achievement. As you are honored by advancement in our fraternity, we ask you to channel your energies toward the betterment of Mooseheart and Moosehaven - never losing sight of those precious lives entrusted to our care.

It is up to us, you and me, to work with greater enthusiasm for the progress of our Order, so that faith in our cause - and hope for even greater good - will bring about a more perfect realization of our aims and purposes.

(Hope returns to his station and is seated. Charity rises and proceeds to position 8 as Hope leaves position 8.)

CHARITY: *Let the little children come to me,*
Do not keep them away,
For they are like the kingdom of heaven,
God bless Mooseheart.
Amen

Moose Legionnaires have repeated this prayer many times during our 9 O'clock Ceremony. The Supreme Being has answered by blessing our efforts to support our Child City and our City of Contentment. Who would have thought that an organization starting out with so small a membership, and with so few funds, could have accomplished so much?

In keeping with our charitable endeavors, we support the Mooseheart/Moosehaven Endowment Fund. This fund,

originally called the 'Penny Fund,' was created by the Moose Legion in 1913 for the purpose of raising the sum of one million dollars. Those original contributions are still there, and the interest earned over the years has been used to support our fraternity's many projects.

Today our endowment fund continues to prosper, and provides significant financial assistance for Mooseheart and Moosehaven. Moose Legionnaires continue to make contributions during celebrations, special events, 'Golden Ball' and 'Legacy of the Moose' ceremonies.

Moose Legionnaires also contribute to the needs of their local lodges and communities throughout our fraternity. Wherever and whatever the need, the Degree of Service continues to find itself actively involved. We approach this calling of the Moose Legion in that spirit - by fulfilling this basic function in the charitable endeavors of our fraternity - extending our services at Mooseheart and Moosehaven - and reaching far beyond, with a helping hand. By doing these things, our obligation to charity, will fulfill these needs.

Measured not by what we give,
but what we share,
For the gift without the giver is bare.

(Charity returns to his station and is seated. Chaplain rises and proceeds to position 8 as Charity leaves position 8)

CHAPLAIN: Members of this degree are addressed as 'Moose Legionnaires'. As a Moose Legionnaire, you are urged and cordially invited to attend the celebrations of your Moose Legion, which are held at least quarterly in each jurisdiction. Your good standing membership card will admit you.

You are also encouraged to play an active role in your 'Lodge Moose Legion Committee' where we build our

membership and reputation for fraternal service. Regular meetings and social functions provide many opportunities for you and your family to have fun, make new friends and share in our service to others. These activities also give you an opportunity to develop leadership skills that can be useful in all walks of life.

It is our obligation, as members of the Degree of Service, to uphold our proud tradition of being a strong and growing unit of the Loyal Order of Moose. Your desire to take this next step in fraternalism is an indication of your willingness to help expand our record of service to humanity. The good, which we send into the lives of others, will come back into our own. *(The Chaplain moves to position 1 without speaking.)* Now that you have a better understanding of the history, accomplishments and principles that guide our efforts - and in the presence of a Supreme Being and those gathered here — are you willing to take the obligation of the Degree of Service? If so, you will answer: "I am." *(Pause for Class to repeat.)*

CHAPLAIN: The class will please rise *(pause)* give your close attention to the President.

(Chaplain moves to position 15 facing altar. President rises and proceeds to position 1 as Chaplain says "President.")

PRESIDENT: Each candidate will place his left hand over his heart — raise his right hand — and repeat after me, using your name where I use mine. — I _____*(First)*_____ _____*(Last)*_____ — of my own free will — pledge my honor as a Moose Legionnaire — to comply with the General Laws of the Order — and the rules of the Moose Legion. — I will be active — in building its membership — and promoting harmony therein. — I further promise — that I will earnestly strive — to do some good thing — for

someone each day. — This is my solemn obligation —as a member of the Degree of Service.

PRESIDENT: Please lower your hands. *(pause)* Everyone will rise. *(pause)* The Chaplain will offer prayer.

(President takes one step backward as Chaplain moves to position 16 and remaining staff members move to their respective Prayer positions.)

CHAPLAIN: Let us fold our arms *(pause)* and bow our heads. *(pause)* Almighty Father, who knows the future as well as the past. — Cast Thy blessings upon us — and bind us yet closer together in the ties of brotherly love. Instill within our hearts a purpose and determination to carry out the pledges we have made. Grant us even greater inspiration and desire to assist our fraternity in its aid to our children and senior citizens. We pray that peace will be with us — the peace to build and grow, to live in harmony with others, and to plan for the future with confidence. Amen

(All staff members return to their places)

PRESIDENT: *(Raps gavel)* Everyone please be seated. *(pause)* By virtue of the authority vested in me by this Moose Legion, I declare each of you a Moose Legionnaire. Welcome to the Degree of Service. *(pause)* At this time, I would like you to meet those serving on the ritual staff:

(The Pilgrim and Chaplain remain in front of their chairs but turn to face the class. Faith, Hope and Charity move to the right front corner of their station and face the class.)

_____*(first)*_____ _____*(last)*_____ Pilgrim
_____*(first)*_____ _____*(last)*_____ Faith
_____*(first)*_____ _____*(last)*_____ Hope

_____*(first)*_____ _____*(last)*_____ Charity
_____*(first)*_____ _____*(last)*_____ Chaplain

And I am ____*(first)*_____ ____*(last)*_____ President.

(President moves to position 2.)

PRESIDENT: Today we welcome you with a friendly handshake, tomorrow we will stand shoulder to shoulder, and together, we will bring comfort to many. On behalf of the Ritual Staff, our congratulations and special thanks to each of you for your kind attention.

(Following conclusion of enrollment ceremony, the Directors and Officers shall re-assume their positions for closing ceremony. Refer back to page 14)

LINE OF MARCH FOR ENTERING

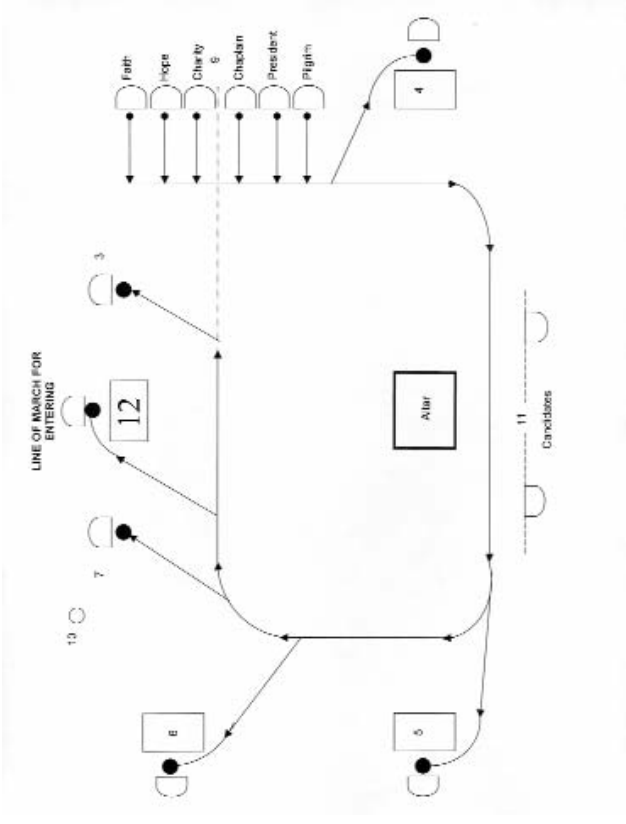

Diagram No. 2
LINE OF MARCH

FOR VACATING

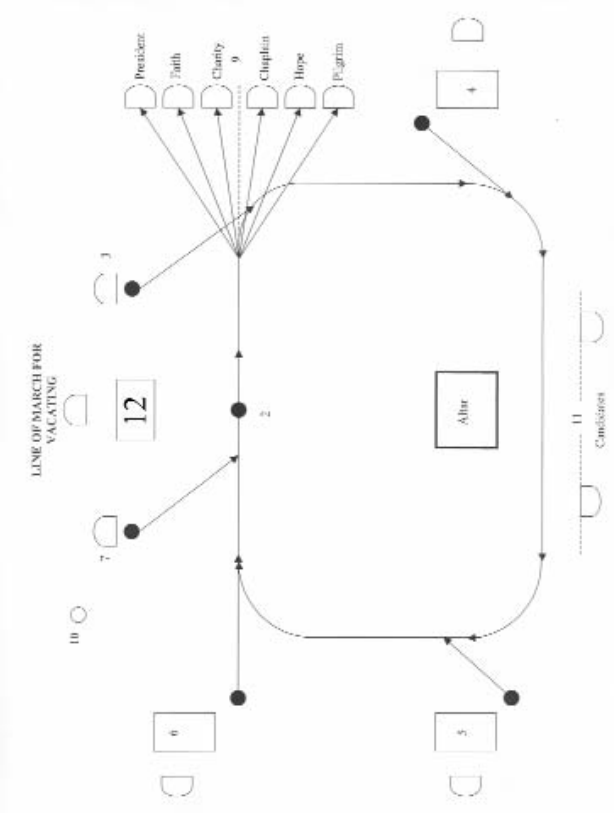

Diagram No. 3

FLOOR POSITIONS

In the Moose Legion Enrollment Ceremony the part of 'Pilgrim' is a part, not a position, and may be performed by a Moose Legionnaire, Fellow or Pilgrim. All reference to this part are in relation to the actual degree the individual ritualist holds. The President shall address each as : Moose Legionnaire *(first name only)* _____; Fellow _____*(first name only)* or Pilgrim ____*(first name only)*____ Caution, ensure the same title is used throughout the ceremony.

