

# **“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.

## **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 YOUR LODGE 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.



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## **FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Happy Fall Y'all! We are going to be getting busy here soon with some upcoming events. We really do need help with these. If you can help, please let us know! We have a big private birthday party coming up on October 12. And a private Wedding Reception on November 16<sup>th</sup>. These events are for the persons contracting for the hall rental. They will send out invitations to their family and friends. These are not Moose Events for Moose Members.

What we need help with is to monitor the doors to ensure that it is explained to the guests they cannot bring in alcohol and that they are not to leave with alcohol. There will be seating for those that help, and it is something that does not have to be all night. We will welcome anybody that can do it for even a little while. We need to have several people to help just to make sure everything is going smoothly. We are not asking for bouncers or anything! We just need a few sets of eyes and some friendly faces to greet people and explain nicely. I will put up a more detailed sign-up sheet in the Social Quarters.

Thank you,

Patricia

## **FROM YOUR ADMINISTRATOR**

October 12 we will have a private party, but we can use some help that evening. If you can spare a couple of hours, it would be helpful to let others take a break. Some of us will be here all evening. The sign-up sheet will be in the Social Quarters or see Patricia or Jerry.

October 27<sup>th</sup> we will have an open house and trick or treat for the kids. Get signed up for a spot to decorate your way. And have fun handing out the candy you purchase to the kids! We will let the kids judge who has the best decorated spot for a \$100.00 prize. So, get in the spirit and let's show the kids a good time.

Can you believe we are starting to talk about Christmas? We will be taking donations to help with an angle tree family of four, please help as much as you can. If we get enough help maybe we can adopt more than one family.

Thank you,

Jerry



2025 International Youth Awareness Congress



2024 International Youth Awareness Congress Winners



1st Place  
Quang Ho  
(California)  
\$12,000.00

2nd Place  
Ivy Lin  
(Virginia)  
\$8,000.00

3rd Place  
Kamal Maddad  
(California)  
\$5,000.00



4th Place  
Malayza Waino  
(Oregon)  
\$3,000.00

5th Place  
Balhazar Avila  
(Arizona)  
\$2,000.00

2024 INTERNATIONAL YOUTH AWARENESS



Having fun together...



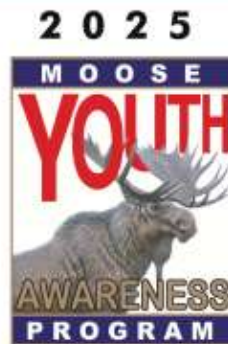
...while exchanging ideas



...and reaching solutions.

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DAKOTA MOOSE  
2025 INTERNATIONAL YOUTH AWARENESS CONGRESS  
RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA  
APRIL 24-28, 2025



THERE IS A FUTURE  
THEY ARE THE FUTURE  
THE FUTURE IS NOW

THERE IS A FUTURE

Can teenagers persuade younger children to make positive choices in life? "YES!" say the teens and adults who work together in the **MOOSE YOUTH AWARENESS PROGRAM**. For the past 37 years, we have organized high school students into a highly effective speakers' bureau with the goal of educating preschool and elementary school-aged children on a variety of topics, including drug and alcohol abuse, child abuse, "stranger danger", bullying and peer pressure, and healthy habits and nutrition.

More than 1,000 energetic teens gathered last year at State and Provincial Moose Association Youth Awareness Congresses throughout the United States and Canada. They listened to guest speakers, exchanged ideas and used their creativity to help themselves and others to deal with adverse elements in their own communities. Several students drew from their own personal experiences in determining how they could assist in preventing future tragedies. Some of the students that attended these State/Provincial Congresses were already leaders in school or community youth programs; others became leaders as a result of the knowledge and experience they gained because they attended.



At Association Youth Awareness Congresses, participants focus on creating **Moose KidsTalks**, which are presentations to be given to K - 6th grade children in their communities. Adults may provide information and inspiration, but the ideas for the students' KidsTalks are all their own. They develop ways to empower children to make healthy choices or to resist danger, and they go home determined to put them into practice.

