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ST. CHARLES LODGE 1368 MOOSE-TALES



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P. O. BOX 309, ST. CHARLES, IL 60174

A Moose Family Center
March/April 2010

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE CHAPTER #512
P. O. BOX 608, ST. CHARLES, IL 60174

COMING EVENTS

MARCH

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| 2 WOTM Orientation Legion Meeting | 17 St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef & Cabbage |
| 5 Eric the DJ | 18 Lodge Enrollment |
| 8 Motorcycle Meeting | 19 Bill Froula The Fun Bunch Night at the Movies |
| 12 Be a Star Tonight Karaoke | 21 Family Pizza Party The Fun Bunch Bowling Outing |
| 13 Mecca 9 Conferral Rick Sosito Show | 26 Green Briar Band |
| 14 Family Breakfast | |
| 16 WOTM Orientation | |

APRIL

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| 2 Eric the DJ | 15 Lodge Enrollment |
| 4 Easter Family Breakfast | 16 The Cellar Dwellers |
| 6 WOTM Orientation Legion Meeting | 17 Draw Down Raffle |
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| 10 Hearts Support Housing | 20 WOTM Orientation |
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| 12 Motorcycle Meeting | 29 TBA |

We urge all our Members to visit www.mooseintl.org at least weekly, for the latest news on Mooseheart, Moosehaven & Moose Charities—plus updates on fraternal activities, sporting events and other breaking news from the Moose Fraternity!

In the Members Only section—<http://www.mooseintl.org/portal/default.asp>— you can also pay your dues instantly, and change details about yourself in your individual Member file!

If you are interested in helping out with these activities, or you have an idea for another, please see Pete Baldino or Dave Kunstman.

How about some W.A.M.?

(Walking Around Money)

Due to popular demand we will continue W.A.M. thru April! Every new LOOM Member receives some W.A.M. dollars with their Membership.

Sponsors will be entered in a raffle to win a \$100.00 Visa Gift Card, and Receive \$5.00 off a Thursday or Friday Night Dinner. The more Members you sign up, the more chances to win, and the more coupons you receive.

Talk to your friends and neighbors today!

RICK "ELVIS" SAUCEDO Coming to the Lodge March 13th!

Mecca Moose Legion# 9 is sponsoring a dinner and show on March 13th, starring Rick "Elvis" Saucedo. Tickets are available from the bartender or Tim and Dave Kunstman. Cost is \$15.00 and includes dinner. You do not have to be a Moose Legionnaire to come to the show.

Rick is a well-known Elvis impersonator and has been to Vegas and all around. This is a fundraiser for Mecca 9, so there will be raffles and such going on before and during the breaks in the show. The show is two 45 minute parts, so you will have time to get refreshments.

— Dave Kunstman

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

The WOTM will be preparing your Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner St. Patrick's Day, Wednesday, March 17th from 5:30 to 7:30. Come on out and enjoy this favorite of the Irish. Cost for dinner will be \$8.00 and the WOTM's regular Wednesday Night Menu items will also be available. And while your there stop by the bar and get your green beer.

EASTER BREAKFAST – April 4th

Bring the family out to the Lodge on Easter Sunday for breakfast. The Easter Bunny will be there to pass out Easter candy and greet the kids. \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for kids 12 and under, you can get the best all-you-can-eat breakfast in town! See you there!

— Tim Kunstman, Governor

"HOW CAN I HELP OUR LODGE?"

The one question asked by Moose Members most often? "**How can I Help our Lodge?**" The answer is simple, sponsor a friend or relative into our Moose Lodge. We need your help and we need it now more than ever! We can only improve our Lodge and support Mooseheart, Moosehaven and our communities with continued growth in our Membership. Sponsor a Member Today!

Fraternally, *Pete Baldino*

GOVERNOR'S CORNER

Well, another couple of months have gone by. We have had some events that have done very nicely. The Mardi Gras Party was a great time. I would like to thank everyone that attended and everyone that worked.

