



# 1057 NEWS

MUSKEGO AREA MOOSE FAMILY CENTER

The Moose



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2023-2024 Moose International Membership Campaign

*Moose "Proud Past, Bright Future"*



We are proud of the history of this great fraternity. While keeping our past successes in mind, we look forward to the bright future with like-minded members who continue to play an important role in their local communities and supporting Mooseheart and Moosehaven for years to come. Working together, our future is bright!

HAPPY  
**MOTHER'S**  
day



Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> | 4:30p - 7p

**CINCO DE MAYO**

Fajitas & Make Your Own Nachos

\$10 Adults per person / \$5 Children 12 & Under

Hosted By  
WOMEN OF THE MOOSE

**LODGE CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY MAY 29TH**

## LODGE INFO

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**Lodge General Membership Meetings**2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of Month @ 6:30 PM4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of Month @ 6:30 PM**New Member Orientation Meeting**

**Monday May 22, 2023 and Monday June 26, 2023 at 6:00 PM.** Recommended for all new members and their Sponsors. All members are also welcomed to attend. Dessert will be served. Please RSVP to the lodge President or Senior Regent.

**THE MOOSE****2023-2024****LODGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS****President**Clyde Brophy  
720-341-9801**Jr. Past President**Tom Kronenburg  
414-708-7716**Vice President**

Tom Giles

**Chaplin**

John Schubert

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**Vice President**

Clyde Brophy

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Mike Wixom

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**Treasurer**

Clyde Brophy

**Territory Manager**

Mike Rynearson

**THE MOOSE FRATERNITY**

An International Organization of Men and Women Dedicated to Caring for Young and Old, Bringing Communities Closer Together, and Celebrating Life. We support Mooseheart Child City & School, a 1,000-acre campus, located 40 miles west of Chicago and care for our seniors at Moosehaven, a 70-acre retirement community near Jacksonville, Florida, Moose Charities and our Communities.



The **Lodge Hall** is now available to book **2023 dates** for your event. If you do not have a signed contract for your party, please contact Lyn Litschauer to do so. Call Lyn at 262-490-7908, please leave a message and she will return your call.

**DISTRICT #2 MEETING****Monday May 15 2023****7:00 PM****MUSKEGO MOOSE LODGE**

Meet members from Milwaukee, Kenosha & Racine Lodges – make new friends

Dinner along with lots of camaraderie will be served before the meeting at 6:30 PM!

THANKS FOR SUPPORTING YOUR LODGE!!  
PLEASE REMEMBER ...  
**YOUR BARTENDER**  
IS A VOLUNTEER AND  
APPRECIATES YOUR  
**TIPS** 

*Administrator Message . . .*

Hi Everyone!

Finally!! Feels like Spring has arrived. I'm so tired of cold weather. Anyways, I hope people have noticed the installation of the new electronic sign and message center outside near the flagpole. We have not received any timeline as to when it will be complete. I'm hoping to have it operational by the end of April. We'll see!

In my last newsletter message, I mentioned the moose statue had been moved to make room for the new sign. The location is temporary and we're still deciding on a permanent location. However, where it stands now seems like a great location to me. I've received a few comments, all positive, regarding its location. Please let me know what you think.

Here is the broken record again! We continue to need more help and cooperation from our membership. The more we can get membership to volunteer and help out, the better our lodge becomes. Please, if you can come out and help doing just one small thing, it's makes life easier for all the other volunteers. Thanks to all the volunteers who help make this lodge a success.

We are updating our sponsors page in our newsletter and scrolling screen. If you are interested in sponsoring the Moose with your advertisement please send me the artwork and \$150. Your ad will be displayed for one year. So far, we only have a few sponsors.

Our building continues to require maintenance. We just completed replacing the kitchen door located on the west side of the lodge. There are still a few adjustments needed on the door. But we're almost there. Next on the list is repairing the tile floor in the kitchen. I'm sure many have noticed many cracked and chipped tiles. Other things in the planning are additional concrete on the north side of the lodge just like we did on the west side last year. The old rusty steel doors over the exterior stairwell down to the basement storage room under the hall kitchen have failed and we need another solution to covering the stairwell that allows for easy access. We're working on plans for a new shelter with man door to cover the stairwell.

It's an honor serving as our lodge Administrator. Until we next meet in the lodge, See ya!