These instructions cover work on a standard size floor requiring spacing of 12 feet from front of Chaplain/Faith, Vice President/Hope and President stations to the center of the Altar and adjust remaining distances as necessary. Sufficient spacing shall be allowed for the Class behind Altar. (See diagram 1, on page 5.)

Position 1 - Sergeant-At-Arms, Ritual President and Chaplain position at the Altar, centered, facing class, and toes within eighteen (18) inches of Altar edge.

Position 2 - Centered and three (3) feet in front of the President station on the line of march.

Position 3 - Fraternal Director and Pilgrim Chair is three (3) feet to the left of President station, with front edge of chair in line with the back edge of President station.

Position 4 - Chaplain and Faith station.

Position 5 - Vice President and Hope station

Position 6 - Junior Past President and Charity station.

Position 7 - Sergeant-at-Arms and Ritual Chaplain chair is three (3) feet to the right of President station with front edge of chair in line with the back edge of the President station.

Position 8 - An imaginary rectangular area thirty two (32) inches wide *(standard Altar width)* and twenty four (24) inches deep between the Altar and President station for staff members when starting and finishing their charges to class unless otherwise instructed. Front of rectangle is three (3) feet from edge of Altar and back five (5) feet from edge of Altar. Toes shall be within these limits.

Position 8 area - An area as deep as the back of position 8 and the front edge in line with the edge of the Altar toward the class and eight (8) feet wide and centered on the Altar. Refer to Diagram No.1 page 5.

Position 9 - Chairs for Ritual Staff, to the right and in line with front of Faith station with Chaplain and Charity chairs splitting the line of march in front of the President station.

Position 10 - Flag

Position 11 - Candidates - four (4) feet from the Altar and centered. For competition —- two (2) chairs, four (4) feet from Altar and centered with outside edge of chairs eight (8) feet apart.

Position 12 - President's Station

Position 13 - (Not for competition) Optional State, Provincial or Moose Legion Flag.

Position 14 - Chaplain position for opening prayer. Toes within eighteen (18) inches and centered, facing the side of the altar.

Position 15 - Ritual Chaplain position for obligation with toes two (2) feet to three (3) feet from altar and centered, facing the side of the altar.

Position 16 - Ritual Chaplain position for prayer with toes within eighteen (18) inches and centered, facing the side of the altar.

Position 17 - Ritual prayer position for Faith-heels two (2) feet to three (3) feet and centered in front of station facing Altar.

Position 18 - Ritual prayer position for Hope - heels two (2) feet to three (3) feet and centered in front of station facing Altar.

Position 19 - Ritual prayer position for Charity - heel of right foot two (2) feet to three (3) feet and centered in front of station facing Altar.

Position 20 - Ritual prayer position for Pilgrim - heels two (2) feet to three (3) feet and centered in front of President's station facing Altar.

The symbolic direction for Mooseheart in competition is centered behind the Faith station. A 9 O'clock ceremony picture should be placed in this area.

The symbolic direction for Moosehaven in competition is centered behind the Hope station.

FLOOR MOVEMENTS

The Enrollment Ceremony and judging for competition begins when the Ritual Staff Captain indicates the staff is ready by taking his seat, and will end when staff is seated uniformly in position 9 after vacating. Positions of hands when seated should be uniform.

The Ritual Staff shall rise in unison immediately after the Moose Legion President or Ritual Judge says "Begin," and leave Position 9 in unison as shown in Diagram No. 2 on page 27. Staff shall take two short steps forward, leading off on left foot and turn left astride the line of march. The line of march is three (3) feet in front of the Faith, Hope and President stations, except when passing between the Altar and class, which is a line eighteen (18) inches from the Altar. After a short pause, the Pilgrim will step off on his left foot, the President will follow after one (1) step by stepping off on his right foot. The Chaplain will follow after one (1) step of the President, by stepping off on his left foot. Charity will follow after one (1) step of the Chaplain, by stepping off on his right foot. Hope will follow after one (1) step of Charity by stepping off on his left foot. Faith will follow after one (1) step of Hope by stepping off on his right foot. This will give ample spacing for the march.

The Pilgrim is responsible for establishing the correct line of march on entry and each staff member shall straddle the correct line of march. Staff members shall

be equally spaced and in step with the Pilgrim.

As Faith, Charity and the President approach their stations, they will veer left from the line of march, as established in front of their stations, enter with the station on their right, make right turn in front of chair and remain standing.

Hope will enter his station with station on his right, from the corner area of the established line of march in between the Altar and class, make right turn in front of his chair and remain standing.

As the Pilgrim passes the President station on the line of march, he will veer to his left to approach his chair, make right turn and remain standing.

The Chaplain will go directly to his chair from the corner area of the established line of march in front of the Hope station, make right turn in front of his chair and remain standing.

Pilgrim, President and Chaplain will time themselves so as to make turns in front of their chairs in unison and without hesitation.

Staff members will avoid looking at the floor at any time.

Except on entry, President, Faith, Hope and Charity will enter and leave his station with the station on his left. He may not put his hand upon his station. Touching the Altar Cloth or brushing against the Altar or Stations is not a violation, however kicking chair, stations, or Altar, or dropping of mallet or gavel is not permitted. He may not move his chair or put his hand on it when rising or

being seated, unless permission to do so has been granted by the judges. It is not a violation if the class should move their chairs.

When a staff member rises from his chair for the purpose of moving to a floor position, he may pause before stepping off, but once started he must continue without interruption until he has reached his position.

A ritualist may move within the parameters of Position 8 Area, after establishing position 8, but toes must remain within its boundaries, and he must be back in the original position at the conclusion of his delivery. Being natural and impressive is the most important element of a successful enrollment ceremony. The delivery of the charge, or lecture text, in a meaningful and memorable manner to the candidates is by far the primary concern, and thus should be the same during competition, and shall be judged accordingly during all competitions. All movements should be graceful.

While moving and speaking in position 8 Area (if desired) he may use right hand only when moving to his right and left hand only when going to his left, however he may use left hand only, when turning left, and right hand only, when turning right. The Ritualist never turns his back on the candidates while speaking,

"A ritualist leaves position 8", is defined as the time after pivot or turn, when a foot crosses the outer edge of position 8 to the time the last foot is out of position 8.

Facing the Bible, Class, President, Flag, Moosehaven

or Mooseheart is done by centering the body in that direction. Centering the body means turning both feet in that direction. This also applies to the President when speaking from his station or position 2.

Staff members must turn left and step off on left foot to go left, and must turn right and step off on right foot to go right. The turn is made by a slight pivot on the ball of the opposite foot, then stepping off with required foot. Do not turn both feet simultaneously. Stepping off means raising the foot and moving it in the direction of intended move.

When the President, Pilgrim and Faith leave Position 8 they will turn to their left and step off on their left foot and go to their positions. Hope and Charity will turn to their right and step off on their right foot and go to their positions.

All staff members must go to and from floor positions by the shortest possible route except on entering and vacating, or where movements are prescribed. A side step may be made when leaving chair at station.

There will be no unnecessary delay in following the President's instructions. This includes raps of the gavel. President does not seat himself after one rap.

Heads may be turned at any time for the purpose of watching the movements of others. Heads shall be turned to put attention on the President when speaking.

The President is responsible for establishing the correct line of march on exit and each staff member will straddle the correct line of march at all times.

GESTURES

A gesture is an expressive movement of the body, or part of the body, used to emphasize an idea, emotion, action or specific point.

Timely hand gestures that are smooth and graceful should be used during every charge.

A gesture is most effective when it is made at the same time as the words related thereto are spoken.

Nodding or shaking the head may be used to emphasize meaning, but constant movement of the head is prohibited.

Each staff member should use relaxed open-handed gestures, but may use finger or fingers, or relaxed-closed hand motion to emphasize a point. He may not point at a person, place or thing with one finger or use a clinched fist. When not gesturing, his hands should be in front of his body or at his sides. He may clasp his hands or fingers together, but should not hold them behind him, put them in his pockets, or place them on his hips.

Unless otherwise instructed, and when gesturing after taking his attention off the class, he should use left hand when gesturing to the left, and right hand when gesturing to the right. When gesturing in the direction of the Altar or Class, he may use either or both hands.

When the attention of the speaker is on someone or something other than the class, he must position his body in that direction and use a gesture and be speaking in that direction. Positioning the body requires the

turning of both feet. He may vary from required floor position to make gesture, but must return to required position after gesture.

When gestures are made only to help express oneself, and attention is still on the class, the hand or hands may be extended to the side and away from the body. Constant use or movement of the hands is permitted, and either or both hands may be used for these gestures. A staff member must speak in the direction of a gesture when his attention is not on the class. Looking at the hands when gesturing is not a violation.

He should not rock on his feet, continually bob or shake his head, or permit his hands to indicate nervousness. In fact, he should do nothing with his hands, head or body that will distract from his talk.

Gestures should be used in motioning the class or staff to rise or be seated. Gestures should be used at the President's station and position 2.

Hand gestures may not be made during the repeated portion of the Obligation.