The Super Bowl Party was fun, we had a lot of great food and we saw a good game. Thanks to everyone who brought a dish to share and participated in the raffles.

My Dad and I will be attending the Convention in Decatur this Month, any information that we gather from the meetings we will share upon our return.

The end of the Moose Year is coming up fast, and we still need your help in signing up Members into this great Fraternity. Help your Lodge out by signing up a neighbor, friend or relative by April 30th.

We will be having our Annual Draw Down Raffle on April 17th, watch for tickets to go on sale soon. Flyers and banners will be posted. Remember we only have 200 tickets available.

God Bless, *Tim Kunstman*

NOMINATIONS FOR 2010 BOARD OF OFFICERS OPEN

It is that time of year to get ready for Lodge elections for the Board of Officers. Applications are available outside of the Lodge office.

Qualifications for the Governor, Junior Governor and Prelate: must be a good standing Member of the Lodge for at least 6 months preceding the date of the election. Treasurer/Trustees: a good standing Member of the Lodge. To be elected Governor you must have served a full term of 12 months in another elected office of the Lodge. Candidates must submit their names to the Nominating Committee at least one week prior to the date the Committee is required to present its report to the Lodge.

The Nominating Committee will have its second meeting on March 11th and the third meeting on March 25th. Petitions will be accepted up until then. Our Lodge Election will be held on April 8th, with Installation of Officers on Sunday, April 25th, in accordance with the General Laws of the Loyal Order of Moose.

The Governor will appoint the Nominating Committee and will be the Chairman of this Committee. Any questions, please see Pete Baldino, Tim Kunstman or Dave Kunstman.

– *Tim Kunstman*, Governor

MARDI GRAS PARTY

The Mardi Gras Party was a great success and lots of fun. A big THANK YOU to Jim Scott, chairman of the event and his crew, they did a wonderful job. If you missed it, plan on attending next year, the food was great, and the raw bar was a big hit.

SUPER BOWL PARTY

We had our Annual Super Bowl Party on Sunday, February 7th. We had a great turn out, and lots of tasty food to eat. Thank you to everyone who came out and brought along their favorite dish to share. Winner of the 37" Television Raffle was Shelby Hadley, congratulations Shelby.

– *Tim Kunstman*, Governor

2nd ANNUAL COMMUNITY DINNER

Our 2nd Annual Community Dinner was held on Saturday, January 23rd. This was a Community Service Event open to the public. Dinner was your choice of Chicken Marsala w/Garlic Mashed Potatoes or Uncle Pete's Famous Tortellini. The proceeds from this event (\$500) went to Lazarus House. Thank you to everyone who came out to eat, and a special "Thank you" to Chef Barnett and the West Aurora High School student Chefs and Patrick Spoden.

THE FUN BUNCH NEWS

The Fun Bunch Bowling Outings will be held Sunday, March 21st and Sunday, April 18th providing we are able to rent lanes. Bowling starts at 10:00am at St. Charles Bowl. We have room for approximately 16-24 bowlers, please put your name on the sign-up sheet posted in the Lodge Lobby. The Fun Bunch pays for your shoes and pizza back at the Lodge. This years rates for bowling is \$1.75 a line, everyone is welcome!

We will also be hosting Friday Night at the movies, on Friday, March 19th. January 29th we were able to use a projector screen, so it was more like a movie theater experience. Thank you: Don, Nancy and Shelby. We provide all the movie goodies, popcorn, soda, nachos and of course candy. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Our next raffle will be for Blackhawks Jerseys and a pullover, see your bartenders for tickets. We would like to Thank Pat and Patsy Robinson for their generous donations of jerseys and jackets for our raffles, and Thank You to everyone who purchased raffle tickets.

– *Shay Enriquez*, President

FRANK PILLER AWARD FOR VOLUNTEERISM

This months Volunteer of the Month has been around the Lodge a long time. Starting out as a youngster, this young lady has spent a lot of time helping around the Lodge, even before she became a Member. Today, she is a past Senior Regent of the WOTM and is as busy as ever. Dani Frane is this month's Volunteer of the Month. Dani helps out on our Thursday Burger Nights, fills in on Friday Night Fish Frys, and is involved in many Community Service Projects. A huge lover of animals, she led the WOTM in two activities helping out homeless animals. She is active in Lodge social events such as the Mardi Gras Party, Turkey Raffle, Saloon Night and many other activities. She also is one of the first to volunteer when it comes to getting in costume for an event.

