

# Moose Nuggets

## A Huge Thank You to Our Generous Sponsors!

We extend our gratitude to all the incredible sponsors who supported this year's golf tournament. Your generosity made the event a tremendous success and helped us create an unforgettable experience for everyone involved. We couldn't have done it without you — thank you for being such an important part of our team!

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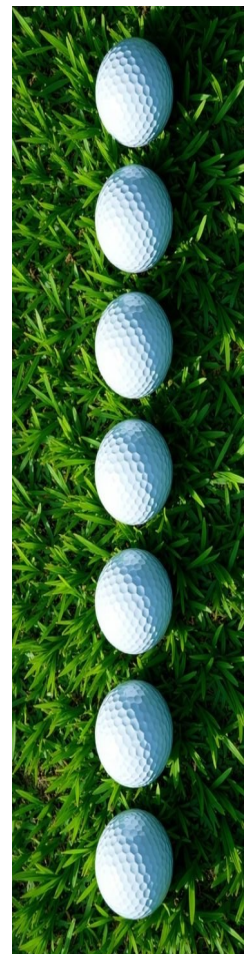
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**CHECK THIS OUT!**

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

- Sponsors will receive \$5.00 in Moose Bucks for all new members you sign up.
- For the first 5 members you sign up, you'll receive \$25.00 from AHMA. (more on AHMA on page 3)
- For every 5 members you sign up, you'll receive a meal voucher good for up to \$18.00.
- Sponsors are entered to win a \$50.00 monthly drawing for every new member they sign up.



### **3 Easy Ways to Pay Your Dues**

- Mail your check, credit card number or money order with 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 on "pay dues" and enter your member ID.
- Call 907-563-3502 or stop by the Lodge office and we can assist you.



We are so happy to see NEW members joining!

You can enroll your friends and family.

Lodge Membership is \$55.00 plus a one time enrollment fee of \$20.00

## What is AHMA?

### Alaska Hawaii Moose Association (AHMA)

Each Moose Lodge is part of a regional association, and for our area, that's the Alaska Hawaii Moose Association. These associations play a vital role in supporting and coordinating the efforts of Moose International—focusing on membership growth, rituals, sports, and community service initiatives.

AHMA also offers valuable training programs for both officers and members, helping strengthen our organization from the inside out.

Every year, AHMA holds two major events: a convention and a conference. These gatherings bring lodge members together to exchange ideas, gain deeper insights into the Moose organization, and enjoy time with fellow members. All lodges are required to be represented at these events by their President and Administrator, but all Moose Members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Recently, several of our members traveled to the Mid-Year Conference held in North Pole, March 19–23. If you're interested in joining us at a future event or simply want to learn more about what the Moose is all about, please reach out to Norm in the office.

**Exciting news:** We're proud to announce that we will be hosting the next Mid-Year Conference here in Anchorage at our Lodge, in October 2025.

### Guest Policy Update

**Effective August 1, 2025**

Moose International will be updating its General Laws Guest Policy to help strengthen our Moose community and encourage membership growth.

Starting **August 1, 2025**, all qualified guests — **including spouses and family members aged 21 and older** — will be considered prospective members. These guests are welcome to visit the lodge **up to two (2) times** before being asked to apply for membership.

Thank you for helping us grow and support the mission of the Moose. Your continued involvement makes a difference!



# Join us at the Moose Lodge Family Picnic

July 12, 2025 12pm - 4pm

Potluck



## MOOSE LODGE FAMILY PICNIC



**SATURDAY, JULY 12**

- SPLIT THE POT
- INFLATABLES
- PETTING ZOO
- CORNHOLE
- FACE PAINTING
- SNOW CONES
- HAIR PAINTING
- FACE PAINTING
- COTTON CANDY



### Volunteer Call-Out!

We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help make this event a success! If you're interested in assisting, we'd love to have you on board.

Please reach out to **Carol Odinzoff**, **Marcy Peterson**, or **Niki Wilson**, or sign up on one of the sheets in the Lodge.

Thank you for helping us make this event great!



