

## 2015 International Moose Convention Activities

### Heart of the Community at the International Moose Convention!

The Moose Fraternity will again be performing a variety of community service activities in Nashville in conjunction with the 2015 International Moose Convention. These efforts will take place from **1:00 pm – 5:00 pm on Monday, July 6, 2015** when no other convention activities are scheduled.

We are looking for members who are interested in volunteering:



**Heartland Facility of Lakeshore Senior Living** (indoors)  
Activities with residents and facility clean-up



**Safe Haven Family Shelter** (indoors)  
Spring cleaning and sorting donations to assist the homeless in transition from shelter to housing



**Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee** (indoors)  
Sorting food donations



**Sophia's Heart** (indoors)  
Painting, cleaning and setting-up new resident wing for foundation that reaches out to children from birth to age 18 who need restoration in various areas of their lives



**Bell Garden** (outdoors)  
Planting/harvesting/mulching at a facility that promotes healthy living and access to organic foods



**Friends of Warner Parks** (outdoors)  
Cleaning litter in picnic areas and along river, and maintain hiking trails



**Monroe Harding** (outdoors)  
Outdoor work for an organization providing residential programs for individuals who have suffered childhood trauma



**Radnor Lake State Natural Area** (outdoors)  
Install gravel or mulch along hiking trails

**Please click this link: [2015 Heart of the Community Questionnaire](#) and return the attached form as soon as possible if you would like to participate in one of the activities listed above.** There is limited space, so don't wait. Volunteers will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis. Once the number of available positions is filled, members not selected will be placed on "stand-by" to fill in for any cancellations or no-shows. **Participants will be notified of their assignments by early-mid June.**

**Unable to participate in one of these volunteer efforts? You can still make a difference!**

We will be holding a **blood drive** hosted by the American Red Cross. All members in attendance will be invited to participate, as will the public. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred and will be honored first. Appointments can be scheduled with a Red Cross volunteer in the registration/Moose Member Center area in the Delta Ballroom Lobby B on Friday, July 3rd during display hours.

We are also planning some **Safe Surfin' ID events** with the Davidson County Sheriff's Department. Our friends at Safe Surfin' have coordinated with some agencies throughout Nashville to ID residents or individuals who receive services from these agencies. This event will not require additional volunteers, however.

We will also be conducting a **food collection** for Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee, a **clothing collection** for Goodwill Industries of Middle Tennessee, a **school supplies collection** for Safe Haven Family Shelter, as well as a **children's books collection** for Book 'Em, a non-profit organization that helps provide books to economically disadvantaged children.

With the number of individuals anticipated driving to Nashville, please consider throwing in your car canned or non-perishable food items, a few articles of clothing, school supplies, or a children's book or two as a donation. *This is also an excellent opportunity for your lodge or chapter to conduct a local drive for one or more of these needed items and transport them to Nashville with a member who is driving.* Collection vessels for all drives will be set up at the Activities display area in the Delta Ballroom Lobby B. **Please drop off all donations BEFORE Monday, July 6,** as all donations will be turned over to the respective organizations on Monday.

We are excited about our scheduled community service efforts for our host city, and we look forward to having community service be part of future convention agendas. Thank you for your interest in participating in these opportunities.

We look forward to greeting you in July in Nashville. Best wishes for safe travels and a great convention!

**Questions?** Contact Shawn Baile at 630-859-2000, x-6257.