

MOOSE NEWS

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2008

ADMINISTRATORS MESSAGE

It is time to make some decisions about building a new Moose and we need your help. On Monday, September 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. the building committee will be holding a meeting and we would like to have as many of you here as possible for your opinions and suggestions.

We will also have a presentation that evening from Sponaugle Construction Management Services. This is a firm that we have been talking to and are very interested in moving forward with. They will be here to present their program and answer any questions you may have.

We will also discuss the financing for this project and try to give you an idea of what it is going to involve. There are many variables in this area, including what our existing building will sell for and if we want to use any of our investments to help decrease the amount we would have to borrow.

We also hope to have some basic floor plans available for you to look at. Nothing is cast in stone yet, so we hope to get some good input from this meeting so we can move forward.

GOVERNORS MESSAGE

What was that zooming past me? Why it must have been summer.

It was a fast and busy summer with a Lot of Moose activity. There was litter pick-up on our adopted highway, a benefit chicken BBQ at Brookside Nursery for Kim McCormick, Moose International Convention In Las Vegas, spaghetti dinner for the Pipe and Drum band from Washington D.C. that played in the Iron Heritage parade, another chicken BBQ and bake sale during Iron Heritage, The Moose Clam Bake, PA Moose Association State Convention and the high point of the summer was Jeff Swartz receiving his Pilgrim Degree of Merit.

It is quite obvious all this did not happen without a lot of effort from a lot of different people. Space does not permit to list all the volunteers that make all of this possible, so please allow me to extend the thanks and appreciation from the board of officers to all those who made these events possible.

One group who often get overlooked when handing out kudos is the staff at the Danville Moose. These people serving us in the social quarters, kitchen and bowling alley do an outstanding job of making our visits to the Moose an enjoyable one. Please take the time to let them know you appreciate their efforts.

So with the end of summer comes another schedule of activities. Our benefit dinners to support our Sunshine Children at Mooseheart will begin again in September, when Gerald will feature his world famous meatloaf. Get your tickets early as these dinners usually sell out. October will find us enjoying a ham pot pie dinner for our Sunshine Kids.

Of course bowling leagues start in September and Marty is all ready and waiting for the teams to return.

September will also be when we honor those people lost on September 11, 2001. Please come out and help remember.

Ray Mausteller, Governor

WOTM NEWS

Thank You

We would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's Iron Heritage festivities including the chicken BBQ, bake sale, posters and the displays within the Lodge. In addition, a very special thank you is extended to Karla Mitchell for all her hard work in pulling together an entry for the Iron Heritage parade, and for setting up the "family trees" and displays in the dining room.

Family Bowling Night

We will be hosting a family bowling night on Friday, September 19th, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The cost will be \$12.00 per person and includes 3 games of bowling, shoe rental and a picnic buffet. Space is limited and a sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Lodge hallway. Bring the kids for an evening of family fun in the bowling alleys!

September 10th Chapter Meeting

REMINDER – We have a guest speaker scheduled for our September 10th Chapter meeting. She is a registered nurse who will be speaking on the topic of Osteoporosis. This is also our College of Regents Committee Night. All College of Regents recipients, as well as all co-workers, are invited and encouraged to attend this Chapter meeting, which will begin at 6:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there!

MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 1,150 active members of which 14 have signed a new or former member so far this year. This is barely 1% of our members who have fulfilled their commitment for the first quarter of this year. If 15 % of our members or 172 of you would sign one new member we would reach our quota. This does not seem like an unrealistic goal, however year after year we fail to meet our quota, usually by only 30 or 40 members.

We do need your help to keep this great fraternity moving in the right direction. There are plenty of incentives for you to sponsor your friends and family. There are prizes given by Moose International, the PA Moose Association and your own Lodge. Not to mention, the Preferred Member Party we hold in the Lodge every May. I would love to have the problem of organizing the Preferred Member Party for 172 of you along with your guests.

We have a few members who sign 5 to 10 people every year and anyone of them will tell you it's not hard to do, however you can't do it if you don't ask. If you have the opportunity at a social event or family gathering talk to someone about the Moose and if they are interested pull an application out of your wallet (you should always carry one with you) and ask them to join us.

BOWLING

Our bowling leagues here at the Moose will be starting the beginning of September. The women's league on Monday night will have 6 teams this year with the addition of Wydra's Wonders (ya gotta dig em). The men's leagues will have 5 teams on Tuesday, 9 on Wednesday and 10 on Thursday. Welcome back to all of our bowlers.