## President's Message – Summer 2025

As President of the 2025 Board of Officers, I want to extend my sincere thanks to all our members and Committee Chairs for stepping up to support our goals and objectives this year. Moose Lodge #1534 is part of a International Organization and your efforts, both locally and nationally, continue to make a difference.

Our commitment to community-based activities and our ongoing support of Mooseheart and Moosehaven have not gone unnoticed. We're proud to announce that Lodge #1534 has once again earned the Premier Lodge Award, and we remain on track to sustain this honor.

On June 22nd, we had the pleasure of welcoming John Reiter, Chairman of the Board of Moose International, to our lodge. His support of our Administrator and Board of Directors was greatly appreciated. Both he and his wife were genuinely impressed by our membership and our beautiful facility.

Thank you to every member who has come out for our special events, meals, and committee efforts this quarter. Your participation makes us stronger! From our major renovation kickoff and Lodge Clean-Up Day to the Golf Tournament and Father's Day festivities, the energy and enthusiasm - both from long-time volunteers and new faces - have been inspiring.

I had the opportunity to sit at Hole 14 at Moose Run Golf Course during the Golf Tournament on June 14th, the infamous \$10,000 Hole-in-One spot. While no one claimed the prize, the weather was perfect, the camaraderie was real, and there was just enough breeze to keep the mosquitoes at bay!

While many of our volunteers prefer to stay behind the scenes, I'd like to give a special shoutout to: **Rob Lindemann, Debbie Hardwick, Marcy Peterson, Terry McIntosh, Irene & Mike Douthit, Steve Fox, Estelita Mayac, Jason Mata, Vera Hart, Sal Hart, Delores Jones, Chulainn and his crew, the WOTM teams, and everyone who helps keep us well fed and our lodge running smoothly.** Your efforts are seen and deeply appreciated. Special thanks also to **Rodney Young and the Shriners team** for their continued collaboration. If I missed your name, please know it's not intentional. Let me know, and I'll thank you personally.

Several of us had the privilege of attending the 2025 Moose International Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin this quarter. Delegates to the 137th Meeting of The Moose passed all four proposed amendments to The Moose General Laws. Notably, all qualified family members - including spouses over the age of 21 - are now considered prospective members and may visit the lodge up to two times before submitting an application for membership.

Finally, I want to recognize **Administrator Norm Dean** and **Administrative Assistant Kristal Prather** for stepping in whenever challenges arise. Norm's leadership and wealth of knowledge help us meet - and often exceed - every financial and operational benchmark. His experience is an invaluable asset to Anchorage Lodge #1534.

Here's to another strong quarter—and an even stronger finish to 2025!

Fraternally,  
**Carol Odinzoff**  
 President, Board of Officers  
 Moose Lodge #1534







### Thank You to Our Amazing Volunteers

A heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers who helped make our golf tournament such a success. Your time, energy, and dedication made all the difference. We truly couldn't have done it without you!







**Congratulations to Our  
Tournament Winners!**

**1st Place – I'd Tap That**

**2nd Place – Shane Marrufo  
Team**

**3rd Place – Not That Bad**


*Placement was determined by  
a card-off, starting from hole  
18 and working backwards to  
identify the lowest score.*

**Great job to all participants,  
and thank you for a fantastic  
tournament!**





# July 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Officers Meeting	2 Burgers & Fries \$14	3 Kitchen Closed	4 Kitchen Closed	5 Kitchen Closed
6 Moose Legion Meeting CANCELLED	7	8 Lodge Meeting 6:30pm	9 Kitchen Closed  Chapter Meeting	10 Jason  \$15	11 Jason  \$17	12 12pm - 4pm 
13	14	15 Officers Meeting	16 Teriyaki Chicken w/ Fried Rice and Gyoza by Mike & Irene \$15	17 Meatloaf Dinner by Sal & Crew \$16	18 Chicken Fried Steak Dinner by Vera & Crew \$18	19 Moose Legion Quarterly in Palmer
20	21	22 Orientation 5:45pm Lodge Meeting 6:30pm	23 Cornhole League Italian Grinder Sandwich \$14	24 Pork Chop Dinner w/Red Cabbage and Gouda Mac & Cheese \$16	25 Spaghetti Dinner by Vera & Crew \$16	26 Kitchen Closed
27	28	29	30 Burger & Fries \$14	31 Grilled Ham & Cheese Sandwich w/ Tuscany Soup by Vera & Crew		

