



NEWSLETTER

April 2024



Women of the Moose, Chapter #444, P.O. Box 664, Mechanicsville, MD 20659 (email: WOTM444@yahoo.com)

New: 2023-24 Officers: Geneva Leon, Senior Regent (240) 298-6206; Becky Crow, Jr Past Regent; Debra Heidenberg, Secretary; Valerie Sciarra, Treasurer; Debbie Burch, Guide; **Committee Chairs:** Danielle Welch, Membership - 301 672-0891; Jenni Groht, Fraternal Activities; Agnes Bennett, Mooseheart/Moosehaven; Becky Crow, Higher Degrees

Next Chapter #444 WOTM Meeting: Monday, April 8 - 6 pm (Social Hall)

March Meeting Summary. For our March donations the WOTM approved \$250 for Mooseheart photography, \$50 for Scholarships & Maintenance, and \$30 for the Endowment. Additionally, we approved \$1,000 for the Walnut Grove Therapeutic Center that provides human-equine interaction to help children & adults facing physical & emotional challenges. The WOTM also approved \$1,000 to support Moose Charities, specifically the Grand Regent's Project for new furniture & flooring for a Moosehaven House. We were pleased to present our Volunteer of the Year award to Danielle Welch, who has chaired our Membership Committee for several years now & has helped our Chapter meet its goals for the Award of Achievement. Her tireless commitment to managing the Wheel on Wed. nights has helped enable our Chapter to fund many projects. Danielle is a gem, and we are fortunate to have her in our Chapter. Our Moose 495 celebrated its 50th Anniversary. The lodge was beautiful, food was great, & everyone had a great time! Agnes & her volunteers did a great job on the Veterans Ice Cream Social & Bingo. (See pictures on page 2.) The Vets really enjoyed their Cash prizes & the 4-H and Mech Jr. Optimist Clubs were remarkable with their assist. We donated \$300 to each Club as a thank you for helping. The Children's Easter Party was again an outstanding turnout, and the volunteers were amazing. So many great compliments for our family fraternity. Tammy Farrell & Valerie Sciarra did a wonderful job planning & leading the celebration. With over 2000 eggs on the ball field & playground every child left with a bag full of eggs! (See Pictures on page 3). Elections for our Moose 495 are **Tues. April 9 at 3-6 pm**. Since we became One Moose woman can vote. So, ladies exercise your right & come out & Vote. We'll see ya there! Our lottery winners in March for \$50 were: Diane Farrell & Delores Cusic. Congrats! The new Pink Lottery Tickets for 2024-25 have been mailed. If you did not receive them & want to purchase them, contact Geneva or Valerie. Our next meeting is **Monday, April 8th**. -Geneva Questions? Call me: 240 298-6206



Positive Thoughts & Giving Freely will Transform Your Life



WOTM Elections Results - 2024-25

WOTM #444 elections for your 2024-25 WOTM Board were held on March 11th Congrats to the winners! Your new Senior Regent is Tammy Farrell, Secretary – Linda Cropper, & Treasurer – Valerie Sciarra. We will install our new Board on Tuesday, April 30 at 6 pm along with the installation of the Moose 495 officers.

WOTM Quarter Auction

Grab your friends, family, & come support the WOTM Quarter Auction, Sun, April 14. The bar will be open & there's lots of prizes to bid on. This is one way you can support the WOTM. We will also have brown bag baskets to take chances on. Already booked that day? You can still purchase an all-in paddle where you don't have to be there to win, Questions? Contact Danielle Welch at 301 672-0891

Save the Date - Upcoming Events

- **April 8** – Mon. Women of the Moose Meeting- 6 pm
- **April 9** – Tues Moose 495 Elections 3-6pm
- **April 13** – Sat. Poker Tournament
- **April 14** – **Public Sun.** WOTM Quarter Auction, Gift Baskets/Bake Sale. (See Flyer) Need Volunteers, Baked Goods
- **April 20** – Sat-District Shrimp Feast. (See Flyer)
- **April 30** – Tues. **Orientation** for new 495 Members 5:30 & **Installations** at 6:00 for Moose 495 Officers & WOTM 444 Officers & Chairman 2024-25
- **May 5** – Sun. **Public - Car Show** - (Need Volunteers & Baked Goods)
- **May 12** – Free Mothers Day Breakfast for Moms (9-11)
- **May 13** – Mon. Women of the Moose Meeting- 6 pm
- **May 18** – Free Federal Employee Expo – See Flyer at Mt. Zion Church Hall 10 -3 pm

