Moose Nuggets

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'Tis the Season of Giving!
Once again, the Anchorage Moose Lodge will be collecting donations, both food and cash, to help put together our annual Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets.

Each year, our Lodge donates 25+ holiday boxes to the families of Willow Crest Elementary School students. These boxes include everything needed for a complete Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner, and for Christmas, we also add an extra week's worth of food to help families during Winter Break. In addition, we provide the same holiday boxes to Moose members and families who may be struggling, ensuring everyone enjoys a warm, festive meal.

How You Can Help:
We're in need of canned goods, potatoes, stuffing, frozen pies, dairy products, and more.
If you'd prefer to make a monetary donation, please see the office — funds will be earmarked for the food baskets.

We couldn't make this project happen without our amazing members! Your generosity brings joy and good meals to so many during the holidays.

We'll be assembling baskets on November 22nd (Thanksgiving) and December 13th (Christmas). Volunteers are always needed and appreciated, so please let us know if you can lend a hand.

Thank you for helping us make the season bright for others!

MOOSE REWARDS

YOUR MEMBERSHIP JUST BECAME MORE VALUABLE!

Members may continue to earn points through the program simply by doing activities which will strengthen the Fraternity, such as signing new members, participating in training programs, and renewing their dues. Members may also redeem points for things such as dues renewals, convention registration, donations through Moose Charities, and gift certificates for the Moose Gift Store. All members are enrolled automatically and earn points as they complete activities without having to submit any forms. For more information about the program, please go to

www.mooserewards.org

The following incentives/rewards are given to Moose members for sponsoring new members.

- For the first 5 members you sign up, receive $25.00 from AHMA.
- For every 5 members you sign up, receive a $18.00 meal voucher.
- Sponsors are entered to win a $50.00 monthly drawing for every new member they sign up.

Donate Blood, Get a free dinner on us!

That's right! Moose Members who donate blood get a free meal up to $18 every time you donate blood and show your Moose membership card!

Did you know that only 5% of Alaskans donate blood?

Donors Change Lives Forever!

Finding a reason to donate blood is not hard, just take a look around the community and the answer is clear. Alaskans count on each other in their time of need. Becoming a blood donor will ensure that blood is available when it is needed.

Learn more about donating blood at bloodbankofalaska.org.
Blood Bank Of Alaska is Located at 1215 Airport Heights Dr
Phone Number 907-222-5600

We are so happy to see NEW members joining!

Sign up your friends and family for $75.00 today! Lodge Membership $55 plus one time enrollment fee of $20

New Chapter Members $15.00

New Moose Legionnaires $15.00

You must be a Lodge member to be able to join the Chapter (Female) or Moose Legion (Male)

3 Easy Ways to Pay Your Dues

- Mail your check, credit card number or money order with the payment coupon, to the following address: Dues Processing Center Moose International, PO Box 88065, Chicago, IL 60680-1065.
- Go online to www.mooseintl.org Click pay dues and enter your member number.
- Call 907-563-3502 or stop by the Lodge office and we can assist you.

Texas Hold ’Em Tournament

January 10–14, 2027 – Westgate, Las Vegas

The annual Moose Texas Hold ’Em Tournament returns to the Westgate Resort & Casino! Last year’s event drew over 1,000 players, requiring the opening day to be split into two sessions.

Make hotel reservations @ Westgate Resort & Casino separately through connections housing.

Join us for every Seahawks game! The Moose Lodge is the official home of the Midnight Sun Sea Hawkers! They meet just before the game starts and cheer on the Seahawks!

Celebrating 50 Years of Moose Membership!

We’re thrilled to recognize the following members who have reached an incredible milestone — **50 years of service** in the Moose!

Their dedication, friendship, and support have helped shape our lodge and strengthen our Moose family for decades.

Please join us in offering a huge **thank you** and heartfelt **congratulations** to these amazing members for their lifetime of commitment to our fraternity!

David A. Bartz **Glenn W. Buchta**
George Pearce Jr. **John M Lindstedt**



EARLY DETECTION Saves Lives

A Letter From Our President

Winter has officially arrived, and we've welcomed our first snowfall of the season! While the snow may not have stuck around for long, those chilly winter temperatures certainly have. With snowflakes in the air and frosty mornings upon us, there's no denying that the holiday season is just around the corner! It's time to break out the cozy sweaters, warm up with some good company, and get ready for a season filled with laughter, fellowship, and festive fun at the Lodge.

I was truly honored to attend the Alaska Hawaii Moose Association Annual Convention in Delta Junction, Alaska! It was wonderful to see the Moose spirit shining so brightly as lodges came together to support one another. The outpouring of support for Delta Junction was nothing short of amazing! The dedication and fellowship on display were unforgettable. Moments like these remind us what being part of the Moose family is all about: neighbors helping neighbors, lodges supporting lodges, and members coming together to make a difference. A heartfelt thank-you to everyone who helped make the weekend such a success!

