



Moose News

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Governor's Report

by Harry Heiden

This month's report is not going to be about parties, plans, events, etc. This month is about what we are and what we do as a Moose organization. What we do best is help the young, and the old, the poor and the hungry, and those in need of something that we can give in some benevolent way.

Mooseheart (outside of Chicago, IL) Child City & School is a residential childcare facility, located on a 1,000-acre campus. The Child City is a home for children and teens in need, from infancy through high school. This is where needy or homeless children have a place to live and grow

in a loving and caring environment. **Moosehaven** (Orange Park, FL) has, for more than eighty years, always been a place that we've created and maintained just for our senior Moose brothers and sisters who were young and strong in times past, but are now in need of our helping hand. We use the Endowment Fund to help pay the way for these places. We now also have the new "Gimme 5!" to help support these needs.

Monthly, we give food to the homeless. We have parties for those that need food, clothing, toys for the children, school supplies, and just plain caring and sharing to make them feel good.

There are special fund raisers held to support the drastic needs of some of our local families, including medical and other special needs. We raised money and bought and sent kits to our soldiers overseas to let them know we care. Many of our members here locally go regularly to places like the cultural center and other local organizations to volunteer their time and talents.

All in all, your Moose lodge is a great place to meet good friends, have a good meal and something to drink, but maybe its time to focus on what we really are about. I hope I have given you some insight on that subject.

Men of the Month

For January, we have "Men of the Month". This crew puts out those delicious Saturday lunches. They also individually spend many more days in our kitchen to help on occasions such as Monday night Bingo, Friday night fish fry, and many other times when help is truly needed. They do it because they care and will be there to help on a minutes notice. This group also has another great feature, they all smile a lot and really make all feel welcome. Here's to our "Men", **Bob Little, Paul Tyler, Dennis Partner, and Sonny-the Canadian**. Congratulations to a great group.

Woman of the Month



Arlene Stacy is a quiet lady but always has a smile for everyone. She has helped bake and

worked our Bake Sales, dessert tables, & stuffed envelopes for fund raising mailings.

Arlene helped with the Children's Christmas Party; wrapped gifts, baked and also helped with our Homeless Project & Teddy Bear Project for the Salvation Army. In fact, I don't think I have ever NOT seen Arlene at a fundraiser or WOTM project.

She also takes a Co-worker to all the meetings and fund raisers, who otherwise would not be able to go. Arlene is a wonderful example of what a Women of the Moose should be. Congratulations and "Thank You" Arlene!

Senior Regent's

Report, by Angelina Barber



Our WOTM Christmas Party on December 19th was great! We had delicious food, played games, had prizes, a grab bag, & also collected money for CARE from our generous co-workers. "Thank You" to all the ladies who participated & made our party so much fun.

Many thanks to all the ladies who baked & worked our Bake Sale on Dec. 23rd. Chairman **Carol Sedgley** really appreciated all your support with her fundraiser.

On January 20, 2008, we will be having our Variety Dinner Show. We will be serving a delicious buffet of roast pork, chicken, parsley new potatoes, glazed carrots, rolls & apple cobbler for dessert from 5 - 6

PM. Peter Prior & The Notables will entertain from 6:30 - 8:30 PM with dancing to 10 PM. Tickets are \$13.00 per person including tax. **Ginger Chicione**, our Chairman, has planned a great evening for everyone!

Please come to the District Meeting on January 12th at Gulf Cove #2554 at noon. Let's show our support to the Gulf Cove Lodge - it will be their 1st District Meeting since their renovations, and we really need to get the Attendance Plaques back in Our Lodge!

Jan. 2nd Chapter Welcome Meeting at 7:30 PM

Jan. 16th - Business Meeting at 7:30 PM - Social Time at 7 PM.

Wishing Everyone a Happy & Healthy "2008".

LOOM @ 7:30 PM, Jan 10
WOTM @ 7:00 PM Jan 16
Moose Legion @ 6 PM, Jan 23
Enrollment @ 7 PM, Jan 24

Make sure to attend, this is your Lodge & Chapter

Harry Heiden	Governor
Steve Franze	Junior Governor
Bob Little	Prelate
Mike Counselman	Treasurer
Bill Birk	Jr. Past Governor
Steve Snedeker	1- year Trustee
Ralph Bond	2 -Year Trustee
Doug Nickerson	3 - Year Trustee
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