#### **ABOUT US**

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## "EMBRACE OUR COMMUNITY"



Membership campaigns are created and implemented by the Membership Department at Moose International. Annual Membership Campaigns typically run from May 1 to April 30 and have a unique theme each year. This year's Annual Membership Campaign is "Embrace Our Community" which runs from May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025. "Embrace Our Community" highlights the good that our Fraternity has provided to our local communities for the past 100+ years and promotes what we will continue to do into the future. We embrace our communities with awareness of the Moose, ask how we as a Fraternity can assist, and invite them to join us in support of their/our community.

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## IT'S YOUR MOOSE LODGE

And there are some great things happening at your Moose Lodge!

## We need your support.

Our new year started May 1st. And again, the men and women who have stepped up to be the Board of Officers for our great lodge will be giving many hours of their time and lots of their energy. Please support them in any way you can.

Also, we don't want to forget to give a big shoutout to our wonderful volunteers. Whether it's through donating their time working, cleaning, or donating resources, we couldn't do what we do without them.

Keep an eye out for future emails with more details on how you can help make <u>YOUR LODGE</u> an even greater place to be.

You want to enjoy your time at the Lodge. If you have some suggestions for additional events or activities, please contact one of this years board of officers.

## 2024-2025 LODGE OFFICERS

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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

#### HAPPY NEW YEAR!

While this is the start of the new calendar year, it is not quite the new Moose year. The Moose year runs from May 1 st to April 30 th . We only have a few months to go though, and we are a little behind on Lodge membership. Please ask your friends and family to join us. And if you know of someone who has expired encourage them to get renewed. We are working hard to get the Premier Lodge Award again this year, and an increase in membership is one of the criteria forthat award.

I want to try again to explain to those women out there that are receiving dues notices for \$65.00 why that is. That is \$50.00 for your Moose Lodge dues and \$15.00 for your Women of the Moose dues. The 3 years of free Women of the Moose dues paid by Women of the Moose International is over.

Here is my somewhat unique situation: I am the first Hutchinson Moose Lodge female president and hold the position as the treasurer for the Hutchinson Women of the Moose Chapter. I desperately want you to please pay the dues of \$65.00. It is only \$15.00 more a year than you have been paying for the last 3 yrs. There has been no increase in Lodge Dues. You are just not getting free Women of the Moose dues anymore.

As the treasurer I know that the Women of the Moose does a lot of good for the Children at Mooseheart and the elderly at Moosehaven. We have continued over the last 3 yrs to hold our Chapter together with such issues as: lack of attendance at meetings, lack of chapter members committing to be chairpersons, lack of chapter members committing to be officers, and with lack of chapter members who volunteer to help with our fundraising efforts. We have continued to have the core few that have come to the meetings, became an officer or a chairman and have volunteered to help with fundraising suppers or work our concession stand during bingo. There has been no lack of trying to get help, no lack of asking chapter members to come to the meetings. If you think we have not begged enough then let me beg again. Please, Women of the Moose, please come to a meeting. January 5th at 4PM is the next meeting. Please, Women of the Moose, please come to the supper fundraiser on January 17th . Please, Women of the Moose, please submit your name to become a Women of the Moose officer by the 2nd nominating meeting on January 30th at 6:30pm. And please, Women of the Moose, please go ahead and send in \$65.00 for your yearly dues for the Lodge and Chapter.

Here is where it gets difficult for me. As president of the Lodge, I don't want you to drop your Lodge membership because you can't afford that \$15.00 more a year it costs to be a Chapter member. Or if you just don't want to pay \$15.00 to be a Women of the Moose because you don't participate in the Women of the Moose anyway. So, if nothing else please women go ahead and send in the \$50.00. And keep up with your Lodge Membership so that this Moose Lodge can continue our commitments to Mooseheart and Moosehaven and continue our community service in Hutchinson. This Lodge has a good number of female members, and we can't afford to lose membership over \$15.00. I hope you can understand my position, and I thank those who have taken the time to read my somewhat lengthy article this month.