ATTENTION AND SPEAKING

Unless otherwise directed, each staff member must start and complete his charge in Position 8 by facing the class. He must stop and establish position before speaking or moving. Once he has started speaking he may move into Position 8 Area.

While in Position 8, or Position 8 Area, staff members

shall speak only to class or in the direction of a gesture. Staff members need not complete a sentence before shifting attention. When taking attention off the class, he must speak in the direction of the gesture as eye contact is made with the object that he is gesturing toward. When returning his attention to the class, he should turn as he looks at and speaks to the class. He should speak on his turn, and his attention must be directed to the class.

A nod of the head SHOULD NOT be given upon the completion of a charge.

Avoid dropping the voice at the end of a sentence. Enunciate clearly, pronounce words correctly, and speak LOUDLY and SLOWLY enough to be understood.

The Ritual Staff will be attentive at all times and have their attention on the person speaking. Staff should be uniform in positioning their hands while seated and should do nothing to cause distraction while at their chair or station.

Staff members should be friendly and relaxed in delivering their parts. They should refrain from a monotone or singsong delivery, and should give their charge with impressiveness. The Ritual is not intended to be humorous, therefore there is no place for a continuous grin, but an occasional friendly smile will add to your impressiveness. The speaking parts must be given in full, exactly as written.

INDIVIDUAL INSTRUCTIONS

After the entire Ritual Staff is at their chair or station, the President will rap the gavel once to seat the staff, but remains standing himself, and pauses for staff to be seated before addressing the class.

The President will give his initial charge from his station. After the words "our Moose Fraternity." the President turns and faces the Pilgrim then says "Pilgrim *(first name)*_____ ". He does not continue speaking until the Pilgrim is facing him. After completing this charge the President will turn, facing Altar and be seated.

The Pilgrim rises after the President says "Pilgrim _____*(first name)*_____ " and turns right to face the President. As President turns to be seated the Pilgrim turns left and steps off on his left foot and moves to position 8. When his charge is completed, he turns left, steps off with left foot, and goes to position 3, turns right and is seated.

The President rises as the Pilgrim leaves position 8 but does not speak until Pilgrim is seated. After completing his charge the President will be seated.

Faith rises as the President is being seated and advances to position 8. When charge is completed, he turns left, steps off with left foot and returns to his station and is seated.

Hope rises and moves from his station as Faith leaves position 8. He does not start his charge until Faith is seated. Upon completion of his charge he turns right, steps

off on his right foot, returns to his station and is seated.

Charity rises and moves from his station as Hope leaves position 8. He does not start his charge until Hope is seated. When Charity completes his charge, he turns right, steps off on right foot, returns to station and is seated.

The Chaplain rises and moves to position 8 as Charity leaves position 8, he does not speak until Charity is seated. After saying the words "....will come back into our own."(in position 8) the Chaplain moves to position 1 without speaking. After saying the words "to the President." he turns right, steps off on right foot and moves to position 15.

The President rises and moves to position 1 on the Chaplain's word "President." The President will demonstrate his instructions by using a gesture for rising, placing his left hand over his heart and by raising his right hand. President lowers his hands without gesturing, as he instructs class to lower their hands. After finishing this charge the President takes one step back (out of position 1) for the prayer.

As the President takes step back, the Chaplain moves to position 16 as remaining staff members move to their respective Prayer positions. Movements of staff are in unison.

The Chaplain does not speak until all staff members are in position. After assuming prayer posture, he slowly raises his head to normal speaking position and delivers his prayer. Staff will be in unison raising arms

and bowing heads, and arms will be folded uniformly.

At the completion of his prayer, the Chaplain will hold his position until staff has repeated “Amen”. (Chaplain does not re-bow head) The staff and the Chaplain break prayer posture in unison. The Chaplain will take one step back, turn left, step off on left foot and return to his chair and remain standing.

After Chaplain steps back, staff turns in unison, and returns to their places and remains standing. Pilgrim turns right at his chair and the Chaplain turns left at his chair.

A Ritual Staff is expected to know when they are to rise, be seated, or move and they must do so even if not so instructed by the President, or movements of other Staff members.

The President will rap the gavel to seat everyone after entire staff has returned to their places. On the introduction of the Ritual Staff, the President will turn to face each member without speaking. Staff members will rise as the President turns to face them.

The Pilgrim and Chaplain remain centered in front of their chairs but turn to face class. Faith, Hope and Charity move to the right front corner of their stations (as per diagram 3 on page 28) and face the class. After a slight nod of the head all staff members will remain facing class, but attention shall be on President.

After each member has risen and is facing the class, the President will say first and last name then title. He gestures only on member’s title, using left hand for

Pilgrim, Faith and himself, and right hand for Hope, Charity and Chaplain. The President makes a slight turn toward the Chaplain chair from the Charity station for this introduction. President turns to face class without speaking to introduce himself.

After introducing himself and nodding - the President will move to position 2 without speaking. He will finish his charge in position 2.

On vacating, the President (in Pos. 2) will turn left astride the line of march. All staff members will turn in unison with the President for vacating. President pauses to allow the staff members time to complete their unison turns before leading off. Faith and Hope are on a left oblique, and Charity is facing forward. Faith, Hope and Charity should be the same distance from the corner, referring to Diagram 3 on page 28. The Chaplain and Pilgrim remain standing in front of their chairs, but both turn on a left oblique in preparation to enter the line of march as shown in the diagram 3 on page 28.

The President steps off on his left foot, and proceeds per diagram 3 on page 28. The Pilgrim follows the President and should enter the line of march at the corner area as shown, followed by Faith, Hope, Charity and the Chaplain as indicated by the same diagram. The line of march is a line 3 feet in front of stations, except when passing between the Altar and class, which is a line eighteen (18) inches from the Altar. Staff members should be in step with the President or the man in front of himself, and may step off on either foot. The President is responsible for establishing the correct line of march on exit, but each staff member

shall straddle the correct line of march. Equal spacing of staff members is maintained until point of veering is reached (as per diagram 3, page 28). The President, Faith and Charity veer to the left and turn left in front of their chairs, and Pilgrim, Hope and Chaplain veer right and turn right in front of their chairs. Heads are looking forward after making turn in front of chair. Staff members are seated simultaneously and in a uniform manner as soon as Chaplain turns at his chair. Placing of the hands will be timely and uniform.

If any Ritual Staff members are Directors of the Moose Legion, they may again take their proper places without further formality.

RULES OF RITUAL COMPETITION

All Moose Legion Ritual Competitions will be under the jurisdiction of the Regional Manager or International Moose Legion Ambassador. He shall appoint the Chairman of the Competition Committee, as well as the Judging Committee Chairman, subject to the sanction of the International Moose Legion Director. He will also select a time and place for the Competition. The out-of-state judges are not permitted to serve as Chairman of the Competition Committee, or as Chairman of the Judging Committee. The Chairmen may not compete in the Ritual Competition. The Chairmen and all Judges must be Moose Legionnaires in good standing.

Only Moose Legions in good standing with the International Moose Legion office are eligible to enter State/Provincial, Regional or International competitions.

A Ritual Staff shall consist of a President, Pilgrim, Faith, Hope, Charity and Chaplain. Clothing should be uniform; any appropriate and dignified mode of dress is acceptable. The **only** exception to being uniform is the wearing of the official apparel of each member's degree.

Medallions issued to the International Moose Legion Ritual Champions, or medallions issued from State/Provincial or Regional Competitions, may be worn by the champions at Moose Legion enrollments, but never in any competition.

For competitions, the Enrollment Ceremony shall be conferred upon two candidates (Moose Legionnaires), and the Ritual Staffs are responsible for furnishing their own class members.

JUDGES: The International Moose Legion Director must sanction all judges for International, State/Provincial and Regional ritual contests. A list of qualified judges is available from the office.

JUDGING: Competing teams will be judged on ritualistic accuracy, delivery, general effects, candidate appeal, and individual floor work. A perfect score is 600 points. (100 points for each Ritualist.)

RITUALISTIC ACCURACY: 50 points: For every word omitted, added, transposed, slurred, or substituted in the speaking parts of the Ritual, or for each indicated pause omitted or added in the repeated portions of the obligations, 1/4 point will be deducted.

For each prompt given, 1/2 point will be deducted. A prompt will consist of whatever number of words are needed for the speaker to recover. A new prompt may be given later. Judgment should be used as to when a speaker has fully recovered, before being charged with another prompt.

Fill-in words such as nicknames will not be judged.

DELIVERY: 8 points: Speaking, 4 points (1/4 point penalty; too fast, too soft, too soon, too late, monotone, singsong, pronunciation); Gestures, 4 points (1/4 point penalty; not graceful, forbidden, wrong hand, not enough, missed, not timely, body position).

GENERAL EFFECT AND CANDIDATE APPEAL: 26 points: General appearance, 2 points (1/4 point penalty; untidiness of clothes, person or grooming, shoes not shined, tie not straight, not uniform in dress); Attention to class, 4 points (1/4 point penalty; not enough, too much, untimely); Impressiveness, 20 points (left to discretion of the judges; Poor - 1 to 16, Fair - 16.0625 to 17, Average - 17.0625 to 18, Good - 18.0625 to 19, Excellent - 19.0625 to 20.) Point spread may be as small as 1/16 of a point, i.e. .0625, .1250, .1875, .2500, .3125, .3750, .4375, .5000, .5625, .6250, .6875, .7500, .8125, .8750, .9375, .0000.

