your Kennewick Moose News





March 2024



From the Latin word "februa", which means "to cleanse". The month was named after the Roman Februalia, which was a monthlong festival of purification and atonement





Members,

It is that time of year again when the Lodge and Chapter look for interested, dedicated individuals to hold Officer position for the 2024-2025 year. This Lodge and Chapter are only as good as the members who support

them. We need YOU to take an interest in the operation of YOUR Lodge and YOUR Chapter. If you are interested in any of the following positions, please contact an Officer of the respective unit.

LODGE – President, Vice President, Chaplain, Treasurer

CHAPTER – Senior Regent, Secretary, Treasurer, Committee Chairman for Membership Retention, Higher Degrees (must have a Higher Degree), Fraternal Activities, Mooseheart/Moosehaven.

ACTIVITES:



Mondays and Wednesdays

By-in starts at 5:30 pm, Bingo Starts at 6:00 pm

Open to the Public



Kennewick Moose Lodge

ADDRESS:

2617 W Sylvester St Pasco, WA 99301 **Mailing Address:**

LOOM: PO Box 2303, Pasco, WA 99302 WOTM: PO Box 3306, Pasco, WA 99302

PHONE:

509-547-3421

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Monday – Friday

2 pm – close

For Saturday & Sunday Openings please check the calendar.

NEED TO PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES

Come in to the Social Quarters, we will be more than happy to assist you in keeping your membership current. Payments can also be made via Moose International's website by clicking on the "Pay Dues Icon at the top of the page at: https://mooseintl.org/.

You can mail your dues to:

DUES PROCESSING CENTER MOOSE INTERNATIONAL

PO BOX 88065

CHICAGO, IL 60680-1065

Please make sure your name is PRINTED on your check/money order along with your Moose Id #

Members may also contact Member **Services at (630) 906-3658 as they assist** members with their payments. Credit card payments currently being accepted are: VISA, Master Card, Discover, or American Express.

There is also an option which allows you to have your dues payment set up automatically. Contact us for more info.



Stay up to date on Kennewick Lodge happenings on social media. Search "Kennewick Moose Lodge" on Facebook and give us a "like".



How can you help us keep you in the loop? Contact the your Lodge or Chapter via our friendly Moosetender and leave them a message with your name (as it appears on your card) and any updated information you might have (i.e. phone number, mailing address, email address). We can't help you if we can't find you!

Join us on Friday night for the "Queen of Hearts" drawing. You must have a current Membership Card (or renewal receipt) and valid ID to play. You could be a lucky winner! Ticket sales start at: 5:30 and the ticket draw is at ~6:45 pm



Happy March Birthday

If this is your Birthday month, HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Come into the Social Quarters for your FREE drink! Each member will receive a free drink (well drink, soda or beer) during their birthday month. CHEERS!!!

Betty Atkinson, Robert Backus, Lyle Buckingham, Stephanie Carlson, Ronald Casavant, Zhou Chuanzhu, Doyle Clapper, Janeen Dabling, Yvonne Daniel, David Easley, Debi Fox, Robert Fox, Shirley Frare, Donald Holguin, Myron Johnson, Alysia Johnson, Margaret Kump, Carl Kvamme, Ronald Kwis, Sandi Long, Barry McEchen, Chris Meagher, Steve Moug, Ashian Ogren, Steve Peot, Tom Pryor, Michael Rhoades, James Robertson, Ruth Sanders, Melvin Schmidt, Audrey Schmidt, Wayne Schreiber, Jarron Urlacher, Ileana Victorie, Bruce Walters, Diane Walters, Chris Zadow, Pam Zimmerman

If this is your birthday month and we missed your name, please bring Identification showing your birth date and we will be more than happy to give you a free birthday drink (well drink, soda or beer)





CHAPTER 1204 NEWS

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR MONTHLY MEETING ON March 12th, Starting at 6:30.

Spring forward, Sisters! Set those clocks ahead Saturday, March 9th. We have another busy month for the Chapter. The Mid-year Convention is March 7 – 10 in Long Beach Washington. New Academy of Friendship members be conferred and honored on Sunday. Our meeting this month is on March 12th, starting at 6:30 pm. We will be electing the Officers for the 2024-2025 Chapter year during this meeting. The following are nominated for their respective Officers. Senior Regent - Jamie Artz; Secretary - Kathy Burton; Treasurer - Colleen Cowan. I will be stepping into the position as Past Regent.

The Chapter still needs members to fill the positions of Guide, Membership Chairman, Mooseheart/Moosehaven Chairman, Higher Degree Chairman and Fraternal Activities Chairman. If you would like to find out what these positions entail, please contact us, we would be happy to explain the positions.

Ladies – it's is not difficult to be a Chairman and it is rewarding to see the good things that we, the Chapter, do for Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

We will be having a Ladies Night Out on Thursday, March 21, starting at 5:00 pm. We have asked Theresa to cook up some special drinks to honor the evening while we eat, socialize and fill bags and eggs for Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, March 23rd. Be sure and look for the flyer in this newsletter and on Facebook.