We will be hosting the Danville, Bloomsburg, Berwick Bowling Association men's tournament this year. Our Moose bowlers are always very successful in this tournament especially when it is held in house. I don't have definite confirmation as of yet, but we may also be hosting the Pa Moose Association State Bowling Tournament again this year. If any of you can help out throughout these tournaments please contact Jeff or Marty.

We will be bowling sweepies on September 27th and October 24th. There are always sign-up sheets for these events posted in the social quarters as we can only take 30 bowlers. It normally fills up so get your name on the list as soon as possible. Watch the newsletter and posters in the Lodge for other bowling events throughout the year.

As always we welcome your bowling parties for whatever reason. The lanes can be rented Friday, Saturday or Sunday for parties. The cost is \$30.00 per hour and they should be booked early as the time slots fill up fast. Call Jeff at 275-2041 during the day or Marty at 275-3490 in the evenings for bookings.

FAMILY DINING

Well, folks I can't believe summer is gone already. I would like to thank all of you who dined with us over the summer.

The kitchen will be running our famous Jumbo Meat Lovers French Bread Pizza periodically during the next two months. There will be notices on the menu the week prior to serving them. Please come in and get them early as they go fast.

Starting in October we will have soups on the menu. These will be available as takeouts in quarts as well. We would like to remind you that all of our food is available for takeout. You can also call ahead and we will have it ready for you when you get here.

Please feel free to take our menus to work with you it's a great way to introduce your friends to the Moose.

A big welcome back to the Moose bowlers, please feel free to come in and eat before your matches or we will bring your food downstairs to the alleys.

Finally I would like to thank the Moose members and officers for their condolences during my recent loss. My family and I appreciated your sentiments very much.

We look forward to serving you and will accommodate any special requests that we can, including any functions you may want to schedule at the Moose.

Fraternally, Jeff Forsyth

MOOSEFEST

There will be a Moosefest on Saturday, October 25th from 6 to 9 p.m. Dinner will be a roast beef platter served at 6:30 p.m. and we will once again put out a soup and sandwich buffet at 7:30. The band Plum Crazy will perform from 9 until midnight. Tickets will cost \$7.00 and will be available 2 weeks prior to this event.

SUNSHINE DINNERS

Last year we held a Sunshine Dinner once a month to support our 2 Sunshine Children at Mooseheart. Because of the overwhelming support you gave us at these dinners the Lodge and Chapter each decided to sponsor another child this year so we now have a total of four.

The dinners will resume on Wednesday, September 17th with a meatloaf platter and Wednesday, October 15th we will be serving Ham Pot Pie from 5 to 7 p.m. The cost will be \$6.00 per adult and \$3.00 for children under 12. Get here early as we usually sell out of food.

9/11 MEMORIAL DINNER/DANCE

Our annual 9/11 Memorial Fundraiser for the Flight #93 Memorial will be held on Friday September 12th starting at 6:00 p.m. We will have a filled chicken breast platter for dinner at 6:30 and raffles and games throughout the night. The entertainment for the night will be Genre Sound. This is a new group that does live music and karaoke so if any of you want to sing you will be able to do so. We will only be selling 100 tickets which will go on sale August 25th so get them early and join us for this patriotic evening. Remember to wear red, white and blue as prizes will be awarded for the most patriotic dress.

GUN PARTY

Our fall gun party will be held Sunday, October 12th starting at 1:00 p.m. Tickets will go on sale Tuesday, September 2nd and will cost \$35.00. The first ticket drawn will win a gun along with every 15th ticket thereafter; every 5th ticket will win a prize (you do not have to be present to win in the regular raffle). All losing tickets will be put in the loser's raffle for more prizes (you must be present to win in the loser's raffle).

SUMO WRESTLING

As you may have seen in the paper, on Saturday, October 18th, starting at 6:30 p.m., we will be holding a sumo wrestling event in the Lodge to benefit Camp Lavigne. Sumo outfits will be provided along with a mat for the wrestlers. There will be some local dignitaries squaring off in the ring. Anyone who wants to participate is welcome to do so as long as time allows.

All proceeds raised by this event will be donated to the Boy Scouts for Camp Lavigne. There will be food and refreshments included in the cost of the ticket which will be a \$20.00 donation. Tickets will go on sale October 1st and we may make them available to the public (this has not yet been decided). Come on in and see what this is all about and plan on having a good time cheering on your favorite wrestler.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

The Women of the Moose will be holding their annual Halloween Party on Friday October 31st from 6 to 9 p.m. There will be hot dogs and hamburgers served and plenty of games and prizes for the kids. Ultimate Sound will be here to provide music. Get the kids and yourselves dressed up and join us for a fun night.

