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LODGE CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY **WEEKEND** SATURDAY MAY 25TH SUNDAY MAY 26TH **MONDAY MAY 27TH**



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Muskego Chapter 1617 Est. May 3, 1970

Lodge Hours

Sunday

Noon to 6:00 pm

Monday to Thursday

3:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Friday

3:00 pm to Midnight

Saturday

3:00 pm to Midnight

Lodge General Membership Meetings

2nd Wednesday of Month @ 6:30 PM

4th Wednesday of Month @ 6:30 PM

New Member Orientation Meeting

Monday June 24th, 2024 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

2024-2025 LODGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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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 **2024 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 20, 2024 7:00 PM

RACINE 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!



Embrace Our Community

Membership campaigns are created and implemented by the Membership Department at Moose International. Annual Membership Campaigns typically run from May 1 to April 30 and have a unique theme each year.

This year's Annual Membership Campaign is "Embrace Our Community" which runs from May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025. "Embrace Our Community" highlights the good that our Fraternity has provided to our local communities for the past 100+ years and promotes what we will continue to do into the future. We embrace our communities with awareness of the Moose, ask how we as a Fraternity can assist, and invite them to join us in support of their/our community.

Administrator Message. . .

Hi Everyone!

It's beginning to actually feel like Spring out! I hope everyone had a chance to check out the eclipse last month. We had a group of members holding a viewing party in the parking lot.

Please continue to keep Tom Kronenburg in your thoughts as he is still undergoing chemo treatment for his cancer. However, his radiation treatments are finally complete! Tom is doing good and has been in the lodge quite a bit more lately.

Our lodge is doing well, and we are financially strong. With a new board of directors coming on this month, we are going to look at continuing to make improvements. Now that the weather is getting nice out, we can start looking at completing the following projects I've been mentioning in earlier newsletter messages. Here are some of the improvements I've mentioned before listed in what I feel are highest to lowest priority.

- We have an ongoing roof leak along the party wall separating the Social Quarters and the hall. This has been a nuisance for as long as I've been involved with the Moose and several attempts to fix it eventually failed. This in my mind is our number one priority.
- Improving the exterior lighting around the building. Now that the weather is a little warmer and nicer, we will be repairing the exterior lighting and then assessing any changes needed to improve the lighting.
- New carpet in the hall. The WOTM have already donated money to help fund the new carpet. Dave Skrobis is getting us a quote for the replacement.
- Expansion of the exterior deck on the south side of the banquet hall, the purpose of the expansion is to provide a second entry and exit on the east end, handicap access without having to go through the hall and a little more room on the east end.
- Complete the landscaping around the new electronic sign and message center outside. I'm hoping we can get a few members to step forward and volunteer to do a little gardening and repair on the block retaining wall. Otherwise, we will be hiring a landscape firm to do the work.
- Install an electronic membership card access reader on the north door of the Social Quarters. It will be similar to the access reader in the main entrance vestibule. This will provide easier access to the Social Quarters for members parking in the handicap parking spots along the north side of Social Quarters.

Since our last newsletter, as you can see, we have not made much progress on any improvements other than needed maintenance and repairs. The most notable repair has been the installation of two new sump pumps in the basement. Many thanks to Ken Pulczinski for replacing the pumps. Ken replaced the sewage pump that we knew had not been working for some time. It was only serving a single floor drain in the basement which is why it failed due to lack of use over time. We are going to need to pour water in the basin occasionally to operate the pump to insure it works if ever needed. Ken also discovered the ground water sump pump was not actually pumping water although it sounded like it was running. This was discovered during our St. Patrick's Day dinner and party when we found ground water coming into the basement from the foundation. With the new pump Ken installed, hopefully we have solved the flooding problem for good!

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, makes life easier for all the other volunteers. One of the important areas of our lodge needing help is in the kitchen. Thanks to a few people who stepped up, we have been able to continue our Friday fish fry's. If you like kitchen duties, you're the person we're looking for!

