

# MOOSE LIVE WIRE

NEWSLETTER OF THE HAYWARD-CASTRO VALLEY MOOSE LODGE 1491

MAY - JUNE 2025

20835 Rutledge Road, Castro Valley, California 94546 510-537-0830

Loyal Order of the Moose 1491 & Women of the Moose Chapter 934 "A Family Fraternity"



*join us for a*  
**MOTHER'S DAY**  
*breakfast*

SUN 10:00 AM  
MAY 11TH TO NOON

**FULL SERVICE BREAKFAST  
FROM A DELICIOUS MENU  
INCLUDING PANCAKE BAR**

**FREE BREAKFAST FOR ALL  
REGISTERED MOOSE MOTHERS  
ALONG WITH A MIMOSA DRINK  
AND  
FIRST 25 REGISTERED MOOSE  
MOTHERS  
WILL RECEIVE A MOTHER'S DAY GIFT  
REGISTER IN SOCIAL QUARTERS**

**ADULTS \$20 PER PERSON  
CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER \$10 PER CHILD**

**TICKETS AVAILABE IN SOCIAL  
QUARTERS**



President Fannessia Williams  
Administrator Dina Munday

#### LODGE OFFICER

Jr. Past President	Michael Blaze Hayes
Chaplain	Damon Russell
Vice President	Bonnie Russell
Treasurer	Teri Castro
Trustee	George Newkirk
Trustee	Michael Perkins
Trustee	Beverly Hoover
Sgt. At Arms	Red Bass
Inner Guard	David Castro
Outer Guard	

#### STANDING COMMITTEES

Activities	
Application Review	Liz Hayes
Financial Review	Tighe Boyle
Communications	Teri Castro
Chapter Activities	Earlene Jensen
Heart of the Community	Karen Clay
Government Relations	Stephen West
Loss Prevention	Steven Hilgado
Membership	Damon Russell
Moose Charities	Tonya Peacock
Moose Legion	
Ritual	Mo Khan
Social Quarters Manager	Dina Munday
Administrator Assistant (Finance)	Lili Xu
Administrator Assistant (Rentals)	Teri Castro

## Presidents Message

What an exciting time to be a member of Hayward Castro Valley 1491 Moose Lodge. I bring you greetings as the newly installed President. During the installation, I challenged the members in the audience to commit to enroll at least two new members during the 2025~2026 term. I would like to extend the same challenge to every member. Just think when you sign up a new member to the lodge encourage them to join the WOTM, or Moose Legion. Yes, it is just that simple to grow our membership. Such a fantastic opportunity to capitalize on increasing our membership.

During 2024~2025 our membership campaign was “Embrace Our Community,” I tell you we had a wonderful time doing so.... The community events got larger and larger, and the community loved it! It really does take a village.

I am excited to collaborate with our incoming Senior Regent Dina Munday, as we brainstorm to “Bring the Fun Back.” I would like to thank the outgoing board, and our Administrator, for their commitment and dedication. As I welcome, and thank **OUR** incoming board of Officers, and Chairperson, let us remember we can have influence as we continue to focus on Mooseheart, Moosehaven and our Community. Thank you, Jr Past President Anthony for your guidance. Lastly, President Blaze, you lead us forward, and now Moose members let us raise the bar and have fun. I appreciate each of you and look forward to an amazing journey.

Fannessia Williams

**Women of the Moose  
BOARD OF OFFICERS AND  
CHAIRMAN  
2025-2026**

**Sr. Regent**                      **Dina Munday**

**Officers**

Jr. Past Regent	Renee Belk
Treasurer	Teri Castro
Secretary	Annie Smith
Guide	Patty Castro
Application Review	Liz Hayes
Membership	Emily Andrade
Mooseheart/Moosehaven	Jomarie Holt
Higher Degrees	Bonnie Russell
Fraternal Activities	Alexis Lada
Audit Chairman	Cheryl Branin