Let's all celebrate the Proud Past, Bright Future! Come, join us! Let's make this a time to remember! Sisters – help us support our Chapter, Lodge, and Moose Legion. In supporting them we support Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

In Faith, Hope and Charity, Linda Farris, Senior Regent



Moose Legion members - The Lodge Moose Legion meetings will be the 4th

<u>Thursday of every other month.</u> Be sure and check the calendar! We will start at 6 pm with a potluck dinner first and follow up with a meeting. Everyone is welcome! Come join us and discover what the Moose Legion is about!

Moose Legion Committee Chairman: Jack Hilbert 1- 209-810-6607

IN CASE YOU WERE WONDERING. THIS IS WHY WE ARE MOOSE $\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow$



She is why we are Moose!

Please welcome the Chapter's Sunshine Child!

Her name is Harmony. She is from North Dakota and is currently living in Oregon House at Moosehaven. She was born on March 22, 2017 and is in 1st grade. Her favorite colors are Silver/Rainbow. Swimming is her favorite sport and she loves Fancy Nancy books, clothing and other associated paraphanila.

The Chapter sends her cards, Christmas and Birthday gifts to show our support. Everyone is welcome to join us to help and support Harmony!

Each and every time you pay your dues, donate directly to, or raise money for Moose Charities, you make it possible to take care of the kids that live at Mooseheart! On behalf of a grateful fraternity and association, thanks for being a member and giving of your time and substance so these children have a great quality of life, an education, and most importantly, a bright future. *You* make a difference. Never forget that.

From the Heart of the Community Committee



Your purchasing of cookies, brownies, ice cream and candy from the kitchen continues to help us support our local community!

Thank you and Bless you!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU

To everyone that donated to the Bake Sale and No-Bake, Bake Sale, your support was very much appreciated!

Peggy Hilbert, 2023 – 2024 Higher Degree Chairman

At the January Ways & Means Committee, the following names were read to honor those Sisters with 45 + years membership in the WOTM. We wish more people could have been there but understand that weather and other conditions prevented them from coming.

63 Years – Ruth Richey

55 Years – Leona Hassing

51 Years - June Smurthwaite

50 Years - Helen Dorrego

47 Years – Bonnie Trueman, Linda Farris, Donna Eberhart, Marion Shuck, Sharon Rietmann, and Cheryl Goodell.

46 Years - Inez Hughes, Ruth Sanders, Melodie Bultena, and Susan Hammond

45 Years - Corinne Ransdell, Phyllis Bancroft and Debra Boudreau

THANK YOU LADIES FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

To all WOTM Members that started prior to May 1, 2021

When we became Members of One Moose, we were given the gift of 3 years free dues! Well, that's over this year! <u>2024 we need to start paying Chapter dues again!</u> But now all WOTM dues are only \$15. (NOTE: you still need to be a member of a Lodge and dues current in the Lodge)

If you don't keep up your dues, then you will be letting down not only your Chapter, but Mooseheart & Moosehaven!

Your Chapters support through the Monthly Committees, so many different activities at both of our Cities, like the Beauty Shop @ Moosehaven & Music Department @ Mooseheart for example.

If we don't keep our Chapters <u>open and strong</u>, then they will not survive and it will hurt our Children, Seniors, and our Communities.

Please remember why you joined this Great Fraternity & keep your Chapter & Lodge Dues paid.

When you look at your card, you will see 2 different dates.

Chapter # expire date

On the bottom, you will see

Lodge # expire date.

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT



Know what these are?

Want to find out?

Join us on Saturday, March 2, 2024 for a CORN HOLE Tournament at the Moose Lodge. 2617 W Sylvester St Pasco, WA 99301

2 Person team

Registration Sign-up at 1 pm

Bags start flyin' at 2 pm

Double Elimination format

Bye-in \$40 per person (includes play and burger, fries and one non-alcoholic drink)

Contact Ron McCarter (509-316-1759) or

David Hilbert (509-727-2357) for more information.

JOIN US



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The Easter Bunny will be here for breakfast on Saturday, March 23, 2024 from 9 am to 11 am. Bring your families, extended families and friends down for breakfast.

Price \$10 for those aged 13 to 99.

(kids 12 and under or 100 and older eat for free)

Pancakes, scrambled eggs, hash browns, sausage, milk, juice & Coffee

Kennewick/Pasco Moose Lodge

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Food will be served from 9 am to 11 am

The Easter Bunny will meet and handout Easter bags from 9:30 to 10:30

There will be age appropriate Easter Egg hunts on the grass area outside the Lodge starting at 10:30

From the desk of Mike Rios,

Director of Membership, Moose International

Just a few years ago, our fraternity took a leap of faith and successfully integrated the men and women as "One Moose". This historical decision united us in many positive ways that we are still realizing today. Our Moose membership continues to grow however, Chapter sponsorship has unfortunately declined. This leads us to the analogy that some women joined the Chapter in order to enjoy the privileges of the Social Quarters and/or Lodge functions/activities. In the past, many women not only joined the Chapter but became very active in fundraising, activities and fraternal/community service functions in the Chapter and the Lodge. The relevance of our Chapters is very significant, not only at the Lodge level but throughout our fraternity, especially in support of Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

