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The Moose

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North Port Family Center 764

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"A Burden, heavy to one



is borne lightly by many."

FEBRUARY

"The Friendliest Lodge There Is"

2024



From the Administrator

February looks to be a busy month again trying to keep our members happy and enjoy coming to your lodge

See the calendar for regular events and don't miss this on Sunday, February 25. Tribute to Elvis by (Vito Ameruso) from 6 - 8 PM.

Meetings this month: Moose Legion on Saturday, February 3 at 8:30 AM; General Membership meetings on Tuesday, February 13 and 27 at 7:00 PM; WOTM on February 14 at 6:00 PM; and Member Orientation at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, February 21. All of the meetings are held in the Annex building.

We are still collecting donations for our walk-in cooler. Cost: \$40,000 and we need your help. If you would like to donate please place in an envelope with your name and place in a small black mailbox just outside the kitchen door.

Where does the money go? Well, I can tell you that it costs an average of about \$100,000 a month to keep our doors open with food costs, water, electricity, gas, salaries, taxes, insurance, and supplies. The entertainment is covered by the 50/50 that Don Caron does as well as mandatory conventions that your lodge president and lodge administrator attend. The money we collect for the Endowment Fund goes directly to Moose International to take care of our children at Mooseheart and our seniors at Moosehaven. We also give back to our community with donations to our Veterans Home, the North Port Boys & Girls Club plus North Port High School Spark. And please remember we can't do any of these things without your continued support.

Fraternally, Terry W. Seal Sr., Administrator

From the Lodge President

Hello Moose Members

Just a few things from January: Congratulations to **Terry Seal** on getting the Medal of Honor Award for sponsoring 150 New Moose Legionnaires into North Port Lodge, and being elected President of Manatee Moose Legion 58. Congratulations to **Rachel Baker** and **Susan Runge** on receiving their awards into the 25 Club for sponsoring 25+ new members.



James Godshall

The Women of the Moose Chapter 1892 held their 4th Annual Twisted Beauty Contest on Saturday, January 20 with 4 contestants competing for first place along with Carl from Carlokee playing their selected individual-themed tunes. Lots of laughs and pictures were taken during the event. January was another great success at the North Port Moose Lodge.

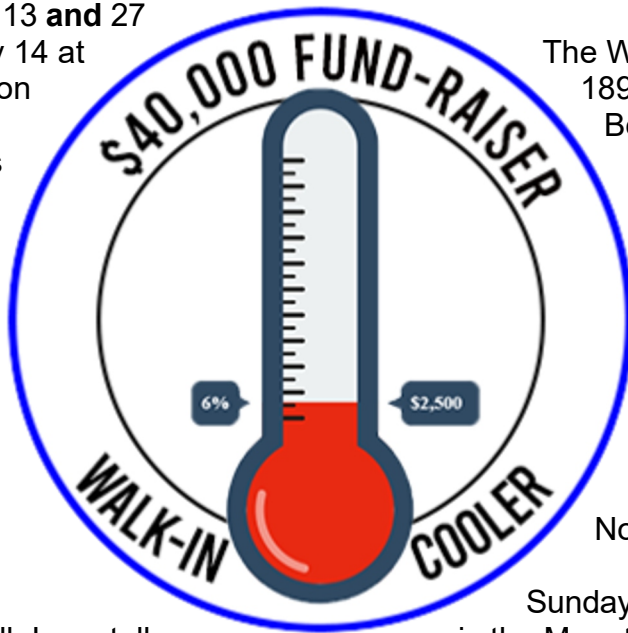
Now onto a busy February

Sunday, February 18 from noon till 4 PM is the Manatee 58 Moose Legion Annual Picnic being held at the Port Charlotte #2121 Moose Lodge. For \$15 per person, there will be burgers and dogs, pork butts, salads, beans, coleslaw, and ice-cold beer available along with great music provided by the one and only *American Made Band* playing for your entertainment. So bring your chairs, sunhats, and sunglasses for a fantastic time.

Appearing live at our Moose Lodge on Sunday, February 25 at 6 PM will be national award-winning vocalist *Vito Ameruso* entertaining you with a Tribute to the King, Elvis Presley. Tickets are on sale at \$20 per person with food and drink available to purchase.

The monthly FMA District 22 meeting is at noon on

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Moose Lodge #764 Meeting Schedule

General Membership Meetings (men & women attend)

Second Tuesday of the Month: **FEB 13 @ 7 PM**

Fourth Tuesday of the Month: **FEB 22 @ 7 PM**

President	James Godshall
Vice President	Rod Black
Chaplain	Dom Russo
Treasurer	Patricia Groves
Administrator	Terry Seal
Jr Past Pres	Ed Mell
Trustee	Don Caron
Trustee	Scott Fusco
Trustee	Mike Gomez
Jr Past President	Ed Mell
Sgt-at-Arms	William Hostetler
Inner Guard	Susan Runge
Outer Guard	Paul Stevens

**LODGE &
CHAPTER
OFFICERS
2023 - 2024**



Feb 14

6:00 PM

Chapter meeting



MAR 13

6:00 PM

Chapter meeting

Sr Regent: Brenda Seal

Secretary: Gail Soderman

Treasurer: Becky Brooke

Jr. Past Regent: Ann Mell

Women of the Moose Chapter 1892 meet on the **second Wednesday of every month at 6:00 PM.**

FMA District 22

February 10, 2024

Venice #1308



The Moose Legion meets on the first Saturday in the Annex at 8:30 AM. LAC-Ed Mell, LAS-James Godshall, VIC/LAC Kevin Mennerick.

From the Moose Legion

My fellow Legionnaires, first off I want to thank you for being a Moose Legionnaire. Your dues every year go directly to Mooseheart and Moosehaven so please don't drop your Legionnaire dues. If anything, think of the children and seniors that it helps support for just that small amount of \$17 dues.

