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What's Inside

Note from the Editor:

I can't believe it is July already. A lot of us, including myself, just got back from our annual International convention in Reno, Nevada. From what I've seen on Facebook many got to enjoy the magnificent sights nearby including Lake Tahoe and Virginia City and the incredible Sierras. Of course, there were always the casinos and our newest event, the slots tourney. It really was great fun to see friends from other associations as well. We ran into friends from Ohio, Texas, Illinois, Kentucky, Oklahoma, California, and Arizona. Personally we were lucky enough to make a quick detour back to our former home in Northern California for a brief visit before heading back home to Florida. Thankfully, we experienced great weather throughout our road trip and are happy to be back in Florida.

We are in the middle of what is looking to be a record breaking summer heat-wise. I hope everyone gets to enjoy some good time off, some excellent barbecues, some beach or lake time, or just a few days to kick back and relax with family and friends. Summer will be over soon enough, so take advantage of it.

We have some busy months coming up starting in September with our annual FMA convention where we will honor our newest Pilgrims with our official state ceremony on Friday night. Please make sure you attend this wonderful event and applaud these hard-working gentlemen who gave some much time and effort to promoting our fraternity. Congratulations to all of them. Check our FMA website for Pilgrim celebration dates for each of them. I'm sure your attendance at their individual events would be much appreciated.

The FMA will swear in a new Board of Officers in September along with a new round of District Presidents at the closing dinner. Consider purchasing a ticket for this dinner event. It is always fun and a good chance to meet your new officers and welcome them.

If you weren't able to make it to Reno, there will be reports and updates at our FMA convention to catch you up on what was covered during that week. Many, many Florida lodges earned their Premier Lodge Award this past year and it was great fun to cheer each one as the names appeared on the screens during Thursday session. Congratulations to all of the winners. Your hard work made all of us proud to be Florida Moose.

Please enjoy this issue and have a great summer.

—Joan Fedora, Editor

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Message from Territory Manager/FMA Liaison



It's a very busy time in the Moose. I hope everyone enjoyed the Moose International Convention in Reno. As with all conventions, we had lots to enjoy. There were almost 150 new Fellows conferred at the Fellows breakfast. We had 64 Florida lodges announced as Premier Lodge Award winners. All of our hard-working Territory Managers were announced as Top Managers as well. Lots of good times, and

great meals with members from all over.

If you want to be eligible for any Moose International grant money next year, you will be required to have your lodge represented at both the FMA convention in September and the Mid-Year in April as well as at the Moose International Convention. That said, you won't want to miss all the action in September that will include the distributions of all the Premier Lodge awards as well as Leadership awards. But as they like to say on TV, "But wait there is more!" For absolutely no additional cost, we will also be having Fellowship conferrals, and a Pilgrim coat ceremony for our 14 new Pilgrims. Since I mentioned cost, lots of lodges like to say they don't have the money to send anyone to conventions. I ask why not? You have plenty of time to have fundraising events. These events are a win / win. You have a fun event for your members to enjoy, and this helps defer the cost of sending your required representative.

Let's keep the good times rolling and I'll see you all soon.

Roy Rawlings, FMA Liaison



Message from the FMA President



First, let me offer my congratulations to all the newly elected and appointed officers. You have taken on a great responsibility. Leadership in the Lodge, Chapter, Moose Legion, District or a committee can be great fun if you make it so. You will now help lead the way into the future of our Fraternity and your election or appointment confirms the fact that you have the ability and desire to do it. Once again,

Thank You for what you have done and what you will do.

Also a big thank you to those who held office this past year. You made the Moose Fraternity proud and the FMA numbers prove it. Thank you.

I hope that all of you read and share the Courier. Look at the calendar—there you will find all the upcoming dates for education, FMA meetings and things to do. Let's go deep sea fishing, play darts, go golfing, go to a NASCAR race or a baseball game and much more. It's all there for you, so get out there and play.

The midyear convention was great fun. Full of educational opportunities, shared ideas, FMA information and fraternalism. A special thanks to our OV Brian Toseki and his wife Pam. Not only did Brian provide a great deal of information but Brian and Pam brought joy and laughter to all.