Football season is here and in full swing! So grab your favorite team jersey, bring your game-day spirit, and head on down to the Lodge! Whether you're cheering for a touchdown, celebrating a big win, or good-naturedly giving your rivals a hard time, there's no better place to enjoy the action than surrounded by friends and fellow members. Your support means a lot—not only to your favorite team, but to the Lodge, too! Come enjoy the games, the camaraderie, and all the fun that comes with game day.

Hockey is hitting the ice at the Lodge this year, too! We're excited to offer members access to up to 40 out-of-market hockey games per week! That means more pucks, more goals and plenty of reasons to come cheer on your favorite teams. Whether football is your passion, hockey is your game, or you love them both, we've got even more ways for you to enjoy time at the Lodge this season.

As we head into the holidays, let's keep the Moose spirit alive and well! Stop by, bring a friend, share a few laughs, cheer on your teams, and make some wonderful memories with your Lodge family. After all, the best part of the season isn't just what's under the tree or on the scoreboard—it's the people we share it with!

Wishing everyone a warm, wonderful, and joy-filled holiday season!

Fraternally,
Danielle Gaylord-Lane
President



ANGEL TREE

The Angel Tree Program is a special holiday assistance effort that allows individuals and groups to bring Christmas joy to children in need. Sponsors purchase new clothing, toys, or gift cards for deserving children, our "Angels"—whose gifts will be distributed during The Salvation Army's annual Neighborhood GIFT event.

Last year, The Salvation Army, with the help of many generous sponsors, provided holiday gifts for more than 4,000 families in the Anchorage area. For many of these children, the gifts they receive through the Angel Tree Program will be the only ones they open on Christmas morning.

Gift Ideas: Baby items, puzzles, games, toys, and gift cards for older children are all wonderful options.

Your kindness and generosity truly make a difference, thank you for helping us bring holiday cheer to our local families in need!



AHMA Convention Recognition

During our recent AHMA Convention, we received the Heart of Community Award and Premier Lodge Award for 2025-2026!

2025-2026
MOVING FORWARD
GIVING BACK

$10,000

Moose Lodge 1534 Annual $10,000 Raffle

Drawing December 12, 2026

Every 25th ticket wins!

Raffle Ticket Includes: 1 Prime Rib Dinner

300 Tickets Sold @ $100.00 each

Dinner at 6pm, Drawing at 7pm

No To-Go's until after 7pm

If you would like to help sell tickets, please see the office. For every winning ticket you sell, you receive $50.00, and if you sell the winning $10,000 ticket, you will receive $300!

MOOSE
Valued Veterans
Moose Members Serving Then ... and NOW!

On Saturday, November 14th, we will present Quilts of Valor to select Moose Member Veterans in recognition of their service.

We will also acknowledge those members who self-identified as Moose Valued Veterans over the past year, as well as our Valued Veteran of the Year.

All Veterans attending the event will be invited to enjoy a complimentary dinner in appreciation of their service.





Live Music every Saturday night from 8pm to Midnight!

November 7th
No Music

November 14th
Arctic Outlaws

November 21st
Woodrow

November 28th
Glacier Blues

December 5th
The Rebel Blues Band

December 12th
Schaefer Mueller &
The Neon Highway

December 19th
Glacier Hoppers

December 26th
The Vintage Retro

December 31st
Woodrow

Do we have any AHA Basic CPR Instructors out there? We'd love to team up and offer a Basic CPR class right here at the Lodge! If you're interested, get in touch with

Danielle Gaylord-Lane 907-242-0148





New Year's Eve Celebration

December 31, 2026

10pm - 1am

Music, Appetizers & Champagne Toast at Midnight to ring in 20274!

Live Music by Woodrow

Come enjoy a great night and say goodbye to 2026 with friends.

A Letter From Our Sr. Regent

What a whirlwind of fun September and October have been! From celebrating our incredible Lifetime Membership Raffle winners on September 12th and sparkling the night away at Denim & Diamonds on September 26th, to raising a stein at Oktoberfest and enjoying some spooky fun at Trunk or Treat, our Lodge has been buzzing with laughter, friendship, and wonderful memories! A big thank-you to everyone who came out and helped make these events such a success!

But hold on to your party hats, because the fun is far from over! We have more exciting events coming your way, so grab your calendars and save the dates! Join us for our Northern Lights Glow Party on November 21st and satisfy your sweet tooth at our Bake Sale on December 12th! Whether you're ready to light up the night or indulge in some delicious homemade treats, there's always something fun happening at the Lodge. We can't wait to see you there!



