



"THE GUIDING LIGHT"

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."

MARCH

"The Friendliest Lodge There Is"

2024



From the Administrator

Brothers / Ladies:

March is here and we have a lot to talk about but first let's recap the events of February. The Superbowl party went well and we had a lot of fun on February 25 at the Elvis show. The Moosehaven Rocker fund took in over \$1200 with all proceeds going to the Endowment fund.

We are still looking for donations for the walk-in cooler: we need to raise \$40,000 to get a new cooler, run electricity to it and put a roof over it. So if you would like to donate, please see any officer or just put the check made out to the North Port Moose Lodge or cash in an envelope and drop it in the black mailbox just outside of the kitchen door.

Special events planned for March: Mega Bingo on Saturday, March 2 with an 11 AM start time; on Saturday, March 9 it's Rib Night w/cowboy beans, cole slaw, and cornbread for just \$16-full, \$13-half rack; then on Sunday, March 10 we're having a CornHole Tournament with cash prizes at 11 AM. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board: A \$10 entry fee is due the day of the tournament. Save a life by donating at a Blood Drive on Saturday, March 16 from 11 AM - 4 PM. If you can give. come out and give the gift of life.

March Meetings: Saturday, March 2—Moose Legion at 8:30 AM at the Annex Office Building; Saturday, March 9—District 22 at Punta Gorda Lodge #1693 at noon; Tuesday, March 12 and March 26—General Membership at 7 PM in the nex; Wednesday, Wednesday, March 13—WOTM at 6 PM; and

NORTH PORT MOOSE LODGE 764

CORNHOLE
Tournament

**SUNDAY,
MARCH 10
11 AM**

**1ST \$100
2ND \$50
3RD \$30**



\$10 ENTRY FEE DUE DAY OF TOURNAMENT

From the Lodge President



The Many Great Happenings from February! The month of February was filled with lots of fun, events, and activities!! First off, we received the monthly lodge attendance award back which was held at the February 10 Venice Moose Lodge District meeting!! A big thank you to all our lodge members who attended.

Congratulations to Fred Leonard for receiving the Most Valuable Moose Member in February for all his hard work around the lodge and volunteering for our various events. Thank you to Fred! Also on the 10th the Lodge held a special Valentine's dinner with live music and dancing which was well attended. Then the next day, on the 11th, we held our Superbowl pre-game party! Lots of prizes were given away with food specials and members watching a terrific game.

The Annual Manatee 58 Moose Legion Picnic held at the Port Charlotte Moose Lodge #2121 on Sunday; February 18 was a huge success even with all the raindrops falling all around us.

Raffles, prizes, great food, cocktails along with everyone on the tiki dancing and listening and having a blast to fantastic music provided by the great American Made Band! Another fun time was had by all. An awesome and amazing Mardi Gras-themed Moose Krawl event, sponsored by the North Port Moose Legion, was held on Saturday the 24th with a sellout bus group leaving our Moose Lodge and traveling to Bonita Springs Moose #1454, Fort Myers Beach Moose #964, then onto Cape Coral Moose #2198 returning to North Port Moose #764 in the early evening. As always, another great trip was put on by our "cruise directors" Mike Gomez, Stephani

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Moose Lodge #764 Meeting Schedule

General Membership Meetings (men & women attend)

Second Tuesday of the Month: **MAR 12 @ 7 PM**

Fourth Tuesday of the Month: **MAR 26 @ 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**



MAR 13

6:00 PM

Chapter meeting



APR 10

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

March 9, 2024

Punta Gorda #1693



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 you help support with just that small amount of \$17 dues.

We had our monthly meeting on February 3rd and discussed our business and upcoming events, and had a record 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 March 2nd, 2024 at 8:30 AM at our Moose Annex building. We need your input to come up with things that we can do in months ahead. Our next mini-conferral is on March 6 at 6 PM in the North Port Moose Annex building. The regular conferral will be held at Lehigh Acres on March 16 at 12 noon.

The Manatee #58 picnic held on Feb 18 was a huge success even though it rained all day. The Moose crawl on Feb 24 visiting the Bonita Springs, Ft Myers Beach, and Cape Coral Moose Lodges was a great time. The theme was Mardi Gras, thanks to Mike Gomez, Stephani Davis and Mel Dragger for running it for us, they did an awesome job. Everyone had a great time and no Mooser was left behind. We are doing a rib night on March 9 from 5 ~ 8 PM or until sold out: ½ rack \$13, whole rack \$16 and 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 the time that you give up to help with what we stand for: our children, our seniors, our members and our community.

Fraternally, Ed Mell, LAC

**NORTH PORT 764
MOOSE LEGION
RIB FEAST**



Saturday, March 9: 5 - 8 PM
Ribs - Beans - Cole Slaw - Cornbread

THE BEST IN LIVE MUSIC EVERY SATURDAY 6:00 - 9:00 PM



March 2
Kim Nakach Duo



March 9
Jukebox Dreams



March 16
Ron Lorenzo



March 23
Denise Marie



March 30
Rocky Trop

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE



Friday 6:30 - 9:30 PM

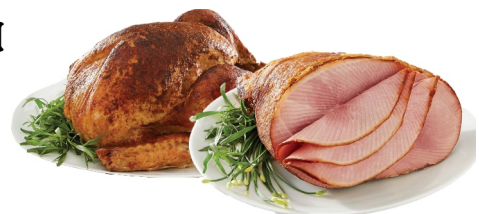


SHIP-CAPTAIN-CREW
SATURDAY 1 - 3 PM



Sunday, March 31 Starts 2 PM

Baked Ham, Roasted Turkey,
choice of au gratin/mashed potatoes,
corn or green beans with a dinner roll.
\$18 pp



From the Lodge President *from page 1*

Davis and Mel Dagger! Now onto Sunday, Feb 25 when national award-winning vocalist Vito Ameruoso held a live show to a sellout crowd at our Moose Lodge with a Tribute to The King, performing show-stopping songs with his superb voice and awesome talent. Also, during the month of February, donations were collected towards the Endowment Rocker fund benefiting the Moosehaven retirement community in Orange Park, Florida.