The next time you see Dani around the Lodge, say "Thank You for all you do". "Thank you Dani!"

– *Tim Kunstman*, Governor

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

This newsletter will take us to the end of another Moose Year, and then we start all over again. I would like to thank everyone who hosted a function, and all the volunteers who helped at them, and everyone who came out to enjoy them. Without you our Lodge would not be as great as it is.

The Bus Trip to Potawatomi Casino in Milwaukee was a great time. Lots of fun, laughs and Moose Milk, if you missed this one, don't miss the next one! I am looking into a bus trip to a casino in Indiana, sometime in April. I'll let you know when I get the details, watch your flyers.

Anyone wishing to receive their newsletter by e-mail, please send me an e-mail to: stcmoose1368@sbcglobal.net. You will receive a \$5.00 off coupon for a Thursday Night or Friday Night Dinner and a entry into a raffle for a \$100.00 Visa Gift Card. Members who receive their newsletter by e-mail will be sent an updated April Calendar at the end of March.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

We have all been affected by the economy, and your Moose Lodge is no exception. Not only is business a little slower, but we have had increases in our product costs and to add insult to injury, the ever popular tax increases. We will continue our specials, \$1.00 off bottled beers on Monday, Tuesday mixed drinks and Thursday wine, but unfortunately all mixed drinks, beer, and wine prices are going up \$.25 ea. We remain the establishment in town that contributes to children in need and our community, and we still offer the very best value for your dollar.

Thank you for your continued Membership and support.

– Fraternally, *Pete Baldino*

MOOSE LEGION

A great time was had by all on our Moose Legion Bus Trip to Potawatomi Casino on January 30th. Our Lodge Moose Legion Committee put together a great trip. Great Job goes out to Mike, Jim, Dick and to Lisa Jackson for all their help in making this an outstanding event.

Don't miss out on the next. Join the Moose Legion NOW. For only 33 cents a week you can help us support our Child City, Moosehaven, Camp Ross, and making sure that each child at Mooseheart gets their yearbook each year. Plus, you can join in on Moose Legion events and activities. All for only 33 cents a week! Applications are available by the guest book.

To qualify you must have sponsored at least 1 Member into a Lodge or be a Member for 6 months with 3 sponsor credits. Join now and get in on all of the action.

– *Dave Kunstman*, Moose Legion Ambassador

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE NEWS

Thank you to all the bakers & candy makers!!!! Thanks to you, our Christmas Cookie & Candy Walk was a huge success and you helped us raise over \$400.00 for the Katherine Smith Alzheimer's Center. The total donation of \$1000.00 will be made at our Chapter meeting March 23rd.

Thank you for your support of the Wednesday night dessert sale!!!! The dessert sale has been a big hit on Wednesday Nights. The proceeds from these desserts will be used for our many Mooseheart/Moosehaven projects. Please feel free to buy a homemade dessert to have after your dinner or to take home for a late night snack. Donations for the dessert sale would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off your donations on Tuesday or Wednesday of each week. Thank you in advance for your patronage & donations.

It is that time of year for election of new officers. Anyone wishing to run for Senior Regent, Junior Regent, Chaplain, Secretary/Treasurer or Recorder please turn in your name to a current officer for consideration. We are looking for ladies with fresh ideas and a willingness to support our Chapter and its commitment to our Moose home, our Children @ Mooseheart, our Seniors @ Moosehaven and our community. Without a board of officers and chairman to help us with these commitments our Chapter cannot grow and fulfill our duties. The time to act is now – we need you so we can continue with these worthwhile causes. This is why we pay our dues and continue our membership in this worthwhile fraternity.