IN MEMORIAM

Warren "Butch" Carl

Walter Lynn

DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER

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| Monday 1 st | | Labor Day Lodge Closed |
| Tuesday 2 nd | | Gun Party Tickets go on sale |
| Sunday 7 th | 2:30 pm | District #4 Meeting @ Lewistown |
| Monday 8 th | 8 pm | Lodge Meeting |
| Wednesday 10 th | 6:30 pm | WOTM Meeting |
| Friday 12 th | 6 pm | 9/11 Memorial Night |
| Monday 15 th | 7 pm | Membership Meeting (Building Committee) |
| Wednesday 17 th | 5-7 pm | Sunshine Dinner |
| Friday 19 th | 6:30 pm | Family Bowling Night |
| Saturday 20 th | 6:30 pm | Cinch Tournament |
| Sunday 21 st | Noon | Moose Legion Picnic @ Muncy Valley |
| Monday 22 nd | 8 pm | Lodge Meeting |
| Wednesday 24 th | 6:30 pm | WOTM Meeting |
| Saturday 27 th | 7 pm | Sweepies Bowling |
| Sunday 28 th | 1 pm | Leukemia Society Basket Bingo |

OCTOBER

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| Monday 6 th | 8 pm | Lodge Meeting |
| Wednesday 8 th | 6:30 pm | WOTM Meeting |
| Sunday 12 th | 1 pm-? | Gun Party |
| Sunday 12 th | 2:30 pm | District #4 Meeting @ Mifflinburg |
| Wednesday 15 th | 5-7 pm | Sunshine Dinner |
| Friday 17 th | 6:30 pm | Cinch Tournament |
| Saturday 18 th | 6:30 pm | Sumo Wrestling |
| Monday 20 th | 8 pm | Lodge Meeting |
| Wednesday 22 nd | 6:30 pm | WOTM Meeting |
| Friday 24 th | 7 pm | Sweepies Bowling |
| Saturday 25 th | 6-midnight | Moosefest w/ Plum Crazy |
| Friday 31 st | 6-9 pm | Halloween Party |

SEPTEMBER

| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat |
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| | 1 Labor Day Lodge Closed | 2 Wing Night Gun Party Tickets on Sale | 3 | 4 Weekend Spec. Meatloaf Baked Haddock | 5 | 6 |
| 7 District Meeting @ Lewistown 2:30 pm | 8 Lodge Meeting 8 pm | 9 Wing Night | 10 WOTM Meeting 6:30 pm | 11 Weekend Spec. Beef Quesadillas Chicken Quesadillas | 12 9/11 Memorial Genre Sound | 13 |
| 14 | 15 Membership Meeting 7 pm | 16 Wing Night | 17 Sunshine Dinner 5-7 pm | 18 Weekend Spec. Liver & Onions French Bread Pizza | 19 Family Bowling Night 6:30 pm | 20 Cinch Tour. 6:30 pm |
| 21 Moose Legion Picnic @ Muncy Valley Noon | 22 Lodge Meeting 8 pm | 23 Wing Night | 24 WOTM Meeting 6:30 pm | 25 Weekend Spec. Scallops Pot Roast | 26 | 27 Sweepies Bowling 7 pm |
| 28 Basket Bingo 1 pm | 29 | 30 Wing Night | | | | |

OCTOBER

| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | 1 | 2 Weekend Spec. Spaghetti & Sausage Linguine in White Clam Sauce | 3 | 4 |
| 5 | 6 Lodge Meeting 8 pm | 7 Wing Night | 8 WOTM Meeting 6:30 pm | 9 Weekend Spec. Chicken or Shrimp Alfredo w/ Broccoli | 10 | 11 |
| 12 Gun Party 1pm-? District Meeting @ Mifflinburg 2:30 pm | 13 | 14 Wing Night | 15 Sunshine Dinner 5-7 pm | 16 Weekend Spec. Beef Stew Baked Haddock | 17 Cinch Tour. 6:30 pm | 18 Sumo Wrestling 6:30 pm |
| 19 | 20 Lodge Meeting 8 pm | 21 Wing Night | 22 WOTM Meeting 6:30 pm | 23 Weekend Spec. Delmonico Steak Fried Shrimp | 24 Sweepies Bowling 7 pm | 25 Moosefest 6-Midnight w/ Plum Crazy |
| 26 | 27 | 28 Wing Night | 29 | 30 Weekend Spec. Roast Turkey Shrimp Scampi | 31 Halloween Party 6-9 pm | |