



Enid Moose News

Enid, Oklahoma, Loyal Order of the Moose #1740

JANUARY 2019



December Moose Legion

I would like to thank those that have been coming out to the meetings; our meetings have continued to grow bigger with more Moose Legionnaires in attendance each week. Sooner Moose 147 was acknowledged and thanked for our job in OKC at the International Moose Legion Conference by Director General Scott Heart, we set the bar high for the next one in 2 years wherever it will be. The next Moose Legion Celebration will be at Alva January 18th, 19th and 20th. With it being so close none should have an excuse on why they cannot make it for at least the Conferral on Sunday Morning. We have not had the Attendance Banner for at least 3 years; it would be great to have it **Back!** Sign members so we can get them conferred there as well.

The Moose Legion is purchasing a new ice maker for the kitchen as well as paying for the Ellis Williams Memorial that will be posted on our building. Our Moose of the Month was Phil Derr for the great meal he provided for our last meeting. Governor Phil Gammon won the Split Pot Drawing of \$73.00; this is one reason why all Moose Legionnaires should come to the meetings. If you're not there when your name gets drawn you can't win. Our next meeting is January 11th, Toby is cooking the meal. The dinner at 6pm and meeting at 7pm. Would like to see everyone there.

Brother Chairman Chris Kirkley

DANCE

Saturday, January 19th, 7:00-11:00 pm

“Lost River Band”

\$10.00 per person

Food will be available from 6:00 - 8:00

for an additional charge

Sooner Moose Legion CELEBRATION

January 18th - 20th

Alva Lodge

SOCIAL QUARTERS HOURS

Monday-Thursday ~ 4:00 - 11:00 p.m. ★ Friday ~ 4:00 - 1:00 a.m. ★ Saturday ~ 4:00 - 1:00 a.m.

LODGE MEETINGS

1st Tues. - Officers Meeting ~ 6:30 • Lodge Meeting ~ 7:00 • House Committee Meeting ~ 8:00
3rd Tues. - Joint Meeting ~ 6:00 • Officers Meeting ~ 6:30 • Lodge Meeting ~ 7:00 • Officers Meeting ~ 8:00

Social Quarters Dress Code

No clothing with obscene, profane, or offensive language or art. Men: No tank tops, sleeveless or muscle shirts, cut off shorts or shirts, boxer (worn as outside clothing) or lounge (pajama) pants.

Women: No tube tops, halter tops, crop tops, sports bra (worn as outside clothing) cut off shorts, boxer (worn as outside clothing) or lounge (pajama) pants.

Note: If any article of clothing not specifically mentioned above is deemed inappropriate by the House Committee, you may be asked to cover it and/or asked not to wear it again.

Women of the Moose

Happy 2019! Just a few reminders for January. Steak night is January 5th. Also, please continue to support our Monday night meals. The Women use these Monday nights to earn money for our chapter obligations. **(Note the price change back to \$6.00!!!)**

Please note the change of meeting nights this month due to the lodge being closed on January 1st. We will meet on Tuesday, January 8th and January 22nd at 7 pm.

Please also look in your mail this month for a letter from the chapter for the **Bakeless Bakesale**. It is an easy way for members to donate to the chapter. No baking required!! Please think of our chapter. We will be collecting money until the end of March. (Hopefully and very possibly, your February or March budget will look better than your post-Christmas month of January.) This project helps to accumulate the funds for candidates for the College of Regents to be able to attend international conference and accept their hard earned award. Janna Pelletier is our candidate this year! She will accept her award in Las Vegas at the end of June. She has been involved in the **leadership** of this chapter for several years and is very deserving!

Speaking of **leadership**....we could really use some new faces with shiny new ideas to help lead our chapter for the 2019-2020 year. The nominating committee will be formed and contacted this month. Elections are in March! Installation is in April! The next Women of the Moose year begins May 1 and ends April 30th, 2020. I am feeling compelled to tell you the real story or the State of the Union of our little chapter. We have had only two officers for 2 years now. Two officers just barely keeps everything going and maintained. (We have to have special permission from Moose International to operate with only two board members.) A full board is 5 members. With only two board members, there is not sufficient woman-power to try new things and expand our chapter! We must also fill all the chairman positions which is four. If you have an interest in a board position or a chairman position, please contact Janna or I.

I am the one that sends out the sympathy cards, thinking of you, get well, and birthday cards! If you have this kind of information regarding the women in our organization, please let me know so I can send a card on behalf of the chapter. I have been doing this for a few years now. I have mailed some out for the men also. You can contact me at dkhickman68@gmail.com or 580-603-4222.

If you have any questions about anything, let me know. I am trying to explain why we are doing what we are doing!

