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Hello Members

A sneak peak at what's happening at your Lodge...

This is the first of the monthly newsletters that will be published for members of the Antler Lodge. We hope to keep you informed on what's going on with our lodge and the Moose Fraternity both on the state and international level. Future editions will include a monthly calendar of events and any special news to report to the membership

MOOSE INTERNATIONAL

The Moose is a fraternal and service organization founded in 1888 with nearly one million men and women working together in roughly 1,600 Lodges in 49 states and four Canadian provinces, plus Great Britain. Along with other units of Moose International, the Loyal Order of Moose supports the operation of Mooseheart Child City & School, a 1,000-acre community for children and teens in need, located 40 miles west of Chicago; and Moosehaven, a 70-acre retirement community for its members near Jacksonville, FL.

Additionally, members of the Moose conduct approximately \$70 million worth of community service (counting monetary donations and volunteer hours worked) annually. The Loyal Order of Moose organizes and participates in numerous sports and recreational programs, in local Lodges and Family Centers in the majority of 44 State and Provincial Associations, and on a fraternity-wide basis. Lodges across the Fraternity are known for creating life-long bonds between members through activities and a shared concern for children in need, seniors and the communities in which they live.

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A message from the Business Manager

Things are getting exciting around the Antler Lodge....Remodeling is underway in the social quarters and all I can say is that its going to be beautiful!!! We will keep everyone updated on the progress as we can.

There seems to be some confusion as to whether we are a Moose Lodge or an Antler Lodge. There will be more information in this newsletter but I would like to summarize by saying we are the **Antler Lodge by Moose**. We have a charter by Moose International like all lodges, we have a board of officers that has been appointed by MI, we have board meetings, attend district meetings as well as conferences and conventions just like any other lodge. There will be membership meetings on an as needed basis.

We will do community service projects, fundraising for Mooseheart/Moosehaven and many local charities. We are focused on being a good community partner and will be involved with local organizations.

Here are a few things that I can share with you about the new lodge:

We will have a room dedicated to local First Responders: a place where they can get out of their vehicles, grab a coffee or snack, maybe do some paperwork, etc. It will be open to them during lodge hours.

We will have a child/elderly ID kit for members in the main lodge with staff trained and available to ID children and senior citizens. There will be more information about that program in the future.

The pool house has been open since September 3rd and we have many members coming daily to utilize the pool and fitness center. I am happy to report that we have received many compliments on the cleanliness of the pool and the facility. We have two wonderful pool attendants, Bonnie Johnston and Kristen Sims who love their jobs and the members coming to the pool. If you haven't stopped in to check it out please feel free to do so.

There will be an Open House event once we get closer to opening so all members/guest(s) can see the new lodge and how all of the hard work put in by many volunteers, master carpenters/Heating A/C, Plumbing, Electrician has paid off.

The Social Quarters will have a full ABC license and menu. There will be electronic pull tab machines as well as arcade games and billiards.

We cant wait to utilize that beautiful area outside the pool as soon as the weather turns warm, sharpen up your corn hole skills, maybe volleyball and badminton too. We are looking forward to outdoor BBQ's and family events.

I would like to close by saying that I am excited to be part of this pilot program by Moose International and for the wonderful support given to me. I will work hard on behalf of The Antler Lodge for the members and the good of the organization.

Thank You
Dianne Waldron
Business Manager

Important Phone Numbers

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Pool House 434-584-9413

Congratulations

Joe DiSanto

**Antler Lodge 2726
Moose of the Year**



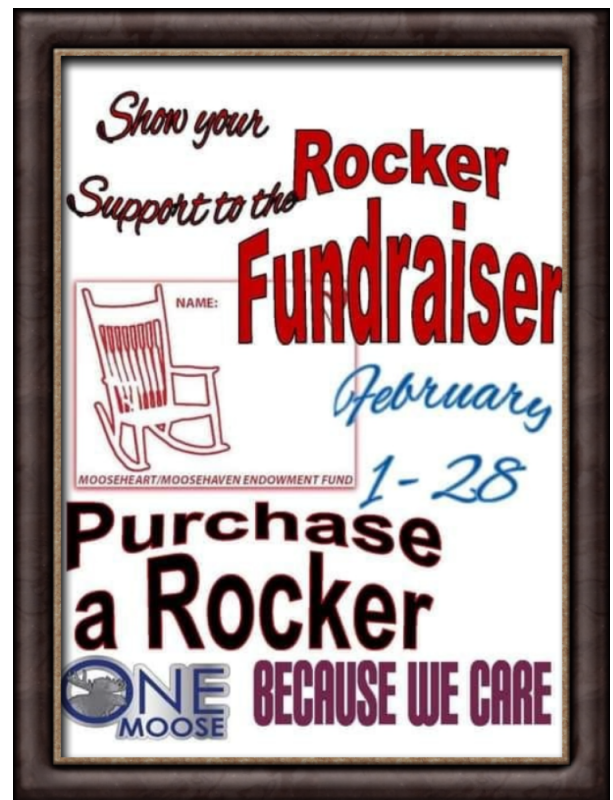
ANTLER LODGE 2726

Chicken & Dumplings Fundraiser

Tickets on sale now!!!

PICK UP FEBRUARY 19TH BETWEEN 2-5 PM
AT THE POOL HOUSE

Proceeds to go to the Antler Pool Panel Project





The vision behind the Antler Lodge Pilot Program

To develop a new initiative (a subsidiary of Moose International) that not only provides value to prospective members but operates collectively as a business that is also designed to facilitate a base of operations for community service and a fraternal presence within our communities nationwide.

To re-brand the Moose by providing an up-to-date (true) family friendly/oriented atmosphere equipped with the latest (interactive) technology that is in high demand, while providing a higher level of service that is actually supervised/managed by site-dedicated Moose International employees in support of a true customer/member-based service atmosphere.

To establish an attractive operation, providing customary food and beverage service with a fraternal theme. Our commitment to community service is to support the philanthropic efforts of the Moose organization by ensuring regular and timely monetary contributions to Moose Charities without reservation. We will provide an opportunity to showcase the mission of the Moose in a professional environment, therefore furthering support through membership and member engagement.

Antler Lodge 2726 Board of Officers

President	Charles Carter
Vice President	Ken Kennedy
Treasurer	Brian Carpenter
Chaplain	Cindy King



Antler Lodge was honored to host a swimming event for a wonderful organization on Saturday, January 28th. All the participants had a great time. Smiles everywhere 🥰 Moose at work!!!

Employee Spotlight



Meet Kristen Sims

Kristen is a pool house attendant at the lodge. She has been employed since we opened on September 3, 2022. Kristen is welcoming, kind, and enthusiastic about her job. Please stop by and say hello to Kristen if you haven't already.

You will be glad you did! We are so happy to have her on our team. Thank you Kristen for everything you do for Antler!!!!