We are always looking for more volunteers for Wednesday Nights, if you would like to volunteer-please talk to any crew member and we will help you get started.

Just a reminder, the servers on Wednesday Nights are ALL volunteers and NOT ALL certified to serve alcohol, so they cannot serve drinks!!! We are sorry for any inconvenience and we hope that you understand.

– WOTM Board of Officers

DRAW DOWN RAFFLE

We will once again have our Annual Draw Down Raffle to be held on Saturday, April 17th. Tickets are \$25.00 each and are available from you bartender or Jerry Fitzpatrick. Dinner will once again be a Texas-style barbeque. This is our second big Community Service event of the year.

This year proceeds will benefit Project Mobility, Make-a-Wish (Illinois Moose Association Community Service Project) and the Lodge parking lot resurfacing. We will have other games and raffles going on throughout the night and maybe a drink special or two. Get your tickets early as this has been a sell-out the last 2 years. You need not be present to win in the Draw Down Raffle.

If you are interested in being on this Committee let Lisa Jackson know, she can put you in contact with Jerry Fitzpatrick (Chairman). See you there.

– *Tim Kunstman*, Governor

ST. CHARLES MOOSE RIDERS

We would like to thank everyone who came out for the All Aboard Poker Run on February 27th. All of us had a good time and all proceeds are going to our Laptop Fund for seniors at Mooseheart, Honor Flight Chicago and the Wounded Warrior Project. Speaking of the Laptop fund, our fellow Moose Riders at the Carpentersville Lodge# 1958 will be having a 70's night on Saturday, March 6th at 6:00 p.m. to support this project. Please try to attend to help out another Lodge and the Laptop project.

The Blessing of the Bikes is scheduled for Saturday, May 15th at Mooseheart. While details are still being worked on, the ride will tentatively include Pierce Harley, St. Charles Lodge# 1368, Carpentersville Lodge# 1958, ending at the Elgin Lodge# 790 for food and bands. The following day, Sunday May 16th, we will be having the seniors from Mooseheart for the Laptop Presentation.

The 2nd Annual Hawaiian Luau is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, July 17th. This event was a huge success last year so mark your calendars NOW!

St. Charles Moose Riders T-Shirts - For Sale:

Both long sleeve and short sleeve t-shirts, in all sizes, along with Moose Riders Pins. Please see Kelly or Liza or any of the Moose Riders if you would like to purchase one. All proceeds go towards the 2010 Laptop Fund and Honor Flight Chicago.

The next St. Charles Moose Riders meetings will be held Monday, March 8th and Monday, April 12th at 6:30pm. **Remember, you don't have to have a bike to be a Rider.**

– *Curt Kurin*, President, St. Charles Moose Riders

CARRY YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD!

Check your card. Are your "Dues Due"? Without your card, you will not be admitted or served. Our General Laws REQUIRE that you present your membership card before being served. THIS IS ENFORCED!

Always carry your membership card.

BE PROUD TO BE A MOOSE!

MARKET DAY NEWS

PAPER ORDERS DUE: Tues., March 9th

PICK UP YOUR ORDER: Sat., March 13th 11:00-12:00

Introducing Mic-Roasted this month.

From Frozen to Flavorful in Minutes!

Create healthy meals that look and taste oven-roasted, using just your microwave.

- Includes 8 steam bags & 8 seasonings packets
- Specially vented microwave steam bag locks in moisture
- No butter or oil needed
- No measuring, no pots and pans to wash

Perfect with many Market Day items: meats, poultry, seafood, vegetables

Frequent Buyer Program

Buy 3 times, earn a Free Mite 'N' Mighty Stool. Make two purchases of \$40* between February and April. Then, place a third order of \$40* in May to receive a free Mite 'N' Mighty stool at your May sale.

New This Month-March

AriZona Liquid Concentrate – Sweet Tea #8099

Cinnamon Rolls #5194

Harvest Vegetable Blend #8148

Pizza Pretzel Knots #4059

Southern Breaded Catfish Meal #7157

Free *naturally* it's clean™ Stain Erasers with any \$40 purchase for March sale pick-up

Thanks for your continued patronage which supports our charitable efforts!

