

MOOSE TRACKS – OCTOBER 2026



Fredericksburg Moose Family Center

L.O.O.M. 1655

W.O.T.M. Chapter 1592



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"The Friendliest Place in Town"

SOCIAL QUARTERS HOURS!

Sunday: 8 AM – 10 PM

Monday: 11 AM – 11 PM

Tuesday: 11 AM – 11 PM

Wednesday: 11 AM – 11 PM

Thursday: 11 AM – 11 AM

Friday: 11 AM – 1 AM

Saturday: 11 AM – 1 AM

Members & Qualified Guests Welcome

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

- Fellowship / Pilgrim Meeting: **October 1**
- Lodge Meetings: **October 8 & October 22**
- Lodge Orientation Meeting: **October 21**
 - WOTM Meeting: **October 27**
- Moose Legion Meeting: **October 28**



DIGITAL MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Get your Moose membership card on your phone! Download the app today in the Apple and Google Play Stores!

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Members & Qualified Guests Always Welcome

Important Notice: The Loyal Order of Moose is a private organization. Events listed are for members in good standing and qualified guests.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

****Welcome to October!****

Halloween is just around the corner, so get ready to scare people, dress up, and dance!

Please drive carefully in the neighborhoods this month, as children will be out walking in the evenings.

Check the bulletin boards for updates on bands and other events at the lodge. The Moose Legion will hold a conferral at Arlington Moose Lodge on October 17th.

****New members:**** If you haven't attended an Orientation yet, they're held the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Dave Kramer will be there to help you learn more about what the Moose is all about.

Band and activities questions or suggestions? Please see Tamara Adkins.

****Volunteers:**** We always need help! Your participation keeps our lodge running smoothly and supports our members and our community.

It's Sunday football season, and we share a dish! Come out, bring your delicious food, and enjoy the game with your Moose family.

It is my pleasure to serve as your President!

Mark P. Collins, Sr.
Moose Lodge 1655



DO YOU GET THE TEXT BLAST?

Sign up to find out what's going on at the Fredericksburg Moose Family Center!

To Sign Up:

Text the word **MOOSE1655 to **78859****

OFFICERS/CHAIRS

MOOSE FAMILY CENTER #1655

President	Mark P. Collins Sr.
Administrator	Michelle Fitch (Acting)
Junior Past President	Sam Thomas
Vice President	Randy Powers
Treasurer	Open
Chaplain	Dave Cramer
Three-Year Trustee	Tim Driskill
Two-Year Trustee	Lonnie Plotner
One-Year Trustee	Jason Hite
Sergeant-at-Arms	Bruce Prumbly
Inner Guard	Marcie Norris
Outer Guard	Michelle Fitch

MOOSE COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Activities	Tamara Adkins
Applications Review	Lonnie Plotner
Financial Review	Barbara Bologna
Council of Higher Deg	Terry Denniston
Communications/Internet	Kimmee Hancock
Heart of the Community	Jeanette Jones
Entertainment	J.J. Moravetz
Blue Christmas	Tim Driskill
Fellowship/Pilgrim	Tad Bliss
Government Relations	Michelle Fitch
Mental Health	Tarome Fowler
Historian	Michael Payne
Loss Prevention	Jason Hite
Massey Cancer	Marcie Norris
Membership	Dave Cramer
Moose Charities	Michelle Fitch
Publications	Kimmee Hancock
Ritual	Kim Denniston
Pool	Melvin Heflin

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE #1592

Senior Regent	Karin Haid
Secretary	Michelle Fitch
Treasurer	Terry Denniston
Junior Past Regent	Marcie Norris
Guide	Debbie Bartley

WOTM COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Application Review	Dawn Boxwell
Audit	Tracy Plotner
Fraternal Activities	Anette Constatnt
Higher Degree	Nancy Darrow
Membership/Retention	
Mooseheart/Moosehaven	Kimmee Hancock

MOOSE LEGION COMMITTEE

Chairman	Randy Powers
Vice Chairman Junior	Jason Hite
Past Chairman	Mark P. Collins Sr.
Assistant Secretary	Loren Plotner
Chaplain	-
Marshal	Norm Churchill



MOOSE LEGION COMMITTEE



Calling All Men of Moose Lodge 1655!

If you're a man of Lodge 1655 and you're not a Moose Legionnaire yet, what exactly are you waiting for? The cool crowd is already here—and yes, we do have room for you! For only \$20 a year, you can become part of the Moose Legion and enjoy another great opportunity to fellowship with your Moose brothers, participate in activities, help our community, and, of course, occasionally eat some really good food. We promise not to make you take a test.

A special thank-you to MaryBeth and Sam for providing an outstanding meal for our September Moose Legion meeting. Great food, great fellowship, and a great group of Moose Legionnaires—what more could you ask for? Well, maybe dessert, but we'll save that argument for the next meeting. And remember our meeting is held on the fourth Wednesday of every month.