**WOMEN OF THE  
MOOSE  
MEETINGS  
2<sup>nd</sup> WEDNESDAY  
OF THE MONTH  
6:30pm**

**DESSERT TABLE**

Every Friday night  
Sponsored by the  
WOTM  
Only \$2.00 per  
dessert  
Please support

**Senior Regents Message**

Hi everyone! Here we are starting a new chapter year and I'm very excited as I know it will be very successful. We have a brand-new board of officers and chairman that are ready and dedicated to do great work! So, most of you know who I am, and an introduction is not necessary as I am also the Administrator of the lodge. However, long before that in 1996 I joined the Women of the Moose. As I have already done Sr. Regent and have already received all my degrees in the Women of the Moose I'm going to take a different approach this year. This year will be a year of mentoring. Everyone I have asked to take a position on the board or as a chairman is brand new unless the position requires some prerequisites. While I do and will continue to take advice and counsel from tenured members, we need some new blood doing these jobs to keep the chapter going in the future. New women need to be given the opportunity to earn some of the various degrees. So, this year I will teach and make it fun for everyone and get people reengaged and excited about the Women of the Moose. I think something got lost when we became One Moose, and I want to light that fire again.

So please I ask that you come to our meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 6:30 and join in the fun. We will be doing multiple events this year for our chapter, lodge and our community. Hope to see you at the meetings and our events.

Dina

### ADMINISTRATORS MESSAGE

As always, I hope this message finds you well. We are at the beginning of a new Moose year with a new Board of Officers. I would like to take this opportunity to thank last year's board for a job well done. We were able to accomplish many things. I know this year's board has a lot of great ideas and will do a fantastic job. Congratulations, to our new President Fannessia Williams who is Hayward/Castro Valley's first female President. I know she will do a great job, and her plan is to make my job easier so I'm all in for that!!!

You will notice in this newsletter a call for help. We are trying to do two very large projects this year. We need a new parking lot as well as new flooring throughout the building. As usual we will do fundraisers, but we still need your help. Our lodge can only be successful with the help of its members. Whether it is by attending events, hanging out in the social quarters, or sometimes by monetary donations every little thing helps.

We just did a few more projects at the lodge. We had more lighting installed outside. We also had some new electrical outlets put into the social quarters as we will be adding a couple more TV's. Thank you to Tim and some other members for spearheading this effort. Now you will be able to watch the TV from the sofas. Tim and I are also looking at getting all new furniture for the social quarters that will be more comfortable and provide more walkthrough space but will also give you a place to enjoy food comfortably.

As you can see, we are always working and trying to improve your lodge home. Come on down and check it out.

### Membership Committee Report

Now that the elections are over, our new "Moose year" is beginning. As your outgoing Membership Committee Chairman, I want to THANK YOU for another WONDERFUL year at Hayward/Castro Valley Moose Lodge. YOU are the shining stars, the ones that keep the Lodge going every day. We couldn't do it without you.

We REALLY mean that. We LOVE you. Our Moose family is INCREDIBLE. We are an indelible part of Hayward and Castro Valley history and we're all stronger than ever, because of YOU.

As your INCOMING Membership Committee Chairman (yeah, they got me again!), I want to welcome you to another fun and exciting chapter of the Hayward/Castro Valley Moose Lodge history book. This is the first year our Lodge is proud to have a female President and Vice President. In fact, I think the Chaplain and 2 trustees are the only guys on the board! Our new board is jazzed up to get things done, and as YOUR membership chairman, I call upon YOU to bring your friends, your family, your neighbors, your co-workers and anyone else you'd bring to your home, into our great Moose Fraternity. TOGETHER we will shine the light for our future members for the next decade and beyond. We're 78 years old this year and yet we still play like teenagers!

We are MOOSE. We forge life-long friendships and work together to improve our community through volunteerism, networking and sometimes just sheer dollars, but we stand firm in our commitment to improve the quality of life for our neighborhood as well as Mooseheart and Moosehaven, and don't forget Camp Ross!

If you want to learn more...if you want to do more... if you want to say more... please reach out to me, and I will pave the path for you and walk alongside you through the journey. I promise it will reward you in ways words cannot express.

