



NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2025



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

2025-26 Officers: Danielle Welch (301) 672-0891, Senior Regent; Tammy Farrell, Jr Past Regent; Valerie Sciarra, Treasurer; Geneva Leon, Secretary; Robin Crabill, Guide; **Committee Chairs:** Becky Wascavage, Membership - (301) 399-2950; Sandy Felty, Fraternal Activities; Andra King, Mooseheart/Moosehaven; Agnes Bennett, Higher Degrees

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

November Meeting Summary: The WOTM approved \$100 to Moosehaven Daily needs, \$200 Mooseheart Music program, \$500 to Hughesville Volunteer Rescue Squad, & \$50 for Scholarship & Maintenance. We collected \$996 for CareNet charity - Rally Day, \$750 for Clements Cuties at Dueling Pianos, & \$44 for endowment. **Fundraisers:** Wheel: \$2,800, \$50 Wheel: \$500, QOH Raffle: \$240, Lifetime Raffle: \$1,135. Our membership is 465 & we added 7 new members. At the MD/DE/DC Moose Convention Tammy received her Golden Gavel award. There will be a Golden Gavel celebration in January. Danielle was selected as the Moose Charities Chairman & will serve on the Assoc. board of officers. **Halloween** -Tammy thanked everyone for helping & shared the children had a great time. Many children dressed in great costumes; she received many compliments, especially for the new Spooky Maze. Lots of Trunk or Treat vehicles, games, guess the lollipops, & pumpkins! The Baby Shower & Rally Day were very successful. We had almost all Assoc. WOTM Chapters present. Lots of great ideas shared. Our Charity, CareNet, presented information about helping young parents, & they were overwhelmed by all the gifts! **Volunteer of the Month Sept-Chrissy Rice:** she jumped right in with a positive & friendly demeanor, attended WOTM meetings, committee meetings, & volunteered wherever needed. She brings new ideas for fundraising, & a willingness to help make us successful. **Veteran's Day Celebration**— Agnes shared: Smurf will open, Lloyd Kaufman will sing National Anthem, Chaptico Chargers 4-H will do pledge of allegiance, Tim will recite Old Glory, and 10 Vets will receive a quilt at a Quilts of Valor ceremony. The **Rudolph Run/Walk** is Nov. 22, 8am at the Northern Senior Center with our Moose 495 "Merryland" group. **\$50 Wheel Fundraiser:** Doing good - \$1500 raised. **St Mary's Nursing Center** —WOTM will shop for 10 residents, gifts will be wrapped & delivered on 12/12. Also accepting Bingo prizes. An Online Thanksgiving Bake Sale 11/25, WOTM & other lodge members can donate desserts or sides & winners pick up Tuesday evening. **WOTM Raffles** at QOH will continue. Two Bake Sales in Nov, need lots of baked goods. Our November 2025-26 **lottery winners** for \$50 each were Carol Murphy & Shelly Clark. **Sickness:** Ann's Husband had double knee replacement. Minor Buckler passed, sent condolences to the family. Dolores Slack's brother in TN is very ill; she will be out for a while. Debbie St. Clair's father passed. Our next WOTM meeting: **Monday, Dec 8th** at 6 pm. Questions? Call me: (301) 672-0891 Danielle



*Gifts of time & love – the best ingredients for a truly **Merry Christmas***



Children's Santa Experience

Yes, we just celebrated Thanksgiving & your WOTM are already getting ready for Christmas! **Santa will be here on Sunday, Dec. 21** between 12:30-3 pm. The sign-up sheets are in the Vestibule at the front door. We must limit attendees to the first 300 children signed up. Please sign your children up before **Dec. 10th**! The children must attend the event to receive a gift. No exceptions. Questions? Contact Becky Wascavage (301) 399-2950.



Save the Date - Upcoming Events

Dec 10 Last Day to sign Children up for Santa Visit
Dec 12 WOTM Visit St. Mary's Nursing Center, 2 pm
Dec 19 Christmas Dinner-Bring a side or dessert, Pg 4
Dec 21 Children's Santa Experience-Must Register Pg 5
Dec 31 New Year's Eve-The Rise Motown Band, Pg 6
Feb 12 Super Bowl Party (Advanced Tickets Required)
TV Raffle, Pg 7