The best part of Moose KidsTalks is the lengths to which the teenagers will extend their creativity. Some use costumes and take on alternate personas; others use props, pictures, puppets or coloring books; still others use skits or games to add audience participation to their presentations. As their experience as a presenter grows, so too does their ability to keep the children engaged.

Each student's sponsoring Moose Lodge and/or Women of the Moose Chapter are asked to assist participants in making arrangements to present Moose KidsTalks to groups of young children in the community.



THEY ARE THE FUTURE

Each year, local Moose Lodge representatives ask high school officials across North America to recommend two high school students to State/Provincial Association Youth Awareness Congresses, which are held in August, September and October each year. Students are selected based on academic achievement



and leadership qualities. Those who attend an Association Youth Awareness Congress are asked to create a Moose KidsTalks presentation by selecting a topic and developing a presentation around that topic. They are then asked to find opportunities, with the assistance of their sponsoring Moose Lodges and/or Women of the Moose Chapters, to speak to groups of K - 6th grade children. There are numerous sources for potential audiences: scouting units, elementary schools, day care centers, Sunday School classes, Boys' and Girls' Clubs and YMCA youth programs just to name a few. Each student is asked to present a minimum of three (3) Moose KidsTalks between the end of the Association Youth Awareness Congress and November 15, 2024. They are also asked to complete written reports on their presentations and submit them to their respective Association Youth Awareness Chairman.

In late April each year, approximately 50 students, who attended Association Youth Awareness Congresses and completed the minimum of three (3) Moose KidsTalks presentations, are selected by their peers to attend the International Youth Awareness Congress. The 2025 International Youth Awareness Congress will be held in Rapid City, SD from April 24 - April 28, 2025. At the conclusion of the International Congress, five students will be selected by the attendees to receive scholarships. The awards are:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$12,000 Bob Neff Scholarship
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$8,000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$6,000
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place - \$5,000
- 5<sup>th</sup> Place - \$4,000

International Youth Awareness Congress Scholarships are funded by the Moose Legion - The Degree of Service



THE FUTURE IS NOW

The Moose Youth Awareness Program has a bright future. Through Moose KidsTalks presentations, our participants can educate the youth of their communities to make wise decisions and to avoid adverse situations. They can also motivate and inspire. In fact, the voices of those students that have attended Association and International Youth Awareness Congresses during the last 37 years have reached an audience of more than 820,000.



Our Lodges, Chapters, Moose Legions and State/Provincial Moose Associations also support many other outstanding programs that benefit children. Our fraternal leaders are dedicated to this most worthwhile program that affects youth all over North America. The Moose Youth Awareness Program reaffirms our commitment to providing today for a better tomorrow.

The future rests in the hands, hearts and minds of our children. Without a doubt, members of the The Moose and The Women of the Moose will continue to provide assistance to make our communities a better place for families to live and for children to grow.

**Friendship Salad Recipe**

- 1 can of listening ears
- 1 can of sharing
- 1 tub of sweet words
- 1 can of teamwork
- 1 can of honesty
- NO ROTTEN BANANAS