Fraternally,

Damon Russell

Membership Committee Chairman 2025-2026



## Chaplain report

As we come to the beginning of another Moose Year, I'm reminded of those we've lost. We've lost some really dedicated members this past year, and that always hurts in ways we can never accurately describe.

***"We live once, but we die twice".***

The first time we die is when we physically leave this world. The second time we die is when our name is no longer on the tongue of the living.

Our beloved members have done a great deal of work to continue the efforts of the Moose fraternity, and when they pass, we should pick up the slack and continue with the realization of their passion. You see, it's our job to finish where they left off. We owe it to them to do what they wanted to do.

***It's their legacy. Do it for THEM.***

There's something Brother President Blaze introduced into our General membership meetings last year that you may not know about: In addition to our "sickness and distress" report, he ADDED "health and happiness" reports. They help remind us all that we're still here, doing the things that get us out of bed every morning, and we should celebrate those victories, no matter how big or small they might be, even if we're in competitions we didn't sign up for.

I'll say it again for the folks in the back: ***It's their legacy. Do it for THEM. Don't let their effort be for nothing.***

How do **you** want to be remembered?

As we move forward into the coming year, let us be mindful of the work done thus far. Let us be diligent in our focus, steadfast in our commitment, and eager to do our part to make each other's passion a success, for the "Good of the Order".

***"A burden heavy to one is borne lightly by many"***

Thank you for all you do.

Damon Russell

Chaplain

## Moose Legion News

As we move into a new "Moose Year", subtle changes occur. Those that have active leadership roles in our Fraternity move about the various positions and committees, and we make room for new members to come in and help in new and exciting ways. This is true for the Lodge, the WOTM Chapter and the Moose Legion.

Our Lodge Moose Legion Committee still meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month, in the Lodge game room, at 6:30PM. Any Moose Member is invited to join us for these informal committee meetings where we socialize and brainstorm new ideas for fun activities our membership can enjoy at the Lodge and beyond.

It is my opinion that any member wishing to be of greater service to the Lodge and its membership should become a member of the Women of the Moose Chapter or the Moose Legion. Let me help you do just that! Come find me at the Lodge and let's discuss it! I promise you won't regret it!

Damon Russell

Alacosta 70 Moose Legion Secretary

**GET OFF YOUR  
HIGH HORSE**

and join us

**SATURDAY MAY 3rd at 3pm**

at

**Hayward/Castro Valley Moose Lodge**

**MOOSE RACE**

available  
**3 Tacos  
Beans  
Rice  
\$15**

## Hayward/Castro Valley Moose Lodge #1491

20835 Rutledge Road  
Castro Valley, CA 94546  
(510)537-0830

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I hope this letter finds you doing well! Over the last three years the lodge has made milestones and improvements around the lodge. We refinanced our loan with a lower interest rate and saved the lodge in the nick of time as we could not pay the balloon payment. We raised enough money to get our roof replaced and a new HVAC unit installed. We have installed new lighting around the outside of the building for the safety of our members. We replaced the Ansul system in the kitchen and had all fire systems in the building repaired and up to code. We were finally able to purchase the new sinks for behind the social quarters bar and got the new soda guns in. We also just did some painting of the lodge inside and out. Our last purchase, which will be installed by the beginning of May, is a new point of sale (POS) system for our lodge. As you noticed I said **"WE"** did this. This was a combined effort of our board, chairpersons and members who attend our events or send donations for various things. Without each one of you we could not have accomplished this. Now that I have told you all the things we accomplished I must tell you about two other big projects that still need to be done. We are in dire need of a new parking lot. We are also in need of new floors throughout the building. The cost of the parking lot is going to cost about \$80k and the new floors \$45K. While we have been doing fundraising and will continue to do so this is a big expense. Our goal is to have this done before summer 2026. As it was just announced that we will be hosting the Moose International Cornhole Tournament in August of 2026. This tournament is a great opportunity for our lodge and will be a big weekend for us. While we wanted to get this done already this just puts some added fuel into the fire.