December 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Pitch League 7 pm	2 \$1.50 Tacos 12 – 4 pm <i>Queen of Hearts 5-7</i>	3 .75 Cent Wings \$6 - ½ lb Shrimp 5-9 pm	4 Thirsty Thursday \$1 off Beer & Mixed Drinks 12 – 6 pm Texas Holdem 7 pm	5 Shrimp \$18 Steak \$22 Combo \$26 6 – 8 pm Last Shot Band 7-11 pm	6 Dine In Pizza Special \$8 Unlimited Toppings 12 – 6 pm
7 Turkey Shoot 12 pm NFL Sunday Ticket Texas Holdem 6 pm	8 WOTM Meeting 6:00 pm Pitch League 7 pm	9 \$1.50 Tacos 12 – 4 pm <i>Queen of Hearts 5-7</i> <i>Membership Meeting 5:30 pm</i> <i>B.O.O. Meeting 6 pm</i>	10 .75 Cent Wings \$6 - ½ lb Shrimp 5-9 pm	11 Thirsty Thursday \$1 off Beer & Mixed Drinks 12 – 6 pm Texas Holdem 7 pm	12 Fried Chicken \$15 6 – 8 pm Rockabilly Band 7-11 pm	13 Dine In Pizza Special \$8 Unlimited Toppings 12 – 6 pm
14 Turkey Shoot 12 pm NFL Sunday Ticket Texas Holdem 6 pm	15 Pitch League 7 pm	16 \$1.50 Tacos 12 – 4 pm No Queen of Hearts Orientation 5:30	17 .75 Cent Wings \$6 - ½ lb Shrimp 5-9 pm	18 Thirsty Thursday \$1 off Beer & Mixed Drinks 12 – 6 pm Texas Holdem 7 pm	19 <i>Lodge Christmas Party 6 pm (Bring a Dish)</i> Strictly Business 7-11 pm	20 Dine In Pizza Special \$8 Unlimited Toppings 12 – 6 pm Karaoke 8 - 12
21 Kids Christmas Party Turkey Shoot 12 pm NFL Sunday Ticket Texas Holdem 6 pm	22 Cancelled Pitch League 7 pm	23 \$1.50 Tacos 12 – 4 pm <i>Queen of Hearts 5-7</i> <i>Membership Meeting 5:30 pm</i> <i>B.O.O. Meeting 6 pm</i>	24 .75 Cent Wings \$6 - ½ lb Shrimp 5-9 pm	25 Closed <i>Merry Christmas</i>	26 Bar Menu 12 – 9 pm	27 Dine In Pizza Special \$8 Unlimited Toppings 12 – 6 pm
28 Turkey Shoot 12 pm NFL Sunday Ticket Texas Holdem 6 pm	29 Cancelled Pitch League 7 pm	30 \$1.50 Tacos 12 – 4 pm No Queen of Hearts	31 New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance Tickets @ Bar Rise Band (Motown)	Pre-Sales Only		

Subject to change without notice

Baby Shower & Diaper Raffle 10/29:

Thanks to everyone that participated. We received many gifts & diapers for our Charity, CareNet. Many lodge members felt it was a great way to include the membership.



Rally Day 11/2, is a WOTM requirement to qualify for the Award of Achievement. Our chapter volunteered to host! So our Awesome volunteers arrived early & created a magical circus event. Thanks to Tracy for providing lights & flags, Tammy's center pieces were awesome, & Jen created our Circus baskets for the Raffle! We had almost all Assoc. Chapters represented.

The ladies enjoyed winning the prizes at the games made by Tammy & Jen. Our Charity, CareNet, presented an informative session about helping young parents & they were overwhelmed by all the gifts from us! We served breakfast & lunch that included stuffed ham sliders, crab balls, chili, & cream of crab soup! (Sincere thanks to Mark, Brooks, Dave, Stevie, & Smurf for volunteering in the Kitchen). The WOTM were tasked with creating a carnival tent & gave some most creative presentations. We had a demo of the AED & CPR by Tonia & Bobby Bagley, an ice cream social, & our Brown Bag Raffle brought in almost \$1000. The day ended with a few Pig Races & Annapolis won the grand prize! Sincere thanks to our WOTM for putting in so many hours to make this a memorable day!



Never Pay Dues Again !

Take your chance to win a lifetime

Mechanicsville Lodge 495 membership!

\$20 a chance - Tickets are available 5-7 pm

Tuesdays at Queen of Hearts &

Wednesdays at Wings/Shrimp Night

Questions? Danielle Welch 301 672-0891

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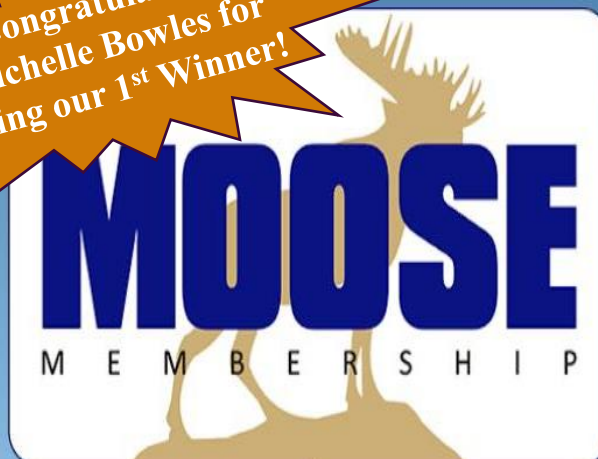
LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP RAFFLE



Exclusive for
Mechanicsville 495
Members

**Congratulations
Michelle Bowles for
being our 1st Winner!**

Don't let this opportunity
pass you by!