January's birthdays are as follows:

1st - Barbara Hyle
5th - Ida Washam and Loretta Beam
11th - Dru McGee
12th - Nancy Strain
13th - Viola Hale
14th - Sherry McCormick
16th - Liz Breitenkamp
17th - Cecillia Bohn and Sharon Veach
19th - Cheryl Pettus (Mark's Momma)
20th - Phyllis Phillips and Paula Bahre
21st - Shirley Davis and LeeAnn Miller
22nd - Diana Williams, Jayme Walker and Diana Fitzgerald
23rd - Deb Pitts, Kay Stowers and Melanie Chandler
26th - Linda Franklin (Ben's wife)
28th - Linda Palmer and Sherri Pitts
29th - Theda Miller
30th - Kelli Morton

Blessings,
Deb Hickman
Secretary/Treasurer



From the Governor

Let me start by wishing everyone a Happy New Year!

Last year was a great year for our Lodge and now we begin the work of making this year just as great. As we reflect on last year, ask yourself “what did I do for my Lodge last year, and what can I do this year.” One of the things each of you can do is sign a new member. If everyone signed just one new member this year, just think how much our Lodge could grow. Membership is the biggest area that we struggle with each year. Please think about it and see if you can’t think of just one person you would like to share our fun and our mission with. You know we are always asking for volunteers and this hasn’t changed. We need your help with the weekly and monthly events at the Lodge. One event we really need help with is the Thursday Night Meal for the third Thursday each month. We have January and February covered but that leaves 10 more meals. Give it some thought and see if you would be willing to prepare this meal just one time this year. You could get two or three friends together and say, “we’ll volunteer to prepare the meal for the month of *****.” Give it some thought.

The nomination and election process for next year’s Board of Officers is coming up quickly. We will need to fill several positions this year. If you would like to get more involved, please consider taking a position on the Board. This will give you a voice in the decisions that are made for your Lodge throughout the year. If you think you would like to hold an office or have questions about exactly what would be required, talk to me or Ben and we would be glad to help you understand what you need to know.

As you have probably heard, the LOOM and WOTM Boards have decided to change the price of our meals in the Social Quarters back to \$6.00 dollars. We want to make sure that our meals, in addition to funding the Lodge and WOTM, are also affordable for all our members. Please come out and enjoy the meals that are available every Monday, Thursday, and every other Wednesday!

Thanks again for all you do to help us as we continue our Mission of supporting our kids at Mooseheart and our senior members at Moosehaven!

Phil “Pig” Gammon
Governor

*There’s no better feeling than making a difference
in the lives of children, seniors, and our communities*

“MEET AND EAT” ORIENTATION

Orientation for new and prospective members will be held on Wednesday, January 30th. The meal begins at 6:00 and is free for those attending the orientation. If you have not attended an Orientation, we encourage you to come. You will learn about the Mission of the Moose Fraternity and get to meet the Board Members and others. Casual dress is appropriate.

KARAOKE

The Annual Karaoke Contest will be held on February 1st, so we are having Karaoke every Friday in January to give you plenty of opportunity to practice and decide which songs you want to perform

LOCAL POOL QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT

The Local Qualifying Tournament will be held on Saturday, January 5th. Sign in will be from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. and Calcutta begins at 10:00

From the Desk of the Administrator

Happy New Year to all! I hope everyone had a great Holiday Season.

December was a good month at the Lodge even though it was a roller coaster ride. For those of you that missed out, we had a great Dirty Santa Party. I felt like this was one of the best we have had. I sure had a lot of fun, and there were some interesting gifts. The big event last month was the annual Christmas Dinner with a visit from Santa. I want to thank Santa for taking time out of his busy schedule to visit our Lodge. That's my favorite part of Christmas, seeing the little kids (and some big ones too) with Santa.

Steak Nights are back with the first one held January 5th, so make reservations now. The Sooner Moose Legion will be holding its quarterly celebration January 18th – 20th at the Alva Lodge.

Our next New Member Orientation will be held January 30th. We will have dinner at 6:00 and the Orientation at around 7:00. If you are a new member to the Moose, it is really important that you attend. If you are not a new member but want to learn more about the Moose, you are also welcome and encouraged to attend.

We are constantly looking for ideas to increase our activities in the Social Quarters. Thursdays are still going good. We have a Texas Hold'em Tournament on Wednesday nights and Texas Hold'em Night on Saturday evenings. Our Governor, Phil (PIG) Gammon and his wife, Christi are working hard to put together game nights throughout the month. We play Ship, Captain Crew; Left Right Center; and other games. Just watch your calendar and see when they are scheduled or get on Christy's text list to get notified of impromptu games. If anyone has any ideas of things they would like to do in the Social Quarters, please let me know.