What does all this mean? **IT MEANS PLEASE WE NEED YOUR HELP**. We are currently averaging about 1300 members. If each member could donate \$100.00, we would be able to get the work done with a few other small upgrades. We do realize that \$100.00 is beyond some people's budget and we understand that. We just ask that you donate what you can as any amount is appreciated.

If you are interested and able to donate, please make checks payable to:

**Moose Lodge #1491 earmarked "Renovations"**

We thank you for taking the time to read this and thank you for being members of Hayward/Castro Valley Moose Lodge.

*Fraternally,*

*Hayward/Castro Valley Board of Officers*

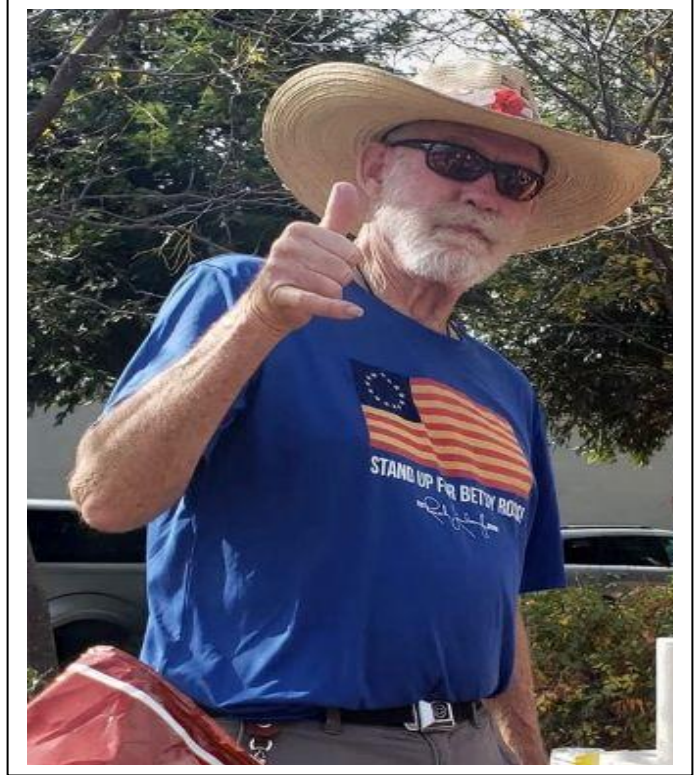


# HAVE YOU MET?

## CARL "FLATTOP" LATTNER

If you visit the social quarters in the afternoon you might see Carl at the end of the bar sitting with friends. They might even be playing dice. Listen for the bang on the counter.

Carl has been a lodge member since 2011. He was born and raised in Iowa. Served 4 years in the Air Force. He then moved to CV in 1967 and raised 5 children. His family has grown to 14 grandkids a few Great-Grandkids, that he enjoys spending time with. Every year Carl goes on an extended camping trip in his RV. He usually goes for about 4 months and travels through many states. Visiting race tracks along the way is one of his passions. Sprint cars to be exact. So next time your at the lodge be sure to say Hi to Carl.



**3-7pm**  
**WHEN: Wednesday**  
**May 28, June 25**  
**July 23, & August 27**  
• food • drinks • live music • fun

**2025 SUMMER CAR SHOW**  
**BBQ GET TOGETHER**  
**FREE ENTRY**

**Moose Lodge**  
BBQ events hosted at the Hayward Castro Valley Moose Lodge 1491, 20835 Rutledge Rd., Castro Valley, CA 94546  
No entry fee - just a casual get together of Cool Cars, Food, & Fun / Bring your friends  
For more information visit [CastroValleyCarshow.com](http://CastroValleyCarshow.com) or call 510.537.0830

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**Hayward Castro Valley Moose Lodge 1491,**  
**20835 Rutledge Rd., Castro Valley, CA 94546**  
**Behind Burger King**  
MEMBERS & INVITED GUESTS