*Kevin Pope, Administrator*

**MOOSE LEGION . . .**

Moose Legion meeting is on the third Wednesday of every month at 6 pm. We discuss things the Moose Legion is planning and what Moose Legion Int'l is asking us to help with.

Your Moose Legion is looking for help on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month to help with the Fish Fry. This is how the Moose Legion raises money to help the Lodge, Moose Charities and the Graduation Pictures for our Seniors at Mooseheart and Christmas gifts for the boys at the Wisconsin House and other projects Moose or Moose Legion are planning.

*Clyde Brophy*

*Moose Legion Chairman*



**3rd Wednesday  
of each month  
at 6pm**

*Moose Legion  
Chairman Clyde*

***Taco Thursday's***

*Tacos 3 Beef or Chicken \$5.00*

*Nacho Grand Platter \$6.00*

*Taco Salad Beef or Chicken \$6.00*

*Quesadilla – Beef or Chicken \$6.00*



**New Member**

**Sponsor Name**

**New Member**

**Sponsor Name**

Lynn Berndt	Julie Stache
Iris Bohan	Caroll Eineichner
Rick Bolyard	Robert Wayer
Richard Bonner	Ken Whitehouse
Joseph Brant	Allen Friedrich
Jodi Burany	Winona Bing
Brad Burdette	Tom Kronenburg
Paul Diekfuss	Doug Knight
Jane Durovy	Frank Bahleda
Dennis Fedran	Clarence Masshardt
Jody Fischer	Lyn Litschauer
Tom Friedl	James Friedl
Kerri Friedrich Brant	Allen Friedrich
Leo George	Robert Wayer
Christine Hornak	Shirley Knight
Tamy Hritz	Mark Grossmeier
Tim Jeka	Michael Hallmann
Kenneth Kernen	Cheryl Klabunde
Susan Kernen	Cheryl Klabunde
David Kreuzer	Karl Brien
Kathy Lemaster	Cheryl Klabunde
Jo Anne Lesser	Anne Dangers-Gollinger

Scotty Lester	Dawn Mock
Brian Liebau	Rick Schaber
Marybeth Marsicek	Nancy Kangas
Thomas Maske	Tony Aufieri
Cindy Mauch	Gary Mauch
Cindy Perich	Vesta Pautz
Mike Petrusich	Doug Knight
Victor Postotnik	Clarence Masshardt
Michael Sampson	Robert Lewis
Jeff Scaife	Kevin Pope
Pamela Schlinder	Alan Schlinder
Danielle Schmitz	Denise Hashek
Travis Schuh	Gary Barg
G Charles Slama	Clarence Masshardt
Libbie Susnik	Gary Barg
Ross Tetting	Jim Stefonich
Teresa Tetting	Kim Stefonich
Michael Varsos	Victoria Clements
Robert Wayer	Steven Thren
Ann Wissing	Geri Gordon
Katrtina Wittenberger	Patricia Ryan-Tellier
Nicholas Zinke	Doug Knight

**Congratulations**, on becoming members of the world’s greatest fraternity.

It’s your turn to invite your friends and family to join us in our commitment to children, senior Moose members as well as our local communities. Your membership entitles you to the many discounts through the Moose Benefit Program. When you hand your prospective member, an application also give them a copy of the benefits program and a copy of the Lodge newsletter.

Sponsors, PLEASE ~ when ‘talking Moose’ to your friends and family have them include their middle initial on the application. It is very helpful in avoiding duplications in membership files.

Also, please check your membership card on a regular basis to verify you have not fallen behind in your dues.

**REMINDER**

When talking Moose and telling your candidate about the children at Mooseheart, the seniors at Moosehaven and our many community activities, be sure to have your candidate fill out the application in its entirety and READ and SIGN the application on the back. In addition, ALL fees are to be remitted with the application:

**Lodge Candidate**

Application Fee	\$20.00
One Year’s Dues	\$55.00

**Chapter Candidate**

One Year’s Dues	\$15.00
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**Moose Legion 31 Candidate**

One Year’s Dues - \$16.00
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JUNE 14, 2023