Only 100 Tickets being
sold!

Just \$20 Each

The drawing will take
place as soon as all the
tickets are sold

Questions? Danielle Welch, 301-672-0891

YOU'RE INVITED

TO OUR ANNUAL

Christmas Party

EAT • DRINK • BE MERRY



Mechanicsville Moose 495
Friday, December 19, 2025

Doors Open: 4:30 pm

Dinner: 6 pm

Cost: "Bring a Covered Dish or Dessert to Share"



Band: Strictly Business

Wear Your Dancing Shoes !!

**For Moose Members Only. Dinner & Dance are
Compliments of Your Mechanicsville Moose**

SANTA is Coming to Town!!



WHEN: Sunday, December 21st

TIME: 12:20 – 3:20

PLACE: Mechanicsville Moose 495



Children **MUST** be Registered to Attend - Registration Sign Up Sheets are in the Main Entrance of the Moose. **ONE** Child per Line

This Event is for Members & their guests! Only Members Names should be on the Registration Form & Membership will be confirmed!

Only Register Children You Know Can Come
Presents will **NOT** be Given to Children that Don't Attend

**The Purpose of the Event is for Children to
Have a Wonderful Experience with **SANTA****



This event is sponsored completely by the Women of the Moose #444 & their fundraising efforts

Mechanicsville Moose #495

New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance

2026



Date: Dec. 31, 2025

Doors Open: 5:30 pm

Dinner: 7:00 pm

Dance: 8:00 pm - 12:30am

Music: The Rise Band (Motown)

Purchase tickets by Sunday, December 21, 2025

\$45.00 per person

**Door
Prizes**

NO DOOR SALES

**Cash
Bar**

Reserve a Table for 8 (\$360)

Address: 27636 Mechanicsville Road, Mech, MD

Contact: Mechanicsville Moose: 301 884-5454

Or Lee Downs: 240 298-6473

Happy New Year
Moose Printables

Super Bowl 2026

TV Raffle

Tickets \$10 each or 3 for \$20

First Prize – TV



**LG 75 in. MiniLED QNED
evo 85A-Series 120Hz 4K**

2nd Prize - \$500 CASH

Winners will be drawn **immediately** after the Super Bowl is over.
You do NOT need to be present to win.

Tickets will be sold – Tuesday during Queen of Hearts and
Wednesday 5-7 in the hall.

Need tickets? Please call Jimmy 240-417-5767 or

Becky 301-399-2950

Event Chairperson Thomas Maddox



Women of the Moose

Established 1913

MD-DE-DC Moose Association
Del-Mar and Black Eyed Susan Councils of Higher Degrees



**Join our WOTM
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or
Make Sure You
Renew Your
#444 Dues when
you Renew your
Moose #495
Dues**

WHAT DO THE WOMEN OF THE MOOSE DO?

**TOGETHER WE MAKE
CHANGES FOR THE BETTER**

**The Women of the Moose are the sole financial
providers for the following:**

- Mooseheart School
- Mooseheart physical and occupational therapy
- The Mooseheart girls and boys athletic programs
- Necessities for each new child to get the right start at Mooseheart
- The Mooseheart music program
- Moosehaven pharmacy assistance
- Moosehaven daily needs
- Moosehaven vision, hearing, and dental needs
- The beauty and barber shop at Moosehaven
- Christmas items at both Mooseheart and Moosehaven

***In addition, our Chapters have provided over 8 million dollars
this past year in service to others in our communities***

Any female member in good standing in the Lodge is eligible to apply
for membership in the Women of the Moose.

Contact: Becky Wascavage for your membership questions! (301) 399-2950

2025-26 Officers



Moose 495 Board

- **President** – David Murphy
- **Vice President** – Becky Wascavage
- **Treasurer** – Lee Downs
- **Chaplain** – Valerie Sciarra
- **Jr Past President** – Bill Males, Jr
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- **3 Year Trustee** – Frankie Stone
- **Sergeant-at-Arms** – Mark Wascavage
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- **Outer Guard** - Harold Sciarra

WOTM Chapter 444 Board

Sr. Regent: Danielle Welch

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Treasurer: Valerie Sciarra

Secretary: Geneva Leon

Guide: Robin Crabill

Chairpersons

Membership: Becky Wascavage

Fraternal Activities: Sandy Felty

Mooseheart/Moosehaven: Andra King

Higher Degree: Agnes Bennett

(Not Pictured) Ray Copsey & Administrator – Bill Males, Sr