NOTHIN' NEW EVENTS & DAVID SAVIOR

*present*

SATURDAY  
MAY 31  
2025

21+  
ONLY



80'S

*Prom*

CASTRO VALLEY MOOSE LODGE  
20835 RUTLEDGE ROAD, CASTRO VALLEY, CA



# FLEA MARKET

**HAYWARD/CASTRO VALLEY  
MOOSE LODGE  
20835 Rutledge Road  
Castro Valley, CA 94544**

**Sunday June 8th  
9am to 2pm**

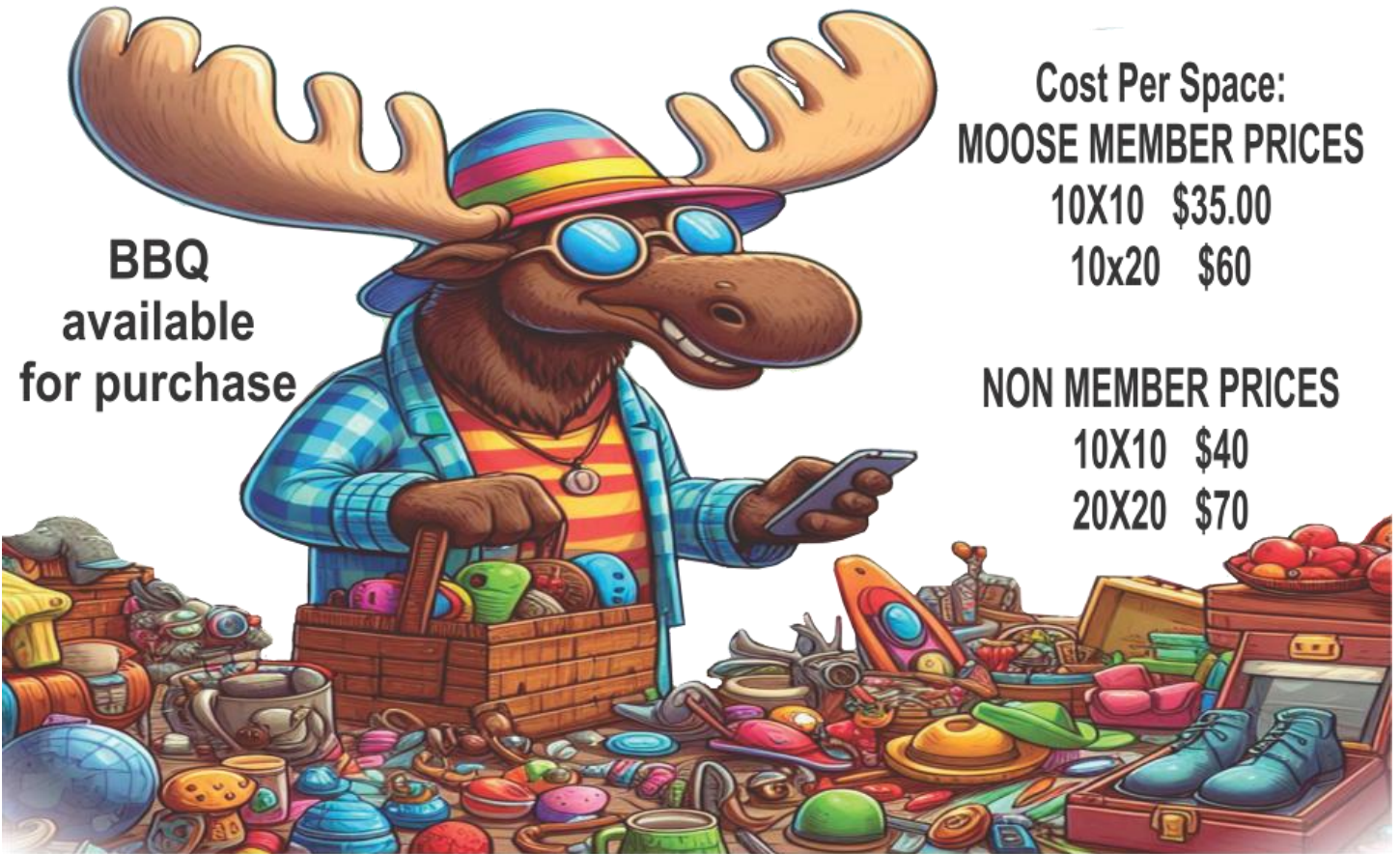
**Setup 7:00am  
For a space**

**email [castrovalleymoosel491@gmail.com](mailto:castrovalleymoosel491@gmail.com)  
or call 510-537-0830**

**Cost Per Space:  
MOOSE MEMBER PRICES  
10X10 \$35.00  
10x20 \$60**

**NON MEMBER PRICES  
10X10 \$40  
20X20 \$70**

**BBQ  
available  
for purchase**





THE WOMEN OF THE MOOSE  
INVITE YOU TO A



**FATHER'S DAY**

**Barbeque Party**

Make lasting memories with Dad this  
Father's Day at our relaxed barbeque party!

**15 JUNE**

2025

**SUNDAY**

11:30AM-2:00PM

HCV #1491

Moose Lodge



**BBQ Lunch 11:30-1:30**

**Hamburgers, Sausages & Sides**

**Poker Run**

**Cash Prizes**

**\$20 Adults**

**Kids 6-12 \$10 - 5 and under free**

**HCV #1491 FATHERS EAT FREE &**

**GET ONE POKER RUN CARD.**

**POKER RUN CARDS CAN BE PURCHASED FOR \$5.00**

**Poker Run Winners Announced at 1:30PM**

















**Tickets Available in the Social Quarters**

**Members & Qualified Guests Only**


















# MAY

# 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1	2	3 District mtg Moose Races  Poker 10:00am 	4
5 Buon Tempo Dinner 7:00  Poker 7:00-10:00	6  Cornhole 6:30 Poker 10:30	7 Lodge Meeting 7:30	8 DOMINO TOURNAMENT 7:00  5 Spot Dance group	9 Poker 7:00  Karaoke 7:30	10 Poker 10:00am 	11 MOTHERS DAY BRUNCH  Poker Omaha 11:00
