

... thousands of reasons,
Here are just two.

In addition to all of the wonderful things we do as an organization, there are two major philanthropic endeavors that are funded by the men and women of the Moose.

MOOSEHEART Child City & School is a residential and educational childcare facility located 40 miles west of Chicago. Mooseheart is all about second chances and brighter futures for the children who live there.

Most of The Child City's population is made up of "at risk" youth who have been presented with a fresh start by the members of the Moose to realize their full potential and flourish -taking a positive attitude into society upon graduation from high school. The majority of our graduates go on to college and are provided with four-year scholarships.

Since its founding in 1913, thousands of children have experienced the stable and caring learning environment of Mooseheart's K-12 school system, as well as the spacious family-style homes that are set throughout the 1,000-acre campus.

MOOSEHAVEN City of Contentment is set on 70 acres on the banks of the St. John's River in Orange Park, FL. This residential retirement community is an outstanding benefit of Moose membership. For nearly 90 years, Moosehaven has provided for the well-being of Moose members and their spouses in their sunset years.

Residents enjoy the wide variety of facilities on campus, including an indoor swimming pool, bowling lanes, exercise equipment and game rooms. They also take part in arts and crafts, ceramics, sewing, painting, woodworking and computers. Dances, special dinners, shopping and sightseeing trips are regularly scheduled events.

why a moose?

In the words of an Enrollment Ceremony used early in the history of the organization, the moose was chosen as a standard for the fraternity because the animal was said to be:

"Strong and majestic; guarding within a defending circle the younger members of his herd, and battling stubbornly for the protection of his own ... To live he does not destroy his fellow life ... He takes only what he needs; he robs not his fellows. He lays no waste and despoils no homes ... He loves freedom. Ascending with mighty strides he seeks the heights ... he takes his stand high among the clouds."

why the moose?

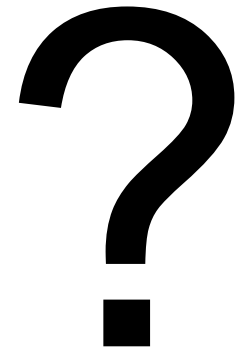
The Moose could be the best value available anywhere today in face-to face social networking. Membership affords connectivity in local communities and nationally-whether for professional, personal, or humanitarian reasons.

When called on to travel-for business, in an emergency, or just for pleasure-a Moose membership card can be the passport to a friendly place, when away from home.

For an inexpensive night out, a place to celebrate family events, a community activity location, or a sports facility, few organizations provide the options equal to those found at a Moose Lodge.

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heard of moose



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Here it is in Black & White ...

- We are not a "secret society", but we are a private organization, which means you must be invited to join.
- Need an introduction or invitation? Just log on to **heardofmoose.org** and visit the Lodge finder. **Thousands of members are ready to introduce you to the Moose.**
- **Both men and women** are members of the Moose. Family members and friends are welcome as qualified guests*.
- **To be eligible to make application for membership**, you must be at least 21 years of age; not be part of a terrorist group or recognized subversive organization; not be a registered sex offender or convicted felon; be of good moral character; be capable of understanding the obligation of membership; and profess a belief in a Supreme Being.
- Our facilities are called Lodge homes and the majority of them include a
- **Social Quarters**, which in most cases are intended to provide members with **the benefit of reasonably priced food and refreshments.**
- Members come from **all walks of life**, from manufacturing and trades to salespeople and corporate professionals. The diverse group of friends you will make as a member of the Moose will **increase your connections in your local community.**

... over one million men and women from all 50 states, the provinces of Canada, the United Kingdom and Bermuda have.

- Membership in the Moose will gain you access to more than 1,600 facilities throughout North America. **A current membership card is all you need in order to be admitted.**
- There are **no mandatory meetings to attend**, no compulsory initiation ceremonies, and no "secret handshakes" to learn. Opportunities are there for you, but **you determine how active you want to be and how often you wish to participate.**
- We annually contribute **an average of \$80 million in donations and volunteer hours to local communities throughout North America, including yours.** As a member, you'll have the chance to experience the fulfillment of serving others and have a great time while doing so!
- Most Lodges have a **robust menu of activities** for members to enjoy, including golf, bowling, pool, horseshoes, darts, hunting & fishing, camping, motorcycling, and travel opportunities.
- Members enjoy a **full range of "member benefits"** from reduced rates on car rental and hotels to discounts on prescriptions and health-related services. The savings you gain by utilizing these benefits in one year will more than **offset the cost of membership.**

*A qualified guest is defined as:

- A. An active Lodge member's immediate family.
- B. The lady friend or the gentleman friend of an active Lodge member.
- C. A prospective member of the Lodge.

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