Now onto the All the Great Happenings coming up in March. Saturday, March 9 at noon is the monthly District 22 meeting being held at the Punta Gorda Moose Lodge #1693. Let's hold onto the monthly lodge attendance award with our lodge members attending an informative meeting and visiting a lodge you may not have been to before. Plus, on this same day back at our Lodge, from 5 until 8 PM, the Moose Legion is holding a Rib Feast featuring a ½ Rack of ribs for \$13 or a whole Rack for \$16. Both meals include beans, coleslaw, and cornbread. So come on out Moose members with your qualified guests and enjoy some great tasting ribs cooked on our own meat smoker. Then of course on the following day, Sunday, March 10th, North Port Moose Lodge #764 will be holding a Cornhole Tournament. A \$10 entry fee will be due the day of the tournament with the 1st place winner receiving \$100, 2nd place \$50, and 3rd place \$30. So, get your arms ready to toss the bean bags. Please write your name and phone number on the sign-up sheet located with the flyer on the bulletin board for a fun time of cornhole.

Another blood drive will be held at the North Port Moose Lodge on Saturday, March 16 from 11 AM to 4 PM with all donors receiving a \$20 eGift Card, a St Patrick's Day T-shirt, a Wellness Checkup and a \$5 in Moose Bucks for Moose Members Only. Don't forget, NASCAR racing is back on Sundays now that NFL season is over.

There are different happenings every day at our lodge so make sure you look for the March calendar for the dates of our meetings, meal specials, and games including all the different events that are posted on the various bulletin boards. Check out The Women of the Moose bulletin board for their flyers on exciting Chapter events they will be holding. A Pound Auction and Leprechaun Races are planned for March along with their delicious monthly baked goods sale.

You can check out our North Port Moose Facebook page for all the daily lunches, soups, dinners, and even desserts listed made by our fabulous kitchen staff, events posted with even one that is coming out now in April! Stop in for a beer or a cocktail made by our awesome bartenders, you can order something off our menu served by our wonderful waitresses and visit with our members and guests at the friendliest Moose Lodge in North Port!!

Fraternally, James Godshall - President

NORTH PORT MOOSE PRESENTS



SUNDAY, APRIL 14: 6 - 8 PM



KATHY MCSTEEN



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THREE COMEDIANS

TICKETS ON SALE MARCH 1ST \$30 PER PERSON

INCLUDES DINNER
CHOICE OF BAKED LASAGNA W/ SALAD OR
BAKED CHICKEN BREAST WITH BAKED POTATO AND
VEGETABLE



OPEN TO MOOSE MEMBERS AND THEIR QUALIFIED GUESTS

From the Senior Regent

Greetings to one and all. March is going to be a busy month for everyone.

Let me start by telling you that we will be voting for our next board of officers on March 13 at our monthly meeting. Since there are no contested offices, it will be done during the meeting. I am so proud of our Lodge and our Chapter that we have members stepping up to run for office, it shows that you care about the future of your lodge! Also, I want to thank the nominating committee who attended three meetings to make this all happen. Your help is appreciated!



Moving on we have our March project, the Leprechaun Races, and our Pound auction! Lois Bovee is our chairman and she has named the special Leprechauns as well as made them from hand, please join us on Sunday, March 10 at 3:00 - 3:30 PM, after bar poker, for the races and then immediately afterward we will have the Pound auction.



Bring in something that weighs one (1) pound (don't tell what it is and wrap it in any kind of wrapping paper) and it will be auctioned to the highest bidder. Just a hint, the prettier the wrapping the more money it will fetch. If you aren't sure, ask Lois or myself. This is always so much fun! We need participants, so join us won't you?

As a reminder, we have (2) \$500 scholarships to give to students entering college in the fall of 2024. If you know of a student who will benefit from \$500 for use towards books or other college needs, please fill out the form and submit it to us before April 15, 2024. All students are welcome to apply.

Finally, there will be an Easter Egg hunt to be scheduled for all children. All pertinent information will be posted on the board. There will be candy and prizes, so keep your eyes on the board for information. Just to remind you, our Chapter meets on the second Wednesday of each month and the board meets on the fourth Wednesday; both meetings begin at 6 PM. We send our prayers and best wishes to each of you and look forward to seeing you at a meeting or volunteering to help.

Kindest Regards, Brenda Seal
Sr. Regent

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March 20—Member Orientation at 6:30 PM at the Annex building. This event is open to all Moose Members, so If you're not sure why we raise money for Mooseheart and Moosehaven, this is your chance to learn.

Upcoming Events

Easter Sunday Dinner, March 31 starting at 2 PM. We're serving Baked Ham, Roasted Turkey, choice of au gratin/mashed potatoes, corn or green beans with a dinner roll for \$18 per person.

Sunday, April 14—Comedy Show triple header! Enjoy a dinner (choice of entrée) and show (see [page 4](#)) for \$30 pp from 6 - 8 PM. The **Florida Moose Association's mid-year year conference** is April 4-7 at the Orlando Rosen Plaza.

The election of the new Board of Officers for Moose Year 2024 - 2025 is underway. If you are interested in running for office, you must complete an application they are hanging on the bulletin board. Offices open are as follows: President, Vice President, Chaplain, Treasurer, 3-year Trustee.

Fraternally, Terry Seal
Administrator

