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You've Got an Opinion? Let Us Know What's Up!

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KARAOKE Friday & Special Saturday Nights

- Nov. 4, Thursday—Great food provided as a **Moose Legion Fund Raiser**
Nov. 5, Friday—Lodge's Signature Dinner—Walleye Special
Nov. 6, Saturday—BBQ Pork Ribs
Nov. 7, Sunday—**WOTM Chicken Dinner and Fall Bazaar**
Nov. 12, Friday—Regular Moose Menu
Nov. 13, Saturday—Prime Rib Dinner
Nov. 17, Wednesday—Great food provided as a **Moose Legion Fund Raiser**
Nov. 19, Friday—Fish Sandwich Special
Nov. 20, Saturday—Corky's Pork Chop Dinner. No other menu meals this night.
Nov. 26, Friday—Fish Dinner
Nov. 27, Saturday—Steak Fry Special
Dec. 2, Thursday—Great food provided as a **Moose Legion Fund Raiser**
Dec. 3, Friday—Regular Moose Menu
Dec. 4, Saturday—Breaded Walleye Dinner
Dec. 5, Sunday—Chicken Dinner, **Women of the Moose (WOTM) Fund Raiser**
Dec. 10, Friday—Regular Moose Menu
Dec. 11, Saturday—Grilled Chicken Breast
Dec. 15, Wednesday—Great food provided as a **Moose Legion Fund Raiser**
Dec. 17, Friday—Hamburger Steak Special
Dec. 18, Saturday—Corky's Pork Chop Dinner. No other menu meals this night.
Dec. 24, Friday—Open at Noon—Close at 6 PM. Tom & Jerrys All Day.
Dec. 25, Saturday—X-MAS—Closed
Dec. 31, Friday—3 Meat Buffet—Reservations Appreciated.
Jan. 1 Saturday—New Years Day—Closed
- Burgers and Baskets Every Wednesday 5 PM—8 PM; Thurs. Food Tray
Meals Served—5 to 9 PM Friday & Saturday Nights**
Chef Jim Anton invites suggestions on what you think would be a hit.

Halloween

Kid's Party a Hoot!

The Moose Family Center was full of kids again, and this time it was for the Halloween Party, Saturday, October 23rd. It was great to see all the costumes and over 70 kids participated. Karaoke was a welcomed part of the festivities, thanks to Donna Goettl.

As usual planners were ambushed thinking that only the 45 or so, who were signed up, would be expected. Well, the volunteers had to go into overdrive to make sure all were fed and enough prizes were available. It's a pleasant surprise, but all of us could do better by letting the volunteers know ahead of time how many kids to expect.

November 5th Scheduled

Wine & Beer Tasting to Aid Mankato Kids

In an effort to raise funds to pay for gifts for the December Christmas holidays, a wine tasting festival will be held on Friday, November 5th. Wine and beer will be provided thanks to HyVee Wine and Spirits. Buy a \$1 chance at the giant children's playhouse. A silent auction will also be held so Moose Family Center members are asked to donate quality new and used stuff that will help bring in a lot of cash. Contact Lee Overmoe at the Lodge or Mary (340-7193).

It's Ours: Moose Lodge of the Year

What more can be said about the changes that the lodge has undergone in the last couple of years? You may not have remembered them all, but the keen eyes of Moose International Regional Director Glenn W. Garbers didn't miss a thing. As a wonderful surprise during a Sunday enrollment ceremony right here in River City on October 3rd, a Moose International Deputy Supreme Governor called Lodge #1414 Governor Phil Sommers to the podium and presented him with the official certificate anointing Lodge No. 1414 as the "Moose Lodge of the Year" for the State of Minnesota. Of the 30 lodges in the state, Regional Director Garbers thought we best fit the bill as the nominee to go forward to the International's competition. We didn't get further than our border, but that's okay with us. We've showed progress in membership recruitment and retention, community service, lodge activities for members and children. We hosted plays, holiday events for kids, the Annual Campus Patterson Family Picnic, darts, bowling, softball, Pfeffer tournaments, etc. And it didn't hurt us to adopt joint governance between Lodge 1414 and WOTM Chapter 606. Having representation at state, district, and International conventions was duly noted. All members of the Mankato Moose Family Center have a right to be proud!