## **HUTCHINSON MOOSE LODGE #982 JANUARY 2025 CALENDAR**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			5pm Social Quarters Opens	12pm BINGO 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm Games	5pm Social Quarters Opens 6-7:30pm Chicken Fried Steak 8pm Moose Legion Meeting 8-11pm KARAOKE	4 6pm Social Quarters Opens
5 1pm BINGO 4pm WOTM Meeting	6 Closed	7 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6-7pm Hamburgers	5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm Lodge Board Meeting 7:30pm Floor Meeting	9 12pm BINGO 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm Games	3pm Social Quarters Opens 6-7:30pm Steak/ Pork Chops OR Bacon Wraps 8-11pm KARAOKE MOOSE	8 am Social Quarters Opens 6-7:30 Meatloaf Supper 8-11pm 1970's DANCE  LEGION
CELEBRATION HUTCHINSON KANSAS	13 Closed	5pm Social Quarters Opens 5pm Dance Lessons 6-7pm Hamburgers	5pm Social Quarters Opens	16 12pm BINGO 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm Games	5pm Social Quarters Opens 6-7:30pm WOTM Dinner Chicken Pot Pie 8-11pm KARAOKE	18 6pm Social Quarters Opens PRIVATE PARTY
19 Closed	20 Closed	21 5pm Social Quarters Opens 5pm Dance Lessons 6-7pm Hamburgers	22 6pm Lodge Board Meeting 7:30pm Floor Meeting	23 12pm BINGO 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm Games	5pm Social Quarters Opens 6-7:30pm MOOSE LEGION Potato Bar 8-11pm KARAOKE	25 6pm Social Quarters Opens 7:30-10:30pm MOOD SWINGS
26 Closed	27 Closed	28 55pm Social Quarters Opens 5pm Dance Lessons 6-7pm Hamburgers	5pm Social Quarters Opens	30 12pm BINGO 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm Games	5pm Social Quarters Opens 6-7:30pm Mountain Oysters 8-11pm KARAOKE	



## MOOSE LEGION NEWS

Another year past; and what a year it was! The Hutchinson Moose Lodge and Legion saw many great successes in 2024, including regional, state and international awards, productive projects, great meals and several structural improvements with more to come.

Both entities can also be proud of the many financial contributions they were able to provide to Mooseheart, Moosehaven and many local worthy organizations.

The lodge finished the year by sponsoring a family through the Adopt a Family Christmas project. The Hutchinson Moose Legion contributed \$200.00 to the Hutchinson Moose Lodge fund drive putting the total over \$1000.00 used to purchase presents for a local family with four children. Very nice job with thanks to all who contributed.

Huge event coming up on the weekend of January 10-12!!! we will be hosting the Sooner Moose Legion quarterly Celebration here in our lodge. Tom and Patricia have been working hard to fulfill the required agenda, required meals everything else needed to pull off a successful Celebration. There are still slots available for YOU to help and take part in the chance to show off our Lodge members and Moose Legion members talent in hosting a party.

Thanks to everyone involved in the Hutchinson Moose Lodge and Moose Legion! You are the very folks who keep your Lodge and Moose Legion viable and strong!

Scott Saylor, Hutchinson Moose Legion Chairman



## ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S NOTE

Welcome to 2025. I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas holiday and a great New Year's

celebration. Let's hope 2025 is a better year for all of us.

We are still needing volunteers to help us with the Moose Legion Celebration at our Lodge the weekend of January 10-12, 2025. If you can spare a couple of hours for the registration table, working in the kitchen, bar backing, transportation and general set-up and tear down, please sign up on the sheet in the Foyer. We are also having an organization meeting on Thursday January 2, 2025, at 7:30 pm. Please plan to attend.

As I have mentioned before, we have the pleasure of having the International Moose Legion President as our official visitor at our Celebration. His name is Ron Serio. Let's make him feel welcome while he is here.

After we have the Celebration, we will gear up to welcome the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Robert Funkey, to our Lodge. His visit will take place Saturday February 22, 2025, for a meal, a program and a short presentation. Please plan to attend the festivities with us.