**The April pick-up date is April 17th
and orders will be due April 13th.**

HEARTS SUPPORT HOUSING!

Calling all card players! Saturday, April 10 from 6 – 10 p.m., the St. Charles Moose Lodge 1368 will host "Hearts Support Housing", a fundraiser for Lazarus House located in St. Charles.

This Hearts Tournament will include entertainment, fun prizes and a delicious dinner, prepared by the great chefs of the Moose, all of which will raise funds to help support the shelter.

Lazarus House, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit, is the only emergency shelter and center for transitional living, serving the tri-cities and western rural Kane County. Lazarus House provides hospitality, food, safe shelter and support services to men, women and children who are homeless or in need and is a shelter where people receive a "hand up", not a hand out. We also offer services and referrals to help those in need in our community in order to prevent homelessness and support the well being of individuals and their families. We partner with other agencies, a large and wonderful network of volunteers, Federal, State and community resources, and our donors to provide the services needed by each person and family.

Round up a group of friends and call in your reservation today as space is limited and you don't want to miss out on what is sure to be a night of fun and excitement for a great cause!

Tickets for the tournament and dinner are \$30 and are available for purchase from your Bartender.

LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE

PAST GOVERNOR DAVID KUNSTMAN
GOVERNOR TIM KUNSTMAN
JUNIOR GOVERNOR MIKE STENGLER
ADMINISTRATOR PETE BALDINO
TREASURER LAUREN JOHNSON, SR.
PRELATE CLIFF JOHNSON
TRUSTEES RON McCULLOUGH,
..... RICK MILLER, JOHN D'AMICO

GUEST REGULATIONS FROM "THE GENERAL LAWS" partial list

1) You may **not** be a guest if you were a member and your dues are not paid.

2) Good standing Lodge or Chapter Members may bring as guests: immediate family members, the lady friend of a Lodge Member or a gentleman friend of a Chapter Member as many times as you would like, **but** see number 1.

3) Prospective Lodge and Chapter members may come as guests providing they do not make purchases, they are signed in, and they leave when the Member leaves. They are limited to **two** times as guests. Please see the "General Laws" on the Moose International WEB site for the complete explanation, or ask to borrow a copy of the "General Laws" book from an Officer.

WELCOME NEW LOOM MEMBERS ENROLLED IN DECEMBER AND JANUARY

December

Jeff Brendel
John Carlson
Woosoo Chun
Don Clesen
Kris Krozdowski
Charles Dunnweber
John Heintzelman
Steven McKay
John Miller
Al Moran
Christopher O'Malley
Steve Purdon
Patrick Strader, Jr.

January

David Baxter
Bill Bergeson
Robert Bina
Bob Davidson
Richard Gialdini
Dave Mayo
R.L. Wyatt

CRIBBAGE WINNERS

December 3, 2009

1st-NanJean Lee, 2nd-Dave Brunn, 3rd-Cathy Horn

December 10, 2009

1st-Bob Meiners, 2nd-Jean Johnson, 3rd-Cathy Horn

December 17, 2009

1st-Frank Bellavia, 2nd-NanJean Lee, 3rd-Jean Johnson

January 4, 2010

1st-Curt Engel, 2nd-NanJean Lee, 3rd-Frank Bellavia

January 14, 2010

1st-Jean Johnson, 2nd-Frank Bellavia,
3rd-Paulette Charhut

January 21, 2010

1st-Jean Johnson, 2nd-NanJean Lee, 3rd-Frank Bellavia

January 29, 2010

1st-Ed Charhut, 2nd-Frank Bellavia, 3rd-Jean Johnson

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE

JUNIOR GRADUATE REGENT DANIELLE GRIGGS
SENIOR REGENT KRISTAN BARR
JUNIOR REGENT MAURA KALISAK
SECRETARY/TREASURER KAREN TOLLES
CHAPLAIN JEANNE KOZUSZEK
RECORDER DEBBY FRANE