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KARAOKE Friday & Special Saturday Nights

- Jan. 1, Saturday—New Year's Day—Closed
Jan. 2, Sunday—Chicken Dinner, **Women of the Moose (WOTM) Fund Raiser**
Jan. 6, Thursday—Family Pizza Night—**Legion of Moose Fund Raiser**
Jan. 7, Friday—**Walleye Special**—This is the Lodge's Signature Dish, so enjoy!
Jan. 8, Saturday—BBQ Pork Ribs
Jan. 14, Friday—Regular Moose Menu
Jan. 15, Saturday—Corky's Pork Chop Dinner. No other menu items this night.
Jan. 16, Sunday—**Benefit Spaghetti Feed for Doug Jurgens**
Jan. 19, Wednesday—Burgers—**Legion of Moose Fund Raiser**
Jan. 20, Thursday—Family Pizza Night—**WOTM Fund Raiser**
Jan. 21, Friday—Fish Dinner
Jan. 22, Saturday—Prime Rib Dinner
Jan. 28, Friday—Lasagna Dinner
Jan. 29, Saturday—Streak Fry
Jan. 30, Sunday—**8th Annual Wild Game Feed**
Feb. 3, Thursday—Family Pizza Night—**Legion of Moose Fund Raiser**
Feb. 4, Friday—Regular Moose Menu
Feb. 5, Saturday—Hamburger Steak Dinner
Feb. 6, Sunday—Chicken Dinner, **Women of the Moose (WOTM) Fund Raiser**
Feb. 10, Thursday—Family Pizza or Jim Anton's Wonderful Salisbury Steak Dinner
Feb. 11, Friday—**Walleye Special & 2 Meat Buffet**
Feb. 12, Saturday—Regular Moose Menu
Feb. 13, Sunday—Boy Scout Troup 95 Pancake Breakfast
Feb. 14, Monday—Prime Rib or shrimp Dinner—**Valentines Day**
Feb. 17, Thursday—Family Pizza Night—**WOTM Fund Raiser**
Feb. 18, Friday—Fish Dinner
Feb. 19, Saturday—Corky's Pork Chop Dinner. No other menu items this night.
Feb. 25, Friday—Meatballs with mushroom gravy.
Feb. 26, Saturday—Steak Fry
Feb. 27, Sunday—Fish Fry

Meals Served—5 to 9 PM Friday & Saturday Nights
Family Pizza Night Thursdays—Enjoy Homemade Pizza

Children's X-MAS Party Sets Record—Santa Sore!

The Annual Moose Kids X-MAS Party was held Saturday December 18 with 106 Moose kids joining in on the festivities. Santa made many new friends that day notwithstanding an ache or two that lingers to this day. Around \$1,900 worth of food and gifts were distributed by Santa's elves—gambling receipts were tapped to cover all costs.

The Lodge was well decorated in keeping with the X-MAS holiday theme and there was a game or two played to keep the kids occupied. Face painting, the tree farm game, cake walk, "Finding Santa under a Hat", songs, and making X-MAS tree ornaments, were all part of an afternoon of fun.

Mankato Hosts State Moose Mid-Year Conference Feb.10-13

Not since 1991 has our local Moose Lodge hosted a state-wide conference of all 30 Minnesota lodges. Though main conference meetings will be held at the Best Western, several meals will be at our Lodge.

Volunteers are needed to help in the kitchen, serve food and beverages, wash dishes, drive courtesy vans, dispatch vans, etc. Please volunteer to be on the Mid-Year Conference Committee.

We're the 2003-04 Minnesota Moose Lodge of the Year—let's show them why. Contact David Cowan (387-2893 or email him at dczarcon@aol.com).

Wild Game Feed—Lions, Tigers and Bears Welcome

The **8th Annual Wild Game Feed** is planned for Sunday, January 30th. Doors will open around 1 PM with a "Feather Party" and related social activities with the food served around 3 PM. Volunteers are essential for this great event. Please sign up at the Lodge or call 243-4286. Jerry Good, Geno and Pauline Groen, among many others, plan to help but they can't do this alone. Now a little bear, deer, moose, elk, etc. will be welcomed additions to the serving platters. Rabbit is not bad but no chocolate covered ants will be allowed. Main course food contributions need to be at the Moose Lodge before January 16th so the menus can be planned and cooks corralled. Donations are welcomed with \$5 as the standard to help pay for the fixings.

Moose Family Picnic at Camp Patterson Okayed

The 3rd Annual Moose Family Picnic @ Camp Patterson is scheduled for August 13 & 14, 2005. Overnight lodging is free to Moose members and their guests. The entire camp is ours including the game fields, paddleboats, kayaks, canoes, basketball court, volleyball pitch, sand beach, swimming area, fishing dock, pontoon boat rides, etc. Set these dates aside. More information forthcoming.