Impressiveness scores reflect the speaker's ability to enunciate clearly, properly express himself, move about and use smooth and proper gestures, project confidence in a relaxed and friendly manner, and speak loudly and slowly enough to be understood.

INDIVIDUAL FLOOR WORK: 16 points: Entering and vacating 4 points, (1/4 point penalty; looking at floor, not correct, too military, out of step, confused). Entering and Leaving (Stations), 4 points (1/4 point penalty; untimely, careless, incorrect, looking at floor, not uniform); Floor Positions and Movement, 6 points, (1/4 point penalty; incorrect, not uniform, looking at floor, inattentive, untimely, careless); Conduct at Stations, 2 points (1/4 point penalty; inattentive, tense, restless, not uniform).

ENTRIES: Entries for competing staffs must be sent to the Chairman of the Competition Committee before the publicized deadline. Before competing, the captain or an authorized representative of the staff should report any substitutions to the Chairman of the Competition Committee. After entry, not more than three substitutions may be made.

All Ritualist, and Class members, must be officially registered at the Celebration before participating in International or All-State/Provincial Competitions.

It will be the duty of the Chairman of the Competition Committee to arrange for an adequate room, properly set up and complete with the following: stations, chairs, Altar, Charter, Bible, flag, gavel, 9 O'clock and Moosehaven pictures, Altar and station cloths. When all paraphernalia has been placed for competition, station chairs and chairs in Position 9 may be moved to satisfy each team, as long as third and fourth chairs still split the line of march.

The Chairman of the Judging Committee will assume

full responsibility for conducting a proper competition and enforcing all rules pertaining thereto. He is given final authority concerning interpretation of the rules and will "NO CHARGE" any "hit" he feels is questionable. Judges may not make any changes once papers are given to the Chairman, except to make clarifications. Decisions of the Chairman of the Judging Committee will be final, and only tabulation errors and undisputed wrong posting errors will be corrected. Time limit for making corrections will be set by the Judging Committee Chairman.

When tabulation errors or posting errors are reported within the time limit, but after trophies have been presented, a duplicate trophy should be awarded and it will be assumed there is a tie for the place in question. Cash awards should not be presented until scores have been adjusted and properly placed. When place of finishing has been announced, teams and individuals with an adjusted score will be placed in a tie with the team or individual scoring the same or next fewest points.

Two Word Judges, and a minimum of two approved out-of-state Floor Judges will be used in all competitions which have six or more teams competing. When there are five or less teams competing, one approved out-of-state Ritual Floor Judge may be used **WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL MOOSE LEGION DIRECTOR**. Out-of-state Ritual Judges are not to accept responsibility as acting competition chairmen, or as acting Judging Committee Chairmen. They are not permitted to attend a class enrollment just prior to competition to view a competing staff in action. Judge No. 1 is seated to the right of

Hope station, between station and class. Judge No. 2 is seated between Hope chair and Charity chair. Judge No. 3, if used, is to the left of Faith station, between station and class. If only 1 judge is used, he shall judge from Judge No. 1 area. One word judge will do the word judging and the other will do the prompting. Word judge and prompter are seated to the left of the Faith station.

Moose Legion Ritual Competitions are open to viewing by any goodstanding member of the Order including Ritualists entered in competition. Those in attendance shall remain quiet and keep proper decorum. Spectators or competing ritualist are not permitted to move about, smoke, drink alcoholic beverages display or use papers or books, make any notes, or use any recording or electrical devices while a staff is competing. **Cellular phones and pagers must be turned off.**

A Moose Legion ritualist who holds multiple memberships may compete with multiple teams in any competition provided the ritualist is a member in good standing in the respective Moose Legion and the associated Lodge in the Moose Legion jurisdiction. A ritualist will only receive one award for his highest score. A Ritual Team member may be used as a fill-in on any staff qualified to comptete if he has already competed. A fill-in will not be scored but may be used as the class candidate or sponsor prior to competing

A ritualist who transfers his Moose Legion membership will be ineligible to compete in State/Provincial, Regional or International Moose Legion Ritual competitions for a period of six months, except with approval from the

International Moose Legion Director.

The Judging Committee Chairman, Judges and Tabulator may not compete in any competition in which they are associated, nor may they be used as a fill-in or as a class.

The Moose Legion Secretary must certify on the Ritual Contest Entry Form (and under the Seal of the Moose Legion) that each member of the staff is in good standing in the Lodge, and his Moose Legion.

A team must report for competition 1/2 hour before their allotted time, unless an acceptable excuse is made to the Chairman of the Judging Committee by a representative of the team. The burden of proof for an acceptable excuse will be on the team. When the excuse has been found to be acceptable, the team will be re-scheduled to the end of the competition, or as circumstances permit during the contest period.

In an emergency occurring just prior to or after arrival at place of competition, and for the purpose of permitting other members of the team to compete for individual awards, any member of the Moose Legion may be used as a fill-in, and may recite or read the part. The fill-in will not be judged, nor will any score for him be given. The forgoing does not apply to a team using a qualified substitution. As many as three substitutions may be made after a Moose Legion has submitted their entry.

There may be a circumstance when a staff member is unable to continue, even after the staff has reported

and entered into competition. Should this happen, activity will cease, and the team may be re-scheduled to the end of competition - or as circumstances permit during contest period. Score sheets will be marked at the time of interruption. Although a member may commence again from the start of his part if he so desires, the judging will continue from the point of interruption. If necessary a substitution may be made, but will not be judged. Any member of the staff, or any member of the Judging Committee, may call for an interruption if, in his opinion, some member of the staff appears to be ill.

Judges are not permitted to leave their stations, or make any other distracting moves while a staff is on the floor. They shall not converse with one another until papers are completed and given to the Chairman. Word judges may ask assistance from Prompter after staff is off the floor, but this should not be done in the hearing of others.

A competing Ritual Team must exit floor after competition **without conversing with floor or word judges**.

A 1/4 point penalty may be assessed on the ritualist in violatoin.

Judges will not converse with a Ritualist concerning errors, or make any suggestions to him, until the entire competition has been completed and the score sheets have been distributed. The Competition Chairman may, however, answer questions prior to the Ritualist's appearance on the floor.

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have carefully inspected this revised edition of the Opening, Closing and Enrollment Ceremonies of the Moose Legion. We acknowledge that these Ceremonies supercede and replace all prior editions as approved by the International Moose Legion Council and adopted by the Supreme Council.

In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our names and affixed the Seal of the International Moose Legion this 1st day of January 2006.

David A. Chambers
General Governor

Robert Neff
International President

Guidelines For Nominating and Electing

Moose Legion Directors

FOREWORD

The enclosed information and guidelines are intended as a useful tool that will clarify the process of electing Directors and ensuring a smooth transition of leadership for the Moose Legion and its membership.

These guidelines in no way supersede the Moose Legion Code of Rules or the Constitution and General Laws of the Loyal Order of Moose, currently in effect, both of which should be thoroughly reviewed.

Director - *One of a group of persons entrusted with the overall direction of a corporate enterprise.*

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Organization

Every Moose Legion is required by the Code of Rules to hold an election of directors during the Annual Celebration scheduled between March 15 - April 30 of each year. The five (5) elected directors are President, Vice-President, Chaplain, Fraternal Director and Financial Director.

The only exceptions are: (1) a newly instituted Moose Legion, (2) a Moose Legion that has received written permission from the International Moose Legion Director, or (3) an emergency situation requiring an election to be changed or waived.

The Nominating Committee is probably the most important committee of the Moose Legion. Selection of qualified candidates will ensure success for the Moose Legion.

Composition

The Nominating Committee consists of:

- The Board of Directors (7)
- The duly appointed Assistant Secretaries representing the Lodges within the jurisdiction.

Meetings

The Nominating Committee meets at least forty-five (45) days prior to the Annual Celebration. The Secretary shall advise each member of the Nominating Committee of the date of this meeting at least thirty (30) days in advance.

Responsibilities

The Nominating Committee has two main responsibilities: Select at least one (1) Moose Legionnaire for each elected office and ensure five (5) different Lodges are represented on the elected Board of Directors.

Nominees should possess the desire to run for office, leadership qualities, people skills and the willingness to contribute time and effort to the success of their Moose Legion. The committee may nominate more than one Moose Legionnaire for a particular office.

Report to the Membership

A written report, listing the candidates by office, shall be presented to the membership a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to the election. These names are placed upon the official Moose Legion ballot for those offices requiring use of paper ballot (versus voting sign of the Order). Petitions or nominations from the floor are prohibited.

Dissolution

The Nominating Committee is not a standing committee. After the written report has been given to the Moose Legion, the Nominating Committee is automatically dissolved. Subsequent elections require the committee to meet again.

CAMPAIGNING

The printing, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, tickets, other written or printed materials, or through any electronic media by a Moose Legionnaire or anyone acting on his behalf, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office, is strictly prohibited. For any violation of this section, the offending member(s) may be suspended and, the election of such director(s) declared void with orders issued for a new election. Verbal campaigning is allowed.

ELIGIBILITY OF NOMINEES

A Moose Legionnaire wishing to be considered for nomination shall submit his name in writing, designating the particular office he desires. The nomination is submitted to any member of the committee prior to the scheduled Nominating Committee meeting.