**THE ASSOCIATION YOUTH AWARENESS CONGRESS WILL BE HELD IN ALVA, OK ON OCTOBER 19TH AT 11AM. See Patricia for details.**



## HUTCHINSON MOOSE LODGE #982 OCTOBER 2024 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens 5pm Dance Lessons 6-7pm Hamburgers	<b>2</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens	<b>3</b> 12pm BINGO 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm Games	<b>4</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6-7:30pm Chicken Fried Steak 8pm Moose Legion Meeting 8-11pm KARAOKE	<b>5</b> 6pm Social Quarters Opens 7-10pm Triple Play Birthdays
<b>6</b> 1pm BINGO 4pm WOTM Meeting	<b>7</b> Closed	<b>8</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens 5pm Dance Lessons 6-7pm Hamburgers	<b>9</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm LODGE BOARD MEETING 7:30pm GENERAL FLOOR MEETING	<b>10</b> 12pm BINGO 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm Games	<b>11</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6-7:30pm Steak OR Pork Chops 8-11pm KARAOKE MOOSE	<b>12</b> 6pm Social Quarters Opens 4pm-3am Private Party Quinceañera LEGION
<b>13</b> Closed WOODARD OKLAHOMA	<b>14</b> Closed	<b>15</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens 5pm Dance Lessons 6-7pm Hamburgers	<b>16</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens	<b>17</b> 12pm BINGO 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm Games Third Thursday	<b>18</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6-7:30pm WOTM Dinner Bierocks 8-11pm KARAOKE	<b>19</b> 6pm Social Quarters Opens 7-10pm Reno County Anniversaries
<b>20</b> Closed	<b>21</b> Closed	<b>22</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens 5pm Dance Lessons 6-7pm Hamburgers	<b>23</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm LODGE BOARD MEETING 7:30pm GENERAL FLOOR MEETING	<b>24</b> 12pm BINGO 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm Games	<b>25</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6-7:30pm Moose Legion Dinner Chili & Cinnamon Roll 8-11pm KARAOKE	<b>26</b> 6pm Social Quarters Opens
<b>27</b> Closed TRUNK OR TREAT 2-5pm	<b>28</b> Closed	<b>29</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens 5pm Dance Lessons 6-7pm Bierocks	<b>30</b> 5pm Social Quarters Opens	<b>31</b> 12pm BINGO 5pm Social Quarters Opens 6pm Games		

*2nd Annual Moose Lodge #982  
Trunk or Treat*



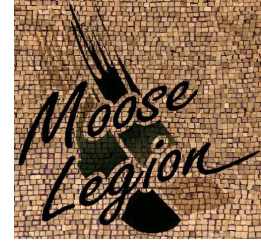
1401 East 1st Avenue  
Sunday October 27, 2024  
2-5pm

Bring your dressed up ghouls and goblins for a GREAT  
afternoon of treats and spooky fun!!  
Open to all ages!!!

**Spookie Booth Contest \$100 Prize for  
Best Spookiest Booth**

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN**

# HUTCHINSONMOOSE LEGION NEWS



The upcoming Sooner Moose Legion Celebration is just a few weeks away. Woodward, Oklahoma Moose Legion will be hosting the Celebration, so we should all be anticipating a great weekend there on the 11-13 of October. The Hutchinson Moose Legion meetings are at 8:00 PM the first Friday of each month and we can expect a visit from SML President, Ben Franklin, at one of these meetings very soon. We can also be looking forward to hosting the January 10-12, 2025 Celebration right here in our lodge.

Friday October 25th we will be serving chili and cinnamon rolls for our monthly dinner. This should be the perfect meal as the weather begins cooling down and please note we will make one small pot without beans for those like MARK who don't like legumes.

Our Lodge and Moose Legion are continuing to stay strong thanks to the efforts of all who volunteer and participate. Thank you to everyone who helps make us great!

Scott Saylor, Hutchinson Moose Legion Chairman



## ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S NOTE

Let's start this note with a reminder of the Moose Legion Celebration being held at the Woodward Lodge October 11-13, 2024. The Sunday will be a special day as Brother Trever Hepner will have his robing ceremony. Try to make it Sunday October 13th at 1 pm at the Woodward Lodge.

It has been brought to my attention that someone was overlooked from the Annual OSKMA convention. Brother David Telford was awarded the Honorary Past President ribbon for Sooner Moose Legion 147. Well deserved David. I went through my notes from the convention and this tidbit was overlooked. My apologies David.

