



FRANCONIA MOOSE FAMILY CENTER NEWS

NEWSLETTER OF FRANCONIA MOOSE LODGE 1076

MARCH- APRIL 2018

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Franconia Moose

Lodge 1076

Board of Officers

- Joe Poole, Governor**
- Tom Taylor, Junior Governor**
- Jody Ryals, Junior Past Governor**
- Ray Giroux, Prelate**
- Larry Gibeault, Treasurer**
- Ben Kern, Administrator**
- John Sutton, 1 Year Trustee**
- Tim Price, 2 Year Trustee**
- Brian Snyder, 3 Year Trustee**
- Jeff Coburn, Sgt. Of Arms**

Chapter #1042

Board of Officers

- Kathy Sutton, Junior Regent**
- Susan Brennan, Recorder**
- Joyce Hoskins, Sec-Treasurer**

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The Franconia Moose Family Center Moose of Year!



The Franconia Moose Family Center presented Bill Arnold with the Moose of Year Award for 2017 on January 17, 2018 in the social quarters for his volunteer work especially in the upkeep the lodge grounds. Please congratulate him the next time you see him in the lodge.



Governor's Message

**Joe Poole
Governor**

It has been an honor to serve on our board as your Governor for the past 2 ½ years. I had the privilege of working with two great boards and many volunteers that made things happen. What these boards accomplished took a lot of hard work and dedication. I thank each and every one of you for making it possible for the Lodge to win a “Premier Lodge Award”, and that= is something to make us all proud. I love our lodge and I wish the new incoming board all the success.

GOD BLESS MOOSEHEART AND MOOSE HAVEN!

Fraternally,

Joe Poole

Governor



**Administrator's
Corner
Ben Kern
Administrator**

MEMBERSHIP!!! As always, membership is at the top of my list of priorities and we need everyone's help. The membership campaign that allows all active duty military, police, and first responders to enroll absolutely free is continuing through this Moose year and we need to take advantage of this opportunity to introduce as many people as possible from this group to our fraternity and enroll them. Remember, membership is what drives us.

Lodge elections are coming on 10 April. The nominating committee is being formed and signup sheets will be in the Social Quarters on 1 March. We need fresh ideas and different members to become more active and involved. After the election we will need even more people to serve as committee chairs and committee members, so give some thought to how you can best serve your lodge.

Ben Kern

Administrator



WOTM Message

Hello Co-Workers,

Spring is just around the corner and we are looking forward to many upcoming events.

First I would like to thank all of the co-workers that helped with the recent bake sale and chaired our Valentine's Dinner/Dance. It was a great success.

We have the St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance coming up on March 17th hosted by the Moose Legion and the WOTM. Tickets for the dinner/dance are \$12 and \$10 for the dance only. The band will be the "Rockits". Please come join us for a night of fun.

On March 24th the Children's Easter party will be from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm. Be sure to sign up so Peter Cottontail will have enough goodies for all. Donations of candy and plastic eggs are appreciated. Anyone interested in helping or has a craft game idea please contact Susan Brennan at: sbrennan1230@gmail.com.

It is hard to believe this year is coming to a close and election time is upon us. I thank all of you who supported the Chapter in many different ways, from sponsoring your friends and family, to helping with bake sales, concession stands, dinners, breakfast, or wherever help was needed. Many of you have stated that you would like to participate more, however scheduling or other commitments prevent you from doing so. In order to see change or ideas implemented, we need you to participate in the meetings to let your voice be heard. To accomplish this let's try to attend the chapter meeting so we can grow and build a strong fraternity.

This year was the first time I attended the mid-year conference and it was refreshing and an eye opening experience. The official visitor, Sandra Thompson of Colorado Springs, was a fascinating speaker. She went to great lengths and tearful explanations of what happens when a chapter has to be closed. Sandra explained the importance of having the board of officers and the chapter working together as a team effort. There was a skit and the theme "Super Heroes" showed how we need to work together to have a successful chapter year. (Continued next column)

We all need to realize the real purpose of our organization is to care for the children at Mooseheart, and the seniors at Moosehaven, and to do this we must come together and help our chapter grow not only in numbers but in inclusivity, positivity, and philanthropy of heart and hands by getting involved and being active in any capacity you are comfortable. We all have some talent to offer as we are all Super Heroes.