To help ease the transition for Chapter members who were required to become Lodge members, it was decided that, should a Chapter member pay for a Life Membership in the Chapter prior to May 1, 2021, it would translate into a Life Membership in the Moose/Lodge. As many women took advantage of this well-advertised initiative, it helped ease the transition to a unified Moose. It was also decided that active Chapter members would enjoy a 3-year extension of their current Chapter dues in order to help "ease the pain" of an increased dues structure by becoming members of "The Moose". That 3-year incentive ends on April 30, 2024 and regretfully, we anticipate an unfortunate loss of Chapter membership beginning in May of 2024. Currently, every man and woman must have a <u>Lodge</u> membership.

There is a misunderstanding that a woman (or man) can merely let their dues expire and patronize the lodge as a guest of their spouse. As a reminder, an expired member cannot be considered as a "guest" for one full year after their dues have expired.

So, with all of this in mind I ask you, what is/was the purpose of your membership in the first place? Also, why wouldn't you wish to support The Moose with a membership?

Did you know?

• \$38.00 of your dues go to support Mooseheart/Moosehaven and the support programs provided by Moose International.

- o If your Lodge dues are \$50.00, the Lodge retains \$12.00; that equates to \$1.00 per month.
- o If a lodge has 300 members, that is \$300.00 a month or \$3,600.00 per year. What Lodge can operate on that budget?
- At \$50.00 a year, your dues are essentially \$4.16 a month; less than .14 cents a day. WOW!

Now, there are two types of people; those who say "what's in it for me" and those who ask "what can I do"? I must ask, what is the expectation of a return, spending \$4.16 a month? Mere "access" to a safe social environment is priceless. Once inside, there is a myriad of opportunity, depending on the Lodge and your participation.

Recent experiences have revealed that a great number of our members have no idea what The Moose is all about and they are unaware of our relevance in our communities and our philanthropic efforts. Their motivation is to "get a deal" or something for free, to them it's just another social club. ABSOLUTELY NOT!

The Moose is what you make it. It can be your local bar, restaurant or casino if that's all the members promote. However, it can be a place of comfort and refuge, a hub for community involvement as well as a resource for our community.

Hey, we're all looking for a deal or a bargain but, the price we pay for the privilege of being associated with a great organization should make us want to support the efforts. We enjoy the reputation, why not contribute to its success by support through membership. It's only pennies a day but those pennies add-up and there is strength in numbers. Please help us become even stronger so we can truly make a difference.

Mike Rios – Director of Membership – Moose International

Here are a few things that are happening at your Moose Lodge in March.

Friday March 1st we will be serving for dinner a very special Gourmet Burger with fries or tots.

Saturday March 2nd there will be, starting at 1pm indoor Cornhole Tournament, so come down and join in or cheer your favorite team on (the social quarters will be open).

Friday Night March 8th we will be serving a very special plate of "Homemade Nachos".

On March 23rd will be our Annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny, from 9:00 to 11:00am, followed by the Easter egg hunt out on the lawn for all the Kiddo's

Friday March 29th will be the Lodge Easter Candy & Bake goodies "Bake Sale", which will feature fresh home baked dinner rolls, cakes, cookies, and other wonderful baked items, along with some wonderful fudge and other sweet treats!!!

So come down to the Lodge and enjoy a great afternoon or an evening with family or friends. See you at the Moose Lodge.

Remember there is Bingo every Monday and Wednesday night starting at 6:00pm, come down and try your luck!

MARCH 2024

"If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude."





Mava Angelou

Maya Angelou						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Riddle: I shave every day, but my beard stays the same. What am I? *answer below					1 Bingo Grill Open	2 Corn Hole Tournament
3	4 Bingo Grill Open	5 WOTM Board 4:30 General Mtg 5:30	6 Bingo Grill Open	7 Gun Club 7 pm Mid-Year Conv.	8 Convention Special -Nachos Queen of Hearts Mid-Year Conv	9 Mid-Year Convention – Long Beach
DST is back POKER 1 pm	11 Bingo Grill Open	MOTM Audit Calendar Mtg 6:00 WOTM Mtg. 6:30 VOTE	13 Bingo Grill Open	14 Fraternal Order Police	15 Dinner/Queen of Hearts	16 Lodge Closed
17 POKER St. Patrick's Day	18 Bingo Grill Open	19 General Lodge Mtg 5:30 Lodge Board Mtg. to follow	20 Bingo Grill Open	21 Car Club "LADIES NIGHT" 5:00	22 Dinner Queen of Hearts	23 Breakfast with the Easter Bunny
24 POKER 1 pm	25 Bingo Grill Open	26	27 Bingo Grill Open	28	29 Dinner Queen of Hearts	30
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If you would like to submit an article for the newsletter, please do so <u>before the 20th</u> of the month. Submit to mooselodge482@gmail.com or drop it by the Lodge. Approval of all articles is required by the editor.

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