The Nominating Committee shall consider all names submitted and select from these names, or other names approved by the committee, at least one (1) candidate for the offices of President, Vice-President, Chaplain, Fraternal Director, and Financial Director respectively. However, certain requirements and qualifications are necessary for nomination to the office of President. (See paragraph under "qualifications")

NOTE: These requirements do not apply to a newly instituted Moose Legion.

DIRECTOR QUALIFICATIONS

Board of Directors

A Moose Legionnaire must be in good standing with his Lodge and must have at least six (6) months of good standing Moose Legion membership in his Moose Legion, preceding May 1 of the year of his election. He must also have completed an authorized Moose Legion Educational Conference (MLEC) within two (2) years of election.

A member may only hold one (1) elected office in the Moose Legion at the same time.

A member who has been removed from office is not eligible to hold office again for a three (3) year period unless approved by written dispensation of the International Moose Legion Director.

A member under suspension because of charges preferred against him is eligible as a candidate for election to office, but if found guilty of a charge affecting his membership, the office shall be declared vacant.

Elected Directors shall not be eligible to serve more than two (2) terms in any one (1) office unless authorized by the International Moose Legion Director. A dispensation will only be granted in exceptional circumstances and for compelling reasons.

President

A Moose Legionnaire must complete at least one (1) year in another elected office of the Moose Legion in which he seeks office, and complete an authorized educational conference within two (2) years of taking office. This requirement may be waived by dispensation from the International Moose Legion Director.

A Moose Legionnaire After completing his term(s) as President, is not eligible to serve in another elected office, except as specified in the Code of Rules.

Election Committee

The President shall appoint an Election Committee of three (3) good standing Moose Legionnaires who are not members of the Board of Directors or candidates for elected office. The committee shall conduct the election, pass on all questions concerning the election, count the ballots and report to the Moose Legion the results of the election. Each member of the committee shall sign the report and the report shall be attached to the Moose Legion minutes.

The Election Committee is responsible for security and at no time shall any ballots or the ballot box be left

unattended by any member of the committee. The committee must keep a record of all ballots issued. Ballots shall be counted (not numbered) to verify the number of Moose Legionnaires voting with the number of ballots.

The ballot box must be sealed and initialed by the committee, and shall remain in the possession of the Election Committee for a period of forty-eight (48) hours. If no written challenge is made to the election within forty-eight (48) hours, the ballots are destroyed.

If a written challenge is made to a member of the Election Committee within forty-eight (48) hours of the closing of the election, the Election Committee shall impound the ballots pending final determination by the Election Committee, or by any appellate officer or tribunal.

Challenges or complaints regarding the election must be made to the Election Committee. A challenger must be allowed to witness the recount along with the committee.

INSTALLATION OF DIRECTORS

The elected Directors and appointed officers shall be installed at the Annual Celebration or at a special installation ceremony approved by the Board of Directors prior to May 1 each year.

The Junior Past President (who served as such during the past year) shall be the installing officer of his Moose Legion. All duly elected, appointed and installed officers shall take office as of midnight, April 30th of each year. If for any reason the Junior Past President cannot act, any Past President of the Moose Legion, appointed by the President-elect, may conduct the installation ceremonies.

VACANCIES

If a vacancy occurs in any elective office other than President or Secretary, the office shall be filled by appointment of a

qualified Moose Legionnaire by the Board of Directors.

If a vacancy occurs in the office of President, the Vice-President shall assume the office as Acting President for the remainder of the term or until another Director is selected by the Board.

Immediately upon a vacancy in the office of Secretary, the Board of Directors may appoint an Acting Secretary to serve for a period of time not to exceed six (6) months or until the next annual election, whichever shall first occur. The Financial Director shall serve as Acting Secretary on an interim basis until an Acting Secretary is appointed, but in no case for a period of time exceeding six (6) months.

The International Moose Legion Director may declare any office vacant for a violation by the officeholder of the Code of Rules, General Laws or policies of Moose International and appoint a qualified member of the Moose Legion to fill the vacancy created.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The general election shall be held at a general membership meeting during the Annual Celebration scheduled between March 15 and April 30 of each year. Even if there is only one (1) candidate for each office, an election must be held. The election cannot be waived by a Moose Legion. Only good standing Moose Legionnaires are eligible to vote during the election of the Board of Directors.

Voting

By Ballot

The election should be the first order of business after the roll call of Director and appointed officers. A late arriving member may be allowed to vote if the election is still in progress. The election must conclude in time for the Election Committee to count and tabulate the ballots and report

results to the presiding officer. The results of the election may be announced as the last item of business before closing the meeting.

A member may only vote for one (1) candidate for each office. Balloting shall be conducted in conformity with the Moose Legion Code of Rules and General Laws of the Order.

A paper ballot must be prepared for each office having two (2) or more nominees. The Secretary shall prepare official ballots listing all names submitted by the Nominating Committee. The candidate for each office receiving a majority (two (2) or less candidates) or a plurality (three (3) or more candidates) of "yes" votes cast shall be declared elected.

No absentee ballot, proxy vote or Australian Ballot shall be allowed.

By Sign of the Order

If there is only one (1) candidate for each office, the Moose Legion may dispense with the paper ballot and conduct the election by using the voting sign of the Moose Legion. This must be decided just prior to the election. If approved, this method must be used for all uncontested offices. After the report of the Nominating Committee, the presiding officer calls for a motion to adopt the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and to elect those uncontested nominees for the offices specified. After receiving a motion and second, the presiding officer will ask all in favor to raise their hands and then ask all those opposed to raise their hands. Should those 'opposed' prevail, the election must proceed by paper ballot.

However, it is permissible to conduct an election by paper ballot for each nominee. Any uncontested nominee receiving one (1) 'yes' vote is automatically elected. ‘No’ votes are not counted.

Sample Ballot

Election of
Moose Legion Directors

_____**Moose Legion No.**_____

President - (Vote for One)

❑ Joel (Joe) Nelson

Vice - President - (Vote for One)

❑ Thomas (Tom) Aldi
❑ Jim McArdle
❑ Warren Grady

Chaplain - (Vote for One)

❑ Ed Andersen
❑ Robert (Bobby) Mitchell

Financial Director - (Vote for One)

❑ Bob Smith

Fraternal Director - (Vote for One)

❑ James (Jimmy) Jones
❑ Hugh (Buddy) Brown

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Does the Moose Legion have the right to nominate and elect officers without following the nominating procedure?
   A. No.

2. Must the Nominating Committee confine its recommendations to the names submitted to it?
   A. No. The Nominating Committee shall select at least one (1) candidate for each office to be filled from the names submitted or it may reject any names and make other nominations.

3. Just because a member's name is considered during the Nominating Committee meeting, is the name automatically placed on the ballot as a candidate?
   A. No. The Nominating Committee must consider the qualifications, ability and willingness to serve of each suggested nominee. (See answer to question 2.)

4. Do the terms of all the elected Directors expire each year?
   A. Yes.

5. After a candidate is nominated, can he verbally solicit support by asking other members to support him at election time?
   A. Yes. However there can be no printed or written materials circulated (i.e., letters, tickets, resolutions, sample ballots, etc.). Campaigning by electronic media is also prohibited. Verbally asking a member for his support is not prohibited.

6. In the nomination and election of Directors, can names be placed on the ballot without designating the specific office?
   A. No. A nominee must designate which office he desires when submitting his written nomination form.

7. May blank space be provided on a ballot so that names may be inserted at the election?
   A. No. The ballot shall carry only names of those nominated by the Nominating Committee. Petitions and nominations from the floor are prohibited.

8. What is juniority of a Past President?
   A. Juniority means the order in which he most recently acquired title by service. Honorary Past Presidents are not included in the juniority list.

9. May a Past President be a candidate for elected director?
   A. Yes. The Past President must be running for his second consecutive one (1) year term as President. After two (2) years, the former officer is eligible for nomination to an elected office in his Moose Legion. To be eligible for the office of President, he must again serve one year in another elected office and meet all other qualifications required by the Code of Rules.

10. Can a member be eligible for election to more than one (1) directorship in the Moose Legion at the same time?
    A. No.

11. Who are eligible as candidates for the offices of Financial Director, Fraternal Director, Chaplain, and Vice-President?
    A. Any member who is in good standing in his Lodge and Moose Legion, has completed six (6) months of Moose Legion membership and has completed an authorized Moose Legion Educational Conference (MLEC) within two (2) years of election.

12. May a Moose Legion hold its general election of Directors at any time it may determine?

A. No. The Code of Rules provides that Directors shall be elected at the Annual Celebration between March 15 and April 30 each year.

13. By what authority may the Australian ballot be used?
    A. The Australian Ballot is prohibited in the Moose Legion.

14. Is a Moose Legionnaire whose membership card expires March 31st eligible to vote in the general election?
    A. Yes, if the Annual Celebration is held between March 15th and March 31st. Should the Celebration be held in April, the Moose Legionnaire must show a paid up membership card.

15. Is a member whose membership card has expired eligible to vote in a special election?
    A. No.

16. In voting, what constitutes (a) a majority, 2 or less candidates, (b) a plurality, 3 or more candidates?
    A. A majority or plurality is when a candidate receives more "yes" votes than any other candidate for the same office.

17. When should officers be installed?
    A. At the Annual Celebration or at a special installation ceremony approved by the Board of Directors prior to May 1, each year. New terms begin May 1st.