April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 \$1.50 Tacos 12 – 4 pm Queen of Hearts 5 – 7 Nominating Committee Meeting 5:30	3 .25 Cent Wings \$6 - ½ lb Shrimp 5-9 pm	4 Thursty Thursday \$1 off Beer & Mixed Drinks 12 – 6 pm Texas Holdem 7 pm	5 Steak or Shrimp \$16 Combo \$20 6 – 8 pm Last Shot Band 7-11	6 Dine In Pizza Special \$8 Unlimited Toppings 12 – 6 pm Back Stage Pass 8 - 12
7 California Ramblers 2 – 6 Texas Holdem 6 pm	8 WOTM Meeting 6:00 pm Pitch League 7 pm	9 \$1.50 Tacos 12 – 4 pm Elections 3 pm – 6 pm	10 .25 Cent Wings \$6 - ½ lb Shrimp 5-9 pm	11 Thursty Thursday \$1 off Beer & Mixed Drinks 12 – 6 pm Texas Holdem 7 pm	12 Country Fried Pork Chops \$15 6 – 8 pm Colonial Beach Boys (Larry Quade) 7-11	13 Dine In Pizza Special \$8 Unlimited Toppings 12 – 6 pm Karaoke 12 - 6
14 WOTM Quarter Auction Doors open @ Noon Auction 1 pm Texas Holdem 6 pm	15 Pitch League 7 pm	16 \$1.50 Tacos 12 – 4 pm Queen of Hearts 5 - 7	17 .25 Cent Wings \$6 - ½ lb Shrimp 5-9 pm	18 Thursty Thursday \$1 off Beer & Mixed Drinks 12 – 6 pm Texas Holdem 7 pm	19 Fried Chicken \$15 6 – 8 pm Southern Traditions 7-11	20 Dine In Pizza Special \$8 Unlimited Toppings 12 – 6 pm Shrimp Feast & BBQ 1 – 5 pm Tickets \$25 Social 8 - 12
21 California Ramblers 2 – 6 Texas Holdem 6 pm	22 Pitch League 7 pm	23 \$1.50 Tacos 12 – 4 pm Queen of Hearts 5 - 7 Membership Meeting 5:30 pm B.O.O. Meeting 6 pm	24 .25 Cent Wings \$6 - ½ lb Shrimp 5-9 pm	25 Thursty Thursday \$1 off Beer & Mixed Drinks 12 – 6 pm Texas Holdem 7 pm	26 Shrimp & Fish \$16 6 – 8 pm Country Memories 7-11	27 Dine In Pizza Special \$8 Unlimited Toppings 12 – 6 pm Karoke 8 - 12
8 Texas Holdem 6 pm	29 Pitch League 7 pm	30 \$1.50 Tacos 12 – 4 pm Queen of Hearts 5 – 7 WOTM Installation of Officers 6 pm	Subject to change without notice.			

*For questions about the Turkey Shoot -check out their FB page: **Moose Lodge 495 Mechanicsville, Md Turkey Shoot**, <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100039182497247>



Our Veterans Ice Cream Social & Bingo Event, Partnering with the Junior Optimist Club of Mech. & the 4-H Clubs of St. Mary's County. WOTM also donated to each of the Children's groups for their help. The Vets enjoyed their winnings & the ice cream sundaes! 3/2024





Family Time



Egg Hunt 0-3



Visiting the Easter Bunny

Our WOTM Children's Easter Party 2024 -another fun day with our families! Lots of activities including games & lunch. Lots of fun had by all. Thanks to our many volunteers & the Moose 495 Kitchen staff for a fabulous lunch. Our Volunteer squad is growing, ask how you can help!



Our Volunteers



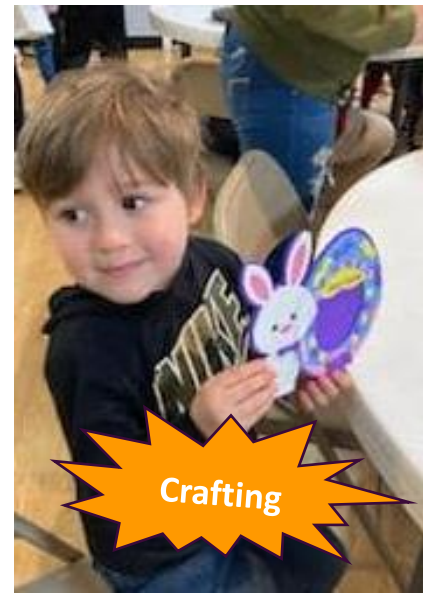
Cookie Decorating



Jellybean Winner



Facepainting



Crafting

WOTM Quarter Auction

Presented by The Fun Bunch & Friendz to Benefit:

The Women of the Moose Mechanicsville Chapter #444

For Charitable Givings to: Moose Charities, Local Community & Children's Events

Sunday, April 14, 2024

MECHANICSVILLE MOOSE

27636 Mechanicsville Rd, Mech, MD 20659

DOORS Open - 12 noon

AUCTION Starts - 1 PM



Paddles are \$3 each or 2 for \$5

Or

**Purchase an "all-in" Paddle for \$45
& get an Entry into ALL items**

For All-In Paddles you do not have to be present to win

BROWN BAG RAFFLE

50/50 RAFFLE

BAKE SALE



Reservations are suggested.

