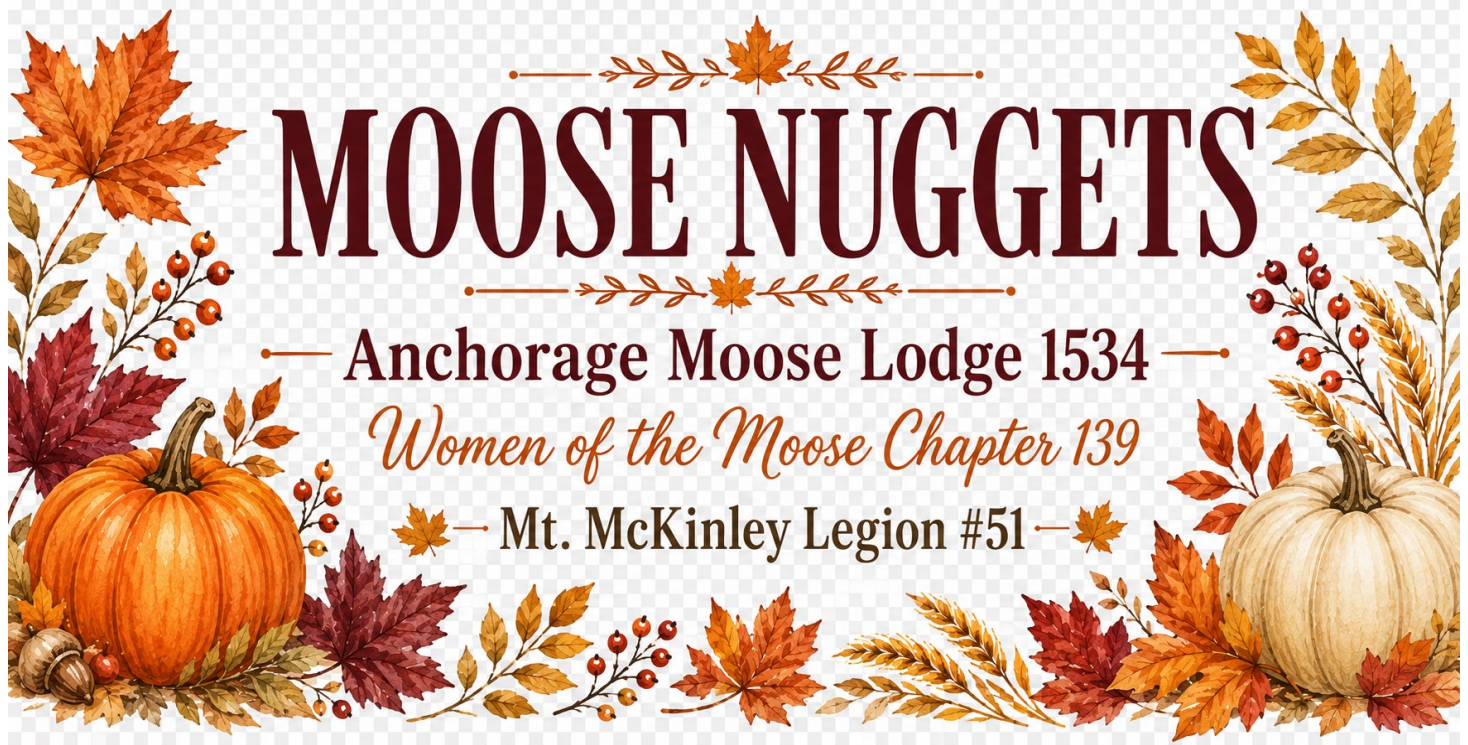




From Summer to Fall at the Lodge

What a summer it's been at Anchorage Moose Lodge 1534! From busy kitchen nights and karaoke to our golf tournament, summer picnic and plenty of good times around the Lodge, the past few months have given us a lot to enjoy.

Of course, none of it happens without the people who make the Lodge what it is. Thank you to every volunteer who cooked a meal, worked an event, sold tickets, set up, cleaned up, or simply jumped in when a hand was needed. Thank you to our officers, fraternal units, kitchen crews, stewards, members, and guests for continuing to show up and support one another. **This Lodge is what it is because of the people in it.**

And now, just like that, we're heading into fall!

Football is back, live music is getting underway, and there's already plenty happening around the Lodge. We've got dinners, Moose-Araoke, football nights, live music, meetings, activities, and events on the calendar, with even more to come.