<http://muskegomoose.com/pay-dues/> or  
<https://secure.moosintl.org/QuickPay/>

## MUSKEGO MOOSE RIDERS

2023

### BOARD OF OFFICERS

<b>President</b>	Mike "Big Dog" Theys
<b>Vice President</b>	Greg "Sparky" Subel
<b>Secretary</b>	Jill "Mama Bear" Theys
<b>Treasurer</b>	Kayla "Aces" Essers
<b>Sargent at Arms</b>	Dave "Stumpy" Tomka
<b>Event Coordinators</b>	
	Kim "Kimmy" Weigold
	Anne "Annie On-the-Go" Dangers-Gollinger
	Gina "GiGi" Subel
<b>Road Captains</b>	
	Keith "Ignitor" Wamser
	Tom "Cowboy Tom" Giles



Bon-Fires last  
Saturday of Month

### MEETINGS

1<sup>ST</sup> Wednesday of Month  
6:30 PM Board of Officers  
7:00 PM Rider Meeting

### CURRENT FUNDRAISERS

Shake of the Day  
Soup-er Tuesday

### ACTIVITIES

Highway Clean-up  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month  
April through October at 9:00 AM

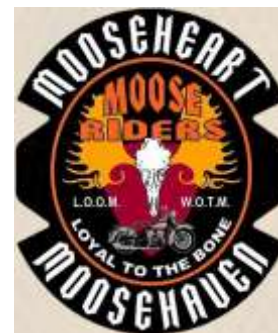
**Interested in joining the Moose Riders**, please fill out an application. Applications are available at the Lodge or at [www.muskegomoose.com](http://www.muskegomoose.com). Any questions, please direct them to Jill Theys at [jill.theys@gmail.com](mailto:jill.theys@gmail.com)

### Bike Blessing Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>

Oak Creek Legion

Bloody Mary/Screw drivers at the Theys' House before event

Meet at the Lodge – more info to follow



### 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Blessing of the Bikes

May 20, 2023 12:15 pm CT

155 S. International Drive, Mooseheart, IL

Moose Riders to benefit

Mooseheart Child City & School

Pre-Registration \$20

On Site Registration \$30

Mooseheart Fieldhouse

**\*\*\*Bike Blessing at 12:15 pm\*\*\***

### Moose Riders Shawano Ride

August 18-20, 2023

Shawano Four Season's Hotel

201 N. Airport Road  
Shawano, WI 54166

Call (855)574-8501 for reservations

10 Rooms are blocked

Tell them you're with the Muskego Moose Riders

## 2023 UPCOMING EVENTS

May 5<sup>TH</sup> – Cinco de Mayo  
 May 12<sup>th</sup> – Fish Fry  
 May 15<sup>th</sup> – District #2 Meeting – Muskego  
 May 19<sup>th</sup> – Fish Fry  
 May 20<sup>th</sup> – Mooseheart Blessing of the Bikes  
 May 20<sup>th</sup> – Garden Tractor Pulls  
 May 22<sup>nd</sup> – New Member Orientation  
 May 26<sup>th</sup> – Fish Fry  
 May 29<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day – Lodge Closed  
 Jun 2<sup>nd</sup> – Jammin' on Janesville  
 Jun 3<sup>rd</sup> – WOTM Training  
 Jun 3<sup>rd</sup> - Garden Tractor Pulls  
 Jun 9<sup>th</sup> – Fish Fry  
 Jun 16<sup>th</sup> – Fish Fry  
 Jun 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> – Moose International Convention in Reno  
 Jun 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fish Fry  
 Jun 24<sup>th</sup> – Junk-in-the-Trunk  
 Jun 26<sup>th</sup> – New Member Orientation  
 Jul 30<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Picnic  
 Aug 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> – Moose Riders Shawano Ride  
 Aug 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> – Dandilion Daze  
 Sep 23<sup>rd</sup> – Annual Car Show

## MEMBER NEWS

**Deepest Sympathy** Our condolences goes out to you if you have lost a loved one. The thoughts and prayers of your Moose friends are with you.

**Get Well Wishes** To those on the downside, we hope you are up & around again soon. Your Moose friends miss you and hope to see you soon.

**We Miss You!** To all Lodge and Chapter members who have been ill or hospitalized, we pray for your quick recovery and look forward to seeing you soon.

**Happy Anniversary/Happy Birthday** to everyone celebrating these special events this month! Check out the website for March & April Birthdays, the current month is also displayed at the lodge on the video display screens 😊

**Please:** If you hear of a member who is ill or in the hospital let us know so we can visit or send a card to let them know they are missed. Call the Lodge.