18. How many elected Directors are allowed from the same Lodge?
    A. Only one (1) elected member of the Board of Directors is allowed from each Lodge in the jurisdiction during the same term (providing the Moose Legion has that number of Lodges)

unless authorized by the Director of the International Moose Legion.

19. Who represents the Moose Legion as a representative at the Annual International Moose Legion Conference and Ritual Competition?
    A. The President and Secretary are the official representatives. However, any good standing member selected by the Moose Legion membership may serve as a representative, delegate or alternate.

20. Should a sample ballot be printed in the Moose Legion publication immediately following the report of the Nominating Committee?
    A. Yes.

21. Can a candidate have the name he is known by used on the ballot in lieu of his given name?
    A. Yes.

22. The Financial Director was appointed by the Board of Directors in January and approved by the membership at the following regular/general membership meeting. Does the office of Financial Director have to be declared open in the upcoming general election to be held at the Annual Celebration?
    A. Yes. The Code of Rules states that the appointment is effective only until the next general election.

23. Is the Moose Legion required to post or publish the meetings and schedule of events for the Nominating Committee and general elections?
    A. No. It is only required that the Nominating Committee provide the membership with a written slate of Directors and give a verbal report at the Annual Celebration. Although it is not necessary, there is nothing that prohibits posting or publishing this information (sample on next page).

NOMINATING/GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

March 2nd	**Nominating Committee meets (time and place). Moose Legionnaires must submit name, in writing and prior to the meeting, to a member of the Nominating Committee in order to be considered for nomination.**
March 10th	**Slate of Candidates mailed to all members.**
April 15th	**Election at (time and place) during Annual Celebration**

24. Is there a suggested format to be used when submitting one's name to a Nominating Committee for their consideration?

    A. Yes, (example follows)

(Suggested format for submitting name for consideration of the Nominating Committee)

I, Moose Legionnaire _____
(first, middle (and/or nickname) and last name)

MID _____

of _____ Lodge No. _____

wish to be considered for the office of _____.
(state title of office)

I recognize the responsibilities and duties of this office and I am willing to devote the necessary time and effort required by this office if elected.

_____ _____

Signature Date

25. May the President vote at the election of Directors?
    A. Yes, the same as any other good standing Moose Legionnaire.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS

The Nominating Committee should familiarize itself with the various duties and responsibilities of each elected Director in order to convey this information to prospective candidates. A condensed version of each elected Director's responsibilities is listed on the following pages (complete details of all seven (7) members of the Board of Directors duties are in the Code of Rules). It is recommended a copy of Directors' responsibilities be distributed to those expressing an interest in running for an elected Director's position.

PRESIDENT

- The President shall preside at all meetings of the Moose Legion.
- The President shall decide all parliamentary questions which may arise in the Moose Legion subject to appeal.
- In addition to the Secretary, he shall be one of two official representatives to the Annual Moose Legion Ritual Competition and Conference.
- The President shall appoint a Sergeant-at-Arms and Assistants as needed, who shall serve at the pleasure of the President. The President shall appoint the chairman of all committees as required.
- The President and the Junior Past President shall count all votes cast except election ballots. The President shall cast the deciding vote upon all questions as provided by Roberts' Rules of Order, except in the election of Directors and alternate representatives.
- The President shall, with the Secretary and Financial Director, be responsible for the safekeeping of all securities and valuable papers. He is authorized to sign all approved checks. At least two (2) signatures are required on each check; one shall be that of the Secretary and the other shall be that of the President or Fiancncial Director. The President shall also sign all other documents requiring his signature.
- He shall see that all funds of the Moose Legion are deposited in the bank by the Secretary in the name of the Moose Legion, and that a certified deposit slip is given the Financial Director for every deposit.
- He shall periodically examine all books, records and documents of all officers of the Moose Legion for the protection of the funds of the Moose Legion.
- He may call for a special audit, if determined necessary by the Board of Directors.
- He shall perform all other duties required of him by

the Code of Rules and Ritual of the International Moose Legion.

- He shall have responsibility for an active Moose Legion Committee in each lodge within the jurisdiction and shall personally visit each Lodge during his term of office. He shall properly compile each Lodge visitation report and send the report to the International Moose Legion Ambassador on the form required by the International Moose Legion.
- Upon receipt of court documents, a certificate from the clerk of any court or other satisfactory proof that a member has been convicted of a felony, he shall order the member expelled from membership in the Moose Legion, unless the member has received a special dispensation from the General Governor allowing him to retain his membership in the Order.
- If a vacancy occurs in the office of President, the Vice-President shall become the Acting President. He shall perform the duties and responsibilities related to this office until a new President is elected or appointed.
- The President's goals should be to increase active membership, increase new members and increase finances during his term.

VICE-PRESIDENT

- He is a member of the Board of Directors. He presides in the absence of the President, assists the President in preserving order and decorum and performs all other duties required of him by the Code of Rules and Ritual of the International Moose Legion.
- He is Chairman of the Membership Building Committee. He selects the members of the committee who shall be responsible for membership promotion and quarterly membership campaigns. The goal of this committee is to increase the members on the rolls.

- If a vacancy occurs in the office of President, he shall assume the office in an acting capacity, with full authority to perform the duties and the responsibilities of the President.

CHAPLAIN

- He is a member of the Board of Directors. He shall perform all duties required of him by the Code of Rules and Ritual of the International Moose Legion.
- The Chaplain is Chairman of the Publicity and Member Relations Committee and selects the committee members. The committee is responsible for advertisement, publicity and communications with the membership on a quarterly basis. The committee is also responsible for 'Fun and Frolic', which is the planning and execution of activities and entertainment and to encourage active participation of all Moose Legionnaires and their families at Celebrations. The committee goals are to increase Moose Legion awareness and increase attendance at Celebrations.
- He shall contact the sick, disabled and distressed and make a full report to the Moose Legion at each meeting.
- The Chaplain shall deliver all prayers as required.
- The Chaplain is a member of the Audit Committee, but shall not serve as its Chairman.

FRATERNAL DIRECTOR

- He is a member of the Board of Directors. In the absence of the President and Vice-President, he shall preside at all meetings of the Moose Legion. He shall perform all duties required of him by the Code of Rules and Ritual of the International Moose Legion.
- He is Chairman of the Fraternal Operations Committee and selects the members of this committee.

The committee is responsible for collecting the Mooseheart/Moosehaven Endowment Fund at all meetings and performing the Legacy of the Moose or Golden Ball Ceremony on an annual basis. The committee's goal is to increase Endowment Fund donations by $1.00 over the previous year.

- He and the Financial Director shall examine all bills, except recurrent overhead items, and report to the Board of Directors their recommendations as to payment.
- The ritual of the Moose Legion is under the direction of the Fraternal Director. He shall ensure the principles, goals and ideals of the Degree of Service are exemplified in rituals prepared and approved by the International Moose Legion Council. These rituals shall be used in various ceremonies and the enrollment of members into the Moose Legion. He, along with the ritual team, shall raise funds for International Competition.

FINANCIAL DIRECTOR

- He is a member of the Board of Directors. He shall perform all duties required of him by the Code of Rules and Ritual of the International Moose Legion.
- The Financial Director, Secretary and President shall be responsible for the safekeeping of all securities and valuable papers. He shall receive a duplicate deposit slip from the Secretary showing all funds deposited and credited to the Moose Legion. He shall initial the duplicate deposit slip retained by the Secretary.
- The Financial Director is authorized to sign all approved checks. At least two (2) signatures are required on each check; one shall be that of the Secretary and the other shall be that of the President or Financial Director.
- He and the Fraternal Director shall examine all bills, except recurrent overhead items, and report to the Board of Directors their recommendations as to payment.

- The Financial Director is Chairman of the Fund Raising Committee. He selects the committee members who will be responsible for raising funds for Mooseheart, Moosehaven, Camp Ross and other various projects designated during his term. The committee's goal is to increase the assets of the Moose Legion.
- The Financial Director shall collect and classify all funds, except fees and dues, received during a Celebration or meeting, deliver all funds to the Secretary at the conclusion of the meeting and obtain a receipt for all funds collected. A receipt shall be retained with his records.
- If a vacancy in the office of Secretary occurs, the Financial Director shall serve as temporary Secretary, unless another is appointed.

CONCLUSION

We hope this handbook will answer many of the questions you have regarding the election process. However, if you still have a question or need clarification about the procedures involved you should:

- Review the Code of Rules and this handbook to clarify the point of issue in question.
- After studying the Code of Rules, if you are still unsure or unclear on the point or issue, talk with other experienced members (i.e. Past Presidents, Secretary), your International Moose Legion Ambassador, Moose Legion Area Manager, or a Member of the International Moose Legion Council.

After exhausting the above, and if time allows, submit your question in writing to the International Moose Legion Director for clarification. If time is of the essence, call the International Moose Legion Office for assistance at (630) 966-2227. Written questions may be faxed to (630) 966-2208.

Installation Ceremonies for

MOOSE LEGION

ELECTED DIRECTORS AND APPOINTED OFFICERS

INSTALLATION CEREMONIES

For Moose Legion Directors and Appointed Officers

Attendance at installation of Moose Legion Director ceremonies is limited to Moose Legionnaires and their ladies. However, family members and honored members of the community may, in accordance with the General Laws, attend at the discretion of the Board of Directors and the host Lodge. At the institution of a new Moose Legion, it is recommended that family members and honored members of the community be invited to attend the installation of officers.