Whether you're coming in for dinner, meeting up with friends to watch the game, catching some live music, volunteering your time, or just sitting around the bar and enjoying some good conversation, we hope you'll spend plenty of time with us this fall.

Take a look through this edition of **Moose Nuggets** for what's coming up, Lodge news, updates from our Women of the Moose and Legion, and plenty of ways to get involved.

Thanks for being part of our Moose family. We'll see you around the Lodge!

Fall/Winter September/October 2026



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.

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.

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.

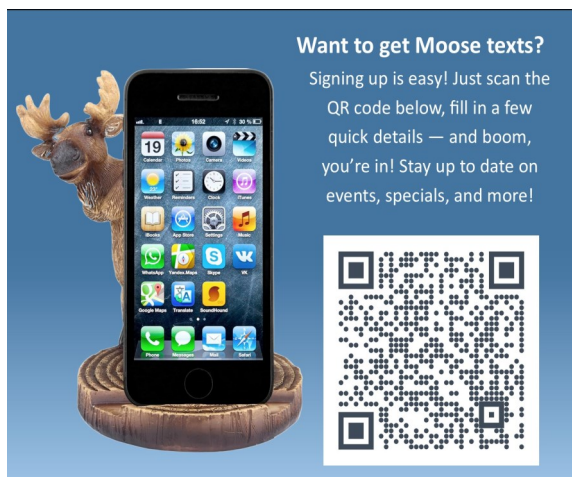
We are so happy to see NEW members joining!

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)



Updated Guest Policy from Moose International Effective August 1, 2025

Moose International has updated its General Laws Guest Policy to help strengthen our Moose community and support continued membership growth.

As of **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 invited to apply for membership.

This update is designed to encourage involvement, promote fellowship, and grow our Moose family in meaningful ways.

Thank you for helping us support the mission of the Moose.

Your continued involvement truly makes a difference.

From the Desk of the President

As we enjoy the last stretch of summer here in Alaska and begin easing our way into fall, I want to extend my appreciation to every member of our Moose family. Your support means the world to me as I continue my first season serving as Acting President, and I'm grateful for the dedication, generosity, and spirit each of you brings to this lodge.

Earlier this month, we hosted a fantastic pig roast—and what a success it was. Thank you to all of our volunteers who helped make it happen, and a huge thank you to Dave and Sherry Wark for their hard work and for generously donating all the sides. And of course, thank you to everyone who came out to eat, visit, and support the lodge. Events like these remind us how strong and connected our Moose community truly is.

To all of our committee volunteers, thank you for everything you do behind the scenes. Your willingness to show up, pitch in, and keep things moving is the backbone of this lodge. You make our work possible, and you make our community stronger.

As we move forward, my goal remains simple: let's keep building each other up. Our lodge thrives when we live by the Golden Rule—treat others the way you would like to be treated. A little kindness goes a long way, whether we're cooking, planning events, volunteering, or just sharing a laugh in the social quarters.

With fall approaching and the days getting shorter, please remember to watch out for kids walking to and from school and waiting at bus stops. A little extra attention helps keep our community safe.

After Labor Day, we'll be kicking off Saturday night kitchen and live music once again, and you won't want to miss Snack Sunday, proudly brought to you by Moose Legion. These gatherings bring warmth, fun, and fellowship to the season, and I hope to see many of you there.

My door is always open. If you have ideas, concerns, or suggestions—big or small—I'm here to listen. Together, we'll continue building a lodge that reflects the best of who we are.

Fraternally Yours,
Gerald Leier

Council of Higher Degrees to Resume

After nearly three years of inactivity, the Anchorage Council of Higher Degrees (CHD) is preparing to resume operations! The Council has been dormant since October 2023 and is now seeking members interested in serving in leadership.

Nominations are open through September 13, 2026, for:
President • Vice President • Secretary • Sergeant-at-Arms • Junior Past President



Elections will be held at the September 13 Council meeting. Interested members may submit their name in writing to the Lodge office or attend the meeting to be nominated.

Membership is open to active members of the Lodge, Chapter and Moose Legion who have earned a higher degree, including Moose Legion, Fellowship, Pilgrim, Academy of Friendship, Star Degree, or College of Regents.

The CHD promotes member retention, continued involvement and support of Moose Charities. Eligible members are encouraged to join and consider stepping into a leadership role as the Council begins this new chapter!

Moose Family Center is having a Mexican Independence Day dinner, Wednesday, September 16th 2026

Did you know... during the American civil war, the French intervention in Mexico during 1862–1867. The Mexican revolutionaries, helped the United States Federal Union during the Civil War of 1861 -1865.

