



"The Guiding Light"

The Moose

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"A Burden, heavy to one



is borne lightly by many."

AUGUST

"The Friendliest Lodge There Is"

2025

From the Administrator



Terry Seal

Brothers / Ladies: first things first, I want to thank all of our members who renewed their membership last month, and those who did not renew, we need you back. So please take the time to either go online and renew your membership or stop by the annex or

the lodge, and I will help you. We need all of us pulling together, and we can sign new members, but if we let our former members walk away, we can never catch up. So please renew your membership, and if there is a reason here at the lodge you are not renewing please reach out to me so we can fix the problem we don't want to lose any of our members. Our children at Mooseheart, our seniors at Moosehaven, and your lodge needs your support; we try very hard to make North Port Moose Lodge a friendly and fun lodge for fellowship with friends and family and a good meal and drinks at a fair price.

Upcoming Events

Bunco Dice Game August 16: starts 3:30 PM

(to benefit the Building fund)

Chili Cookoff (winner advances to District level): August 23: 3 - 6 PM

Blood Drive August 23: 11 AM - 4 PM

Our biggest fundraiser of the year is fast approaching. Our annual Golf Tournament is October 25 at the Lake Venice G&CC, 1801 Harbor Drive South, Venice. Cost is \$75 per player and includes your skins game, dinner, and awards back at the lodge afterwards. Please get your team together early, signup sheets are on the bulletin board. Help us make this event successful. Being a sponsor of the Golf Tournament is a big help to us and maybe a tax break for you: if you own your a business and can donate \$100 or more, your business name will appear on the Lodge's closed circuit TV in the Lodge for a year; or for six months with a \$50 sponsorship donation. See Terry Seal or Gene Herbst for more Information.

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From the Lodge President



Anna-Marie Mitchell

Dear Moose Members,
July marked the midpoint of summer, and the North Port Moose Lodge concluded several activities during the month.

Our Independence Day cookout was held and attended by multiple members. On July 20th, a Christmas in July event took place to raise funds for the new lodge. Volunteers assembled baskets, which contributed to ticket sales exceeding \$1,500. Member participation and collaboration played a role in organizing these events.



The Independence Day cookout provided an opportunity for members to interact and included both established and new participants. Attendees engaged in conversation while sharing food and participating in the event. The Christmas in July fundraiser involved volunteers preparing themed baskets and decorations. The proceeds from this event advanced the fundraising efforts for the new lodge facility, which is planned as a future venue for Lodge activities and outreach. Updates regarding progress will be communicated, and members are encouraged to contribute ideas or volunteer for projects. Additional fundraisers are planned to support the new building. A shirt-design contest will be announced, with the winning design to be featured on Lodge shirts sold for further fundraising.

Thank you for your involvement. The community continues to work towards its objectives through ongoing participation.

Fraternally,
Anna-Marie Mitchell
President

Moose Lodge #764 Meeting Schedule

General Membership Meetings (men & women attend)
Second Tuesday of the Month: **Aug 12 @ 7:00 PM**
Fourth Tuesday of the Month: **Aug 26 @ 7:00 PM**

**Aug 13
6:30 PM**

Chapter meeting



**Sep 10
6:30 PM**

Chapter meeting

President	Anna-Marie Mitchell
Vice President	Edward Mell
Chaplain	Susan Runge
Treasurer	Mike Gomez
Administrator	Terry Seal
1 -Yr Trustee	Kevin Mennerick
2-Yr Trustee	Steven Skoda
3-Yr Trustee	Raymond Loffredo
Jr Past President	James Godshall
Sgt-at-Arms	Joe Stanziale
Inner Guard	George Meekins
Outer Guard	Raymond Soderman

**LODGE &
CHAPTER
OFFICERS
2025 - 2026**



Sr Regent: Gail Soderman

Secretary: Brenda Seal

Treasurer: Becky Brooke

Jr. Past Regent: Catherine Frangkos

Women of the Moose Chapter 1892 meet on the
second Wednesday of every month at 6:30 PM.

**FMA District 16
Saturday, August 9
at Venice 1308**



**This month is the Annual Picnic,
with cold beer, great food and live
music, plus 50/50s and raffles.**

**\$15 pp. Tickets at North Port #764
bar or the Venice Moose Lodge.**



The Moose Legion meets on Saturday,
August 2 in the Annex at 8:30 AM.
LAC-Ed Mell, LAS-James Godshall,
VIC/LAC Kevin Mennerick.

All meetings are held at the at the Annex.

AUG 2, Saturday: Moose Legion at 8:30 AM

AUG 12, Tuesday: General Membership at 7:00 PM

AUG 13, Wednesday: WOTM at 6:30 PM

AUG 20, Wednesday: Member Orientation: 6:30 PM

AUG 26 Tuesday: General Membership at 7:00 PM

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We are still trying very hard to raise money for our new lodge building. If you would like to donate, there is a donation box hanging in the social quarters, or if you would like to send in a donation, the address is 14156 Tamiami Trail, North Port, Florida 34287. Please put in the note section of the check Building Fund, and make the check out to North Port Moose Lodge #764.