12 VFW Meeting  Poker 7:00-10:00	13 Moose Legion Meeting 6:30  Cornhole 6:30 Poker 10:00am	14 WOTM Meeting 6:30	15	16 Poker 7:00  Karaoke 7:30	17 Poker 10:00am 	18 Toy Show 7:00-2:00
19 Buon Tempo Dinner 7:00  Poker 7:00-10:00	20 Cornhole 6:30  Poker 10:00am	21 Lodge Meeting 7:30	22 SPADES TOURNAMENT 7:00	23 Poker 7:00  Karaoke 7:30	24 Poker 10:00am 	25 Poker Tourney 11:00
26 American Legion Meeting  Poker 7:00-10:00	27 Cornhole 6:30  Poker 10:00am	28 CAR SHOW AND BBQ 3-7	29	30 Poker 7:00  Karaoke 7:30	31 Poker 10:00am 	

# JUNE

# 2025

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Please fill in the form below, print it and mail it in by the May 15 deadline.



# SUPPORT OUR VETERANS

## 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament

*Honoring Mickey Gantich*

Last VFW Post 9601 WWII Member



Benefiting American Legion Post 649 & VFW Post 9601

**Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Redwood Canyon Golf Course**

17007 Redwood Road Castro Valley, CA 94546

### Scramble Format-Shotgun Start

Tee Time @ 8AM | Check In @ 7AM

Post-Round Prizes and Mulligan Tickets are available at Check-In.

### Pre & Post Round Event include:

- \* "Quick" Breakfast
- \* Lunch and Awards Ceremony
- \* Live and Silent Actions
- \* Prize Winning & 50/50 Opportunities

### Prizes & Contests

- \* 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place
- \* Longest Drive
- \* Closest to the Hole



### For More Information Contact

Steve West - 510.432.4346

Kasey Warner - 530.391.3330

Cal Sakamoto - 510.774.5205

Frank Mellon - watermud46@gmail.com

Business sponsorship, contribution, and donation opportunities are available and encouraged. Contact us for details.