The Moose International Convention is over but not forgotten. How do you retain all the information that was provided or the names of all the new friends we made? Now let's rest and rebuild our energy for the FMA state convention in September. See you there.

Congratulations to all our new Pilgrims. You all worked and continue to work hard and with honor. The FMA thanks you.

Please support you Lodge and our charities, have fun, play nice and be safe.

Fraternally

Wally Machemer, FMA President

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MOOSEHAVEN

Behold: a bouquet of beautiful ladies



Residents from across campus competed recently in the Ms. Moosehaven Pageant for their chance at the coveted title and crown. Ms. Moosehaven is a time-honored tradition for residents and staff, and this year's event was spectacular. All the contestants were poised and beautiful with radiant smiles.

And the winners are ... drumroll please ...

Skilled Nursing Winner: Patricia McMullen 1st Runner Up: Mary Ellithorpe 2nd Runner Up: Marty Cormie Enhanced Living Winner: Ellie Boisse 1st Runner Up: Jean Vallee & her Escort Peta 2nd Runner Up: Mary Reed

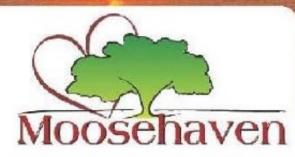
Independent Living

Winner: Marie Taylor 1st Runner Up: Faith Vick 2nd Runner Up: Beverly Davis 3rd Runner Up: Hazel Wunschel



Photos and content courtesy of Moosehaven website

Jul/Aug



It's never too late to have fun!

MOOSEHAVEN AAA PROJECT Always Active At Moosehaven



Pavilion

- A large enough space to seat all residents under the same roof!
- Picnics and evening events will be held here
- It will have lighting, ceiling fans, and restrooms.
- Portable Tiki Bar

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Sports and **Recreation Complex**

- A social area for all to enjoy
- Bowling alley
- Electronic Darts
- Billiards
- Indoor shuffleboard
- Golfsimulator
- Card room



Amenity Center

- A complete remodel of the indoor therapeutic pool
- Outdoor patio including a fire pit
- Multi-purpose room for group exercise
- Gym equipment designed for seniors

Visit our website Support.Moosechairtles.org/MHNAAA to make an online donation to support the project!

Jul/Aug

The Courler Membership

Top 25 Producing Lodges 2023

Lodge #	Lodge Name	Total AppS	Lodge #	Lodge Name	Total Apps
2188	Anna Maria Island	752	1389	Panama City	68
1933	Englewood	345	1782	Naples	64
1023	Winter Haven	202	813	Ruskin	63
1308	Venice	185	2554	Gulf Cove	62
1263	Daytona Beach	174	1223	Bradenton	52
2073	Merritt Island	142	1126	Deland	49
2276	Zephyrhills	123	912	Interbay Tampa	48
2199	Cape Coral	109	874	Golden Triangle	47
2117	Palmetto	106	2352	Nassau	45
764	North Port	90	2259	Sebring	43
1297	Tice And The Shores	90	1717	Cocoa	42
1454	Bonita Springs	85	608	Gulf Gate	42
2121	Port Charlotte	83	1880	Brandon	42
1899	Fort Myers	71			

Moose Change in 25 Club Division May 2023

Lodge #	Lodge Name	Members Name	Current Apps Award Level
766	Orlando	Cassandra Boyd	25 25
874	Golden Triangle	Maria E. Danckaert	28 25
912	Interbay Tampa	Kristie Miner	29 25
1026	Marianna	Jamie Davis	25 25
1126	Deland	Rhonda Miller	33 25
1263	Daytona Beach	Les Cantrell II	30 25
1389	Panama City	Nicholas Andrews	26 25
1389	Panama City	Thomas D. Davis	25 25
1741	North Hillsboro	Diana Walton	24 25
1822	Vero Beach	Samantha Miller	26 25
2287	Key Largo	Sheila Herlth	25 25
2535	Ocala Forest	Randall William Boyt	25 25
2538	West Volusia	Danielle Annis	26 25

Lodges attaining 100% of quota through 6/26/23

Lodge #	Lodge Name	Quota	Achieved	Percent
1389	Panama City	32	68	212.50%
956	Okeechobee	8	15	187.50%
2188	Anna Maria Island	500	752	150.40%