**Notice:** If you hear of a Lodge or Chapter member who has passed away, please notify the Lodge Administrator or Chapter Treasurer and specify if a Moose Memorial Service is desired.

Funeral lunches will no longer be provided by the lodge. Members may arrange for food to be brought into the lodge.



**Friday June 2, 2023**

Volunteers needed for set-up, grilling, serving, cashier & take down crew. Also, if someone would like to wear the Moose Costume, we can set you up! Set-up crew starts at 3 PM and take down crew at 9 PM

Location is not set in stone at the time of the printing of this newsletter. We're hoping to be in the same area as in 2022. On Janesville between Bay Lane & Bellview Drive



**Wednesday Drive-In Car Show at Dusk**

Runs weekly June 7<sup>th</sup> to September 20<sup>th</sup>

*Annual Car Show will be Saturday September 23<sup>rd</sup>*



The "PIT"

to be open Tuesday's during Horseshoes & Wednesday's 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm during the Car Show. Brats, Hot Dogs and special sandwiches will be available on the deck.

## CHAPTER #1617 WOMEN OF THE MOOSE

2023-2024

## BOARD OF OFFICERS

Senior RegentTracy Manz  
414-840-0768SecretaryPam Thrall  
414-429-4460TreasurerCheryl Klabunde  
262-337-0884Jr. Past RegentHelen Emery  
414-852-5693

## APPOINTED OFFICERS

Guide Rheta Bennett

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT  
CHAIRWOMEN**Membership**

June Doyne

**Fraternal Activities**

Shirley Knight

**Mooseheart/Moosehaven**

Angela Buus

**Higher Degree**

Rachel Oemig-Klein

## SUNSHINE CHAIRMAN

Helen Emery

## WOTM INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS

Barbara J. McPherson, Grand Chancellor

## BOARD OF OFFICERS MEETING

3<sup>RD</sup> Thursdays of month

5:30 PM

## CHAPTER MEETING

3<sup>RD</sup> Thursdays of month

7:00 PM

**Membership Committee****Recognized at May meeting**

The May 18th Chapter meeting is in honor Chairperson June Doyne and the Membership committee.

"Each committee is assigned a special project by International Headquarters and our committee is proud to be able to provide funds for "Daily Needs program the Clothing, Laundry and Dry-Cleaning Program at Moosehaven," said Tracy.

At Moosehaven as with any normal household, residents want to look their best on a daily basis, which require clothing, laundry and dry cleaning.

As the WOTM continue to assist our Moosehaven Campus to offset their annual budget, the committee is pleased to provide funds to ensure residents have the fashion clothing they like and want, as well as the means to properly care for those clothing items.

The committee's fundraising project will be Plants for Police which will be held during the summer. From the proceeds of their project, we will be able to make a generous donation for the Daily Needs Program as well as the WOTM Scholarship and Maintenance Fund.

The main purpose of the Membership/Retention Committee is just what it implies, retaining the members that we have and those in arrears, as well as continuing to build WOTM/Chapter membership. All co-workers are encouraged to 'talk Moose' to friends and family to ensure the future of the children and senior Moose Members entrusted to our care.

**Higher Degree - Academy of Friendship Committee****Honored at the June meeting**

The June 15<sup>th</sup> Chapter meeting will honor our Academy of Friendship members. To receive this honor a Co-Worker needs to sponsor 5 members into the Chapter, serve on the Board of Officers and sponsor 2 members or serve as a Committee Chairman during the Chapter year and sponsor 2 members. The Chapter must earn the Award of Achievement Since the closure of Mooseheart's Central Kitchen, our Family Teachers and children continue to head to local grocery stores, on a weekly basis, to purchase food items aligned with Mooseheart's 6-week cycle menu, which was developed by Family Teachers with the assistance of a licensed dietician. Children and teens are now able to assist with the homes' food budget, meal preparation and cooking. These are all great independent living skills that our kids will need once they graduate and move on from Mooseheart.

Our gifts will feed a home of 10 girls or 10 boys for a month and support our Mooseheart community in this fun adventure!