Thank you for your continued support of our children at Mooseheart, our seniors at Moosehaven, and our community, may God bless all of our members at the North Port Moose Lodge.

Fraternally, Terry Seal, Lodge Administrator

IMPORTANT MOOSE NEWS!!

AUGUST 1, 2025. MOOSE INTL GUEST POLICY HAS CHANGED: **ANY QUALIFIED GUEST, INCLUDING SPOUSE, AND FAMILY MEMBER OVER THE AGE OF 21 WILL BE CONSIDERED PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS, LIMITED TO TWO VISITS BEFORE APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP.** YOUR NORTH PORT MOOSE IS WAIVING THE \$20 ENROLLMENT FEE UNTIL AUGUST 31, 2025, SO NEW MEMBERS CAN SIGN UP FOR ONLY \$50. IF YOUR SPOUSE IS A MEMBER BUT YOU ARE NOT, YOU ARE ALLOWED 2 VISITS TO THE LODGE. TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS DEAL AND JOIN TODAY.



Fraternal Recognition - 2025

Moose CEO Scott Hart has announced a new Fraternal Recognition Program that is “open to every member – whether you just joined or have had your College of Regents Degree or Pilgrim Degree for 10 years, we all are starting at square one.”

There are four levels within the program – **Preferred, Power, Prestige and Platinum**. This explainer page gives an overview of the **Preferred** and **Power** levels; the final two are not included as it will take a few years for members to meet all of the criteria. Every member must achieve the first level in order to advance.

Why do we need another recognition program? When the Moose Fraternity unified on May 1, 2021, female members began serving on lodge, district and association boards and committees. Unfortunately, this service did not count toward either of the two longstanding Higher Degree programs of the Women of the Moose (Academy, Star, College) or of the men’s (Moose Legion, Fellowship, Pilgrim). In addition, nearly 500,000 male members of The Moose were not part of the current Higher Degree program. We designed this new recognition program so every member can participate.

Preferred Program Criteria:

- 1) Sponsor 1 new member into the Lodge
- 2) Attend Lodge Orientation presentation
- 3) Complete and log 10 volunteer hours at the lodge or that involves Moose-initiated Heart of the Community projects/events
- 4) Donate at least once to Moose Charities either via an online contribution or by check in support of Mooseheart or Moosehaven
- 5) Create and maintain an active My Membership Record.

Program Honors:

- 10,000 Moose Reward Points
- Custom Moose International Preferred Lapel Pin
- Moose-branded Preferred Laptop Sticker
- Certificate of Preferred Membership
- Moose-branded Preferred Challenge Coin
- Recognition on the Moose International Website
- Recognition on a “Wall of Honor” at Primary Lodge



Power Status Criteria:

(Must hold Preferred Status and attain 5 of the 8 criteria)

- 1) Sponsor 5 Lodge members within a single membership campaign year – May 1st thru April 30th in either of the past 2 years
- 2) Served a complete/successful term as a Lodge Officer (May 1 – April 30)
- 3) Two consecutive years as a donor to Moose Charities, including the current year
- 4) Current in Lodge Leadership Training
- 5) Served a complete/successful term as Lodge Committee Chair (May 1 – April 30)
- 6) Attended an International Moose Convention (2025 and going forward)
- 7) Have participated in an International Sports Tournament within the past 3 years
- 8) Complete and log a minimum of 50 cumulative volunteer hours at the lodge or that involves Moose-initiated Heart of the Community projects/events

Program Honors:

- 50,000 Moose Reward Points
- Custom Moose International Power Lapel Pin
- Moose-branded Power Premium T-shirt
- Moose-branded Power Laptop Sticker
- Certificate of Power Membership
- Moose-branded Power Challenge Coin
- Recognition on the Moose International Website
- Recognition on a “Wall of Honor” at Primary Lodge
- Special Edition Moose Power Membership Card.

COMPLETE DETAILS ARE HERE:

<https://www.mooseintl.org/>

<https://www.mooseintl.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/2025-Fraternal-Recognition.pdf>

(NOTE: No activities prior to May 1, 2025 are considered as part of this program, even multi-year achievements. Therefore, any criteria that lists a multi-year or full-year requirement cannot be achieved within this fiscal year)

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



Aug 2
Free Jukebox



Aug 9
TAT2



Aug 16
Free Jukebox

Josef Wilder
Band

Aug 23



Aug 23
Free Jukebox

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!