Governor *Phil Sommers*

Greetings to All:

It's hard to believe the holidays are coming up again. One issue I would like to address is getting all our new members involved with the Lodge. It is really important folks. After you sign up your member as a sponsor, please do not forget them. Call them up, invite them to Lodge for all the functions. If we all do this, the lodge will continue to prosper.

I have been working with both the LOOM Board of Officers and the Joint Management Board and we are going full speed ahead with Pizza Family Night on Thursday night. These will be home made pizzas. We hope to have a special area set up for k9ids with moves and beverages and games. Let's make this a great family night for the Moose Family Center. Volunteers are needed to make this work.

You should also be marking your calendars for the Mid-winter State Convention, on February 10th, 11th, and 12th, 2005. It's being held here in Mankato and we are the host Lodge. We need to all pull together for this event and volunteers, especially courtesy van drivers, are needed.

Get involved. We received that Minnesota's Moose Lodge of the Year award for 2003-04. Let's try for a repeat again this year.

Hope to see you all at the Lodge and have a safe and happy holiday.

Tommy Moose Presentation Dinner—Nov. 30th

On, Tuesday, November 30th, a 6 PM dinner will be served to area "first responders" of accidents and fires. Meet and have dinner with some of your community's representatives of area law enforcement, fire departments and ambulance services. Mankato Lodge #1414 will be presenting ten dozen "Tommy Moose" cuddlies to these first responders to carry in their vehicles.

Any LOOM member or WOTM member, and your guest, are invited to this \$6.50 salisbury steak dinner. These cuddly soft moose are to be given to any child in a trauma or crisis situation. This may be just the thing to calm such a child. This is another community service of you local Moose Lodge #1414 members.

Moose Legion—The Degree of Service—Jim Anton

Again, thanks to all who volunteered to help with our Legion fund raiser for Sept. and Oct., especially Lowell Roberts for supplying the cake in Sept. Maple wood Legion had a very successful Legion All State Celebration on Oct 15-17. There were four from the Mankato Moose Legion in attendance of 42 overall. We will have our Legion X-MAS Party on Sat. Dec. 18th. Please make your reservation beginning on Dec. 1. Choose your preference of the menu. Ladies are invited to all activities. Door prizes will be awarded. Please join your Moose Legion for a fund and exciting evening. Hors d'oeuvres at 5 PM with a sit down dinner at 7 PM. We could get better participation from our Legion members at meetings and at our fund raisers. Our short meetings are always the third Wednesday at 7:30 PM.

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.

Did You Know?

Once again, a couple of Mankato LOOM and WOTM Chapter member received honors:

Dave Cowan received the "Quality Council Service Award" at the annual banquet of the Mankato Area Council for Quality at the Country Pub Oct. 21st. He was cited for his work to improve customer service among community organizations.

Carolyn Allen was one of two women named to the Supreme Form at the Moose International Convention in Charlotte, N.C. this past June. Having women on a Moose International Supreme Council Committee is not all that common. This is a great honor for Carolyn, Women of the Moose (WOTM) Chapter #606 and LOOM Lodge #1414. For details of her new duties and responsibilities read chapter 24 of Moose International's General Laws.

Recent Lodge Donations

\$ 200 Mankato Adaptive Ski Program
 \$2,000 for Children's Camp Amanda
 \$ 500 Sweet Adelines
 \$ 200 March of Dimes
 \$1,000 Boy Scouts Camp Cuyuna
 \$3,000 Moosehaven Hurricane Fund
 \$ 500 Camp Friendship

Funds provided are from charitable gambling proceeds.