The Courler Heart of the Community

Lodge presents Association Heart of the Community donations

Crescent City Moose Lodge #1641 was one of the Heart of the Community lodges selected to deliver the donations collected at the FMA Conference in Orlando in April of 2023. Our donations went to South Putnam Christian Service Center in Crescent City, Florida. We delivered the crackers and tuna fish on Tuesday May 2, for which the volunteers at the center were so very grateful. Members of the Lodge attending the delivery were Lodge President: Diane Ostrander, Administrator: Johnny Mack Brown, Vice President: Janie Swanson, Administrative Assistant: Michelle Brown, Trustee: Michael G. Ostrander.

Submitted by Diane Ostrander, Lodge President



Center for Abuse and Rape Emergencies benefits from Moose Rider donation

On May 20, 2023, the Gulf Cove Moose Lodge #2554 in Englewood, FL, was visited by the Punishers Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club of Port Charlotte. They were riding for the Center for Abuse and Rape Emergencies.

They were presented with a check for \$1200.00 by the Gulf Cove administrator Jayne Bennett, president Gary Heid and members of the Gulf Cove Moose Riders.

Submitted by Dennis Crawford



Valued Vets group donates to 5 needy organizations

We have a very active Valued Veterans group that recently made several donations, including The Gary Sinise Foundation, Fisher House Foundation, Freedom Service Dogs of American, Homeless Coalition and Disabled American Veterans.

Submitted by Dennis Crawford



Pictured above are Stephanie zings, Charles Russell and Jeff Morris

More Community Service

County Sherriff's Department offers youth exposure to various operations

On Tuesday May 23rd The Englewood Moose # 1933 Presented Deputy David Tameris of The Charlotte County Sherriff's Dept. with a \$1000 check. The money is to help fund The CCSO Junior Law Academy. The Junior Law Academy gives Youth the opportunity to learn about work with CCSO and it's operations, facilities, vehicles and equipment. In addition to learning all about CCSO, participants enjoy activities such as Laser Tag, a day at North Port Aquatic Center, Tree Umph Adventure Park and more.

Submitted by Mark Sipe, Englewood Moose



Ambassador honored at Moose Legion Celebration



International Moose Legion Ambassador Francis Hobbs was presented with his Medal of Honor by Northern Moose John Kemp during Cypress 202 celebration.

Heart of the Community Scholarship awarded at lodge last May

On Saturday, May 7th, Madison Williams was presented with a \$1000 check from the Tice and the Shores Moose Lodge 1297 for the 2023 Heart of the Community Scholarship program.

> Pictured left to right, Julie Smith—Administrator, Madison Williams, and Kevin Lydik—Lodge President.





Administrator enjoys landmark birthday at Lodge



On May 21st 2023 Lake Worth Moose Lodge 994 celebrated the 90th birthday of the administrator, Mary Ann Joyner. Mary Ann has been a loyal member of the Moose for 50 years.

More than 100 participated to celebrate with her on this incredible day.

Submitted by Mary Jo Capo

Lehigh Acres Fire Control and Rescue District

Moose Lodge 2266 (Lehigh Acres) stopped by Station 102 on April 19th to donate a box full of Tommy Moose stuffies for our firefighters to comfort children on scenes or during transport to a hospital. These will be a great addition to our trucks and engines, so thank you for thinking of the children in our community!



Elementary School teachers treated to picnic lunch



Dunnellon Moose Lodge 2308 and Chapter 1626 hosted a teacher appreciation day at Saddlewood Elementary School in Ocala. Teachers enjoyed grilled hotdogs, potato salad, beans and cookies. Each was also given an appreciation key chain and ticket for a raffle drawing. Grilling was done by President Willie Williams and Past President Jose Becerra. Serving (L to R) Alma Whitman, Marilyn Nickles and Senior Regent Laurie Nelson.

Submitted by Valerie Worth

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More Lodge News

Emergency Relief Fund enriched by Lodge fundraiser

On Thursday, June 1st The Caloosahatchee Lodge #2395 held a fundraiser for the FMA emergency relief fund raising \$1000. This fund is extremely important to help Lodges in desperate need after a natural disaster. Unfortunately, the relief fund took a major hit from Hurricane Ian. Helping to replenish it will help Lodges in the future after circumstances happen beyond their control.