# August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1  Pig Roast by Steve & Gerald \$22	2  Kitchen Closed
3  Moose Legion Meeting	4	5  Officers Meeting	6  Jason \$14	7  Philly Cheesesteak & Fries \$16	8  Cod Olympia by Sal & Crew \$17	9  Kitchen Closed
10	11	12  Lodge Meeting 6:30pm	13  Kitchen Closed  Chapter Meeting	14  Brats & Tater Salad by Mike & Irene \$16	15  Jason  \$17	16  Kitchen Closed
17	18	19  Officers Meeting	20  Cornhole League Italian Grinder Sandwich \$14	21  Pulled Pork by Sal & Crew \$15	22  Debbie's Homemade Meatloaf \$17	23  Kitchen Closed
24	25	26  Orientation 5:45pm  Lodge Meeting 6:30pm	27  Burgers & Fries \$14	28  Kitchen Closed	29  Labor Day Weekend	30  Labor Day Weekend



## Honoring Our Heroes

This Memorial Day, Moose volunteers visited the downtown cemetery to place crosses and flags on the gravesites of our departed members. It was a heartfelt and meaningful gesture to honor those who served and are no longer with us. Through this simple act of remembrance, we paid tribute to their service, their sacrifice, and the lasting legacy they leave behind.






# LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP RAFFLE

*SEPTEMBER 7, 2025*

1ST PRIZE – A LIFETIME MOOSE MEMBERSHIP (LODGE AND WOTM/LEGION)  
2ND PRIZE – A LIFETIME WOTM/LEGION MEMBERSHIP  
3RD PRIZE – A \$100 CASH PRIZE!

Tickets are \$20 each and go on sale July 13. Get yours at the bar or from a WOTM member



## A Note from the Senior Regent

### *Women of the Moose Chapter 139*

Dear Co-Workers and Friends,

Summer is in full swing, and we have some exciting things happening here at the Lodge!

First, don't forget to get your tickets for the BBQ Raffle happening during the Annual Summer Picnic on Saturday, July 12. The lucky winner will go home with a brand-new BBQ grill and a \$100 gift card to Mr. Prime Beef. It's a great way to support our chapter and maybe even upgrade your summer cookouts!

We're also kicking off a brand-new raffle with *three* fabulous prizes! Tickets go on sale July 13, and the drawing will be held on September 7. For just \$20 a ticket, you could win: 1st Prize – a Lifetime Moose Membership (Lodge *and* WOTM/Legion), 2nd Prize – a Lifetime WOTM/Legion Membership, and 3rd Prize – a \$100 cash prize! It's a fun way to support the chapter and maybe score a forever-membership or a little extra spending money!

We're making big changes at the lodge! The WOTM office shelving and furniture will be installed in early July. With all the renovations happening, we're starting to think the lodge is trying out for a home makeover show!

Got a great idea for a fundraiser? We want to hear it! Scan the QR code below to submit your proposal. We're always looking for new ways to raise funds, have fun, and support our mission.

The Women of the Moose work together to support Mooseheart and Moosehaven, give back to our communities, and create a welcoming space for fellowship and service. If you haven't joined in on our activities lately, now's a great time to jump back in—there's always room at the table and fun to be had!

Whatever your summer plans may be - travelling, fishing, grilling, relaxing - we hope it's full of sunshine and good memories. Stay safe and have fun!

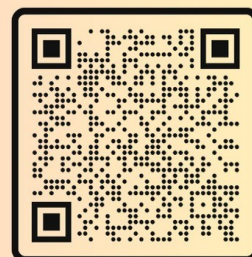
Fraternally yours,

**Nicole Pennie**

Senior Regent, WOTM Chapter 139

## Fundraiser Proposals

Do you have a fundraiser idea?  
Scan the QR code to submit a proposal



## From the Desk of the Administrator



The Social Quarters Remodel is underway! Thank you for your patience with the temporary disruption. Our Project Manager informs me that we are on schedule and we'll soon have a larger, more efficient Social Quarters for all of us to enjoy. Please heed the signs and stay out of construction areas in order to keep you safe and the crew making progress.