The meeting room must be set as described in the Moose Legion Ritual and the meeting opened in the normal fashion. Chairs are arranged behind the Altar as outlined in diagram 1. During special installation ceremonies, no other business need come before the membership.

The Jr. Past President (who served as such during the past year) shall be the installing officer of his Moose Legion. An Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, selected from the ranks of active Moose Legionnaires, shall be appointed by the Installing Officer to assist with the Installation Ceremony. All duly elected directors shall be installed at the last meeting in April of each year, or at a special Installion Cermony approved by the Moose Legion Board of Directors to be held prior to April 30. The new Board of Directors takes office as of midnight April 30. If, for any reason, the Junior Past President does not act, any Past North Moose or Past President of the Moose Legion, appointed by the current President, may conduct the Installtion Ceremony. In mid-term, a Director-appointed shall be installed by the Installing Officer, who shall use only such portions of the ceremony pertaining to such Director-appointed.

Before the ceremony begins, the Installing Officer should provide a copy of the prayer to the Chaplain (elect). Perforated copies of this prayer can be found in the back of this book.

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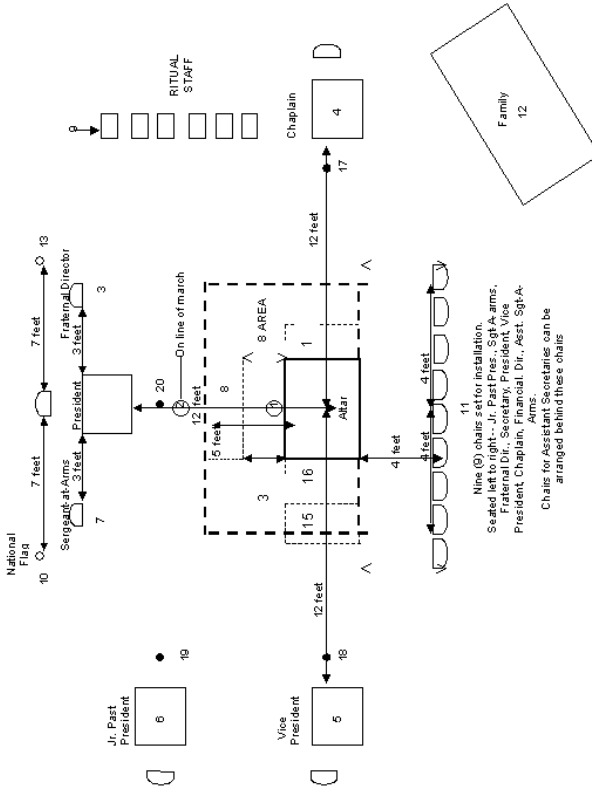

Nine (9) chairs set for installation.
Seated left to right - Jr. Past Pres.,
Sgt-at-Arms
Fraternal Dir., Secretary, President,
Vice - President, Chaplain, Financial Dir.,
Asst. Sgt-at-Arms.
Chairs for Assistant Secretaries can be
arranged behind these chairs

INSTALLATION CEREMONY

PRESIDENT: *(Gives one rap.)* Moose Legionnaires (ladies and guests), welcome to the installation of your newly elected Directors and appointed officers. I have the honor of introducing Past President (Past North Moose) _____ who will be our Installing Officer.

PRESIDENT: *(Gives two raps)* Everyone will rise.

PRESIDENT: Installing Officer _____, I hand you the gavel, as a symbol of your authority.

INSTALLING OFFICER: *(Gives one rap)* Everyone will be seated.

(The President takes a seat at the right of the Installing Officer.)

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legionnaires, I am here for the purpose of installing your elected Directors and appointed officers. Before doing so, it is my duty to ascertain whether your retiring officers have complied with the Moose Legion Code of Rules and the General Laws of the Order.

Brother President, have the Moose Legionnaires whom _____ Legion No. _____ desires to install into office for the current year been elected or appointed in strict compliance with the Moose Legion Code of Rules and the General Laws of the Order?

PRESIDENT: They have.

INSTALLING OFFICER: Will the retiring officers please rise. Please join me in applauding the time, effort and faithful service these Moose Legionnaires have rendered to the Degree of Service and to the Order during the preceding year. Thank you for a job well done! The retiring officers will please vacate their stations.

(Retiring officers vacate stations.)

INSTALLING OFFICER: The Secretary will call the roll of the directors-elected and officers appointed. As each name is announced, he will report to the Sergeant-at-Arms at the Altar and be seated as instructed.

(The officers elected and appointed shall be seated at the Altar, as shown in the diagram on page 2.)

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legionnaires, do any of you have just cause to show why any or all of the elected directors or appointed officers for this Moose Legion should not be installed into office? If so, please make it known at this time. *(If any cause should be presented which cannot be satisfactorily adjusted, the Installing Officer shall require the elected director or appointed officer to retire from his position at the Altar. He shall then proceed to install the remaining officers. Immediately following the installation, the Board of Directors shall submit a detailed report covering the cause for deferring installation to the International Moose Legion Director, and await his decision. Pending a decision of the Director, the officer who held such office at the close of the preceding term shall fill the office for which installation was deferred. If he is not available, appointment shall be made by the Installing Officer.)*

INSTALLING OFFICER: Since there appears to be no objection to any of the officers, we will proceed with the Installation Ceremony.

INSTALLING OFFICER: *(Addressing officers elected and appointed)* Do each of you accept the office to which you have been elected or appointed? If so, answer I do.

OFFICERS-ELECT: I do.

INSTALLING OFFICER: Elected directors and appointed officers will rise. Place your left hand over your heart, raise your right hand, and repeat after me, using your name where I use mine.

I, _____ _____, -- do solemnly promise -- that I will faithfully and to the best of my ability -- perform the duties of the office -- to which I have been elected or appointed. -- I will comply with the Moose Legion Code of Rules -- and the General Laws of this Order. -- I will memorize the portion of the Ritual -- pertaining to the office I hold. -- I will obey all orders -- emanating from the International Moose Legion Council, -- the officers of the Supreme Lodge -- and Moose International. -- I will endeavor to fulfill our Mission to have fun, -- while providing greater service to the Moose Fraternity. -- I will, by word and action, -- do some good thing for someone each day. -- I will promote membership in the Degree of Service -- by inviting all qualified Moose members -- to join the Moose Legion. -- I will promote and support all Moose Legion programs, -- and I will strive to reach -- the level of Moose service -- that merits advancement to -- the Fellowship and Pilgrim Degrees. -- I will help lead my Moose Legion -- toward membership and financial progress. --I will deliver to my successor in office, -- or to any other legal authority of the Order, -- all funds and property in my possesion -- belonging to this Moose Legion -- or to any other unit of the Order. -- I further promise -- that I will set a positive example -- for all Moose Legionnaires to follow. -- By this obligation, I pledge my leadership. You may be seated.

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INSTALLING OFFICER: Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, present the out-going President at this station.

(Installing Sergeant-at-Arms does as directed.)

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legionnaire _____ _____, you have served this Moose Legion faithfully as the presiding officer. *(For new Moose Legion institutions - Moose Legionnaire _____, you have been appointed as the Junior Past President of this*

Moose Legion.) You are qualified to act as advisor on matters upon which you will be called to speak, and your attendance at Moose Legion meetings will assure that the good accomplished under your leadership will continue.

As the Junior Past President, you will continue as a member of the Board of Directors and perform all duties required by the Moose Legion Code of Rules and Ritual. You are the Chairman of the Membership Retention Committee with responsibility to increase the active membership of this Moose Legion. You are the Chairman of the Moose Legionnaire of the Year Selection Committee, encouraging every Lodge to submit a qualified Moose Legionnaire for this honor. You will assist the President in inspecting all ballots on applicants, and you are the Installing Officer of this Moose Legion until another has taken your place.

As a Past President, you are now entitled to enjoy all the rights and privileges associated with this honor. I now declare you duly installed as the Junior Past President of this Moose Legion and invest you with the emblem of your office. Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, please escort the Junior Past President to the station of Charity.

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INSTALLING OFFICER: The Moose Legion Secretary will call the roll of his appointments of Assistant Secretaries for the Lodges in this Moose Legion jurisdiction. Please stand as your name is called and remain standing until otherwise instructed.

(Secretary calls roll.)

Your appointment is vital to the well being of this Moose Legion. You are the Secretary of your Lodge Moose Legion Committee and will accurately maintain the minutes, keep accurate financial records, read correspondence and be the center for communications with

all Moose Legionnaires in your Lodge. You shall be responsible to the Moose Legion Secretary, promote all programs of the Moose Legion, and assist in the building and retention of the membership of this Moose Legion. You are a voting member of the Nominating Committee responsible for selecting the future leadership of this Moose Legion. Your dedication and efforts will make a difference in the success of your Lodge Moose Legion Committee and this Moose Legion. Thank you for accepting this vital appointment. Please be seated.

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INSTALLING OFFICER: Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, present the Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms at this station *(more than one is permitted)*.

(Installing Sergeant-at-Arms does as directed.)

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legionnaire(s) _____ _____, you shall assist the Sergeant-at-Arms with the ceremonies of the Moose Legion and perform such other duties as required by the President. You will acquaint yourself with the Ritual and the duties of the Sergeant-at-Arms and be prepared to perform such duties in his absence. I now invest you with the emblem of your office and declare you duly installed. Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, please escort the Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms to his/their station(s).