We are going to lower our meal prices back to \$6.00 for Thursday night meals. If there are desserts available, they will be by donation. They are not included in the price of the meal. I just want to emphasize that the income from our Thursday night meals are what we use to pay for our insurance. Currently our building insurance is \$620.00 a month (approx.), and our liability insurance is around \$1,100.00 semiannually. This is why it is so important for you to support the Thursday Night meals and activities.

One last thing, the time of year to elect new officers is rapidly approaching. We will need to replace a couple of officers who will be going off the board or moving up to a different position. If you are interested in taking on a challenge and helping us continue to move our Lodge into the future, please talk to Pig or myself and take on this challenge.

Remember to do something good for someone each day

Ben

MOOSE PIT BBQ COMMITTEE MEETING

It's time to start planning for this year's Competition.

Our first Committee Meeting
will be held on
Wednesay, January 9th
at 6:00 p.m.

ACTIVITY PLANNING MTG

Wednesday, January 16th

6:30 p.m

Open to all Members

STEAK NIGHT

Saturday, January 5th

5:30 / 6:30 / 7:30

Please make your Reservation ASAP
so we know how many steaks we need!

Heart of the Community

Brothers and Sisters, as we embark on a new year, I want to take a moment to reflect on the past year. I would like to thank the many members of our Lodge, both individually and as various groups within our Lodge. I know I am going to miss some of the items, but please know that your participation, both physically and fiscally, has made a great difference in the lives of others.

Here we go. In the calendar year of 2018, your Lodge helped either financially or through volunteerism the following:

American Legion, 4RKids, Special Olympics, RSVP, Salvation Army, YWCA, Woodring Wall of Honor, Oklahoma Blood Inst., Bennie's Barn, Toys for Tots, Socks for Soldiers, Feed the Neighborhood, Enid Public Schools, Enid Jr. ROTC Program, Youth and Family Services, Adopt-a-Hwy Program, Kids ID, and many more. These are local charitable efforts that are in addition to our Core Initiatives of Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

Our Lodge members have also helped with things like Ringing the Bells, cooking Hot Dogs for School Carnivals, Kids ID events, hosting a safe Trunk or Treat, and Easter Egg Hunts for the Kiddos. Our Lodge Home has opened its doors to help with fund-raising efforts for people battling Cancer or other illnesses, Memorial Services, a Youth Tae Kwon Do belting ceremony, and even a Wedding.

Our Lodge also got to experience something some Lodges will NEVER get to, as we got to witness not one, but TWO of our members, Brothers Ben Franklin and Kent Cook, receive their Gold Pilgrim Jackets in a single ceremony, a very rare occurrence. Well deserved by both Ben and Kent, Congratulations Guys.

Now, here comes the Challenge.....as good as 2018 was for Heart of the Community efforts, we need to make 2019 Even better!!! We will be introducing the first annual Jr. Citizenship Awards to local youth in April. This will be a signature item that will be unique to OUR Lodge. Certainly, we hope it catches on and other lodges pick it up, but for now, it's all ours!! Also, we will be starting an "expendables" campaign in support of local shelters. Details will be posted in the Social Quarters and throughout the Lodge in the coming days.

Starting in January, your Heart of the Community Committee will be providing a Wednesday night meal every other week beginning on January 2nd. If a cancellation is necessary, a text and/or email will be sent out. Also, after reflection of the LOOM & WOTM boards, we have voted to revert the meal cost to \$6 starting in January. We have decided that we would rather have more participants, and raise a bit less funds per person, than for members to feel they cannot support multiple opportunities each week. We love our Moose Family and we want to see you often. Your Heart of the Community Committee will still strive to put out a top-notch meal, but I will be honest with my fellow Brothers and Sisters. In order to do that, we need "Butts in the Seats" on Wednesday nights. Likewise, for the WOTM on Mondays and Lodge Operations on Thursdays. Going forward on all meals, "if" a dessert is available, they will be by donation and will not be included in the price of the meal.

January Meals will be: January 2nd, Chili with all the fixings; January 16th, Chicken Fried Steak; and January 30th, Homemade Chicken & Noodles.

It has been a pleasure to serve as Heart of the Community Chairman since May 1st. and I look forward to a great 2019. Whew.....that was a lot to cover, but that means we had a great 2018. Thanks again for your continued Support.