New Member	Sponsor Name	New Member	Sponsor Name
David Austin	Dennis Klumb	Randy Pack	Doug Knight
Debbie Berthelsen	Jacqui Corso	Erika Pack	Doug Knight
Jon Berthelsen	Jacqui Corso	Joseph Peters	Jack Spoerl
Steve Broadwell	Elain Broadwell	Steve Peterson	Don Goedde
Fred Bublitz	Isabel Bublitz	Keleen Plumb	Jill Zettel
Jody Carlson	Doug Knight	Richard Riley	Anne Dangers-Gollinger
Shawn Beth Cerny	Lou Ferruzza	Martha Russell	John Pritchett
Andrea Childs	Kevin Pope	Vic Schluga	Kevin Schenk
Alvin Cicy	Laurie Kontney	Bob Schmidt	Deanne Niemiec
Kristin Dibb	Lyn Litschauer	Eric Schoessow	Jackie Bykowski
Jacob Frey	Thomas Giles	Nicole Schoessow	Jackie Bykowski
Ronald Fryer	Doug Knight	Wayne Schuh	Karen Schuh
Louis Geiss	Emilio Flores	John Schwab	Frank Bahleda
Steve Geiss	Emilio Flores	Paul Schwegel	Kevin Pope
Dave Jensen	Julie Kronenburg	Sheila Scott	Tracy Manz
Barbara Kallan	Richard Kallan	Nola Sebunia	Debbie Kaye
Brian Krajewski	Doug Knight	Laura Sowinski	Ashley Koput
Paul Lemke	Kevin Pope	Gail Stendahl	Alex Hornak
Joseph Loeffelholz	Barbara Pilak	Mark Van Ells	Anne Dangers-Gollinger
Gina Meyer	Michelle Scholbe	Rick Wachowiak	Julie Kronenburg
Sherry Olson	Debbie Kayte	Drew Yergens	Nicole Stritesky
		Greg Zalewski	Jackie Bykowski
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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 \sim 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.



http://muskegomoose.com/pay-dues/ or https://secure.mooseintl.org/QuickPay/bOB

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

Legion 31 Candidate

One Year's Dues - \$16.00



MUSKEGO MOOSE RIDERS

2023

BOARD OF OFFICERS

President Greg Subel
Vice President Ray (Roy) Wojtak
Secretary Gina Subel
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Event Coordinators

Jill Theys

Road Captains

Keith "Ignitor" Wamser Tom "Cowboy Tom" Giles Dave "Stumpy" Tomka





Bon-Fires last Saturday of Month Excluding July & August

MEETINGS

1ST Wednesday of Month 6:30 PM Board of Officers 7:00 PM Rider Meeting

CURRENT FUNDRAISERS

Soup-er Tuesday

ACTIVITIES

Highway Clean-up 3rd 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. Any questions, please direct them to Gina Subel at gsubel0386@yahoo.com

Come see what the



Moose Riders Boscobel Ride August 16-18, 2024



AmericInn by Wyndham Boscobel 1700 Elm St, Boscobel, WI 53805 Call (608) 375-8000 for reservations.

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- Please help with keeping our lodge clean and presentable. If you see trash or recyclables laying around in the building or on the ground, help out by picking it up and putting it in the trash. If you see a trash can full and are able, don't be afraid to take it out to the trash dumpsters. We have additional trash can liners. Just ask a bartender. Thinking someone else will do it is not the answer to keeping our lodge clean and enjoyable.
- We continue to update our sponsors page in our newsletter and scrolling screen. We now have 8 sponsors! Thanks to those sponsors. Please patronize our sponsors. 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. We still have plenty of room for more sponsors.

It's an honor serving as our lodge Administrator. Have a great spring and start of summer. Until we next meet in the lodge, See ya!

Kevin Pope, Administrator

2024 UPCOMING EVENTS

May 3rd - Legion Fish Fry

May 3rd – Live Music – Shades of Gray

May 7th – Cinco de Mayo Dinner

May 10th – Fish Fry

May 10th - Live Music - Mark Wayne

May 12th – Mother's Day Breakfast

May 13th – Sanctioned Horseshoe League Starts

May 14th – Horseshoe League & Corn Hole Tournaments Start

May 17th – Legion Fish Fry

May 18th - Live Music - Sonya & Geoff

May 20th - District #2 Meeting - Racine

May 21st – WOTM Supporting Women – After Hours Event

May 24th – Fish Fry

May 25th, 26th & 27th – Lodge Closed Memorial Day Weekend

Jun 5th – Weekly Wednesday Car Shows Start

Jun 8th – Garden Tractor Pull

Jun 14th – Fish Fry

Jun 21st - Legion Fish Fry

Jun 22nd – Junk-in-the-Trunk

Jun 24th – New Member Orientation

Jun 28th - Fish Fry

Jul 15th – District #2 Meeting - Kenosha

Jul 21st – Lodge Picnic

Aug 16th – 18th – Moose Riders Ride to Boscobel, WI

Aug 23rd – 25th – Community Festival – Dandilion Daze



May's the Last Month of Wing Wednesday!

The Wing Team will be taking the summer off!

So, hurry in during the month of May to get your wing fix!

Julie Kronenburg and Rachel Oemig-Klein will be cooking up Wing's from 5:00-7:30 pm as a WOTM Higher Degree Committee fundraiser.

If you are interested in helping cook, serving, cashiering or clean up. We would appreciate the extra help.