The Confederacy repeatedly sought international support for its cause, often calling upon foreign reliance with the French on its cotton exports to obtain military aid.

In 1862, French Emperor Napoleon III, maneuvered to establish a French plan to establish a client state in Mexico, and eventually installed Maximilian of Habsburg, Archduke of Austria, as Emperor of Mexico.

This French Grand plan was to help the Confederacy States and cession of all of Mexico's territory to include Baja California and other Mexican states. To expand the French empire from Mexico to America and link up with Franch Canada.

During the Civil War, U.S. Secretary of State, William Henry Seward, who later known after the civil war, for the purchase of Alaska from Russia. Also known as Seward's folly.

Seward saw this as a conflict of interest and as a tool of French interests for Mexico and the Confederacy States.

In response to these actions, Secretary of State Seward issued statements of disapproval, but the U.S. The government was unable to intervene directly because of the American Civil War. Moreover, both Seward and U.S. President Abraham Lincoln did not want to further antagonize Napoleon III.

Meanwhile, U.S. Generals Ulysses S. Grant and Philip Henry Sheridan bypassed President Lincoln and Secretary Seward and began covert support of Benito Juárez and his Mexican revolutionaries, along the Texas-Mexico border.

By then, the intervention in Mexico had grown unpopular with the French public, and was an increasing drain on the French treasury and taxes on French citizens.

On January 31, 1866, Napoleon III ordered the withdrawal of French troops by November 1867.

Seward, who had earlier been more cautious, warned the Austrian Government against replacing French troops with its own forces, and the threat of war.

Seward soon began to show increased support for Mexico and the new President Benito Juárez's government.

The theory was that the French wanted to conquer all of North America.

So, we thank the Mexican revolutionaries under Benito Juarez, to help stop the French secret plan to take over Mexico, and help the Confederacy, with the grand plan to conquer North America as French territory.

So September 16th is Mexican Independence Day and not May 5th or Cinco de Mayo.

The Anchorage Moose family center will have a Mexican dinner in honor of Mexican Independence Day.

Thank you,

Senor Gilbert Carrillo

Valued Veteran

Moose Legionnaire





The summer horseshoe league - Moosestakes #1534 had a successful season. There were 12 teams on Wednesday and 12 on Thursday. We played for 12 weeks from May until August.

Our tournament had 10 teams. This photo is the 1st and 2nd place winners of the tournament. 2nd place is Krysti Ferris and Michael Richardson. 1st place is Julie Spralding and Patrick Dolan.

Congratulations!

Monday Night Football Starts September 14th!

Sponsored by the Moose Legion

Make Monday nights your new favorite tradition at the Lodge! Join us every Monday night during the NFL season for great food, football, and a chance to win.

Food served from 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

**Super Bowl Prize Entry Tickets
50/50 Split-the-Pot Raffle Every Week**

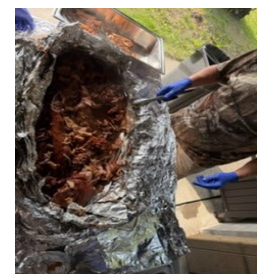
Important Details:

- You must purchase food to receive a Super Bowl prize entry ticket.
- Tickets will be handed out at the counter when you place your food order.
 - One ticket per person, per week.

Come watch the game, grab some dinner, and enjoy Monday Night Football with your Moose family!



Special thanks to Sherrie & Dave Wark, they provided the amazing sides for this years Pig Roast.



Dinners served from
6pm - 8pm

September 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Officers Meeting 6pm	2 Kitchen Closed	3 Kitchen Closed	4 Kitchen Closed	5 Kitchen Closed
6 Kitchen Closed	7 Labor Day Office is Closed	8 Lodge Meeting 6:30pm	9 Dinner by WOTM Reindeer Dogs w/all the fixins	10 National TV Dinner Day Michele's Classic Meatloaf TV Dinner	11 Chicken Fried Steak by Jason & Crew	12 Steak Night by WOTM w/ Jason on the grill
13 Council of Higher Degrees Meeting	14 MNF	15 Officers Meeting 6pm	16 Chapter Meeting Mexican Independence Day Dinner by Senor Carrillo	17 Monte Cristo Sandwich with Seasoned Fries & Apple Dessert by Steve & Trish for National Monte Cristo Day	18 Debbie's Pot Roast w/ Taters & Carrots	19 Moose Legion Quarterly Steak Night by Michele & Crew
20 Breakfast by Carol & Crew	21 MNF	22 Lodge Meeting 6:30pm	23 Chicken Pot Pie by Steve & Trish for National Pot Pie Day	24 Dinner by Josh & Kristal	25 Lasagna by Jason & Crew	26 Diamonds & Denim WOTM Party w/ Dinner by Steve Fox
27 Open Breakfast Shift if you'd like to volunteer please see the office	28 MNF	29 No Meeting	30 Meaty Portuguese Soup by Mike & Irene			