To make a reservation, please Text or Call: (240) 416-4224 or email:

mdquarterauctions@yahoo.com

For questions not related to reservations, please text/call Danielle (301)672-0891

**Get Your
Tickets soon!**



DISTRICT 1



SHRIMP FEAST

MECHANICSVILLE MOOSE LODGE

APRIL 20, 2024 1:00-5:00

TICKETS \$25.00 EACH

CHILDREN 10 AND UNDER FREE

**MENU: STEAMED SHRIMP, POPCORN SHRIMP, CLAM STRIPS,
PORK BBQ, HOT DOGS, HUSHPUPIES, COLESLAW, CORN ON
THE COB, AND POTATO SALAD**

This is a fundraiser to raise money for all 7 lodges in our district. If all 300 tickets are sold, each lodge will receive \$500.00 to use as they wish for Maintenance chairs, tables, paint, etc.

Please come and support District 1 and have a great time.

Entertainment by DJ Big T 2:00 - 5:00

SEE BARTENDER FOR TICKETS

SPRING OPEN CAR SHOW

PRESENTED BY



CARS / TRUCKS &
MOTORCYCLES
(ALL YEARS WELCOME)
TOP 70
BEST OF SHOW
BEST CAR
BEST TRUCK
BEST RAT ROD
BEST RACE CAR
BEST PAINT
BEST INTERIOR
BEST MOTOR
BEST IMPORT
BEST LATE MODEL
BEST MOTORCYCLE
BEST CLUB
PARTICIPATION
OLDEST ORIGINAL
OLDEST PARTICIPANT

Held at the:
Mechanicsville
Moose Lodge
27636 Mechanicsville Rd.
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
No Pets, No Drones,
No Outside Golf Carts.

Sunday, May 5, 2024

8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Rain Date May 19, 2024

Preregistration \$15 Cut Off 4/22/24
\$20 Per car w/ one passenger
Spectators \$5 (under 12 free)
Registration cut off - NOON
1st 100 receive Dash Plaques.

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DJ



Email: East.Coast.Drifters.2013@gmail.com FB: <https://www.facebook.com/eastcoast.drifters>

Web: <https://eastcoastdrifters.com>

Registration Form Download: <https://eastcoastdrifters.com/events/>

Check Facebook, Facebook Live, and our website for weather and other announcements!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Ph.: _____ Cell Ph.: _____

Make: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____

Email: _____

Make checks out to: East Coast Drifters, PO BOX 174, Charlotte Hall MD 20622

Questions call Rich 240-538-4266 or Chuck 301-751-5602

In consideration of the acceptance of the right to participate, entrants and participants, by execution of this entry form hereby release and discharge any cause of action against East Coast Drifters, Inc., club officers, or any other entity connected with the management and/or presentation of this car show for any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, losses, and/or other claims whatsoever, that maybe suffered by an entrant and/or participant or his/her property with respect to participation in this show. I understand that the East Coast Drifters Car Club, Inc. cannot be held liable for any exposure to the COVID 19 virus while at the car show.



Free Federal Employee Benefits Expo

Saturday, May 18, 2024 10-3 pm

Place/Info

Mt. Zion UMC,
27108 Mt. Zion Church Rd,
Mechanicsville, MD 20659

This Free information opportunity will have many vendors available to answer your questions on Thrift Savings Plan, Social Security, Health Insurance, Retirement, & Volunteer Options.