### *Temporary Social Quarters*

At the Moose International Convention in Milwaukee, WI, it was announced that our Lodge once again earned the Premier Lodge Award for achieving a variety of goals including Membership Growth, Community Service, Moose Charities contributions and many others. Give yourself a pat on the back for your part in earning this honor. With a positive attitude and dedication to our cause, we are sure to achieve this honor again next year.



Donate Blood, Get a Free  
Dinner at the Lodge!

Moose Members who donate blood get a free meal coupon for up to \$18, every time you donate blood and show your current Moose membership



Ross Chastain heads to Michigan with Momentum.

Ross Chastain will make his eighth NASCAR Cup Series start at Michigan International Speedway this Sunday, June 8. Driving the No. 1 car for Trackhouse Racing, his best Michigan finish is 7th, with 49 laps led at the 2-mile track.

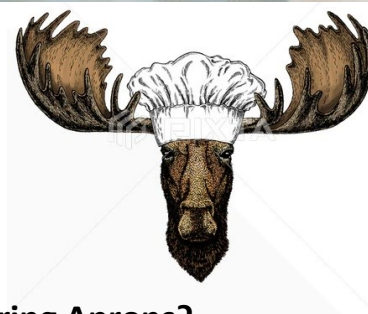
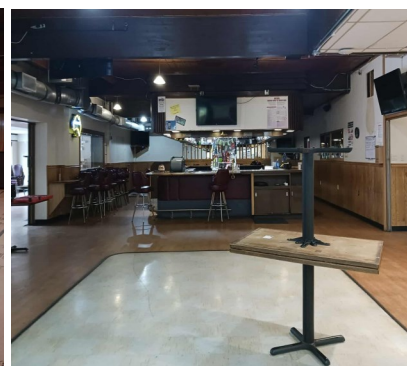


Fresh off a Coca-Cola 600 win, Chastain is also racing in the Truck Series on Saturday.

"It will feel good to get to Michigan and back into more of a regular routine," Chastain said.



The Social Quarters remodel is progressing smoothly and right on track! It's been exciting to see the transformation unfold. We truly appreciate your patience and flexibility as we navigate around the ongoing work. We're looking forward to enjoying the refreshed space with all of you very soon!



**Got Skills? Or Just Like Wearing Aprons?**  
The Moose Lodge kitchen needs YOU!

### Party Bridge

Join us Mondays and Thursdays  
11am to 2pm here at the Lodge.  
It's free to play. We look forward  
to seeing you soon!

Whether you're a master chef or just really good at not burning toast, we could use your help with cooking, serving, or cleaning up (bonus points if you can do dishes without complaining).

Perks include: free smells, good company, and bragging rights. Stop by the office for more information, chat up Terry our Kitchen Manager.



## From the Desk of the Moose Legion Chairman

Dear Moose Legion and Moose Lodge members,

Summer is in full swing, and with it comes a season of sunshine (sometimes), fishing, service and brotherhood. As always, the spirit of the Moose continues to thrive thanks to the dedication and heart of each of you.

This year's membership campaign is "Moving Forward, Giving Back". As you know our Fraternity has made a commitment to being ever present in our communities. By continuing our positive momentum, we make our meaningful contributions a reality. To move forward, we must make a positive impact in our society, by giving back.

### Upcoming Events:

- **July 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Moose Lodge Picnic | Anchorage Moose Lodge #1534 Lawn**

Join us for great food, games, music, and fun for the entire family. Bring a friend and show them what the Moose Lodge/Legion camaraderie is all about.

- **July 19<sup>th</sup> Moose Legion Quarterly | Palmer Moose Lodge #793**

Come and support the Palmer Moose Lodge and join us the general meeting and dinner.

- **August 3<sup>rd</sup> and Every First Sunday of the Month | Anchorage Moose Lodge #1534**

The Moose Legion meeting for July is cancelled and will start again in August. Moose Legion members are encouraged to attend the meetings and get information about our Moose Legion chapter.