Governor *Phil Sommers*

Greetings to All:

With the holidays season over—and I hope everyone had a safe and happy one—it's time for us to dig deep and get ready for whatever it takes to host the Minnesota Moose Association's Mid-year Conference Feb. 10-13th.

We need the whole Lodge and its members to make this a great success. Please stop in the Moose Lodge or call and sign up in whatever way you can to help. We've had some big events in the last two years and a lot of people have stepped up to the plate and helped. We need that same support more than ever for the state conference.

If you need more information talk to Lodge Administrator Lee Overmoen, State Association Secretary-Treasurer Louie Allen, myself or one of the men or women on Lodge #1414 or WOTM Chapter #606 boards. Hundreds of people will have a chance to visit our lodge during that four day state conference, though many of the official activities will be held at the Best Western. Folks, we need all the help we can get for this major effort.

We started the Thursday Family Pizza Night November 1st and it's been a great success. If you have not tried our homemade pizzas then you are missing out. Roger Hannum, your Activities Committee Chief, has some great things lined up for you here at the Lodge. See his insert in this *Trumpet* edition and mark your calendars.

We also have our famous Wild Game Feed coming up on the 30th of January. Volunteers are needed to hunt down all the deer, ducks, and bear that we'll need to feed the throng which will show up. If you are out of ammunition, you can volunteer on the day of the event to help set up or wash dishes.

Election to seats on the LOOM Board of Officers will occur in April. If you are interested in running for a position on the nine member Board contact Nominations Committee Chair David Cowan (387-2893 or email him dczarcon@aol.com). I know that there's a lot of pay that goes with serving on the Board of Officers of Lodge #1414., but I just haven't had time to find out where Administrator Lee Overmoen hid our salaries. Ask him I much I get for serving as Lodge Governor.

Moose Legion—The Degree of Service—Jim Anton

Greetings Moose Legionnaires! Our Moose Legion is doing great! Congrats and thank you to H. Scott James and Don Wilson for joining our Moose Legion. Our Legion X-MAS party was successful—everyone enjoyed the food and fun. January is Moose Legion month. We will have a Moose Legion information night on Thursday, January 20th, from 6 PM to 8 PM. All are invited to learn more about the Moose Legion. Anyone joining the Legion that night will receive a \$5 discount on pizzas served that evening paid for by our Moose Legion. Moose Legion dues are \$20 annually with an enrollment fee of \$5. Our fund raisers are the first Thursday and the 3rd Wednesday of every month. Our meeting night is always the third Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM. We need more participation and input. Thanks to all working our fund raisers and to the ladies who supply the delicious cakes on Wednesday burger nights!

Our Legion is the Lodge's "**Service and Fun Degree**". [Of the four degrees available to members of our Moose Fraternity, the "Moose Legion" is No.2 and the first step to qualifying for the *Fellowship Degree of Honor* and *Pilgrim Degree of Merit*. Any Moose member in good standing is eligible for membership.]



New Member Costs

New Member Costs: \$30 annual dues; \$10 Initiation Fee. Each new member gets a \$10 Moose Bucks rebate.

College Age

Legal age college students: \$20 initiation fee and \$15 dues the 1st year. Each gets the \$10 Moose Bucks rebate.

Women of the Moose

Women of the Moose Chapter 606 new member costs: \$20 annual dues; \$10 initiation fee.

Free Meal for Sponsors

In honor of Moose Assn. State President, Stephen Stenstrom, and Mankato Lodge #1414's newest Fellow, Lee Overmoen, between Oct. 15 and Nov. 30 sponsor a new member and earn a free dinner at the lodge on enrollment day Dec. 4.

Get Carded?

It's no surprise to Moose members that they can get carded, particularly by a bartender or gambling booth worker. Carding a person is designed as a built in protection for all of us to ensure against someone using our social quarters who is not a member or a guest of a member.

On Dec.29, at its regular meeting, the Joint Management Board agreed that LOOM and WOTM members need to be reminded to carry their Moose membership card at all times when they are in the Lodge. Don't get upset at a bartender who requests to see your membership card. They are just following the rules.

Now some of us have a card that has expired and we need to renew our membership ASAP. Easy to do. Just write a check and give it to the Lodge Administrator Lee Overmoen for Lodge #1414 or the appropriate WOTM officer for Chapter 606. (See the rates in the article above.)

Be a sport about this. We could lose our ability to operate if we play loose with the rules. It's a nasty world out there.

Lori's Line—Lori Sexe Sommers, Chapter 606 Senior Regent

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas & a safe New Year.