Giveaways, Door Prizes, Light Refreshments, & More

VENDORS

- TSP.GOV (Thrift Savings Plan)
- SSA.GOV (Social Security)
- Health Care Providers:
GEHA; Blue Cross/Blue Shield; APWU-Postal; Tricare-Humana; United Health; Aetna; FEHB Advantage Services
- Edward Jones
- Freedom Hearing Cntr - Testing
- St. Mary's Co. Gov't -Services
- Physical Therapy - Dr. Chris Koth
- NARFE-National Active & Retired Federal Employees

For more information:

<https://www.narfe.net/site/chapter969>



Questions? Contact Geneva Leon 301 884-5112/geneva0john7@aol.com

QUEEN OF HEARTS

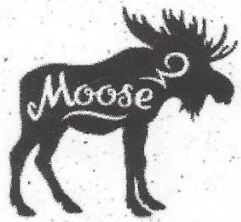
Rules of the drawing

1. Find the Queen of Hearts and win 60% of the Jackpot. You do not need to be present to win.
2. 40% will stay with the Lodge.
3. Drawing will be held every Tuesday night after 7:00 PM
4. Ticket sales start at 5 PM and stop promptly at 7 PM on Tuesday.
5. Tickets are 3 for \$5 or 12 for \$20
6. There are 54 cards on the board including two Jokers
7. New tickets will be sold weekly; prior week's tickets will be discarded after drawing.
8. Presale tickets must have FIRST and LAST Name, Phone # and card number you want on each ticket. Presales are not guaranteed every week and will be announced via the Moose #495 Facebook page. Moose ID MUST be shown for all presale tickets. Only members can use their card to buy presale tickets. No presale after 6:30 PM on Tuesday.
9. Only one ticket will be drawn each week until pot reaches \$100K then 2 tickets will be pulled weekly. At \$150K 3 tickets will be drawn weekly.
10. Must be a Moose member in good standing and have a valid Moose ID to win.
11. All winning players will be responsible for any and all taxes except the taxes the Lodge is legally required to collect.
12. Game rules are subject to change without notice upon approval of Lodge officers.

PAYOUTS

Stage 1		Stage 2		Stage 3	
Pot Amount	\$0-\$7,000	Pot Amount	\$7,001-\$14,000	Pot Amount	\$14,001-\$21,000
Ticket Winner	\$25.00	Ticket Winner	\$50.00	Ticket Winner	\$75.00
Any Deuce	\$25.00	Any Deuce	\$50.00	Any Deuce	\$100.00
Jokers	\$50.00	Jokers	\$100.00	Jokers	\$200.00
Any Ace	\$30.00	Any Ace	\$30.00	Any Ace	\$30.00
Any King	\$20.00	Any King	\$20.00	Any King	\$20.00
Any Queen	\$1,000.00	Any Queen	\$1,000.00	Any Queen	\$1,000.00
Any ten	\$10.00	Any ten	\$10.00	Any ten	\$10.00

Stage 1		Stage 2		Stage 3	
Pot Amount	\$21,001-\$28,000	Pot Amount	\$28,001-\$50,000	Pot Amount	\$50,001 & UP
Ticket Winner	\$100.00	Ticket Winner	\$200.00	Ticket Winner	\$500.00
Any Deuce	\$200.00	Any Deuce	\$250.00	Any Deuce	\$500.00
Jokers	\$300.00	Jokers	\$500.00	Jokers	\$1,000.00
Any Ace	\$30.00	Any Ace	\$30.00	Any Ace	\$30.00
Any King	\$20.00	Any King	\$20.00	Any King	\$20.00
Any Queen	\$1,000.00	Any Queen	\$1,000.00	Any Queen	\$1,000.00
Any ten	\$10.00	Any ten	\$10.00	Any ten	\$10.00



Mechanicsville Moose #495

Jackets & Hoodies

For Sale

Colors

Burgundy & Navy



Hoodies

Small - Large \$25

Zip Jackets

Small - Large \$30

Hoodies

XL - 4XL \$30

Zip Jackets

XL - 2X \$40

See any of the WOTM for Sales: Geneva, Valerie, Becky, Debra, Danielle, Jenni, Debbie, Jill, Agnes, Pam, Ann, Linda, MeMe.

Moose 495 & WOTM 444
Officers For 2023-24



495 Lodge Officers

President – Dave Murphy
Vice President – Bill Males, Jr
Treasurer – Valerie Sciarra
Chaplain – Lee Downs
Junior Past President – Eric Hagan
1 Year Trustee – Tom Brown
2 Year Trustee – Becky Crow
3 Year Trustee – Ray Copsey
Sergeant-at-Arms – Mark Wascavage

(Not Pictured)

Administrator – Bill Males, Sr

WOTM #444 Officers

Sr. Regent: Geneva Leon
Junior Past Regent: Becky Crow
Treasurer: Valerie Sciarra
Secretary: Debra Heidenberg
Guide: Debbie Burch
Chairpersons
Membership: Danielle Welch
Fraternal Activities: Jenni Groht
Mooseheart/Moosehaven:
Agnes Bennett
Higher Degree: Becky Crow