

*Let the little children come to me .. do not keep them away .. for they are like the kingdom of Heaven*

**The West Boca**  
**Moose Letter**

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# Greetings from The Governor

Dear Fellow Moose Members,

First off, I want to congratulate the outgoing board of officers for a very successful year. Plus, I would like to say thank you to all the members who continue to support our Lodge & Chapter. With your support we can continue to help our extended family at Mooseheart & Moosehaven. Yes - we are a Moose Family.

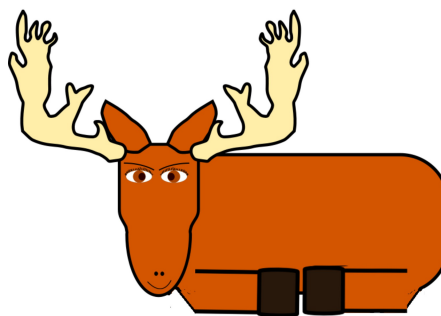
Over the past few years, I have had a chance to meet a few Mooseheart Graduate. Leslie & David, both who visited us here at West Boca and their experiences touched me. It made me realize that what we do - really does make a difference. I've also visited Moosehaven and talked to some of the seniors and toured the campus. It is so rewarding to know we have a hand in their care.

As members learn about the good work we do - many often want to get more involved. With the support & encouragement of my wife and good friends I too made that same decision. Yes - I put my name in for Governor and I am grateful to have the support of many. So, Thank You very much!

Moose International has some very important topics being discussed & voted on this year so we encourage all members to attend lodge & chapter meetings to hear more on these topics.

I am excited about our upcoming year, excited about working together both men & woman. I would like to say Congratulations to all officers, both men & women of West Boca and let's make this another memorable year.

West Boca Proud,  
Rick Shockley  
Governor-Elect





















*Impressions from the Inauguration Ceremonies*





# April showers bring May flowers

By Ofelia Rodriguez

As a child, I always heard this saying, but what does it mean?

Well, in 1557 a gentleman by the name of Thomas Tusser compiled a collection of writings he called *A Hundred Good Points of Husbandry*. In the April Husbandry section he wrote:

Sweet April showers

Do spring May flowers

As you can see, the rhyme was originally a short poem. There is meaning behind the words, as well. "April showers bring May flowers" is a reminder that even the most unpleasant of things, in this case the heavy rains of April, can bring about very enjoyable things indeed - in this case, an abundance of flowers in May.

"April showers bring May flowers" is a lesson in patience, and one that remains valid to this day. Did Mr. Tusser mean patience with the weather or his wife?

I would like to think that he meant more than that. I imagine he meant life in general. Patience is not easy for some. For others it comes naturally. Here at the lodge, many of us have an abundance of it while others lack it immensely, but this article is not meant to criticize, it is meant to educate everyone in the art of patience.

Why should I practice patience? Others often see impatient people as arrogant, insensitive, and impulsive. They can be viewed as poor decision makers, because they make quick judgments or interrupt people. Some people will even avoid impatient people, because of their poor people skills and bad tempers.

People with these personality traits are unlikely to be at the top of the list for promotions to leadership positions. Impatience can even affect relationships at home.

























West Boca 204 Moose Riders  
**POKER RUN**



**Saturday, May 11, 2019**

**Registration is 8:30am - 9:30am**

**Kick Stands up at 9:30am**

**Donation - \$20 per person**

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- West Boca
- Jupiter
- Buckhead Ridge (Lunch)
- Palm Beach Gardens
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*Participants:*

- Lauderdale Lakes
- VFW
- American Legion
- Masons
- District 3

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**BAR BINGO**

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Thursdays at 7:00 pm

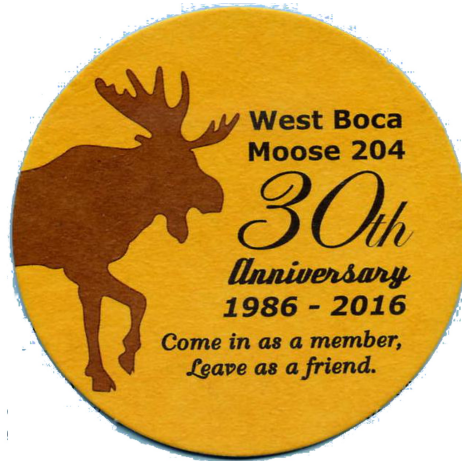
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