Adult Halloween Party – October 31, 2026

Get ready to put on your best costume—or just come as the person your family thinks you are!

We will be putting out flyers within the next week or two for our Adult Halloween Party which will be held on October 31, 2026. We're planning to make this one of the best adult Halloween parties Lodge 1655 has seen in several years.

To make it happen, we'll need four or five volunteers to help with setup and/or cleanup.



Country Western Night – Coming in November!

Dust off those cowboy hats, polish those boots, and get ready to kick up your heels at our upcoming Country Western Night in November. Watch for the flyers with all the details.



Moose Legion Breakfast – Third Sunday. Your Moose Legion continues to keep list in the kitchen with breakfast on the third Sunday of every month. Our signature favorites are always our famous breakfast pizza and specialty breakfast sandwiches. Come hungry, bring the family, and let us take care of breakfast. After all, cooking at home means somebody has to do the dishes—and we're trying to save you from that burden.



Taking Care of Our Moose Family & Community

Most importantly, let's continue to take care of one another. The Moose is about more than meetings, meals, parties, and fellowship—it's about helping people when they need a hand.

Always remember to lend a helping hand to those in our Moose family and to our friends, neighbors, and families throughout the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania communities.

You never know when a brother, sister, neighbor, or friend may need a little help, a kind word, or simply someone willing to show up.

Stay active. Stay involved. Bring a friend. Have some fun—and above all, take care of each other.



FELLOWSHIP / PILGRIM COMMITTEE

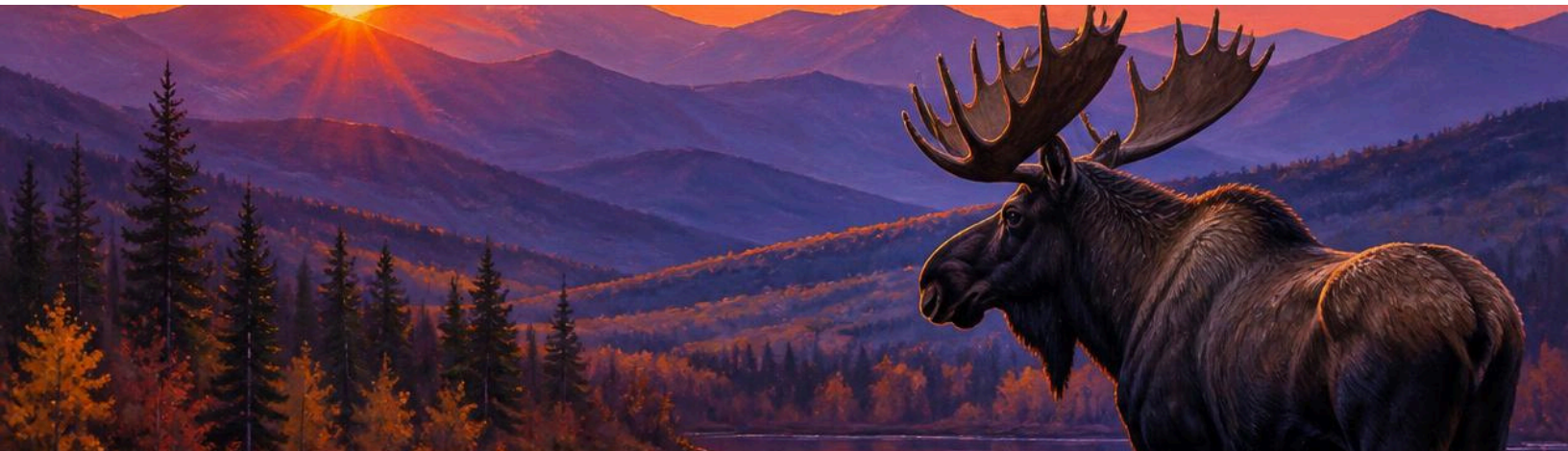


October is here and so are the cooler temperatures. With that comes a darker sky earlier in the day. Should make for good use of the patio by the smoking shed.

Our next meeting will be 1 October at 7 pm. Our next breakfast will be 12 October from 8 am to 11 am. We hope to see all Lodge Fellows and Pilgrims in attendance.

Fraternally,

Tad E Bliss
Fellowship/Pilgrim Committee Chairman



From the Chaplain

October is here, bringing cooler evenings, colorful leaves, and the cheerful sights and sounds of fall. It's a wonderful time to slow down, enjoy the season, and make special memories with family, friends, and fellow Moose members.

One of the best parts of this time of year is coming together and sharing good company. Whether you're enjoying a conversation, a laugh, or a festive night at the lodge, I hope you feel the warmth and friendship that make our Moose community so special. Let's keep looking out for one another and welcoming everyone who joins us.