October 2026

Dinners served from
6pm - 8pm

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Open Date if you'd like to volunteer please contact the office	2 Shrimp & Cod w/Tempura Veggies by Marcy & Debbie	3 Oktoberfest hosted by WOTM with food by Irene
4 Open Breakfast Shift if you'd like to volunteer see the office	5 MNF	6 Officers Meeting 6pm	7 Thomas's Award Winning Chicken Rockfeller Dinner	8 Dinner by WOTM Wing Night by Shelbee & Crew	9 Mely's Famous Chile Verde	10 Open Steak Night shift if you'd like to volunteer see the office
				<i>DELTA CONVENTION</i>		
11 Breakfast by Carol & Crew	12 MNF	13 Lodge Meeting 6:30pm	14 Monster Burgers by Kim & Ken	15 Dinner by WOTM Brats w/all the fixins	16 Dinner by Jason & Crew	17 Open Steak Night shift if you'd like to volunteer see the office
18 Breakfast by Jason & Crew	19 MNF	20 Officers Meeting 6pm	21 Chapter Meeting Irene's Hearty Pea & Ham Hock Soup w/Mikes World Famous Cornbread	22 Dinner by Josh & Kristal	23 Dinner by Mike & Irene	24 Steak Night by Gerald & Crew
25 Open Steak Night shift, if you'd like to volunteer see the office	26 MNF	27 Lodge Meeting 6:30pm	28 Wings w/ Coleslaw & Fries by Di & Crew	29 Dinner by Jason & Crew	30 Dinner by Jason & Crew	31 Trunk or Treat 1pm - 3pm Adults Halloween Party 8pm - 12am

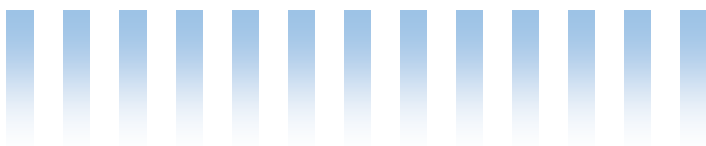
Trunk or Treat!

Get ready for a spooktacular afternoon of **Trunk or Treat fun!** Join us on **Saturday, October 31, 2026, from 1:00 PM–3:00 PM** for a family-friendly Halloween celebration.

Bring the kids in their favorite costumes and let them trick-or-treat from creatively decorated vehicles. There will be **fun, candy, and community for all ages!**

We're looking for **candy donations** to help make the afternoon extra sweet, as well as **volunteers to decorate their vehicles** and hand out treats.

Want to help? Contact **Danielle Gaylord-Lane** at **907-242-0148**.



Our Summer Picnic was a fantastic day filled with fun, laughter, and plenty of great memories! It was wonderful to see so many of our members come out, along with lots of new faces joining in on the fun. The kids had a blast with the bounce houses, the food was absolutely amazing, and the Arctic Outlaws kept everyone entertained with a fantastic performance. It was a truly positive and enjoyable day for everyone, and we're so glad so many of you came out to celebrate with us!





Steak Night Saturday's are back at the Lodge! Starting Saturday September 12th with the Women of the Moose Chapter 139 in the kitchen featuring Jason grilling up Ribeyes.



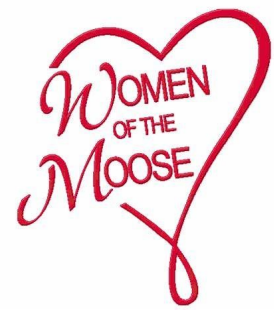
- September 12th - The Rebel Blues Band
- September 19th - Nothin But Trouble
- September 26th - Schaefer Mueller & The Neon Highway
- October 3rd - Jerry's Situation
- October 10th - Jerry Wessling Band
- October 17th - Cold Fusion
- October 24th - Lisa Lisa & Those Guys
- October 31st - The Vintage Retro

Friday nights at the Lodge are all about Moose-Araoke! Our karaoke nights are a great way to kick off the weekend, with members and friends taking the mic, singing their hearts out, and enjoying plenty of laughs along the way. Whether you're a seasoned performer or just brave enough to give it a shot, there's always a great crowd, good music, and a whole lot of fun. Come join us for Moose-Araoke and see what all the singing is about!