Contact Julie or Tom Kronenburg

MEMBER NEWS

Deepest Sympathy Our condolences go out to Susan Henkel and Karen Henkel on the loss of her husband/son David. Our condolence 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 May & June 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.

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 3rd 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



President's Message

A few years ago, a friend and I accidentally found ourselves at the craft fair here. Who would have known how much of an impact that one day would have played into my life! I remember having a drink and chatting with the bartender, who is now lovingly referred to by husband as "Little L", about what the Moose are all about? At that time, I had lived in Muskego for about seventeen YEARS and had never been to any Moose event and only knew the building was closed to public. During that conversation I was told about Sheepshead night and how we should come try it out. Laurie introduced me to Karen who invited us to be her guest that next Monday and the rest is history! Those seemingly small acts of friendliness changed my life forever. Each and every Moose member has the power to change lives every day, not only the lives of the children at Mooseheart and the seniors at Moosehaven, but also the lives of the people in our community. Our goal this year should be that all of Muskego knows who we are, where we are, and what and who we support! Our impact can be immeasurable!

I am so honored to serve you all as the next President of our Lodge. I want everyone to know that you are not just a number to me. I encourage everyone to attend at least one membership meeting a month.... or both. You owe it to yourself to know what is going on around here; we all work hard to raise money you should how it is being spent. You have a right to have your opinions heard; they matter. That is how positive change happens. We want to hear your ideas. Ideas stem from ideas.

I look forward to this next year and all it will bring. My husband teases me that my phone is always in my hand so if you need me, I will answer (as long as it is after 9am and before 8pm). Thank you for all your continued support. I won't let you down.

Tracy Manz

"We shall never know all the good that a simple smile can do." – Mother Teresa

"Keep smiling, it makes people wonder what you're up to." – Anonymous



Wednesday Drive-In Car Show at Dusk

Runs weekly June 5th to September 18th

Annual Car Show will be Saturday September 21st





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.



FLAG DAY JUNE 14TH

CHAPTER #1617 WOMEN OF THE MOOSE

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Membership

Helen Emery

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Mooseheart/Moosehaven

Sherry Fritz

Higher Degree

Rachel Oemig-Klein

SUNSHINE CHAIRMAN

Helen Emery

WOTM INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS

Barbara J. McPherson, Grand Chancellor

BOARD OF OFFICERS MEETING

3RD Thursdays of month 5:30 PM

CHAPTER MEETING

3RD Thursdays of month 7:00 PM

Membership Committee Recognized at May meeting

The May 16th Chapter meeting is in honor of Chairperson Helen Emery 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 the "Daily Needs" program at Moosehaven.

At Moosehaven as with any normal household, residents have daily needs and desires requiring financial assistance. The Daily Needs program will provide funding for things such as clothing, laundry, newspapers, pet needs and often necessary bicycle repairs.

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 Souper Tuesday's this fall. 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 20th Chapter meeting will honor our new Academy of Friendship member Tracy Manz and all who hold the A/F. Tracy received the Academy of Friendship at the Mid-Year Conference in Fond du Lac in March. 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

Hello fellow members, my name is Katrina Wittenberger, and I am your new Senior Regent of The Women of the Moose. Some of you may not recognize me by name but you may have seen me helping out on Wednesday wing nights and updating our window. I am honored to be serving you all and following in some big footsteps by Tracy Manz. I hope to be just as amazing as she was this past year. As Senior Regent, my goal is to get the message out to all our women members about how important the Women of the Moose are to the Lodges success and what joining our chapter is all about. We plan on having some fun events along with fundraisers this year, and I would like to have some new faces helping and some exciting ideas! I am looking forward to another great year at the Moose Lodge!

Katrina Wittenberger Women of the Moose Chapter 1617 Senior Regent

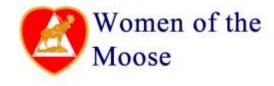
Women of The Moose

OPEN TO Date: 06/22/24 THE PUBLIC Junk Rummage items in the Vintage & Antiques · Crafts Trunk · Baked Goods Food & Beverages Time: 9am-2pm S86W21693 Janesville Road Hosted by Muskego, WI The Muskego Moose Lodge

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.

Please Renew your Chapter Membership

The time has come as the 3 years have passed since we became One Moose. When renewing your Lodge dues, please also renew your Chapter Membership 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

"Go raibh maith agat!"



(guh rev mah ah-gut)

The Irish thank you, 'Go raibh maith agat', when literally translated means 'May you have goodness'. When someone helps you with a task, you can say 'Go raibh maith agat' to express your gratitude.

This sentiment was shared many, many times during the St. Patrick's Day dinner and celebration held on Saturday, March 16th.

The corned beef dinner, again prepared by Kenny Engle and team, was again a huge hit!