There was an error in the spelling of a deceased member in our last issue. It should have read Delilah Anderson. My apologies to Sue and her family.

Thanks to everyone who shared a card, ear, hug or prayer for my family in the recent passing of my mom, Dale Sexe. A very special thank you to the College of Regents for their ceremony; I know my mom would have been proud.

Our lodge and chapter are the hosts for the state-wide Moose Mid-Year Conference on Feb. 10-13. We need to pull together in the planning and hosting of this event as there will be members from all over the state who will attend and we want to make it one to remember. If you would like information on this or a copy of the meeting agenda, please contact any board member. Congratulations to our five Academy of Friendship candidates, Lori Nemitz, Gail Norris, Sue Wilson, Marie Nichols, and myself who will be honored at a special ceremony on Feb. 13th.

I wish I could have helped with the kids' Christmas party on Dec. 18th, as our co-workers did a fantastic job in providing a party for over 100 kids at our lodge. Thanks to each and everyone who helped.

Thanks to the Sunday Chicken Dinner Crew. There are still only a few more months to go, so stop up for a \$6 meal on special Sundays.

There are only four months left in the current Chapter Year for the board of officers, so if any one is interested in holding a chair or office, please call me at 345-1055.

**Administrator's Thoughts—
Lee Overmoen, Administrator
& Business Manager**

The holiday season has come and gone and what a busy time it's been here at the Lodge. Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped with the: Wine & Beer Tasting Nov. 5th fund raiser to help pay for kids gifts for the X-MAS holiday; the Nov. 30th Tommy Moose presentation which drew in a lot of law enforcement officers, firefighters, and "first responders" who took Tommy Moose cuddlies back with them for kids facing crisis situations; Dan and Sue's wedding; the Kids X-MAS Party (thanks Santa Ron); and the beautiful job of decorating the Lodge. Special thanks to Cari for our new wall mural. The feedback on all of these activities has been fantastic.

I'm still hoping to get pfeffer going on Saturday afternoons. I know it won't be the same with the passing of longtime member Jim Housgard but we'll have to make do. Call or stop in to the Lodge on Saturdays to get this going.

Upcoming dates to remember:

- Jan. 1—Closed
- Jan. 16—Doug Jurgens Benefit; Spaghetti Feed & Silent Auction.
- Jan.30—Wild Game Feed; Volunteers welcome.
- Feb.6 Super Bowl—Join us for food & fun.
- Feb.10-13 State Moose Mid-Year Conference held in Mankato; volunteers needed.
- Feb. 14th Sweetheart Dinner
- Feb.27—Special Fish Fry

I hope all of you have a very prosperous 2005.

Doug Jurgens Benefit Jan.16

The Lodge is hosting a spaghetti dinner/silent auction for one our own. On Nov. 18 Doug's Champlin Auto Wash was destroyed by fire. Doug has been very active in the lodge over the years volunteering for family activities, pancake breakfasts, plowing snow, serving on the board, etc.

Let's rally around Doug in his time of need by enjoying a great meal and bidding on auction items. You can also make cash donations to the Doug Jurgens Champlin Auto Wash Benefit at Community Bank 951 Madison Ave. Mankato, Mn 56001.

**WOTM Chapter #606
New Members**

New Women of the Moose (WOTM) members for the Moose Chapter #606:

- Marsha Anton
- Jessica Nelson
- Marilyn Streit
- Vivian Hunter
- Lisa Tschertter
- Sandy Blekestad

Deceased WOTM members include:
Dale Sexe

**LOOM Lodge #1414
New Members**

New Loyal Order of Moose (LOOM) Members and Re-enrollments for the Men's Moose Lodge #1414 include:

- Mike Hempel
- Tim Moore
- Mike Sistrunk
- David Bottin
- Gary Kollmann
- Gene Nusser
- Mike Lane
- Timothy Thomas
- Gary Olsen
- Ralph Burns
- Tony Spaeth

The Defending Circle has been broken by the deaths of these long time members:

- Roland Young
- Jim Housgard

As of Dec. 15th Lodge #1414 has signed 30 new or former members. Our quota is 45 for Moose Year May 1 2004—April 30, 2005. Until April 30th new members cost only \$30 plus \$10 enrollment fee.

Moose Apparel for Sale

Caps, polo shirts, sweatshirts, etc. are all now on sale. Stop in for various sizes, styles and colors. Wearing Moose is cool! This is a LOOM fund raiser so support your Lodge #1414 program.

Clothing Needy Kids

The Moose Lodge's annual X-MAS clothing drive for needy kids was well received by local children. Last year 22 were served compared to 73 this holiday season. The Lodge spent \$3,050 to tackle the problem with gambling receipts covering the costs of clothing bills, many of which were provided by area clothing vendors at discounts.




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