From the Desk of our Senior Regent

Summer is reaching its inevitable close with Fall coming in fast right behind it. But don't you worry, the Chapter has quite a few fun events planned to keep your minds off the dwindling daylight and dropping temperatures.



In September we have the first steak night of the season featuring grill master, Jason Mata! The Lifetime Membership Raffle winner will be announced before the band starts their set at 8pm!

Closing up September is Denim & Diamonds on the 26th. Bring the fam out for a western dinner featuring Steve Fox's western favs and a Best Dressed Contest for Women, Men and Children. Winners announced at 10pm before it's time to get the kids home for the evening. Live music from Schaefer Muller & The Neon Highway starting at 8pm.

Kicking off October with a bang is Oktoberfest Dinner on the 3rd. Dress your best to win the Oktoberfest outfit contest - \$1 per vote. The fall fun continues with Trunk or Treat for our families and friends! Come out and decorate your cars for kiddos to trick or treat through the parking lot. Make this a trunk or treat they won't forget, let's bring back the ones we had in the early 2000's!

Looking for a place to support local vendors and get some holiday shopping done? Come on out to the Holiday Bazaar on November 7th from 9am to 5pm.

Are you interested in volunteering or becoming a part of the Chapter, please let us know. We meet the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm.

Thank you to all of our members for their continued support!

Fraternally yours,
Danielle Gaylord-Lane



The Women of the Moose Chapter 139 celebrated Connie Haas on her recent achievement of becoming Grand Regent.

Oktoberfest at the Lodge

Prost! Join us at Anchorage Moose Lodge 1534 on **Saturday, October 3rd** for an evening of Oktoberfest fun hosted by **Women of the Moose Chapter 139!**

Enjoy a **German-themed dinner from 6:00 PM–8:00 PM** and stick around for plenty of festive fun. Come dressed in your best **Oktoberfest or German-themed outfit** and enter our themed outfit contest! Voting is just **\$1 per vote**, with the winner taking home the bragging rights and a little extra Oktoberfest glory.

We'll also have a **50/50 Split the Pot** for your chance to take home some cash while supporting the Lodge.

Grab your friends, buckle up your lederhosen, and join us for a fun night of food and Oktoberfest spirit!



You may have noticed the words **“Members & Qualified Guests”**

appearing on our social media posts and event announcements. Here’s why! Anchorage Moose Lodge 1534 is a private fraternal organization, and our Lodge and Social Quarters are intended for Moose members and their qualified guests. This wording helps us make it clear that while we love sharing our events with the community, attendance and access are subject to Moose membership and guest policies.

Dear Brothers,

As summer comes to an end and we welcome the beautiful, and possibly rainy, fall season. It is a great time for football, fall gatherings, and to reflect on what makes our Moose Legion special. It is more than a degree, it is a commitment to service, fellowship, friendship, and making a difference. The Legion is built around the idea of doing some good thing for someone each day. Whether it is helping a fellow member, supporting our Lodge, volunteering in our community, or contributing to the work of Mooseheart and Moosehaven, every act of service matters.

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 Fall 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 September 13th and October 4th | 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.

Moose Legion #51 Quarterly Meeting | Anchorage Moose Lodge #1534

Directors meeting starts at 1pm. Chapter and General meeting to follow. At 6pm there will be a steak dinner with a great salad bar.

Council of Higher Degree meeting September 13th | Anchorage Moose Lodge #1534

I'm encouraging all Moose Legion members to join the Council of Higher Degree meeting. The meeting will start at 11:30 am.

Snack Sunday by the Moose Legion | Every Sunday from 4pm to 5:30 pm

Fraternally Yours,

Jason Allen Mata

Moose Legion #51 Past President, Anchorage Moose Legion Assistant Secretary



Celebrate the Food Holidays!

September and October are filled with some pretty delicious and sometimes downright random National Food Days. We decided to celebrate a few of our favorites at the Lodge!

September 10 – National TV Dinner Day

Michele is bringing back the classics with a Meatloaf TV Dinner!

September 17 – National Monte Cristo Sandwich Day

Steve & Trish are serving up Monte Cristos with seasoned fries & apple dessert.

September 23 – National Great American Pot Pie Day

Nothing says comfort food like a Chicken Pot Pie! Steve & Trish have this one covered.