ENTRY FEE: \$150.00 per Golfer - #\_\_\_ | ☐ \$50 per Lunch Only - #\_\_\_ **Deadline: May 15, 2025.**

CHECKS PAYABLE: "VFW Post 9601".

MAIL TO: c/o Cal Sakamoto, 17340 Columbia Drive, Castro Valley CA 94552

Payment Information: ☐ VISA ☐ MC ☐ DISC. ☐ Check #\_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount\$\_\_\_\_\_

Card Holder Name

Card Number

Exp.Date

CVC

Zip Code

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
(for event communications and future notifications)

Player 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
(for event communications and future notifications)

Player 3: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_





**JOIN US!  
JULY 5TH**

**1pm**

**DELICIOUS RIBEYE STEAK  
LOADED BAKED POTATO  
SALAD AND ROLL**

**\$25 PER PERSON**

**tickets available in the Social Quarters  
Please purchase early so we don't run out of food**

Hayward/Castro Valley Moose Lodge  
20835 Rutledge Road, Castro Valley, CA

## *Christmas In July*

### **HAND CRAFTED BOUTIQUE**

Every Friday starting

**JULY 11th to AUGUST 1st**  
5pm to 9pm



Spaces Available

email: [rockwiththemoose@gmail.com](mailto:rockwiththemoose@gmail.com)

for information along with pictures of items you make to sell

#### **Moose Members**

**\$30 for 8ft table and chairs**

**\$100 for all 4 weeks paid in advance**

#### **Non Moose Members**

**\$35 for 8ft table and chairs**

**\$120 for all 4 weeks paid in advance**

Sign up early so we can advertise your items  
Advertising Starting Now



HAYWARD / CASTRO VALLEY MOOSE LODGE / MOOSE LEGION

# RIB *Cookoff*



**SATURDAY, AUG 2ND, 2025**

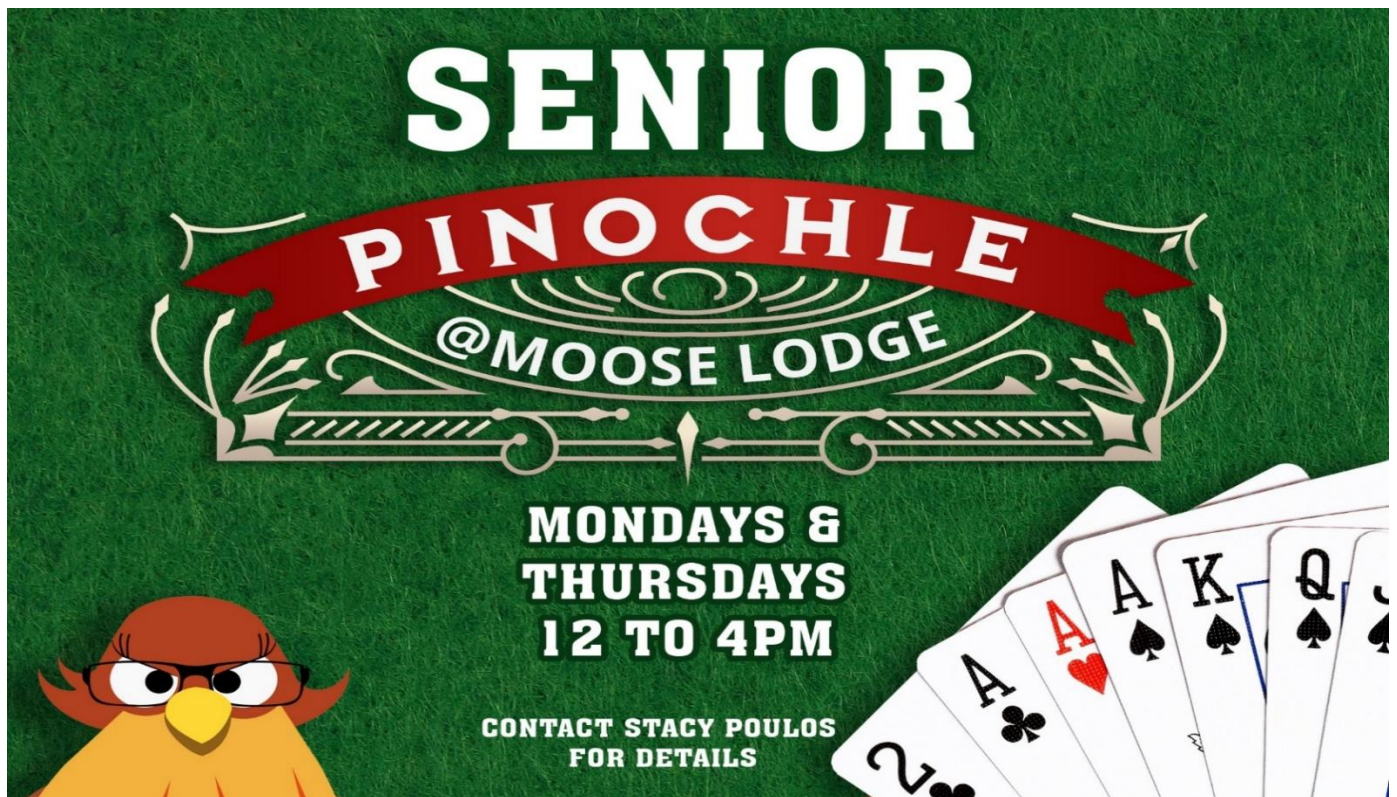
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**20835 RUTLEDGE ROAD**  
**CASTRO VALLEY, CA 94546**



