

Special note to all WOTM members

Several years ago, when we became a unified fraternity, the Women of the Moose (WOTM) were given three years free dues to help with the transition.

Those free dues are nearing their completion.

What does that mean?

If you are a member of the WOTM and receive a Dues Notice, your free dues window is closed and you will need to pay the new dues.

Remember, in order to be a member of a WOTM Chapter, you have to be a member of a Moose Lodge.

Be sure to keep both memberships current.

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WOODWARD, OKLAHOMA

NOVEMBER 2023

Help secure the future of Mooseheart and Moosehaven

by Steve Stewart, Woodward Moose Lodge President

Well the seasons are changing and before you know it the holidays will be here.

If you haven't been out to the lodge lately there is lots of activities going on. Dart and pool leagues are in full swing as well as card games.

Our social quarters is a great place to unwind and visit with our brothers and sisters of the moose fraternity.

Also don't forget if you're looking for a place to host your company's or families Christmas party this year we have several different options available. Feel free to contact the lodge for availability.

Last, but not least, as always we need volunteers to help with various activities at the lodge.

Our lodge was built from the ground up with people donating their time to make our lodge one of the best in the nation.

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Heart of the Community endeavor to benefit Kayla's Kindness Project

Do you have sample size bottles of hygiene products laying around that are just taking up space? Bring them to the Woodward Moose Lodge #452 and we will collect them and take them to our OS-KMA MidYear conference in March in Enid. All your donations will be given to Kayla's Kindness Project. This young lady from Alva is making kindness bags for patients in hospitals and has been doing so for several years. Let's help her spread a little kindness !!



Money well spent

Your dues help ensure bright futures

by Kimberly Kelly, Editor

Have you ever stopped to think about where your money goes when you make purchases and donations at the lodge?

There's a very simple answer to that and I hope that I am able to shed some light on that.

But before I do, there is another question that I think needs to be looked at and understood.

Our membership numbers continue to rise. That's a great feeling, knowing we are able to grow the Moose fraternity and continue to focus on the children at Mooseheart and the seniors at Moosehaven, and of course, the local community in which we live.

When you decided to join the Moose, what drew you in?

Was it the social aspect of having a local Moose lodge where you can go, have a few drinks, eat delicious meals, and socialize with your friends?

If that is the case then you are part of the Social Quarter membership.

You play a vital role in the overall business aspects of running the Lodge and keeping the lights on.

Without you, we would cease to exist as a Lodge.

Were you looking to give of your time and a purpose in your life? And once you joined, did you step up and do just that?

If so, then you are one of our wonderful volunteers. They are what keeps things going at the Lodge.

Yes, there are a few paid positions. There has to be to pay the bills and operate the Social Quarters. But it's the volunteers that cook, serve the food, and work in the kitchen.

And then there are those who stepped up to serve on the Lodge board, the WOTM Chapter board, the Moose Legion board, and the Valued Veterans board.

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WOODWARD MOOSE LODGE

President: Steve Stewart
 Vice President: Carol Harris
 Past President: Nick Shrout
 Treasurer: Don Parella
 Administrator: Bruce Snider
 Trustees: Donna Turner,
 Sean Baker, and
 Robert Smith

The ringing of The Salvation Army bell is not just a sound of a bell

It's the sound of curing
 hunger, the sound of
 Christmas to a child in
 need, the sound of a
 safe place for our
 neighbors to sleep. It
 is the sound of help,
 hope, and comfort to
 our neighbors when
 they need it most
 during the holidays
 and beyond.

- salvationarmy.org

Help change a life this season

Give your time: Ring the Bell

Did you know that the Woodward Salvation Army does so much more than Disaster Relief.

They provide social services and help with utilities and housing, in our communities of (6) counties under their care.

All donations given, including "Ringing of the Bells" and any donations made toward utilities bills, stay right here to help our communities.

As in years past, Woodward Moose Lodge is helping the Salvation Army in their "Ringing of the Bells" Program during the holidays!

There will be a sign up sheet at our Moose Lodge or you may text Pam Pierce your Name, Phone #, Day and the hour(s) you wish to Ring the Bell to help our community.

Please let Pam know ASAP, so we can let Salvation Army know what days, times our Moose members will volunteer. Pam Pierce can be reached at (580) 504-2013.