Kathy Sutton
Junior Regent

VALENTINE'S DANCE

The Higher Degrees Committee of the Women of the Moose hosted the Annual Valentine's Dance. The band Route 66, performed to a packed hall. Our chefs Ben Owens, Skip Staggs, and Bob Cleveland put on a feast fit for our Queen candidates. The Committee wants to thank all our volunteers that came out to assist with decorating, prep work, serving, running food, busing tables, and the famous dishwashing job.

Great thanks to Patti Adams who spearheaded the event. Our new Sweetheart Queen for 2018 is Gale McKee. She has promised to wear her crown each time she is in the Moose home until our New Queen is crowned in 2019. Thanks to everyone that came out for the dance, your support allows our chapter to continue to support our various projects throughout the year

Valentine Dance Queen Gale McKee!



IF you want to be informed on the latest happenings of the WOTM, please see our Facebook page @ Franconia WOTM 1042.

**HAPPY HOUR FROM 4 – 7 PM M-TH
with**

SPECIAL DRINK PRICES

**LUNCH SPECIALS ON TUESDAY,
THURSDAY, AND FRIDAY FROM
11:30 AM-2:30 PM**

**WEDNESDAYS: Dinner Specials and
Queen of Hearts!**

THURSDAYS: “Free Play Day”

2nd FRIDAY: STEAK NIGHT

**2nd SUNDAY: AYCE BREAKFAST 9-12
NOON**

ELECTION NEWS

Lodge elections will be held in April 2018 to choose a new Board of Officers for Franconia Lodge 1076.

Pursuant to the General Laws of our Order a nominating committee, chaired by Past Governor Jim Mills, has been formed consisting of four other Past Governors, the current Board of Officers, and five other lodge members. The committee will meet twice in March 2018 to consider the qualifications of candidates.

A sign-up list is posted in the Social Quarters for anyone desiring to be considered for office.

A general election, if necessary, will be held on April 10, 2018 in the Social Quarters. Voting hours will be from 11:30 am until 7:00 pm. The Election Committee will report the results at the 8:00 pm General Membership Meeting to follow the vote tabulation.

KITCHEN HOURS

11:30 AM – 8:30 PM Monday thru Saturday

12:00 Noon – 8:30 PM Sunday



**Social Quarters
Hours**

Monday	11:30 AM – 12:00 Midnight
Tuesday	11:30 AM – 11:00 PM
Wednesday	11:30 AM – 12:00 Midnight
Thursday	11:30 AM – 11:00 PM
Friday	11:30 AM – 1:00 AM
Saturday	11:00 AM – 1:00 AM
Sunday	11:00 AM – 9:00 PM

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Mar 9	Steak Night and WOTM Bake Sale (See Flyer)
Mar 11	AYCE Breakfast 9 AM -12 Noon
Mar 13	Lodge Meeting 8 PM
Mar 16	Moose Legion Meeting 7:00 PM
Mar 17	St. Patrick’s Day Dinner/ Dance (See Flyer)
Mar 21	WOTM Business Meeting 7:30 PM
Mar 24	Children’s Easter Party 11:30 AM-1:30 PM (See Flyer)
Mar 27	Lodge Meeting 8 PM
Mar 30	Seafood Buffet 6:30-8:30 PM
Apr 4	WOTM Community Activity Meeting 7:30 PM
Apr 8	AYCE Breakfast 9 AM -12 Noon
Apr 12	Catjammers 8 PM
Apr 10	Lodge Election of Officers 11:30 AM-7:00 PM
Apr 10	Lodge Meeting 8 PM
Apr 13	Steak Night
Apr 18	WOTM Business Meeting 7:30 PM
Apr 20	Moose Legion Meeting 7:00 PM
Apr 24	Lodge Meeting 8 PM
Apr 27	Seafood Buffet 6:30-8:30 PM
May 5	WOTM Moose Market Place 1-5 PM (See Flyer)



Sickness and Distress:
Pat Pristavec
pjpristavec@comcast.net
Ray Giroux
girouxraymond@yahoo.com

Myra Hansborough - broken elbow
 Larry Gibeault - surgery
 Joanna Mullins - mother in law passed
 Johnny Sutton - hospital
 Jeff Dowdy - surgery
 Tabby Decker - father and grandmother passed