**WHO WANTS TO PLAY CARDS?**  
**THE LODGE HAS SEVERAL GAMES!**

CHECK OUT THE GAMES DAYS AND TIMES!

- Mondays Texas Hold 'Em 7:00pm
- Tuesday 10:00am, Dealers Choice
- Fridays Texas Hold 'Em 7:00pm
- Saturdays 10:00am, Dealers Choice
- Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 11:00, OMAHA
- Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 11:00 Tournament



**SENIOR**

**PINOCHLE**

**@MOOSE LODGE**

**MONDAYS & THURSDAYS**  
**12 TO 4PM**

**CONTACT STACY POULOS**  
**FOR DETAILS**

The poster features a green felt background. At the bottom left is a cartoon illustration of a woman with orange hair and glasses. At the bottom right is a fan of playing cards showing the Ace of Clubs, Ace of Hearts, Ace of Spades, King of Spades, and Queen of Spades.



**SHOW PRIDE IN OUR LODGE  
WEAR AND USE ITEMS FROM  
OUR NEW AND EXCITING STORE**



Hat \$15



Mug \$15



Koozie \$5

Hoodie Sweatshirt \$50

Sweatshirt \$45

T-Shirt \$25

All sizes 2XL - 4XL \$5 extra



License Plate  
\$15

**PLACE YOUR ORDER EARLY  
TO INSURE YOUR ITEMS  
LIMITED STOCKED INVENTORY**

**WOMEN OF THE MOOSE**  
**EVERY Friday Night**  
**IN SOCIAL QUARTERS**  
**EVERYTHING IS \$2**  
**Dessert Table**



*Homemade* *Delicious* *Fresh*

**The Women of the Moose put this fundraising event on EVERY FRIDAY to raise money for our foundations**  
*Thank You For Your Support!*

## LODGE HOURS

\*MONDAY-THURSDAY  
4:00pm TO 11:00pm

\*FRIDAY  
2:00pm-12:00am

\*SATURDAY  
12:00pm TO 11:00pm

\*SUNDAY  
1:00pm TO 7:00pm

### HAPPY HOUR

Did you know that the lodge has this?  
 Monday-Friday  
 4:00-6:00  
 .75 off any drink

Please be prepared  
 and proud to show  
 your MOOSE CARD.