Summer is more than warm weather and vacations- it's a season of connection. Let's continue to build bonds, support our community, and carry the torch of Moose spirit forward. Whether you attend an event, lend a helping hand, or recruit a new member, you make the difference.

Again, thanks to everyone for everything you do and let's have a great summer season. See you all soon.

Fraternally Yours,

Jason Allen Mata

Moose Legion Chairman/ Moose Legion #51 President

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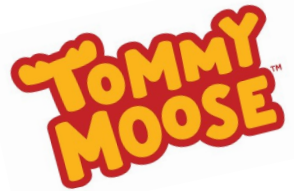


On June 22nd, we had the honor of welcoming Moose International Chairman of the Board, John Reiter, to our Lodge!

It was a fantastic visit—Chairman Reiter jumped right in as our enthusiastic Luck of The Moose assistant, and we all had a great time.

Later that day, we were proud to host Anchorage Fire Department Station #5 for a special Tommy Moose presentation.

A big thank you to everyone who helped make the day so memorable!



## Moose Legion Quarterly & District 2 Meeting

July 19th 2025 at the Palmer Moose Lodge

**11:00 am Directors Meeting**

**12:00 pm Lunch**

*(Sub Sandwiches and Chips)*

**12:30 pm District 2 Meeting**

**1:15 pm Conferral**

**2:30 pm General Membership Meeting**

**3:00 pm Open Networking and Fun**

**4:30 Luck of The Moose**

*(Must be a Palmer Lodge Member)*

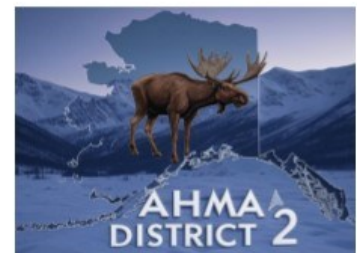
**5:00 pm Dinner**

*(Chicken & Waffles with a bourbon syrup and Candied Pecans)*



### Moose Legion 51 Directors

President Jason Mata  
Vice President Mike Douthit  
Secretary Dustin Clark  
Financial Director Terry McIntosh  
Fraternal Director Sal Hart  
Sgt at Arms Norm Dean  
Jr Past President: Jason Carlton



### AHMA District 2 Officers

President Vera Hart  
Vice President Bonnie Hough  
Secretary Pete Probasco  
Treasurer Bill Murray  
Prelate Jason Mata  
Sgt at Arms Norm Dean  
Jr Past President Dustin Clark



## Lodge Board of Officers

President - Carol Odinzoff

Jr Past President - Jessie Mayes

Vice President - Marcy Peterson

Chaplain - Lew Ulmer

Treasurer - Debbie Hardwick

1 Year Trustee - Gerald Leier

2 Year Trustee - Mark Everson

3 Year Trustee - Brian Holmes

Administrator - Norm Dean

## Women of The Moose Officers

Sr Regent - Nicole Pennie

Jr Past Regent - Keri Jones

Treasurer - Connie Haas

Secretary - Melissa Mendoza

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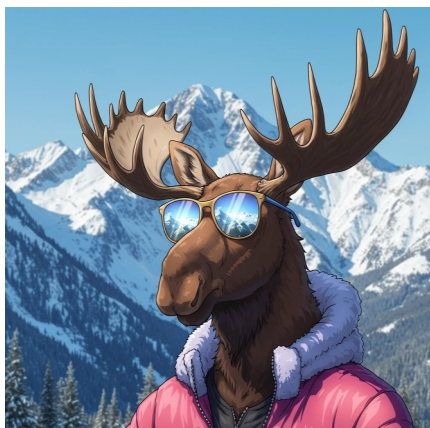
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**Our Defending Circle has been broken, may they rest in peace.**

- Jim Sartin
- Alice Kiunya



**Members to keep in our thoughts & prayers**

- Dave Meyer

**A Big Thank You to all the volunteers and members who came out for Father's Day Brunch!**

**Our Women of the Moose team cooked up a delicious meal, and your smiles made it special.**



**THANK YOU!**