VALENTINE DANCE ROYALTY



Moose Legion Committee

The Franconia Moose Legion is growing in numbers every month and has been successful because of all the support and efforts our members have made to make every event better than the last. All of the planned events have been well attended and ended in great success. The February meeting was attended by 40 members that consisted of both Moose Legion and WOTM. The social hour theme was a "Chili-cook off". Ten Chili pots were submitted to be judged by Johnny Sutton, Chuck Huffman and Ray Cavanaugh. The top three chili entries were submitted by Larry Gibeault, Bennie Owens, and Skip Staggs. A big "Thank You" goes out to all who participated in this cook-off and to all the members who attended. The next Moose Legion meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2018. The theme for this meeting is to celebrate the opening of the upcoming baseball season. Baseball food will be served during the social hour. In closing, the Moose Legion Committee would like to thank everyone again for their support and dedication throughout the year. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

Larry Gibeault
 Moose Legion Chairman

Bull Run Moose Legion News

The nominating committee has reported the following candidates for the Board of Directors for the 2018-2019:

- President-Bunky Clark
- Vice President-John Matis
- Chaplin-Ralph Phillips
- Secretary-Kim Denniston
- Junior Past President-Tim Bliss
- Fraternal Director-Vacant
- Financial Director-Vacant

March 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Pizza Specials	2 Dinner Specials	3
4	5 Boy Scout Meeting @7pm	6	7 Queen of Hearts WOTM Committee Activity Night@7:30pm	8 Pizza Specials	9 Steak Night WOTM Bake Sale 6-8:30pm (See Flyer)	10
11 Franconia Moose Breakfast 9am-12noon	12 Boy Scout Meeting @7pm	13 Officers Mtg @ 6:30pm LOOM General Mtg @8pm	14 Queen of Hearts 7:30pm	15 Pizza Specials	16 Dinner Specials Moose Legion Meeting @ 7:00pm	17 St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance (See Flyer)
18	19 Boy Scout Meeting @7pm	20	21 Queen of Hearts WOTM Chapter Bus. Meeting @7:30pm	22 Pizza Specials	23 Dinner Specials	24 Children's Easter Party 11:30am-1:30pm (See Flyer)
25	26 Boy Scout Meeting @7pm	27 Officers Mtg @ 6:30pm LOOM General Mtg @8pm	28 Queen of Hearts @7:30pm	29 Pizza Specials	30 Seafood Buffet 6:30-8:30pm	31

April 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Happy Easter	2 Boy Scout Meeting @7pm	3	4 Queen of Hearts WOTM Committee Activity Night@7:30pm	5	6 Dinner Specials	7
8 Franconia Moose Breakfast 9am-12 noon	9 Boy Scout Meeting @7pm	10 Lodge Election 11:30-7pm Officers Mtg @ 6:30PM LOOM General Mtg @ 8pm	11 Queen of Hearts @7:30pm	12 Catjammers @ 8PM Pizza Specials	13 Steak Night	14
15	16 Boy Scout Meeting @ 7pm	17	18 Queen of Hearts WOTM Chapter Bus.Meeting @7:30pm	19 Pizza Specials	20 Moose Legion Meeting @ 7:00pm	21
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29	30 Boy Scout Meeting @7pm	1	2	3	4	5 WOTM Moose Market Place 1-5pm (See Flyer)

SPORTS COMMITTEE

New LOOM and WOTM Members and Sponsors for January – February 2018

New Members

David Beulke
Michael P. Casey
Brandon Clement
Harold Dodson
James T. Ernst
Christopher Gernler
William Guinard
Jeffrey Clark Holtz
Michael Kane
Kevin Lawyer
William Maney
Joe Marino
Gabe Marks
Kelly B. Marrs
Davin Mehring
Darryl Michels
Patrick Reamy
Chito D. Reyes Jr.
Chris Russo
Ira Schoen
John Stackhouse
David Whitt
Chong Yi
Carol Champion
Linda Keller
Dee Jay Whitt
Dolores Lynch
Ingrid Diaz
Geri Houston
Michelle Curry

Sponsors

Ray Cavanaugh
James Mills
Brett Sweeney
Rick Mullins
Estelle Miller
James Owens
Pat Dowdy
Ann Holtz
Ben Owens
John Sutton
Chad Michael Harrell
Dotti Lyons
Jeff Magee
Pete Hatfield
Robert Dietrich
James Bayliss
Tom Zang
Larry Gibeault
Robert Dietrich
Russell Poe
Ann Holtz
Doug Miller
Brett Sweeney
Sandra Sweeney
Pat Dowdy
Paulina Miller
Jeff Dowdy
Pat Dowdy
Susan Finken
Garry Grant

**Locker Fees are due April 1, 2018.
Please see Pat Dowdy or the
bartender on duty to pay. Please let
us know if you want to get on the
waiting list.**

The Lodge was packed on February 4th to watch the Eagles versus the Patriots play in the Super Bowl. Thanks to our Moose Legion members for a great tailgate menu. A fun time was had by all. The Eagles won the Super Bowl and are now the Champions of the NFL.