'Tis the season for giving, and we're spreading a little extra Moose magic this December! All new Chapter members who sign up between December 1st and December 31st will receive a complimentary Chapter membership! What better way to kick off the holiday season than by joining a community filled with friendship, fellowship, and opportunities to make a difference?

You might be wondering, why belong to both the Lodge and the Chapter? Great question! While each has its own important role, both are vital parts of Moose International and our local community. Your Lodge provides opportunities for fellowship, community involvement, and support for our Moose family, while the Chapter plays a significant role in fundraising efforts that benefit Mooseheart Child City & School and Moosehaven. These incredible programs help provide care, support, and a brighter future for children and seniors in need. Being part of both gives you even more opportunities to get involved, build friendships, lend a helping hand, and make a meaningful impact. After all, the more hands and hearts we have working together, the more good we can do!

I had the honor of experiencing my very first Golden Gavel ceremony at the Annual Alaska Hawaii Moose Association Convention in Delta Junction, and what an unforgettable experience it was! Seeing the incredible support from the Women of the Moose, alongside the Moose Legion, was truly phenomenal. The enthusiasm, and dedication in that room were something special!

Mark your calendars! Our Chapter meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. We'd love to see some familiar faces and welcome new ones, too! Whether you've been a member for years or are just getting started, your ideas, enthusiasm, and participation are always appreciated.

Looking for a way to get more involved? We're always happy to welcome volunteers! Whether you can lend a hand at an event, help with fundraising, or simply share a little of your time, every contribution makes a difference. Don't hesitate to reach out if you're interested in volunteering—we'd love to have you on the team!

As we head into the holiday season, let's continue to spread kindness, strengthen friendships, and keep that wonderful Moose spirit alive. Here's to more laughter, more memories, and more opportunities to make a difference together!

Fraternally,
Danielle Gaylord-Lane
Sr. Regent



November 2026

Dinner 6pm - 8pm

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Officer Pancake Breakfast 10am - 1pm	2 MNF Food 5:30pm to 7pm	3 Officers Meeting	4 Open Date if you'd like to volunteer please contact the office	5 Open Date if you'd like to volunteer please contact the office	6 Beef Stew with Sourdough Bread by Irene & WOTM	7 Holiday Bazaar Steak Night by Board of Officers
8 Open Breakfast Shift if you'd like to volunteer see the office 10am - 1pm	9 MNF Food 5:30pm to 7pm	10 Lodge Meeting	11 Open Date if you'd like to volunteer please contact the office	12 Open Date if you'd like to volunteer please contact the office	13 Dinner by WOTM	14 Open Steak Night shift if you'd like to volunteer see the office 6pm - 8pm
15 Breakfast by Jason & Crew 10am - 1pm	16 MNF Food 5:30pm to 7pm	17 Officers Meeting	18 Chapter Meeting Dinner by Jason & Crew	19 Cornhole Grinders	20 Dinner by Jason & Crew	21 Northern Lights Glow Party Steak Night by Jason & Crew
22 Breakfast by Jason & Crew 10am - 1pm	23 MNF Food 5:30pm to 7pm	24 Lodge Meeting	25 Kitchen Closed	26 Happy Thanksgiving Lodge Closed	27 Kitchen Closed	28 Kitchen Closed
29 Kitchen Closed	30 MNF Food 5:30pm to 7pm					
Open Snack Sunday Shift on the 15th if you'd like to volunteer see the office						

December 2026

Dinner 6pm - 8pm

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Open Snack Sunday Shift every week if you'd like to volunteer see the office 3:30pm - 5pm		1 Officers Meeting	2 Open Date if you'd like to volunteer please contact the office	3 Open Date if you'd like to volunteer please contact the office	4 Stuffed Pork Chops with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy by Mely & Marie	5 Open Steak Night shift if you'd like to volunteer see the office 6pm - 8pm
6 Open Breakfast Shift if you'd like to volunteer see the office 10am - 1pm	7 MNF Food 5:30pm to 7pm	8 Lodge Meeting	9 Open Date if you'd like to volunteer please contact the office	10 Reuben Sandwiches with Potato Salad by Irene & CHD	11 Dinner by WOTM	12 10k Drawing & Dinner
13 Breakfast by Jason & Crew 10am - 1pm	14 MNF Food 5:30pm to 7pm	15 Officers Meeting	16 Chapter Meeting Open Date if you'd like to volunteer please contact the office	17 Cornhole Grinders	18 Dinner by Jason & Crew	19 Breakfast with Santa 11am - 1pm Steak Night
20 Breakfast by Jason & Crew 10am - 1pm	21 MNF Food 5:30pm to 7pm	22 Lodge Meeting	23 Kitchen Closed	24  Kitchen Closed	25  Lodge Closed	26 Kitchen Closed
27 Kitchen Closed	28 MNF Food 5:30pm to 7pm	29 No Meeting	30 Kitchen Closed	31 NYE Party Potluck Style Kitchen Closed	Jan 1  Lodge Closed	