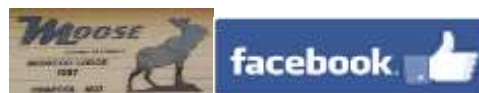
The committee's fundraising project was Wing Wednesday, from the proceeds, a generous donation will be made to the Moose Charities for this very special undertaking.

### Senior Regent Message

Welcome to a new chapter year! I am honored and humbled to be following in the footsteps of so many strong and independent women as the next Senior Regent. You will hear a lot of two things from me this year, "We have the power to make a change" and "Find and follow your passion." Currently the Women have 528 active members of Chapter 1617 which is great, however, we only see roughly the same 15-20 ladies at our meetings. These same smiling faces are the ones who step up to volunteer whenever there is a need. No matter what day of the week it is, you always know who will be helping where. Let us know what your passion is and we can find a place where you can make a difference! Do you love photography? Maybe taking pictures of events and sharing them is a way you can help! Do you enjoy cooking? Volunteer to help on a Tuesday. I know we all lead busy lives, sometimes just an hour or two makes that difference. Commit to even just one meeting a year! You may realize that the comradery and socializing after the meeting is what we all look forward to. That would be fantastic! As Moose members we need to refocus on what our purpose is and to remember even though we come together to socialize, that is just a "benefit", our mission is to support Mooseheart and Moosehaven as well as to make a difference in our community. I look forward to serving all of you and will do my best and promise to give 100%. Thank you for your support and the trust that has been bestowed upon me.

Tracy Manz  
Senior Regent

**MEMBERSHIP!!!!** Chapter Members: As of May 1, 2021, all chapter members became members of the lodge in addition to still being a chapter member. So, to be a member in good standing, the chapter members are required to pay the lodge dues which are \$55.00 per year. Chapter members whose dues were current on April 30, 2021, have been given 3 years of chapter dues at no cost. After the three years, chapter dues will be \$15 per year. With the help of your annual renewal, you are helping provide the financial assistance necessary for the education and well-being of our children at Mooseheart plus the health and security for our seniors at Moosehaven. By renewing your membership, you will be making a difference in the quality of life for our beloved children and seniors. Please consider paying your dues.



**Make sure to join our Facebook Page.** For active Muskego Moose Members only. Facebook has the most up-to-date info about current activities going on at the Lodge. Info doesn't always get into the newsletter.

**POC: Julie Kronenburg 414-232-8125**

However you say it, **THANK YOU** from the Muskego Lodge & Chapter spaghetti crew for all your support this past pasta season. This was our umptenth year serving members spaghetti dinners! We loved seeing our old friends and making new ones, too! The spaghetti was enjoyed by members of all ages and was even the dinner chosen for a few celebrations! Again this year, our favorite spaghetti night was our Veteran's Day spaghetti—what an honor it was to serve our service members!

Our meatballs and garlic bread (with homemade garlic butter!) continued to be a hit! We appreciated your feedback and compliments!

A lot of work goes on behind the scenes to make this a delicious meal for members to enjoy. If you would like to help next pasta season, please contact the Chapter Senior Regent.

We are now going to get ready to enjoy the summer! If all goes well, we will see you again in the fall!



Thank you fellow Moose members for all your support!

~ The Muskego Lodge & Chapter spaghetti crew







Grand Sierra Resort & Casino

Pre-Register online through Tuesday May 23, 2023

[www.mooseintl.org](http://www.mooseintl.org)

After May 23, you must register on-site

### The Moose Mobile App is now Live

The Moose Mobile App is now live on both Google Play and the Apple App Store. Members can now download the app for free using their iPhones or any android phone. The app includes the new electronic Moose membership card, your Moose membership record, the lodge locator, the General Laws of the Fraternity, as well as instant access to pay dues or sign a new member.

In the search bar, type Moose Membership

If you have not previously created a "My Membership Record" you will need to register.

If you experienced problems logging in, please try again as Moose International has worked on it.



### IS THERE A HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR IN YOUR LIFE?

Enter your Class of 2024 high school students NOW for a chance to win up to a \$5,000 "Heart of the Community Scholarship"!

There is no better way to help the youth of the Fraternity than to offer them the opportunity to further their education, and that is exactly what the "Heart of the Community" Scholarship is all about.