Mark your calendar for the Fredericksburg Moose Lodge 1655 Halloween party on Saturday, October 31! We're looking forward to an evening filled with Halloween fun and fellowship. Come celebrate the season, enjoy the company of friends, and bring your best festive spirit.

As you enjoy all that October has to offer, please take care of yourselves and one another—especially as children and families head out for Halloween activities. May your month be filled with laughter, friendship, and plenty of fall cheer. I look forward to seeing you at the lodge!

Fraternally,
Dave Cramer
Chaplain Lodge 1655

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

As summer winds down and the colors of fall begin to appear, October gives us a chance to reconnect, enjoy the season, and look ahead to the months to come.

Our Moose Lodge is at its best when members pitch in and share their time and talents. If you haven't volunteered at an event lately—or would like to get more involved—please consider lending a hand. Whether you can help with setup, serving, cleanup, or welcoming guests, every contribution makes a difference.

Thank you to everyone who supports our Lodge throughout the year. Let's make this fall a season of fellowship, community, and helping one another. I look forward to seeing you at the Lodge!

Fraternally,
Dave Cramer
Membership Chairman 1655



Activities Committee

We've had a busy yet enjoyable summer. Every Friday and Saturday night, we hosted fantastic bands throughout the summer.

Our Labor Day celebration had a great turnout. I want to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who volunteered. Your efforts made that day a resounding success and a memorable experience for all.

Our next major event is Halloween. Our Halloween party will be held on Saturday, October 31. We'll share more details soon, and tickets will be available for purchase in the near future.

On November 14, we'll be hosting our first country western party. We'll provide more information as soon as it's available.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

By the time you read this, the Nominating Committee will have concluded their interviews for the Treasurer position.

With that being said, the results will be read on the floor at the first Membership meeting in October. Additionally, the election will be held on the day of the last Membership meeting in October. Official time to be determined by the Election Committee.

Fraternally,

Tad E Bliss
Nominating Committee Chairman

Moose Lodge 1655

October Entertainment

10/2 - Badlands

10/3 - James Harris
Band

10/9 - Lost In The
Shuffle

10/10 - The Magic
Trio

10/16 - Whisky
Business

10/17 - Wicked
Jezabel

10/23 - Crossing
James Band

10/24 - Rewind

10/30 - Chuck's
N Boots

10/31 - Cougar Flash
/ Halloween party

Karaoke on Tuesdays with DJ Cathy

Members and qualified guest

October

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Breakfast by Committee 8-11am Cornhole 1pm				Homemade Lasagna 1 Side Salad Garlic Bread \$9.00 Darts & QoH	2 Activities **Committee Dinner**	3 Meatloaf Scalloped Potatoes Succotash \$9.00
4 Bring a Dish to Share Potluck FootBall Sunday's	5 Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese \$6.00	6 Taco Tuesday \$1 Tacos Chips & Salsa \$2.00	7 Wing Wednesday .75 w/celery Sauce Choice	8 Crab Cake Dinner FF, Coleslaw Hush Puppies \$12.00	9 WOTM **Committee Dinner**	10 Spaghetti w/meat sauce Side Salad, Garlic Bread \$9.00
11 Bring a Dish to Share Potluck FootBall Sunday's	12 Broccoli & Cheese Soup Grilled Cheese \$6.00	13 Taco Tuesday \$1 Tacos Chips & Salsa \$2.00	14 Wing Wednesday .75 w/celery Sauce Choice	15 Stuffed Green Pepper Mac & Cheese Side Salad \$9.00	16 Mental Health **Committee Dinner**	17 Fish & Chips w/ Shrimp Coleslaw, Hush Pups \$9.00
18 Bring a Dish to Share Potluck FootBall Sunday's	19 Vegetable Beef Soup Grilled Cheese \$6.00	20 Taco Tuesday \$1 Tacos Chips & Salsa \$2.00	21 Wing Wednesday .75 w/celery Sauce Choice	22 Country Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Green beans \$9.00	23 Veterans **Committee Dinner**	24 Salmon Rice Pilaf Broccoli & Chez \$12.00
25 Bring a Dish to Share Potluck FootBall Sunday's	26 Chicken Noodle Soup Grilled Cheese \$6.00	27 Taco Tuesday \$1 Tacos Chips & Salsa \$2.00	28 Wing Wednesday .75 w/celery Sauce Choice	29 Chicken Alfredo Side Salad Garlic Bread \$9.00	30 POOL **Committee Dinner**	31 Kitchen closes at 3pm Halloween Party
KITCHEN CLOSED ON SUNDAY'S	Football Special 2 Topping Pizza 4 Wings \$10.00		10/28 Crab & Shrimp Kitchen Closes 4-6	Thursday Lunch Special Cold Plate or Sandwich w/chip \$5	Friday Lunch Special Until 4 Chili Dogs w/ff \$5	Saturday Lunch Until 4 Cheeseburger w/ff \$5