CASH BINGO
EVERY THURSDAY
@ 6:30 PM


BAKE SALE
4th FRIDAY



1-3 PM
THREES AWAY THURSDAYS


Hold 'em
MONDAY @ NOON


SHIP-CAPTAIN-CREW
SATURDAY 1 - 3


764 MOOSE DICE
FRIDAY: 1- 3 PM


KARAOKE
Friday 6:30 - 9:30 PM



SHOW ME THE MONEY
TUESDAY
5 - 7 PM


TUES & FRI
12 NOON
PLAY MAHJONG


SATURDAY & SUNDAY
BREAKFAST
8:00 AM - 12 NOON


BAR POKER
WEDNESDAYS
1-3 PM


MIDNIGHT DICE
1 - 14 - 24
MONDAY
1 - 3 PM


DARTS
Wednesday 6 PM


POKER DICE
TUESDAY 1 - 3 PM


Monday @ 6 PM
followed by ...

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Senior Regent's Report

Greetings from the Sr. Regent!

July was a busy month which is highlighted below. We are thrilled to announce that Brenda Seal has been officially installed as the Women of the Moose Chapter 1892 Secretary!

- The Nomination Committee met on May 31 and accepted Brenda's application as the nominee.

- On June 11 the Chapter voted to approve the nomination. Brenda was formally installed on July 9.

Although June was officially Academy of Friendship Month, our Chapter celebrated in style with a heartfelt ceremony on July 9th at the Moose Annex. We proudly honored the three recent recipients below along with all our outstanding AOF members:

- Lois Bovee
- Rachel Baker
- Catherine Frangkos

Cupcakes were served to sweeten the celebration and share in the joy of this special milestone. Congratulations to our honorees!

Our Family Feud Fundraiser last month was a fantastic success, thanks to the creative leadership of Fraternal Chairman **Barbara Stanziale** and her husband **Joe**, who served as our charismatic host! Barbara ran a smooth and professional event, complete with a PowerPoint version of the game displayed on the Lodge monitors, making it interactive and exciting for all. Twelve teams competed in a lively showdown, narrowing down to two final contenders:

- The Damn 6: Kerry, Melissa, Stephanie, and Tyler
- Can't Beat This Group: Gene, Connie, Terry, and Brenda Seal



The victorious team? The Damn 6, a highly energetic and enthusiastic team! Congratulations! They took home gift cards and scratch-off tickets. Huge thanks to **Skip and Kathy Skoda** for their excellent work as judges and scorekeepers. Hats off to Treasurer **Becky Brooke**, who brought extra fun with the Prize Wheel—every spin was a win! **Catherine Frangkos** handled the 50/50 raffle with enthusiasm! Thank you to all participants and helpers who made this a memorable and entertaining event. Your energy and enthusiasm are what make our Chapter events so special!

Leadership WOTM Training was held in Port Charlotte, July 19th and attended by Secretary Brenda Seal and Sr. Regent Gail Soderman. Higher Degree Chairman Rachel Baker will be running a Lottery Board raffle with tickets 3 for \$10 for the month of August. Winner is guaranteed a \$100 bill plus chances to win more on the lottery tickets! Tickets go on sale August 1st at the Lodge. See Rachel or any Board member to purchase your tickets!

Remember to support our Lodge Building Committee as they hold events to raise funds for a much-needed new building. The Christmas in July event was lots of fun and a good fundraising event. Keep up the great work!

- WOTM Bake Sale –Friday August 22: 5–7 PM

Stop by for sweet treats and help support our chapter, Mooseheart and Moosehaven!

- Chapter Meetings: 2nd Wednesday @ 6:30 PM

- Board of Officers: 4th Wednesday @ 6:30 PM

- New & Not-So-New Member Orientation: 3rd Wednesday @ 6:30 PM

Thank you to all and remember to always be kind!

Gail Soderman

Sr. Regent, North Port Chapter 1892

From the Moose Legion



We had our monthly meeting on July 5th and discussed our business and upcoming events. I want to thank Kevin Mennerick, Vice Chairman, for running the meeting in my absence. We had a nice turnout. Meetings are on the first Saturday of each month at 8:30 at the Moose Annex, so please attend. Our next meeting is on July 5, 2025.

The next regular Conferral will be at the Fort Myers Moose on September 20, 2025, at noon. We had a mini conferral at Gulf Cove Moose Lodge on June 21 that was well attended.

The North Port Moose Legion will pay \$20 toward a Moose Legion shirt to any new Moose Legionnaire who attends a conferral.

We had a motion and it passed to spend \$250 to go in with the lodge and chapter to place a half-page ad in the North Port Police magazine that they hand out to children for drug safety and other safety items. We also had a motion and passed to donate \$500 to the new building fund.

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We have a new raffle coming later this month for two Key West Express vouchers that will be valid for 18 months. The vouchers are good from January 1, 2025 until December 31, 2027.

The burgers and brats on July 5th were a huge success. Thanks for supporting your Lodge. Everyone seemed to have very good time.

Don't forget the D16 picnic is at Venice Lodge #1308 on Saturday, August 9 from noon - 3 PM. Tickets are \$15 pp and include beer, food, fun and live music. Get your tickets at the bar or at the door.

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 - LAC