The following requirements must be met in order to be eligible for the "Heart of the Community Scholarship"

The applicant must:



Be a student in the high school graduating Class of 2024



Have a father, mother, step-parent, grandparent or legal guardian who is a paid-up member of the Moose (Applicant is NOT required to reside in the same household)



Have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 (C+) or higher on a 4.0 scale or equivalent **verified by a copy of student's transcript.**

(Completing the above criteria qualifies for a chance for a \$1,000 scholarship)

**If the applicant completes one or more of the optional criteria below. He/she will qualify for a chance for a \$5,000 scholarship:**



**In-School/Extra-Curricular activities** (i.e. school sports teams, band, chess club, theater, etc)

- To satisfy this requirement a school official must verify this by completing their section of the application.



**Out-of-School activities** (i.e. employment scouting programs, music lessons, non-school related sports)

To satisfy this requirement **Moose International must receive a letter or email from the student's supervising adult (boss, troop leader, etc) no later than June 30, 2023.** The letter should include: 1) The name, title, email, and phone number of the supervising adult; 2) Details of the student's participation 3) The type of activities they engaged in; and 4) The dates/date range of their participation.



**Volunteer on behalf of a fraternal unit of the Moose** (To be verified by Lodge Administrator, Chapter Treasurer or Moose Legion Secretary on the application or by email, fax or U.S. Mail)

Applications may be faxed to (630) 966-2225 or mailed to:

**Moose – The Heart of the Community Scholarship Program**

**Attn: Brian Schimek**

**155 S. International Drive, Mooseheart, IL 60539-1172**

Faxed applications must be received by **June 30, 2023.**

Mailed applications must be postmarked on or before

**June 30, 2023.** Application must be completed in its entirety to be valid.

**WISCONSIN MOOSE ASSOCIATION**

**\$5.00 MOOSE BUCKS**

If your name appears on the list, please see your Friendly Bartender

Scott Baldewics  
 Cindy Bentley  
 Matt Bykowski  
 Aaron Dekarske  
 Donald Decker  
 Henry Fahning  
 Mike Hilt  
 Nathan Hude  
 Kenneth Johnson  
 Ron Kaebisch  
 Dawn Kraczek  
 Vern Koppa

James Lovald  
 Joe McGraw  
 Gordon Michels  
 James Monville  
 Ken Pulczynski  
 Heather Schmidt  
 Mary Ann Thomka  
 Henry Thiede  
 Paul Trupke  
 Stephanie Wardin  
 Warren Weink



**GARDEN TRACTOR PULL**

**Saturday June 3, 2023**

**1:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

Muskego will once again be hosting the High-Hitchin Garden Tractor Pullers

Admission is free.

For more info on High Hitchin visit their website at [www.highhitchinpullers.com](http://www.highhitchinpullers.com)

**OPEN TO**

**THE PUBLIC**



- . Rummage items
- . Vintage & Antiques
- . Crafts
- . Baked Goods
- . Food & Beverages

Hosted by  
The Muskego Moose  
Lodge  
Women of The Moose

S86W21693 Janesville Road  
Muskego, WI



\*Shirley will post dates on Facebook.





### WHY DO WE ASK YOU TO SHOW YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD?



I have walked into many, many Moose lodges during my years as a member. Every time, I have been proud to reach into my wallet as I entered, to fulfill the requirement of displaying my Moose membership card.

Even though showing a Moose membership card every time, a member enters a lodge or makes a purchase says many positive things about a person, I know that this requirement has been a big point of irritation among many Moose "Fifteen years I've been a member here; why in the world should I have to show my card every time I walk in the door?"

Consider this scenario: You walk into your lodge's Social Quarters on a busy Friday afternoon, the door opened for you by a polite smiling younger man you don't quite recognize. Inside the lodge, the server, recognizing you – and knowing how much it irritates you – decides not to ask for your card. You request and receive a beer. Then, not wanting to offend the young man who held the door for you who is now standing next to you, the server also draws a before for him without asking for a card.

Then, at the next month's lodge meeting, this nightmare: your Administrator's trembling hand holds an invoice for more than \$90,000 in back federal income taxes, interest, penalties, and fees. The invoice has been presented to him that day by that same pleasant young man you stood next to at the bar that Friday afternoon! He was the regional IRS agent – and you had been right there when he witnessed the lodge operating as a public accommodation!