A few mind-boggling stats to share on what was served:

- 400 pounds of corned beef
- 100 pounds of potatoes
- 100 pounds of carrots
- 100 pounds of cabbage





This does include all the pounds of bread, sauerkraut, and condiments. And let's not forget the desserts! An entire covered pool table adorned sweets to satisfy any sweet tooth!

The Irish drink and ice cream bar was yummy and enjoyed by many.

The 50/50 raffle and can raffle was a success and funds are going to be donated to Cystic Fibrosis.

The band, All the Kings Men, provided a fun atmosphere of great music, dancing and a little 'Elvis'!

The biggest thank you or "Go raibh maith agat!" goes to all the volunteers, big and small, young and old, who made this event possible—all the work behind the scenes, in front of the house, and behind the bar made the celebration run smoothly. The generous donation of your time does not go unnoticed or unappreciated!



Gracias! Merci! DANKE! Dziekuje! Grazie!



However, you say it, THANK YOU from the Muskego spagnetti crew for all your support this past pasta season. This was our umpteenth year serving members spaghetti dinners! We loved seeing old friends and making new ones, too! The spagnetti 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!



Supporting Woman

Gwned Businesses of Wisconsin

After Hours Event

Join Us for Conversation and Networking About products and services that matter to women most! Everyone in Invited! Spread the Word!

Free admittance

Complimentary light hor d'oeuvres will be served

Support Joral
Support Women

Tuesday May 21st

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Muskego Moose Lodge S86W21693 Janesville Road Muskego, WI Empowered Women
Empower Women



Calling all Baggers!

Muskego Moose Lodge



Corn Hole Tournaments

Starting May 14th, 2024 until August 23, 2024 Enter tournament from 6:15 pm to 6:30 pm Games start immediately at 6:35 pm!

Format: One on One

\$5 Entry Fee. 100% Prize Money Paid out same

night!

Open to ALL Moose Members and first time Guests!

No need to sign-up. JUST SHOW UP! First 20 people entered, PLAY!

All questions will be answered at Tournament. Or call Tim Villwock 262-631-0808



GARDEN TRACTOR PULL

Saturday June 8, 2024

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

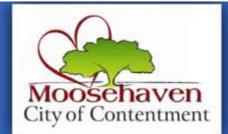
Muskego will once again be hosting the

High-Hitchin Garden Tractor Pullers

Admission is free.

For more info on High Hitchin visit their website at www.highhitchinpullers.com







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DANDILION DAZE

37th Annual Community Festival! August 23--25, 2024



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 35 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. 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 Icetronauts 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 is now known as *DandiLion Daze! This pays homage to the history of our community.*

The 2024 Honored Group is the City of Muskego Chamber of Commerce.

The theme for 2024 is: **A Community of Neighbors**

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The community festival and **OUR MUSKEGO MOOSE** have had a history since day one!

Originally part of the nine community service groups that comprised the festival board, the Moose has the primary task of overseeing parking responsibilities. Currently, there are seven remaining community groups who meet monthly to plan and present the festival, each group being responsible for a piece of the festival puzzle. Duties and responsibilities are now shared more widely—as we say in the Moose "A burden bore heavy by one, is made lighter by many."

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 during the festival weekend. 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.

CONTACT KEVIN POPE, LODGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE HERE 414-403-8127



If you are interested in advertising your business in the Muskego Moose Lodge Newsletter, email the Lodge Administrator at info@muskegomoose.com

Help Needed

We are looking for someone that is familiar with WordPress that can assist in setting up an online registration page on our website for our events that we host at the Moose Lodge. Please contact Cheryl Klabunde @ moosenewsletter04@gmail.com cgiesegh@yahoo.com or 262-337-0884

MOOSE LODGE ENTRY SYSTEM

The Lodge has put a new entry system at the main door. If you have a new Moose Member Card with the QR code on the back or if you have the Moose Mobile App with your Moose Card on your cell phone, you will need to place the QR code (pointing up) under the bottom of the scanner, wait for the door to unlock (beep) and then enter. If it does not beep, slowly lower the QR code away from the scanner.

If your membership card does not have the QR Code, continue to slide/swipe the card. You will hear a click and then you can enter the building.



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FRIDAY FISH FRY WILL BE SERVED

May 3^{rd} – Legion Fish Fry

May 10^{th} , 17^{th} & 24^{th} – Fish Fry

June 14^{th} , 21^{st} , & 28^{th} – Fish Fry

Live Music

Fri May 3rd - Shades of Gray

Fri May 10th- Mark Wayne

Sat May 18th Sonya & Geoff



LODGE CLOSED
MEMORIAL DAY
WEEKEND
SATURDAY MAY 25TH
SUNDAY MAY 26TH
MONDAY MAY 27TH