**We keep the life of
our communities beating
through our service.**



HUGS donations help homeless through the winter

The Hats, Underwear, Gloves, and Socks (HUGS) program will continue to help those who are homeless weather the winter. With colder weather on the way, it makes the need for warm clothing and blankets that much more important to those who cannot find warm shelter. Donations can be brought to the lodge and put in the specially marked box. See lodge for deadlines and additional information.

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They are the fraternalists and the backbone of how things work. They are the decision makers.

They look at the health of the Lodge, how it operates, and how the money is put to its best use.

A portion of the money for your Lodge membership goes towards the operations of the Lodge itself. The balance goes to Moose International.

Moose Legion dues help fund the following programs/ activities: Moosehaven's Operations and Senior Medical Fund, Mooseheart's Camp Ross, and the International Moose Legion operations.

They also fund scholarships that are presented through the Moose International Youth Awareness Congress.

Like the Moose Legion, the Women of the Moose Chapters give to Mooseheart and Moosehaven.

Each month, the Chapter helps fund a different area within Mooseheart and/or Moosehaven.

For Mooseheart, they fund the Feed a Home in December Program (June), Girls' Athletic Program (July), Boys Athletic Program (August), Photo Christmas cards, Christmas Fund Program, Christmas gifts (October), Music Department (November), Special Activities Fund (December), Physical and Occupational Therapy (January), Photograph (March), and new clothing, coats, shoes, personal hygiene items, personal bedding and a few photo frames for pictures of their family (April).

For Moosehaven, they help fund the Daily Needs Program (May), help offset Vision, Hearing and Dental Needs (September), Special Events Fund and Christmas gifts (October), and Pharmacy Assistance (February).

The WOTM also fully fund Women of the Moose Scholarships presented to graduating Mooseheart Seniors.

This is all on top of the donations the Lodge, Moose Legion, and Women of the Moose make in the form of community service.

The next time you get your dues notice, just think back on all the wonderful things you are doing for so many who rely on us so much.

Isn't it great to be a Moose? So Moose Proud!

**SICKNESS
AND DISTRESS**

Steve Stewart

Lisa Faris

Trish Parella

Fayla Powell

Kristy Snider

Mona Story

Judy Toney

**LODGE
& CHAPTER
PRAYERS UPON
THE DEATH OF:**

Margarite Bowser

Alice Modena

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Please never assume that we have enough volunteers or your time would be wasted.

It takes a dedicated team and we are always looking for new faces.

We have to always keep in the back of our mind that our hard work and perseverance is what makes our lodge,

Mooseheart and Moosehaven successful.

I hope to see you soon at the lodge.

Raising funds for Camp Ross

Sooner Moose Legion steps up to help

by Don Parella, Woodward Moose Legion Committee Chairman

I would like to Thank everyone who attended the Moose Legion Celebration at the Enid Lodge. We had a great time.

Also, Sooner Moose Legion will be raising fund to replace the doors to the chapel at Camp Ross and the walkway leading to the chapel.

If you do not know what Camp Ross is, it is year-round recreational facility 60 miles west of Mooseheart.

The facility includes a pool, bunk house, dining hall, chapel and numerous outdoor activities that the children at Mooseheart enjoy. If you are a Moose Legionnaire a portion of your Moose legion dues goes to fund this facility.

Over the last five years the International Moose Legion Board has made it a point to sponsor several major improves at Camp Ross.

This month's Moose Legion Committee gathering will be Saturday, November 4 at 7:00 p.m.. The Moose Legion will be serving dinner: open face roast beef sandwich, mashed potato and Veggie starting at 6:00 p.m. price will be \$8.

The good news is if you are a Moose Legionnaire and attend the meeting at 7 you will be reimbursed the cost of your meal.

We will play 3 Ball before and after the meeting for anyone interested.

Once again if you have any ideas for activities at our gatherings please let Trevor, Greg or myself know.

Remember:

To do some good thing for someone each day.

WOODWARD WOTM CHAPTER

Senior Regent: Donna Turner

Jr Past Regent: Tina Howard

Secretary: Pam Pierce

Treasurer: Carol Harris

Guide: Mary Harrington

Mooseheart/ Moosehaven:

Sarah Edwards

Membership:

Heather

Pack



Give a child in need a brighter Christmas

Pick an angel from our Angel Tree, purchase the gift, wrap the gift and attach the angel to it, and return it to the Lodge.