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

It's hard to imagine that the holiday season is already upon us.

I had the opportunity to attend my first state convention this past month in Austin. It was very informative and I met a lot of new people. I look forward to seeing them again when we host the Mid-winter Conference on Feb. 10-12, 2005.

I wasn't able to be at the kids' Halloween Party, but again, our volunteers put together a fantastic day! If you are a new member to our Chapter and would like to volunteer, please call me at 345-1055.

We will have our **Annual Christmas Pot Luck and Open Meeting** on Dec.15. Please bring a dish to pass and join us for an evening of fun. The meeting begins at 6:30 PM with potluck dinner to follow. Donations of items for Echo Food Shelf are encouraged.

Thanks to our volunteer s who get up early to make the chicken dinners. The dinners are still only \$6 each and are on the first Sunday of the month.

The Annual Fall Bazaar is on November 7th from 9 AM to 3 PM. Please contact Gail Norris (386-1283) or Sue Nusser if you something for the sale or would like to help out.

I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

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

The holiday season is here. Hopefully, it will be a busy time here at the Lodge.

Now that the weather is changing I want to get Pfeffer Tournaments started again on Saturdays. November dates will be the 6th and 20th beginning at 1 PM. No Pfeffer in December but again on the 8th and 22nd of January, 2005.

Many thanks again to all who volunteer their time and energy for various things here at the Lodge. We could not succeed without you.

Join us on Sundays for Vikings football.

Upcoming dates to remember:

- 11/5 Wine and beer tasting and silent auction. Entertainment by Krissy Marie.
- 11/14 Feather Party 1 PM
- 11/19 Fellowship Christmas Party
- 11/30 Tommy Moose Day—Salisbury Steak.
- 12/4 Lodge enrollment
- 12/18 Kids X-MAS Party (afternoon). Legion X-MAS party (evening)
- 12/24 Lodge closes at 6 PM. Tom and Jerrys all day
- 12/25 Lodge Closed—Merry Christmas
- 12/31 New Year's Eve Party
- 1/1 Lodge Closed

Married by Lodge Order

Some of you may already know this, but our new Moose Family Center has already hosted its first wedding. With all the people in attendance it was a tight fit, but the event was well received.

Mural Planned

A large mural will be painted in the Lodge by a well known artist. Guess who?

New WOTM Members

- Bridgett McCarthy
- Peggy Flaharty
- Cindy Stoltzman
- Shelly Lorentz
- Terry Lane
- Beth Cullen
- Chris Brocker
- Sacheen Moore
- Shannon Frank

Deceased WOTM Members

- Palma Klebel
- Dee VanRossum
- Delilah Anders

Party, Party

Moose Lodge #1414 Annual Fellowship X-MAS Party will be November 19, 2004. Invitations will be mailed.

Moose Lodge #1414 Annual Legion Committee X-MAS Party will be December 18, 2004. Invitations will be mailed.

Kyle Schoer Wins \$1,000 Scholarship

Moose Charities from Mooseheart, Illinois, awarded Kyle Schoer a R. Robert Dale Scholarship. Jess and Angie Brandt are his father and mother.

The \$1,000 can be used for tuition, fees and books at any accredited institution of higher education, business or trade school. His picture will be in the February/March/April of the *Moose Magazine*.

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.

Moose Legion Donates Bread

Thanks to the Mankato Moose Legion Committee for turning over to Lodge #1414 their annual surplus from the committee's fund raising events. This year's amount was \$1,059.28 given in September 2004. Funds were used to reimburse the Lodge for the new glassware washer, among other things. Thanks again, it's much appreciated.

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Board meets at 7 PM on the second and forth Wednesdays of every month. General Membership meetings follow at 8:15 PM. where Board decisions are reviewed, approved, modified or rejected.

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Chapter #606
WOTM Board Of Officers

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Chapter membership meets at 7 PM on the first and third Wednesdays of every month. The Board meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:30 PM.

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