Don Kirkley – Chairman

Heart of the Community Committee

Lodge 1740		January 2019					Chapter 1587	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
		1 Lodge Closed HAPPY NEW YEAR	2 6:00 HOC Meal Chili w/all the fixin's 6:30 Cards	3 6:00-7:00 Open Face Burgers & Fries \$6.00 All You Can Eat 6:00 Pitch & Pool	4 8:00 Karaoke Bring Finger Foods	5 Local Pool Qualifying Sign Up 9:00-10:00 Steak Night 5:30 / 6:30 / 7:30 7:00 Cards		
6	7 6:00-7:00 Meal	8 6:00 LOOM Brd Mtg 7:00 WOTM Mbr Mtg Loom Mbr Mtg Followed by House Committee	9 6:00 Moose Pitt BBQ Mtg 6:30 Cards	10 6:00-7:00 Tacos \$6.00 All You Can Eat 6:00 Pitch & Pool	11 Moose Legion Gathering 6:00 Dinner/7:00 Mtg 8:00 Karaoke	12 7:00 Cards		
13	14 6:00-7:00 Brats/Potatoes/Veggie 7:00 Moose Riders Mtg	15 5:30 Joint Brd Mtg 6:00 LOOM Brd Mtg 7:00 Loom Mbr Mtg Followed by House Committee	16 6:00 HOC Meal Chicken Fried Steak 6:30 Activity Planning Mtg 6:30 Cards	17 6:00-7:00 Enchiladas \$6.00 All You Can Eat 6:00 Pitch & Pool	18 8:00 Karaoke Bring Finger Foods Sooner Moose Legion - Alva	19 7:00-11:00 Dance "Lost River Band" Sooner Moose Legion - Alva 7:00 Cards		
20 Sooner Moose Legion - Alva	21 6:00-7:00 Meal	22 7:00 WOTM Mbr Mtg	23 6:30 Cards	24 6:00-7:00 Chicken with Mashed Pot/Gravy \$6.00 All You Can Eat 6:00 Pitch & Pool	25 8:00 Karaoke Bring Finger Foods	26 7:00 Cards		
27	28 6:00-7:00 Beans & Cornbread	29	30 6:00 HOC Meal Chicken & Noodles 7:00 HOC Mtg 6:30 Meet and Eat Orientation 6:30 Cards	31 6:00-7:00 POTLUCK No charge if you bring a dish to share 6:00 Pitch & Pool				

Lodge 1740		February 2019					Chapter 1587	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
	ROCKER	MONTH			1 8:00 Local Karaoke Contest Bring Finger Foods	2 7:00 Cards		
3  Super Bowl Party Hot Dogs/Nachos Beer Special	4 6:00-7:00 Meal	5 6:00 LOOM Brd Mtg 7:00 WOTM Mbr Mtg Loom Mbr Mtg Followed by House Committee	6 6:30 Cards	7 6:00-7:00 Open Face Burgers & Fries \$6.00 All You Can Eat 6:00 Pitch & Pool	8	9 7:00-11:00 Dance "Bobby Bennett Band"		
10	11 6:00-7:00 Meal	12	13 6:30 Cards	14 Valentine's Day  6:00-7:00 Tacos \$6.00 All You Can Eat 6:00 Pitch & Pool	15	16 District Pool Blood Drive 10:00-2:00 Steak Night 5:30 / 6:30 / 7:30 7:00 Cards		
17 District Mtg Hutchinson Lodge 12:00 Lunch 1:00 Meeting	18 President's Day 6:00-7:00 Meal	19 5:30 Joint Brd Mtg 6:00 LOOM Brd Mtg 7:00 WOTM Mbr Mtg 7:00 Loom Mbr Mtg Followed by House Committee	20 6:30 Cards	21 6:00-7:00 Spaghetti \$6.00 All You Can Eat 6:00 Pitch & Pool	22	23 7:00-11:00 Dance 7:00 Cards		
24	25 6:00-7:00 Meal	26	27 6:30 Cards	28 6:00-7:00 Chicken with Mashed Pot/Gravy \$6.00 All You Can Eat 6:00 Pitch & Pool				

LOOM Officers

Governor..... Phil Gammon
Jr. Past Governor Mark Hickman
Jr. Governor..... Chris Kirkley
Prelate Sam Justice
Treasurer Kent Cook
Administrator Ben Franklin
1st Year Trustee Bob Austin
2nd Year Trustee..... Don Kirkley
3rd Year Trustee..... Larry Schroeder
Sgt.-At-Arms Toby Wallace
Inner Guard
Outer Guard.....

WOTM Officers

Senior Regent.....
Jr. Regent.....
Jr. Grad. Reg.
Secretary/Treasurer..... Deb Hickman
Recorder..... Janna Pelletier



**While the “receiving” is good,
The “giving” is even better.**

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