

Downers Grove Moose Celebrates it's 80th Anniversary on April 13th

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Downers Grove Moose Family Center

The Downers Grove Moose Family Center will celebrate it's 80th Anniversary on April 13, 2010, having received it's charter on April 13, 1930. Membership in 1931 was approximately 300 and during the depression years membership dropped to 75 members.

At the Lodge's 25th anniversary in 1955, after moving to our current location, there were 1800+ members and at the Lodges 50th anniversary in 1980 there were 1900+ members. Membership in 2004 fell below 400 when the Lodge endured financial tough times.

During 2007-2009 our Lodge experienced a membership explosion, going from under 400 to over 1200. Currently, our membership is 1225+ and growing to our new member goal for 2009-2010 of 1300. Since May 1, 2009, 87+ members have sponsored 124+ new members into our Lodge on our way to our Lodge's target 150. During "Anniversary Week", April 19th to April 25th, units of our Lodge celebrate the 80th anniversary by hosting dinners for membership.

The Loyal Order of Moose is a fraternal and service organization founded in 1888, with nearly 800,000 men in roughly 1,800 Lodges, in all 50 states and four Canadian provinces, plus Great Britain and Bermuda.

Along with other units of Moose International, the Loyal Order of Moose supports the operation of Mooseheart Child City & School, a 1,000 acre community for children and teens in need, located 40 miles west of Chicago, IL.; and Moosehaven, a 70-acre retirement community for its members near Jacksonville, FL.

Moose Lodges conduct approximately \$90 million worth of community service (counting monetary donations and volunteer hours worked) annually. Additionally, the Loyal Order of Moose conducts numerous sports and recreational programs, in local Lodges and Family Centers in the majority of 44 State and Provincial Associations, and on a fraternity-wide basis

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