And the food fun doesn't stop there!

October is National Pizza Month

October 17 – National Pasta Day

October 18 – National Chocolate Cupcake Day

October 31 – National Candy Apple Day



Keep an eye on the weekly menu to see which food holidays we're celebrating next. Come hungry!



MORE THAN A CLUB

What Your Moose Membership Supports

Being a Moose member is about more than having a membership card. It's about being part of a community.

Here at Anchorage Moose Lodge 1534, our members make everything possible. Your membership helps keep our lodge running, gives us a place to gather with friends, and allows us to support our community.

But membership is also about fellowship. It's sharing a meal, cheering for your team, playing cards, enjoying live music, or spending time at the lodge catching up with friends.

And you don't have to volunteer every week or join every committee to make a difference. Come to dinner. Attend an event. Bring a friend. Volunteer when you can. Say hello to someone new. Every little bit helps make our lodge stronger.

As we head into another busy season, we hope you'll make the most of your Moose membership and get involved in whatever way works for you.

Your membership matters. Your participation matters. And your lodge is better because you're part of it.

YOUR LODGE. YOUR COMMUNITY. YOUR MOOSE.

GET TO KNOW OUR STEWARDS

Name: **Mike**

How long have you been a Moose member? **6 Years**

How long have you been a Steward at Lodge 1534? **4 Years**

What brought you to the Moose? **Strangers lol**

Favorite thing about working at the Lodge? **Everyone sticks to their usual drink orders**

Favorite Lodge event or tradition? **The Super Bowl Party**

Favorite food/drink at the Lodge? **Drink, an Old Fashioned. Food, it's the chicken Caesar wraps we had on Thursdays.**

What do you like to do when you're not at the Lodge? **Spend time at our cabin on the lake.**

Something members might not know about you: **Every broken bone I've had has been from Hockey.**

Favorite Moose memory: **My Thursday Night Fantasy Football League**

If you could give members one piece of advice, what would it be?
Leave your problems at the door



Our kitchen runs on volunteers, and we'd love to have a few more helping hands! Whether you can cook, prep, serve, or clean, every bit helps. If you'd like to volunteer for an upcoming kitchen night, please reach out to the office or any lodge officer.



From the Desk of our Acting Administrator

Fall is in the air, and we're ready to celebrate! Come kick off the season with our NEW Pumpkin Spice Espresso Martinis, the perfect taste of fall in every sip!

We've got a fun-filled lineup every week - starting with Monday Night Football and wrapping up with Snack Sunday!

Plus, Saturday Steak Nights & Live Music are back! Come enjoy delicious food, catch up with friends, and have a great time. We can't wait to see you!

We need your help! Our kitchen needs volunteers! Do you have a favorite recipe you would love to prepare and share? Call the office and let them know you're interested in volunteering in the kitchen. Need help putting together a crew? Reach out to one of our officers for assistance! We appreciate your help and look forward to seeing what's cooking.

Our new buzzer system is officially completed! A big THANK YOU to the help we received through grant funding from Moose International. We truly appreciate the support!

Alaska State Moose Convention is held in Delta Jct., October 8 - 10. If you need lodging recommendations, please call the office. We hope to see you there!

Come celebrate the fall season with us — enjoy delicious meals, great company, and plenty of fun!

Gratefully,

Acting Administrator

Robyn Syren



Lend a Hand This Holiday Season!

The next few months are going to be busy at the Lodge, and there are **lots of opportunities to get involved!**

We're currently accepting **candy donations for Trunk or Treat**, and as the holiday season gets closer, we'll also be collecting donations and looking for volunteers to help put together **Helping Food Boxes** for families in our community.

There will also be plenty of **holiday events and activities at the Lodge** that could use an extra set of hands. Whether you can donate, volunteer your time, help set up, lend a hand during an event, or clean up afterward, **every little bit helps!**

Volunteering is a great way to meet your fellow Moose members, have some fun, and make a difference right here in our community.

There are tons of ways to get involved! If you'd like to lend a hand or two reach out to any Lodge officer or stop by the office.



Christmas BAZAAR

SHOP LOCAL. GIVE JOY.



**SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 7, 2026**

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM



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Questions?

Contact Danielle at 907-242-0148

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

- Desiree Beedle
- Janet Black
- Linda Piper
- Brad Bowman
- Carol Brown
- Lawrence "Larry" Connolly

Members to keep in our thoughts & prayers

- Grace Marquiss