This scenario has actually happened to more than one Moose lodge. Their officers and longtime members didn't want to be "bothered" with having to show their membership cards and subsequently paid a substantial price.

Let's put the IRS and the income tax issue aside for a moment. Fraternal lodges such as our enjoy special rights as a private organization, including the right to choose who will associate with us. This does NOT mean we afford ourselves the right to discriminate on the basis of race, religion, etc. in choosing our members.

However, we lose all the rights that a private organization enjoys if we don't conduct ourselves as a private organization! We cannot have it both ways. When a lodge chooses not to check membership cards, and essentially opens itself up to the public (with the exception of approved Community Service activities), that lodge puts itself and the entire Fraternity at risk of losing its right to operate under our own rules, and losing the right to choose our own members.

Showing your card may be a slight inconvenience, but it is worth it to protect our Mooseheart kids and Moosehaven seniors entrusted to our care.

*Do you have questions concerning the General Laws? Please contact the General Governor's office at 630-966-2207 or fax 630-966-2208.*

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## DANDILION DAZE

36<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Festival!  
August 25-27, 2023



By 1987, Dandilion Park (Muskego Beach Amusement Park) had long been gone. The amusement park located on the southern bank of the Muskego Lake was a great place for games, rides, music, and beach, but closed in 1977. Some of Muskego's community service group leaders thought it was time again to offer the citizens of Muskego an event and place to celebrate with family and the spirit of the community. The first weekend long family-orientated community event to be known as Muskego Community Festival was born. **That was over 30 years ago!**

The first festival was held on empty grounds where Pick and Save stands today. As the festival grew, there was a need for more space and the celebration moved to the grounds next to City Hall.

The family-orientated community event created in 1987 has blossomed into one of the largest free multi day festivals in southeast Wisconsin featuring music for all ages, top bands from the area, variety of food, a carnival, a corn-hole tournament, a 5K race/walk and a parade. Traditionally held the fourth weekend in August, it has often been referred to as the "official end of summer".

This is the only festival in the area which has seven collaborating community service groups that meet all year long to plan, present and staff this event.

The seven groups are: Muskego Woman's Club, Muskego Moose Family Center #1057, VFW#8171, Muskego Iceonauts Snowmobile Club, Muskego Athletic Association, Muskego Lions Club, Muskego Area Chamber of Commerce

Former groups: Little Muskego Lakes Association 1987-2022 & American Legion Post #356 1987-2020

Any excess net funds from the event are shared among the seven groups. Each group uses the funds to provide community enhancement programs in support of education, child services, city beautification, community events, patriotism as well as their own mission.

Today, as the times change, so does the festival. Muskego Community Festival will continue to offer our favorite things but will now be known as *DandiLion Daze!*

What a history of the community festival and **OUR MUSKEGO MOOSE** has been part of this since day one!

This year our Moose has been selected as the Honored Group! This means we will have a Grand Marshall in the front of the parade being driven in a snazzy car and get to choose what the theme should be for the parade.

Our Grand Marshall will be Mr. Bill Dangers! Bill has been a member of Muskego Moose Lodge 1057 since July of 2006. He is also a Legion Member, a member of the Moose Riders and a Valued Veteran. Through the years he has volunteered his time helping at the festival primarily with parking. But has helped in other aspects of the festival. And every year one could see him relaxing under his canopy along Racine Ave., during the parade,

The theme chosen for the parade is **Caring for Our Children**, which we, as Moose, know about firsthand.

All seven community groups meet monthly to plan and present the festival, each group being responsible for a piece of the festival puzzle. The Moose oversees parking. Our Moose representative on the festival committee is Kevin Pope (one of his many caps!) and he oversees the parking responsibilities on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. This is no small task and Kevin will be asking for members for help, to sign up for a parking shift—check for a sign up posting at the lodge, on the website/facebook page or contact Kevin—his contact information is in this newsletter. Whatever amount of time you can volunteer would be appreciated!

Moose member, Karen Thibedeau, is also on the festival committee as the secretary.

Also.19 in the works is having a float in the parade! Please watch for planning details and join the creative process...and have fun!

The festival is not only a community event, but also a fundraiser for all groups involved. Funds distributed after the festival support each groups mission—this is a great fundraiser for Our Moose!

If you see Kevin or Karen, ask them about how you can help Our Moose with this great event!



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*June 9<sup>th</sup>*

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