



"THE GUIDING LIGHT"
Loyal Order of Moose

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"A Burden, heavy to one



is borne lightly by many."

April

"The Friendliest Lodge There Is"

2020

Yes, We're Closed but Ready to Open

North Port Moose Lodge officers are closely monitoring the rapidly changing environment and information from local and federal officials about COVID-19. Our priority in times of public health risk is the health and safety of our members and staff.

At the current time, we are taking several steps to decrease risk at the Lodge and Tiki porch and with our own volunteers. The Social Quarters and Kitchen areas have been sanitized especially in the high-touch areas like doorknobs, light switches, etc. This is in addition to regular systematic cleaning. All furniture and equipment in the dining room has been cleaned and sanitized so things will be ready to go as soon as Governor DeSantis' order-to-close is lifted.

What you should do:

Stay healthy. Wash your hands with soap and water often. Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands; cough or sneeze into your arm. Stay informed. Follow the [CDC guidelines](https://www.cdc.gov/covid19/). Avoid contact with other people if you are ill, and avoid contact with people who are ill.

When we reopen:

As you know, we have been remodeling to make this Lodge a better place to visit and enjoy. Please plan on making an effort to visit when we reopen. We need you at the bar and our brand new tables ordering meals, drinks and attending our functions. Don't let your support of this Lodge and our Fraternity slip now: pay your dues, sponsor a new member, volunteer to help around the Lodge (make new friends at the same time), look out for those you know with a phone call.

Responding to the COVID-19 virus had forced changes to some long-standing traditions. The terms of Lodge and Chapter officers have been extended until June 30, 2020. New officers will be installed in June at a date to be announced. Florida Moose Association has canceled the Mid-Year conference in Orlando; refunds will be issued. District meetings, training and sports activities are canceled until May 3.

Once this crisis passes we'll reopen and hope to see you in the lodge looking hale and hearty. Our very survival may depend on it, so come out for the bar games, bingo, dances and fabulous food. Don't forget to attend a Lodge or Chapter meeting where you'll find out how this closure has affected us and how we'll come back from it stronger and better than before. As always, check our [website](#) and [Facebook page](#) for updates.

Fraternally, Governor Terry Seal, Sr Regent Brenda Seal, and Administrator Mike Lambert.

Information that's good to know that you may have missed.



The due date for filing Federal income tax returns and making Federal income tax payments due April 15, 2020, is *automatically postponed to July 15, 2020*. Affected Taxpayers do not have to file Forms 4868 or 7004. There is no limitation on the amount of the payment that may be postponed. More information can be [found here](#).

NORTH PORT COUNTS!
PLEASE TAKE THE 2020 CENSUS



The goal of the 2020 Census is a complete and accurate count of everyone

living in the United States and its five territories. You should count yourself at the place where you are living and sleeping most of the time as of April 1, 2020 (Census Day). The 2020 Census forms will be delivered between March 12-20. For the first time, you can choose to complete the census online, by phone, or by mail.

If you have been laid off or lost your job as a result of COVID-19 closures, you may be eligible for financial assistance from the state. You must apply for assistance online at [Florida's Online Reemployment Assistance System](#)

NOTE: Tablets, phones, and other mobile devices are not currently supported by CONNECT and may result in errors. Supported browsers are - Internet Explorer version 11, Chrome, Mozilla Firefox versions 16 or 17, or Apple Safari.

If the Lodge is allowed to reopen in April, Lodge and Chapter meetings will be held as indicated below. Check our website or Facebook page for our status.

LOOM Meetings Schedule

Second Tuesday of the Month: **Apr 14, 2020**

Fourth Tuesday of the Month: **Apr 28, 2020**

Lodge Meetings begin 7:00 PM

**LODGE &
CHAPTER
OFFICERS
2019 - 2020**



- Governor: Terry Seal
- Jr Governor: Gene Herbst
- Prelate: George Garmon
- Treasurer: Larry Mahorney
- Jr. Past Governor: Paul Hedrick
- Trustee: Rick Novak
- Trustee: Keith Korbus
- Trustee: Ed Mell
- Administrator: Mike Lambert

**FMA District 22
May 9 @ 12 noon
Port Charlotte**

**Apr 8
6:30 PM**
Chapter meeting



**Apr 22
6:30 PM**
Chapter meeting

- Sr Regent: Brenda Seal
- Jr Regent: vacant
- Jr Graduate Regent: Bubbles Burress
- Sec/Treas: Dena DeGarmo
- Recorder: Becky Brooke

Women of the Moose Chapter 1892 meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month at 6:30 PM in the annex. **The Board of Officers meet on the 2nd Tuesday at 5:30 PM:** All women in the the North Port Moose are invited to join our Chapter.

Just because activity at the Moose Lodge is suspended, keep your membership current. Pay your dues online at Moose International's Secure Portal. You will need your membership number: <https://secure.mooseintl.org/QuickPay/>

Since we don't know when the Lodge will reopen, we aren't providing a May calendar of events. However, when we reopen these events are expected to resume and we'll need you to come to the events in support of the Lodge and our responsibilities to Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

Sunday	Bar Poker	1 - 3 PM
Monday	Queen of Hearts	6 PM
Tuesday	Show Me the Money	5 - 7 PM
Wednesday	Texas Hold 'Em	6 PM
Thursday	Bingo	7 PM
Friday	Karaoke	7- 10 PM
Saturday	Captain & Crew	1- 4 PM
First Saturday	MEGA Bingo	12 noon