Submitted by Jeff Holmes, Administrator





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AUGUST 18-20

FRIDAY AUGUST 18 - OPEN BLIND DRAW \$25 PER PERSON, 7PM START TIME

FLORIDA MOOSE ASSOCIATION

SATURDAY AUGUST 19 - BYOP

\$80 PER TEAM, ROUNDERS START AT 10AM ROUNDERS WILL DETERMINE INT/COMP/ADV DOUBLE ELIMINATION BRACKET OPEN BLIND DRAW TO FOLLOW IF TIME ALLOWS \$20PP

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SUNDAY AUGUST 20 - SINGLES

\$20PP INTERMEDIATE \$30PP COMPETITIVE \$40PP ADVANCED

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MOOSEHEART

Mooseheart class of 2023 graduation



Some photos courtesy of Facebook



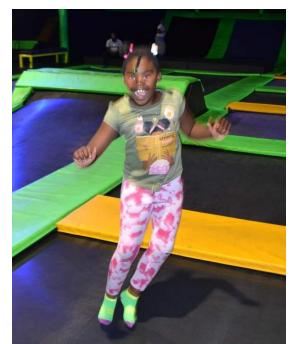


Mooseheart Oregon House girls vacation in North Florida Mooseland

Once again thee North Florida Moose lodges were privileged to enjoy a visit from Mooseheart students. This year it was the girls form the Oregon House. They spent a week visiting various sights and lodges, soaking up the warm weather and warm welcomes.

Their adventures included a visit to Moosehaven and an evening at Lake Shore Lodge 2020 for dinner. They enjoyed some swim time in the pool at the Mandarin 42 Lodge along with some lunch. They took a fantastic trip to the Jacksonville Florida Zoo for nearly 6 hours viewing as many animals as they could. A fun day was spent at the "Get Air" trampoline fun house where they displayed enviable youthful energy and agility. They did some bowling at Moosehaven with the residents and they spent their last day out at the Jacksonville Beach Lodge and at the beach, enjoying fun, sun, sand and the ocean. They had some lunch and even had time to paint some of the sea shells and rocks they collected before their busy trip came to an end.

This editor would like to thank Marge Walter for her info– and photo-filled Facebook posts for everything that I downloaded (LOL). Always such a treat to have these children visit our Association and Lodges to give our members a chance to meet them and a chance for these children to thank our members **–Editor.**





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Higher Degree

FMA enriched with newly conferred Pilgrims at June ceremony

























FLORIDA MOOSE ASSOCIATION



AUGUST 26, 2023

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Package includes a reserved grandstand seat in the FMA Section. Moose & Ross Chastain spiritwear is encouraged!

To register visit: https://fevo.me/cokemoose

The Courler FMA Special Project

Moosehaven AAA Project offers recognition and prizes for contributing lodges

Administrators and District Presidents: The FMA continues the lodge competition raising funds for the Moosehaven AAA Project. There are four separate divisions determined by lodge membership. This "per capita" competition will run through December 2023. The Administrator and President of the lodges with the highest per-capita in each division will receive complimentary accommodations for three nights, registration, and a banquet ticket for the 2024 Midyear Conference. In addition, the top three in each division will receive plaques to be proudly displayed in your lodge.

Check out the current standings of lodges' AAA contributions through April on the FMA website. This sheet will be updated monthly. The spreadsheet can be sorted or filtered in any way desired by using the built-in buttons in the column headers. The ranking in each division can be seen in the right-hand column. To receive credit in this competition, lodges should make checks payable to Moose Charities, earmarked 'Moosehaven AAA Project.' Please don't make checks payable to the FMA or mail them to the Association, as mailing them directly to Moose Charities will ensure your lodge receives proper credit toward your total annual giving and this association competition. The FMA has committed \$750,000 to this project, so we thank you in advance for supporting the AAA and this program.

District Presidents, please review this info and announce during your meetings where each lodge in your district stands. We hope doing so will further encourage lodge contributions, even if not winners of rewards.