We had our monthly meeting on January 6 and discussed our business and upcoming events, and had a nice turnout. Our meeting dates and times are on the first Saturday of each month at 8:30 AM so please attend. Our next meeting is on February 3 at our Moose Annex building. We need your input to develop things we can do in the months ahead. Please be sure to look for the next date of a mini conferral on the Moose Legion board. A mini-conferral was held on January 6 at Venice Moose Lodge and we had a good turnout. The regular conferral was held at Bonita Springs Moose Lodge on January 20 Thanks to all that attended. We want to welcome Kevin Mennerick as our new Vice LAC.

The surf and turf scheduled for January was canceled due to a scheduling conflict. We had the lotto board raffle on January 31, thanks to everyone who bought tickets. We are hosting a Moose crawl on February 24 to visit the following Moose Lodges: Bonita Springs, Ft Myers Beach, Cape Coral, and then return to our Lodge for \$50 per person. The theme is Mardi Gras, BYOB and see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

We are doing a rib night on Saturday, March 9 from 5 to 8 PM or until we run out of ribs. The menu is 1/2 rack \$13, or whole rack \$16, both come with beans, coleslaw, and cornbread. That's all I have for now so stay safe and be kind to your neighbor. But remember one thing, you get more in life by giving than receiving not only in money but also the time that you give up to help with what we stand for: our children, our seniors, our members, and our community

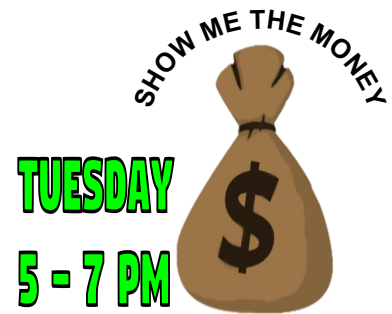
Your Moose Legion Chairman,
Ed Mell



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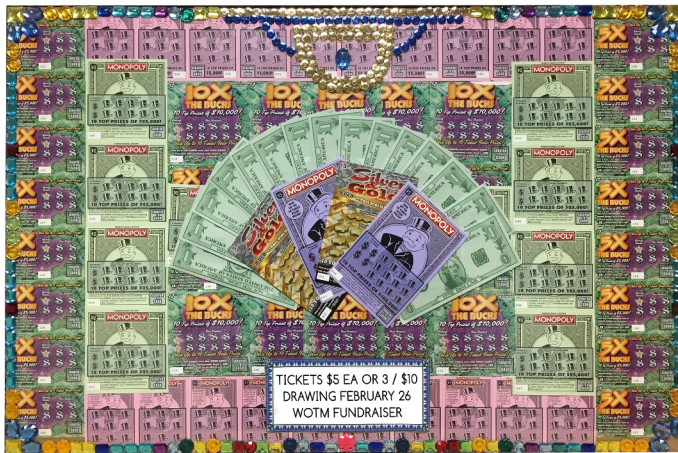


SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE



From the Senior Regent

Greetings everyone and welcome to the month of LOVE. January gave way to the Twisted Beauty Pageant and everyone had a great time. Ann Mell did an excellent job getting the contestants to show up and dress up. The Friday bake sale continues to be a big success and a great fundraiser for the Women of The Moose. Hopefully, February will bring some sweets for our sweets.

**WOTM 1892 FEBRUARY FUNDRAISER**
LOTTERY BOARD**TICKETS 3/\$5 OR 9/\$10****DRAWING ON MONDAY, FEB 26
AFTER THE QUEEN**

During February Paula Gross will be holding a Lottery Board with a crisp \$100 bill and \$50 in scratch-offs. Make sure to get some tickets while you are in the lodge having dinner or playing cards. The tickets will be on sale during most events, 3 tickets for \$5, or 9 tickets for \$10. The more you play the more chances you have to win.

We are right in the middle of nominating our future board of officers for the WOTM; committee meeting dates are February 8th and February 22 in the Annex. The slate of nominees will be read at the March meeting at which time we will choose our officers for the 2024-2025 year.

Also on our calendar is the annual FMA conference in Orlando. The Chapter will be sending a lot of ladies this year to receive their Academy of Friendship Degree and we could not be happier.

Beginning in February we will be posting applications for (2) \$500 scholarships to be given away to needy students. If you have a child or grandchild who will be going off to college this year or know of anyone in need of a scholarship, please take an application and complete it before March 30. Once all applications are turned in, two recipients will be chosen. Each year the WOTM gives these away. If you have any questions, please let me know.

As a reminder, our Chapter meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to know what is going on, what we are doing, or just want to help out, come to the meetings, plus it's a great way to meet new ladies and make new friends. This also allows me to welcome all new WOTM members to the chapter. Feel free to ask questions from your board of officers or take part in the bake sale. We are so glad you joined North Port Chapter 1892.

Kindest Regards, Brenda Seal, Sr. Regent

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Saturday, February 10 at the Venice Moose Lodge #1308. There will be a Super Bowl Party held at the Lodge on Sunday, February 11, 2024. A pre-game party will consist of a special football menu, and we will be selling tickets for \$10 cash giveaways, and when your ticket is drawn it will go back into the bin to be able to be drawn again along with a silent auction and other activities.

The Mardi Gras-themed Moose Crawl event on Saturday, February 24 to Moose Lodges in greater Fort Myers is a sellout. If you missed it, sign-up earlier when the next one is announced. Please watch for our monthly February calendar to come out with all the daily events listed, when the various meetings and activities are held, live music and entertainment, and other happenings at the friendliest Moose Lodge around!

Fraternally, James Godshall - President