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Greenville Moose Family Center mascot Tommy the Moose hangs one of the new patriotic banners on a lamp post Wednesday near Greenville's borough building. The local Moose organization was honored for its generous donation Wednesday morning during the Greenville Chamber of Commerce Partnership Breakfast.

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Chamber partners recognize Moose for generous gift

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Greenville Moose Family Center was honored Wednesday morning at the Greenville Area Chamber of Commerce partnership breakfast for funding the purchase of patriotic banners to adorn

the light poles in downtown Greenville. "We're a patriotic group and we really jumped on the opportunity to support the banner project," said Paul Chianese, administrator at the Moose.

The banners are a project of Greenville Borough and the Chamber of Commerce.

According to Jim Rust of the chamber's marketing committee, the project

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is a perfect example of how the "Boomtown" effort is supposed to work, and called the Moose members "Eagles," or leaders of the project.

"You made it happen in a quick fashion," Rust said. "Getting together like this at these partnership events has had an impact on how we get things done and how we make things happen. When we first started, it was to try to make our community better and I think we are doing that."

Chianese gave a brief overview of the Moose organization, saying there are 1,100 men and 800 women members. One of its major philanthropies is Mooseheart Child City and School about 40 miles west of Chicago where children live who have no place else to go. They receive food, housing, medical care, and schooling. Another philanthropy is Moose Haven located outside of Jacksonville, Fla., for senior living.

"We are not the local bar," he said. "We support the community in many many ways."