Submitted by Dan O'Neal





Florida Moose Association **Deep Sea Fishing Tournament** August 5, 2023 9 Hour Atlantic Trip Lady Stuart... Hutchinson Island Rules & Registration Coming Soon **www.FloridaMoose.com**

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FMA News

Hurricane damaged lodge making significant rebuild progress



Update on the Ft Myers Beach Lodge repairs.

We are making steady progress on the repairs needed to get our Lodge functioning. The first picture is of the new back bar, the second picture is of the new drain lines being installed in the floor for the new front

bar. Drainage was always a problem in the past. The third picture is of the Event Center, it is further along because we sustained less damage in that building.

We have framed in the restrooms, and repaired drain issues also. The kitchen is being completely redesigned.

In addition to all this we have had repairs to the roof of the tiki bar. The next step is to install all new air conditioning.

Further updates as we progress. **Submitted by Ft. Myers Lodge 964**







Emergency Relief Fund

Weather or Not, we need to rebuild our fund

Well folks, It's Here!

June 1st to November 30th Hurricane Season. We here in the beautiful state of Florida remember how great things were going this time last year, then October came along (spoiler alert—October will roll around again in 2023)and with it so did Hurricane Ian. It bobbed, it weaved and then slam-dunked into the west coast causing major havoc.

14 Lodges were affected, some less than others, but all needed help. The Emergency Relief Fund was in pretty good shape, thanks to all the donations received from our members. Together with a generous matching amount from the FMA we were able to provide a total of \$126,000 to help these Lodges replace roofs, signs, docks, and deal with water damage and more.

Let us not forget that the ERF is just the same as all other causes—we are self-funded. We have made great strides to replenish our coffers, but when is enough, enough? Never, because we just don't know what is around the corner.

We are again selling tickets for a cash prize raffle to be drawn at the September convention. Who doesn't need \$1250 (1st prize) or \$750 (2nd prize) in cash? What Lodge or Chapter wouldn't welcome funds like these? Tickets are available from your District President or from me. My contact information is on the back page of this newsletter.

Please consider, too, holding raffles or fundraisers at your Lodge, Chapter or Moose Legion events. Send the proceeds directly to Dan O'Neal at PO Box 2863, Sanford, FL 32772-2863. Checks should be made out to the FMA and earmarked ERF. This is strictly a Florida Moose Association charity, created to help our Lodges and members, but if we don't use it, perhaps we can help out other Lodges in our Fraternity.

Let's hope we have a quiet season, but remember the ERF is not just for weather issues--broken pipes, ruined/damaged stock, water getting into electrics, all kinds of emergencies are potential candidates.

Think kindly and think often.

Submitted by Charlie Titheridge, ERF Chairman



The Courler FMA Calendar

DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
07/14/23 07/16/23	FRI SAT SUN		FMA Pool Tournament Women's State Pool	Orlando Moose Lodge
7/15/2023	SAT	09:00 AM 03:00 PM	Leadership Training	West Volusia 2538
7/22/2023	SAT	9:00 AM 3:00 PM	FMA Full Board Meeting	Moosehaven
7/22/2023	SAT	9:00 AM 4:00 PM	2-HOTT Class	Ocala Lodge 1014
7/23/2023	SAT	09:00 AM 03:00 PM	Leadership Training	Ocala 1014
7/29/2023	SAT	9:00 AM	WOTM Rally Days	Zephyrhills Moose Lodge
7/30/2023	SUN	1:40 PM	Miami Marlins Baseball Game	Miami
8/5/2023	SAT	All Day	Deep Sea Fishing Tourna- ment	Lady Stuart Deep Sea Fishing on Hutchinson Island
8/13/2023	SUN	1:40 PM	Tampa Bay Rays Baseball Game	Tampa
08/18/23 08/20/23	FRI SAT SUN	Check Flyer	Cornhole Tournament	Merritt Island Lodge 2073
09/02/23 09/04/23	SAT SUN MON		FMA Pool Tournament Men's State Pool	Orlando Moose Lodge
09/07/23 09/10/23	THU SUN		2023 FMA Convention	Rosen Plaza Orlando
11/04/23 11/05/23	SAT SUN		Horseshoes	Haines City Moose 2083
11/18/23	SAT		Rudolf's Run\Walk Virtual 5KCocoa Village, Cocoa Lo 1717	
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