From the Desk of the Moose Legion Chairman

Seasons Greeting Brothers,

As we enter the final two months of 2026, we have much be thankful for and many reasons to celebrate the spirit of the Moose Legion. We are reminded of the many blessings that come from being part of the Moose Legion and our local Anchorage Lodge. With this in mind, we all need to lend a helping hand when needed. Every hour we volunteer, every member we encourage, and every act of kindness makes a difference. We need to start coming together as team, not for ourselves or a certain group. Our selfless service helps our community and the Anchorage Moose Lodge itself.

This year's Membership Campaign for 2026-2027 is "Growing to Serve". United, the Moose Fraternity continues to grow. Our purpose is to care for children and seniors and celebrate life. I ask my fellow brothers and the Moose Lodge community to join in our Mission by remaining determined in finding opportunities to serve our local communities.

Moose Legionnaire Winter Challenge:

- Attend a meeting
- Volunteer for an activity
- Invite a potential member to a meeting or function
- Help a fellow Moose member
- Bring your family to a Moose Lodge activity
- And Most importantly, Do Some good thing for someone each day

Let's show your Moose Legion Chairman that you have what it takes to lead and be a Legionnaire in the Moose Fraternity by doing one or more of these challenges.

Upcoming Events:
Legion Meeting November 1st and December 6th | Anchorage Moose Lodge #1534
Anchorage Moose legion members are encouraged to attend the meetings and get information about our Moose Legion chapter. If you want to join or need more information about the Legion, ask me, Jason Mata or any Moose Legion member.
Let us close 2026 with grateful hearts and enter 2027 with renewed commitment, stronger fellowship, and a determination to do better together.
On behalf of our Moose Legion officers, wish you and your families Happy Holidays, a very Merry Christmas, and a healthy, happy, and prosperous New Year.

Fraternally Yours,

Jason Allen Mata
Moose Legion #51 President
Jason.Hana@gmail.com

AHMA District 2
Quarterly Celebration
at Anchorage Lodge #1534

January 16th, 2027

12:30pm Continental Brunch available

1pm-4:30 pm-Fun and Frolic

5pm Silent Auction Closes

6pm Steak Dinner

8pm Live Band

Administrators Corner

Winter is in the air, and we've welcomed our first snowfall of the season! As the holidays approach, we look forward to celebrating with our Moose family, sharing good food, laughter, friendship, and holiday cheer.

A heartfelt thank you to our wonderful Moose volunteers who continue to step up and lend a helping hand. Your time, dedication, and generosity are truly appreciated. Whether helping in the kitchen, supporting events, or working behind the scenes, you make a difference!

Our Lodge is more than a place to gather — it's a community built on friendship, generosity, and Moose pride.

Wishing you and your families a warm, safe, and joyful holiday season!

With gratitude and Moose pride,
Robyn Syren
Acting Administrator
Anchorage Moose Lodge #1534

Our Defending Circle has been broken,
Ernest G. Lannet
Grace M. Marquiss
Bobbie G. Woods
Peter D. Macksey

May they Rest in Peace.



Administrator Requirements:

- Active member of the Lodge for at least 6 months
- Bookkeeping and financial management: Maintaining accurate accounts, handling deposits, preparing reports, and working with accounting software such as QuickBooks Online, including payroll processing.
- Administrative skills: Maintaining meeting minutes, membership records, official documents, and required reports.
- Organization and reliability: Meeting deadlines and keeping financial and membership records accurate as well as attending all business meetings.
- Communication and leadership: Working with the Board of Officers, members, Moose International, and outside organizations.
- Compliance: Following Moose International's General Laws, Lodge procedures, and applicable state and federal requirements.
- TAPS Certified, take & pass Lodge Leadership Course, understand and abide by State and Local Gaming Laws
- Social Quarters Management: scheduling, tills and liquor/alcohol orders

Lodge Board of Officers

President - Danielle Gaylord-Lane

Jr Past President - Mike Douthit

Vice President - Diane Brownlee

Chaplain - Joshua Stewart

Treasurer - Michele Hope

1 Year Trustee - Thomas Hilburn

2 Year Trustee - Steve Kurtz

3 Year Trustee - Patricia Callaghan

Acting Administrator - Robyn Syren

Women of The Moose Officers

Sr Regent - Danielle Gaylord-Lane

Jr Past Regent - Nicole Pennie

Treasurer - Connie Haas

Secretary - Keri Jones

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