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INSTALLING OFFICER: Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, present the Sergeant-at-Arms at this station.

(Installing Sergeant-at-Arms does as directed.)

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legionnaire _____ _____, you are under the direction of the President. You shall assist members, visitors, or latecomers in making proper entry into the meeting room. You are in charge of the

property and paraphernalia of the Moose Legion not otherwise provided for. You shall properly arrange the room for all meetings and special functions, and immediately remove the paraphernalia after every meeting. You shall perform such other duties as may be designated by the Moose Legion Ritual or required by the President. I now invest you with the emblem of your office and declare you duly installed as Sergeant-at-Arms. Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, please escort the Sergeant-at-Arms to his station.

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INSTALLING OFFICER: Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, present the Fraternal Director-elect at this station.

(Installing Sergeant-at-Arms does as directed.)

INSTALLING OFFICE: Moose Legionnaire _____, you are the Chairman of the Fraternal Operations Committee responsible for collecting the Mooseheart/ Moosehaven Endowment Fund at all meetings and performing the Legacy of the Moose or Golden Ball Ceremony on an annual basis.

The Ritual of the Moose Legion is also under your direction. You shall ensure the principles, goals and ideals of the Degree of Service are exemplified in approved rituals performed in various ceremonies and the enrollment of new Moose Legionnaires. You and the Financial Director shall examine all bills and report to the Board of Directors your recommendation as to payment. As a member of the Board, you shall perform all other duties required of you by the Moose Legion Code of Rules and Ritual. Fraternalism is the heart and soul of the Degree of Service. Your challenge is to build the spirit of fraternalism to new heights within this Moose Legion. I now present you with the emblem of your office and declare you duly installed as Fraternal Director. Installing

Sergeant-at-Arms, please escort the Fraternal Director to his chair.

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INSTALLING OFFICER: Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, present the Financial Director-elect at this station.

(Installing Sergeant-at-Arms does as directed.)

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legionnaire _____ _____, along with the Secretary and President, you shall be responsible for the safekeeping of all securities and valuable papers. You and the Fraternal Director shall examine all bills and make recommendation to the Board of Directors as to payment. You are the Financial Director of this Moose Legion Corporation and authorized to sign all checks as ordered paid by the Moose Legion. You shall receive from the Secretary all deposit slips showing deposits made by him in financial institutions in the name of the Moose Legion and report this information to the membership at regular meetings. You are also the Chairman of the Fundraising Committee and shall collect and classify all funds during Celebrations and meetings. You are responsible for raising funds for Mooseheart, Moosehaven, and Camp Ross projects and increasing the assets of this Moose Legion. You can assure the confidence the members have placed in you by exercising the utmost care and fidelity in performing your duties as required by the Moose Legion Code of Rules and Ritual. I now invest you with the emblem of your office and declare you duly installed as Financial Director. Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, please escort the Financial Director to his desk.

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(IF THE SECRETARY HAS NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED.)

INSTALLING OFFICER: Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, present the Secretary at this station.

(Installing Sergeant-at-Arms does as directed.)

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legionnaire _____ _____, you are the Secretary of this Moose Legion Corporation, and, along with the Financial Director and President, are a custodian for the securities and valuable papers. You shall correctly keep minutes of all meetings of this Moose Legion, maintain accurate membership and financial reports, preserve and file all valuable papers, report all membership records as required, sign all approved checks and legal documents, and read all correspondence to the Board of Directors and Moose Legion membership. As Secretary, you shall appoint an Assistant Secretary in each Lodge within this Moose Legion Jurisdiction. You shall make timely Financial Reports to Moose International, and perform all other duties as required by the Moose Legion Code of Rules and Ritual. You shall carefully study all the rules of the Moose Legion, insist your books be audited regularly by the local auditing committee, and be zealous in your efforts to keep this Moose Legion in good standing in the International Moose Legion, so the members may be entitled to all the benefits provided. As correspondent for the Moose Legion, your promptness in communicating with the Moose Legion membership and Moose International is of vital importance.

Believing your ability and zeal in the discharge of your duties will contribute to the success and prosperity of this Moose Legion, I present you with the emblem of your office and declare you duly installed as Secretary. Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, please escort the Secretary to his desk.

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INSTALLING OFFICER: Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, present the Chaplain-elect at this station.

(Installing Sergeant-at-Arms does as directed.)

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legionnaire _____ _____, you are the Chairman of the Publicity and Member Relations Committee with responsibility for advertisement, publicity and communications with the membership. This committee also has the duty of planning and executing activities and entertainment to encourage greater participation at Celebrations. You are a member of the Auditing Committee, and shall perform all other duties as required by the Moose Legion Code of Rules and Ritual. It will be your duty to promply contact or visit the sick and be as helpful as possible to the needy and distressed. As yours is the station of Faith, you shall invoke the blessing of the Supreme Being in our services and ceremonies. Let your conduct and demeanor be an example for all Moose Legionnaires to follow. I now present you with the emblem of your office and declare you duly installed as Chaplain. Installing Sergeant-at Arms, please escort the Chaplain to his station.

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INSTALLING OFFICER: Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, present the Vice-President-elect at this station.

(*Installing Sergeant-at-Arms does as directed.)*

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legionnaire _____ _____, you are Vice-President of the Moose Legion Corporation, a member of the Board of Directors, and shall perform all duties required of you by the Moose Legion Code of Rules and Ritual. You will assist the President in preserving order and decorum in the Moose Legion and in the absence of the President, preside over the deliberations of this Moose Legion with full authority to perform his duties and responsibilities. You are the Chairman of the Membership Building Committee and responsible for membership promotion and quarterly membership campaigns. It is with pleasure that I invest you with the emblem of your office and declare you duly

installed as Vice-President. Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, please escort the Vice-President to the station of Hope.

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INSTALLING OFFICER: Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, present the President-elect at this station.

(Installing Sergeant-at-Arms does as directed.)

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legionnaire _____ _____, I welcome you to the station of leadership. You are the President of the Moose Legion Corporation and the Board of Directors. You shall preside at all meetings of the Moose Legion, preserve order, apply and enforce all the rules of the Moose Legion and decide parliamentary questions. You, along with the Secretary and Financial Director, are a custodian of all securities and authorized to sign all approved checks. You are a member of all prescribed standing committees of the Secretary are the two official representatives to the Annual International Moose Legion Ritual Competition and Conference. While you are President, this Moose Legion should show an increase in good standing membership, an increase of members on the rolls and an increase in net assets.

Moose Legion and will assist the Junior Past President in counting all votes cast except election ballots. The President and the Secretary are the two official representatives to the Annual International Moose Legion Ritual Competition and Conference. While you are President, this Moose Legion should show an increase in active membership and an increase in net assets.

Your main responsibility is to visit each Lodge in this Moose Legion jurisdiction, ensuring the Lodge Moose Legion Committee is active and functioning for the enjoyment of the Moose Legionnaires and their families, and of service to the Lodge. A report of your visitation must be properly reported to the International Moose Legion Ambassador. Listen with

respect to the opinion of other Moose Legionnaires, and in making decisions, remember that your own feelings or interests must have no weight. The Moose Legion membership should be harmonious, diligently promoting our purposes, and enthusiastically engaged in furthering our fraternal objectives. Upon completion of your term of office, you become a Past President of this Moose Legion and entitled to enjoy all rights and privileges associated with this honor. The members of this Moose Legion now confer a distinctive honor upon you and it is my pleasure to invest you with the emblem of your office. I declare you duly installed as President of this Moose Legion.

Installing Sergeant-at-Arms, please escort the President to a place on my left.

(President stands at left of Installing Officer.)

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INSTALLING OFFICER: Directors and appointed officers, the membership of this Moose Legion have placed their trust in your dedication, and ability to lead _____ Moose Legion No. _____ for the coming year. The welfare, progress and expectations of this Moose Legion, as well as the activities and participation of its membership, and their families, depend entirely on your individual and collective actions. I challenge each of you to seriously consider the principles and concept of the Degree of Service and the part you will play in its future. By the authority vested in me as Installing Officer, I now declare the Board of Directors and appointed officers of this Moose Legion duly installed.

INSTALLING OFFICER: *(Gives two raps.)* Everyone will rise. The Chaplain will ask the blessing of the Supreme Being.

CHAPLAIN: *(At Altar position 14)* Let us fold our arms and bow our heads. Supreme Being, we ask you to watch

over these officers, to whom the leadership of this Moose Legion is committed. Implant in their hearts the spirit of Fraternal service; guide them in the principles of Faith, Hope and Charity; instill wisdom into their decision-making, and lead them toward greater contributions to the humanitarian efforts of the Degree of Service. We especially ask for peace and harmony to prevail in this Moose Legion, and that prosperity and good health be granted to every individual member and his family. Give each of us the courage to live up to our pledge of doing some good thing for someone each day. We ask these things in thy name. Amen.

MEMBERS: *(in concert)* Amen

(Chaplain returns to station)

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legion President ____ _____ I hand you the gavel as a symbol of your authority. Wield it firmly, never in anger, and always with discretion.

INSTALLING OFFICER: Moose Legionnaires (ladies and guests), I have the pleasure of presenting your new Moose Legion President, the Board of Directors and appointed officers (applause).

PRESIDENT: *(Gives one rap.)* Everyone will be seated.

(Installing Officer takes a seat at the right of the President who proceeds with the regular order of business, or with the program.)

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