A big THANK YOU to all that participated in the Light Up Hutch Christmas parade on the first Saturday in December. It was the largest parade they have had for the Holiday season with over 100 entries. Lots of people along the entire parade route. So many, in fact, we ran out of candy way before we got to the end. Need to rethink about the candy situation.

A great big THANK YOU to our Moose Legion Chairman, Scott Saylor, for the way he handled the Christmas Ball. I was unable to attend after walking the parade route. I heard everyone had a good time Once again Scott, THANK YOU.

The next District 1 meeting will be held Sunday January 19, 2025, at the Alva Lodge. Lunch will be at 12 noon with the meeting starting at 1 pm. Please plan to attend to show support.

Please feel free to volunteer at the Lodge whenever you can. We can use some new volunteers to help relieve the ones that have been volunteering for years. See any Board member for more information.

Until next month, Tom

## **SOCIAL QUARTERS HOURS**

TUESDAY 5-8 PM WEDNESDAY 5-8 PM THURSDAY 5-8 PM FRIDAY 5-11 PM SATURDAY 6-11 PM

\*\*\*Hours may be extended at bartender's discretion.\*\*\*

**OFFICE HOURS** 

TUESDAY 5-8pm WEDNESDAY 5-8pm THURSDAY 10am- 3 pm FRIDAY 5-8pm



## **BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS**

The Improvement committee is still meeting. Projects are underway and a few have been completed. Thank you to those who have volunteered to help make things happen! Consider helping with future projects yet to come.

# COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS THAT YOUR MOOSE LODGE HAS ACCOMPLISHED IN DECEMBER

You raised over \$1,000 for a family of 4 kids for Christmas. You donated a coat and \$75.00 to someone in need. Decorated a Christmas Parade float and donated candy to kids.



## **BULL MOOSE**

The <u>Bull Moose</u> is the current member who was the last person to sign up a new member into the Hutchinson Moose Lodge #982. They are entitled to one free drink each day they come into the lodge. They remain as the Bull Moose until another member signs up a new member thus becoming the Bull Moose.



## **VOLUNTEERS**

We greatly appreciate anyone who has volunteered in the month. Whether it was in the kitchen, at Bingo, cleaning, maintenance, mowing, selling 50/50, baking pies, or any of the many other things that only get done because someone has volunteered to do it. Thank you! And thank you in advance for all

that you continue to do.

## **VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH:**

Jennifer Wright and Mark Steele

## 2023-2024 WOTM CHAPTER OFFICERS

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JAN DICK 620-259-8050

#### **SYMPATHY**

Betty McDonald families

## **GET WELL SOON**

Mike Oden Jackie Symonds



## FROM YOUR SENIOR REGENT

Welcome 2025 as we look forward to a new and exciting year and reflect back on 2024, my hope is everyone has fond memories to reflect on and hope for the future year to come.

Speaking of changes it is the time of the year when we start having our nomination meetings. The first of those meetings will be held January 21 @6:30, and the second January 30@6:30. I ask all past Senior Regents, all current Board of Officers and our Guide to join us at these meeting. At these meetings we will accept nominations for the May 2025-April 2026 for Senior Regent, Secretary, Treasurer and Chairman positions and prepare for the election. That being said if you would like to considered for any of these positions please make sure you give your name to an Officer before those dates. Let your voices be heard and help guide our Chapter in the up coming year we welcome your input and help.

Our Chapter meeting this month will be January 5, 2025 @ 4:00 pm.

Our supper this month is on January 18, 2025 and will be chicken pot pie hope to see lots of you join us for some comfort food to warm up with.

Sincerely Senior Regent, Jennifer Wright

Hutchinson Chapter is proud to provide funds to assist our students with Physical and Occupational Therapy. A number of our children at Mooseheart require short and long-term treatment in the areas of Physical and Occupational Therapy. Whether children arrive at Mooseheart requiring a continuation of services, receive a referral by our Pediatrician or are recovering from an injury, these medical treatments are often not covered by the state's children's health care plan or, a provider within the plan is too far away from Mooseheart. To ensure that our kids receive quality medical care our support in this area is truly important!

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