### Let's try some trivia about our Lodge:

**Question 1-** Who was the first Governor of the Hutchinson Lodge?

**Question 2-** Who was the first Senior Regent?

**Question 3-** How many swimming pools were on the property when the property was purchased?

**Question 4-** How many Pilgrims does the Lodge have credit for?

**Question 5-** Here's a tough one: Who was the last Deputy Grand from our Lodge?

**Question 6-** Was there a golf course on the property at any time?

The answers to the above questions will appear in the November edition of our newsletter. Happy hunting.

P.S. Don't forget the second annual Trunk or Treat weekend on October 27th at the Lodge. It will be held indoors like last year beginning at 2 pm until 5 pm. Hope to see you there.

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 HUTCHINSON MOOSE LODGE DONATED TO**

In the month of September, we donated \$150 to the Reno County Sheriffs Department for coloring books.



### **BULL MOOSE**

The Bull Moose 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.*

The volunteers we would like to recognize for the month of September would be: Carol Gisick and Sherri Thomas. Thank you ladies for going the extra mile.

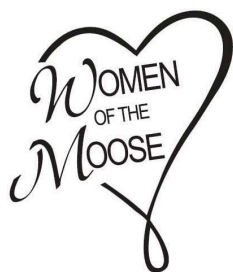


**2023-2024  
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**SYMPATHY**

George Dechane  
Family

John Hooker  
Family

**GET WELL  
SOON**

Jackie Symond

Mike McDonald

**THINKING OF  
YOU**

Dale Sterling

**FROM YOUR SENIOR REGENT**

Welcome Fall and cooler weather. I am confident that we are all ready for that, I personally love this time of year.

I have exciting news for our WOTM Chapter #1371. As most of you have heard Rally Days was held this past weekend in Enid, Ok, Patricia and myself attended the western attire themed festivities. We both had a great time, it is always a good time to meet, or catch up, get to know, and share ideas with the ladies from all the other Chapters. While there we dance, play games, eat and enjoy the company of others. Every year there is a Chapter Rally Days Banner awarded to the Chapter that shows the most spirit, good attitude and participation this year I am happy to announce we brought that home to Hutchinson. This also means that we will be the host Chapter next Fall this will be a wonderful chance to show off our Lodge renovations and some great hospitality.

Some things to remember this month are our Chapter meeting is October 6th at 4:00 pm. We will be taking donations for Christmas in October for Moosehaven/Mosseheart. Also to raise more funds for Christmas in October we are taking donated craft items and baked goods and doing a silent auction on our supper night October 18th. That meal will be salad, bierocks, soup and dessert.

As always we will need people to donate craft items this year we are not limiting it to Christmas, any craft would be amazing or any baked goods. Please bring them that Friday by 5 pm.

Thank you in advance.

Sincerely Senior Regent,  
Jennifer Wright



## CHRISTMAS IN OCTOBER EXPLAINED

Each October, the Hutchinson Women of the Moose Chapter has the opportunity to hold “Christmas in October” on behalf of our children at Mooseheart and senior residents at Moosehaven.

Our Mooseheart children know that, because of the Women of the Moose, they too, will have a joyful Christmas season. We provide funds for photo Christmas cards, Christmas parties in each residence, lovely decorations and special treats. There is friendly competition to be the best decorated home with the best decorated tree. Our Mooseheart/ Moosehaven committee and our members also provide funds for a special Christmas gift for each child.

At Moosehaven, special events include the annual Christmas dinner and party, New Year’s Eve party, thanksgiving dinner, off campus trips as well as the many monthly social gatherings both on campus and at the Life Care Center. These gatherings afford our residents the opportunity to sing, dance and laugh the night away. Generally, music, food and beverage are provided to our residents free of charge. A great time is had by all including Moosehaven staff members who give of their personal time to attend and make sure our residents are well taken care of.

Each year, our Hutchinson Women of the Moose at our meeting conduct a Monetary Gift Walk. Our members are invited to contribute what they can afford to give to provide additional Christmas gifts for the Mooseheart children and the Moosehaven seniors.

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