Hockey season and basketball season are in full swing and the playoffs will be in April. March Madness is upon us so come to the lodge and watch your favorite college team compete thru the brackets and take the championship. The NASCAR season started last month with the Daytona 500 and every weekend you can come into the lodge and watch your favorite driver race for the checkered flag.

The Monday Night Pool league is doing great. The league is not APA so the rules are different and the play each Monday is fun and action packed. Also with the new format most nights the play is finished by 10:30 pm. That is a plus for Moose Members that have to work early the next day. Come out Mondays at 7:00 see what this is all about.

The weather is warming up and our golfers will be taking to the courses. Watch for flyers and Facebook announcements regarding the various tournaments that are available to our Moose members.

There are other various activities in the lodge. Dominos, Uno, Skipbo and board games on Saturdays and Sundays. If you are interested in participating, contact me and I will let you know when the next dominos tournament will be. Our own Joyce Hoskins coordinates the games and the turnout continues to grow each time she plans an event. She calls them the Mexican Train Games.

I am working on a Pitch, Hit and Run tournament for our up and coming baseball stars. As the final details are worked out I will be updating the lodge with flyers and also our Facebook page.

Members - this is your **Lodge**, if there is a sports or activity you want to see started here at the Lodge, let me know. I will try to make it happen.

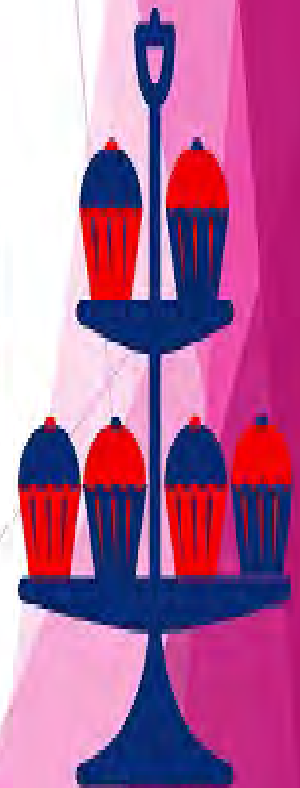
Skip Staggs
Sports Chairman
skipshouse@aol.com



Women of the Moose Bake Sale March 9th, 6:00 to 8:30pm



Proceeds to benefit our Children at
Mooseheart and Seniors at Moosehaven





Joint Moose Legion & WOTM
March 17th, 7pm – 12 midnight
St. Patrick's Day Celebration
 Members and qualified guests.



**Corned Beef, Ham,
 Cabbage and Vegetables**

Cost \$22.00 for Dinner/Dance
 \$12.00 for Dinner; \$10.00 Dance Only
 Bring cornbread, a side,
 or dessert to share



Band – The Rockits

See Bartender for tickets

Vote for your favorite Leprechaun

Bill Arnold, Jody Ryals, and Ben Owens

Look for their cans on the bar

Show Us Your Green Contest

Most colorfully dressed in green will win a prize.



Franconia Moose 1076 & WOTM 1042

Invite you* to the Children's Easter Party

March 24, 2018 – 11:30 am to 1:30 pm

Please join us for lunch, crafts, games, egg decorating and a visit from Peter Cottontail!

Along with the Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

Remember to sign up on WOTM bulletin board so Peter Cottontail has enough goodies for everyone!



* Open to members and immediate family under 12 years of age. (Children/Grandchildren/Nieces/Nephews)
Lunch free for children / Donations requested for adults

MOOSE



May 5, 2018

1:00 p.m — 5:00 p.m

*Gifts for Mother's Day
and Graduation*

Sponsored by Women of the Moose Chapter 1042
FRANCONIA MOOSE FAMILY CENTER
7701 Beulah Street, Alexandria, VA 22315

All proceeds will benefit a Moose approved activity.
For more information, contact Estelle Miller at
emiller@nas.edu (571-243-7994)

*Selling jewelry, kitchen items, crafts, candles, as
well as other items.*

MARKETPLACE