Details and deadlines are available at the lodge.

Share your talents this holiday season

Our community needs us

by Donna Turner, Senior Regent

How wonderful fall has finally arrived and we can enjoy cooler weather.

With that comes our Holiday season and lots of opportunity to volunteer your time and or talents.

This year we will once again be Ringing the Bells for the Salvation Army. There will be a sign up book in the Social Quarters.

We are also starting our Hugs program again. Bring your gently used coats or jackets or any item hats, gloves, socks that will help keep a person warm.

Bring these items to the lodge and we will collect them and they will be donated to the homeless to help keep them warm and cozy this winter.

We will once again have our Angel Tree in the Social Quarters. When we get the tree up come pick an Angel, purchase and wrap the gift, place the Angel Tag on the gift and return it to the Social Quarters.

We are also collecting Hygiene products for Kayla's Kindness Project. This is the OSKMA Community Service Project for Mid-year in March.

We have lots of time to collect these items so we should have plenty to take with us to Midyear. Bring those items to the lodge as well and we will collect them and take to Midyear in Enid.

Our chapter just hosted OSKMA Rally Day. It was a great success.

Thank you to all the chapter members who took the time to attend and to Pam Pierce and Carol Harris for working so hard behind the scenes to make it all happen.

Monday, November 13, at 7:30 p.m. is our College of Regents Night. Get out your Cap and Gown and come celebrate with us.

Our business meeting is the Monday, November 27 at 7:30 p.m. with game in the Social Quarters to follow.

Monday Night Meals are in full swing!!

If you would like to help by preparing a meal please let Pam or Carol know.

Watch for sign-up sheets in the Social Quarters for help needed for banquets coming up.

Until next time have a great month and I'll see you at the lodge.

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?

WOODWARD MOOSE LODGE 452

**MEMBERSHIP
CAMPAIGN SPECIAL**
SEPT 1-DEC 31, 2023



PAY 2 YRS DUES

PAY 4 YRS DUES

NEW MEMBERS

GET 3RD YR
1/2 OFF!*

GET 5TH YR
FREE!*

GET \$20 IN
**MOOSE
BUCKS!****

*Membership Campaign runs from September 1, 2023-December 31, 2023. Must come into the lodge to get specials. Does not apply to Moose Legion, Chapter, or Online Applications. **Any new member will get \$20 in Moose Bucks to cover their Registration Fee. Membership Campaign runs from September 1, 2023-December 31, 2023. Must come into the lodge to get specials. Does not apply to Moose Legion, Chapter, or Online Applications.

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Nov 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	1	2	3	4 MOOSE LEGION MEAL 6:00 PM MEETING 7:00 PM
5	6 MONDAY NIGHT MEAL: STEW CAROL HARRIS LODGE OFFICERS 7:30 PM LODGE MEETING 8:00 PM SHUFFLEBOARD	7 FREE POOL	8 DART LEAGUE PITCH	9 CARDS	10 VETERANS DINNER 6:00 PM	11
12 DISTRICT 1 MEETING LUNCH AT 12:00 PM MEETING AT 1:00 PM	13 MONDAY NIGHT MEAL: BEEF & NOODLES TIN HOWARD CHAPTER COLLEGE OF REGENTS NIGHT 7:30 PM CHAPTER OFFICERS TO FOLLOW SHUFFLEBOARD	14 RETENTION NIGHT 6:30 PM FREE POOL	15 DART LEAGUE PITCH	16 CARDS	17 BLIND DRAW DARTS SIGN UP 7:30 PM DARTS FLY 8:00 PM	18 MOOSE RACES AND GAME NIGHT 7:30 PM
19	20 MONDAY NIGHT MEAL: MEATLOAF DEB MAPLES LODGE OFFICERS 7:30 PM LODGE MEETING 8:00 PM SHUFFLEBOARD	21 FREE POOL	22	23 THANKSGIVING LODGE CLOSED	24	25
26	27 MONDAY NIGHT MEAL: MEATBALL SUBS CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING 7:30 PM GAMES TO FOLLOW SHUFFLEBOARD	28 FREE POOL	29 DART LEAGUE PITCH	30 CARDS	1	2 EVENTS OPEN TO MEMBERS AND QUALIFIED GUESTS.