



"THE GUIDING LIGHT"

The Moose

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North Port Family Center 764

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"A Burden, heavy to one



is borne lightly by many."

SEPTEMBER "The Friendliest Lodge There Is"

2021



Terry Seal

From the Administrator

Brothers & Ladies: So much for slowing down this summer; we were very busy during August and September looks just as busy—and that's a good thing. I hope everyone who went to the district picnic on

August 14 had fun. District 22 President Brent Sheldon has done an outstanding job over the past two years. Brent, I know you're not a member of North Port #764, but I hope everyone that reads this letter will let you know what a great job you did and for keeping our District number one.

Ladies please remember that you are now a member of the lodge and that you now need to pay Lodge membership dues as well as WOTM Chapter dues. The men do the same: lodge dues and Moose Legion dues. Lodge dues are \$50 annually for both men and women; WOTM Chapter dues are another \$15 a year or for the Moose Legion \$17 a year. You must have a current higher degree in either the WOTM Chapter or Moose Legion to be considered for higher office in the Lodge. Also, please remember that your Chapter/Moose Legion dues go a long way in supporting our children at Mooseheart and our seniors at Moosehaven. If you have any questions concerning dues, please see me.

I will again be traveling to Orlando for the Moose Conference from September 14 -19 and will bring back any information that needs relayed to our Members. We are still looking for a few good men and ladies to help out in our lodge by volunteering a couple of hours a month. We need help at Thursday Bingo and the first Saturday of each month bingo. Help is needed with our card games on Mondays and Wednesdays and Ship Captain & crew on Saturdays. We're talking about about 2 hours or so a week from you that will go along way in helping your lodge.

To all North Port men and women: if you do any volunteer work outside of the lodge please give

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From the Senior Regent

Greetings & salutations Brothers & Sisters,

So many exciting things happening this month. The FMA Convention is September 16-19 in Orlando. I hope that many of you can manage to attend. I am proud to be able to announce that not only did the Chapter get the Award of Achievement for 2020-2021, but for the first time in several years, we are in the top five Chapters. This is quite an accomplishment considering that we weren't having meetings and our social quarters were closed quite a bit due to Covid. Congratulations to our 2020-2021 board. We will be planning a celebration for these amazing, hard-working women.

I was privileged to attend the Orientation last month. It was very educational, for both new and established members. I encourage all of you to try to attend one soon. And, there are cookies!

If each of us only volunteer 2 hours a month, not only would the load be light for everyone, I guarantee you have a chance to meet wonderful Brothers & Sisters that you may not have had a chance to meet, but you will also get the opportunity to help someone. Please use the sign up sheet in the hallway of the social quarters, or feel free to reach out to me by phone, text or email. Blessings to each of you.

Fraternally Yours,
Shirley Roosevelt, Senior Regent

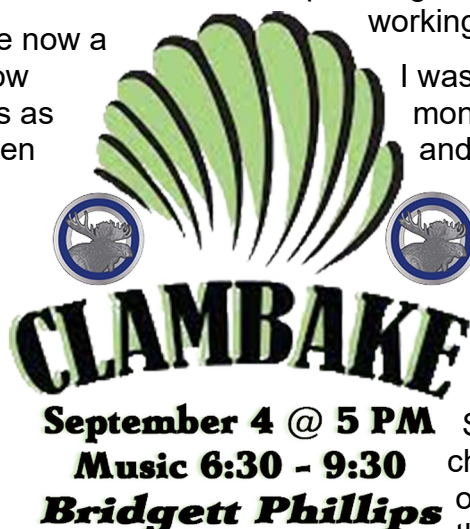
From the Lodge President

Men and women of Moose Lodge 764:

Remember we are OneMoose 764—same lodge dues for all. The men still have the Moose Legion and the women still have the Chapter. These are separate dues than your lodge dues. You have to be a lodge member to belong to these. See the [article on page 2](#) that explains the dues structure.

I want to congratulate Terry Seal on being elected as our new District 22 president, and I know he will do a outstanding job so please support him. The next district meeting is at noon on September 11 at Gulf

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Moose Lodge #764 Meetings Schedule

Second Tuesday of the Month: **Sep 14, 2021**

Fourth Tuesday of the Month: **Sep 28, 2021**

Lodge Meetings begin 7:00 PM

**LODGE &
CHAPTER
OFFICERS
2021 - 2022**



President	Ed Mell
Vice President	Gene Herbst
Chaplain	Tom Creighton
Treasurer	Fred Leonard
Administrator	Terry Seal
Jr Past Pres	Mike Lambert
Trustee	Don Caron
Trustee	Paul Stevens
Trustee	Jim Godshal
Sgt at Arms	Bill Hostetler
Asst. Sgt at Arms	George Garmon
Inner Guard	Mike Gomez
Outer Guard	Dominic Russo

**September 9
6:00 PM**
Chapter meeting

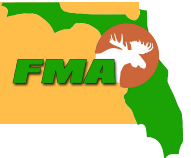


**October 14
6:00 PM**
Chapter meeting

Sr Regent: Shirley Roosevelt
Secretary: Christa Torrance
Treasurer: Becky Brooke

Women of the Moose Chapter 1892 meet on the **second Thursday of every month at 6:00 PM in the annex**. The Chapter Board of Officers meet on the 4th Thursday at 6:00 PM: All women in the the North Port Moose are invited to join our Chapter.

**FMA District 22
September 11 @ noon
Gulf Cove #2554**



DID YOU PAY YOUR CHAPTER DUES OR LODGE DUES? IT MATTERS!

If you've been a Moose Member for more than two years, you may know that the Loyal Order of Moose has reorganized itself and is now known simply as The Moose. This means male & female memberships have been combined into one fraternal organization we're calling One Moose.

Probably the biggest and most recognizable effect of One Moose is that men and women both attend their Moose Home Lodge general meetings and vote on matters brought before the membership. Beginning in 2022 qualified women may be elected to their Moose Home Lodge's Board of Officers. The one issue that seems to cause confusion is member dues. Men have always paid dues to their Lodge and if they wanted to advance within the fraternity, including becoming a Lodge officer, they joined the Moose Legion which has its own dues structure. This has not changed.

In the past, women were eligible to join the Lodge's Women of the Moose Chapter and pay dues to that Chapter, but not to the Lodge. Women could not be a Lodge officer. Effective with One Moose on May 1, 2021 female members of their Lodge's Women of the Moose Chapter whose dues were paid-up-to-date automatically became Lodge Members and retained *Chapter Membership* for up to 3 years.

However, on a female member's 2022 dues renewal date, she must pay dues to her Home Lodge*—the same as men are required to do. This is separate and apart from WOTM Chapter dues. A female member who wishes to advance in the fraternity or chapter; be elected to the Board of Officers; or earn/keep WOTM honors must keep her WOTM dues current, just as male members must keep their Moose Legion dues current.

It is important to note here that membership in the Moose Legion or Women of the Moose is not required, but all members, male and female, must be current on their dues to The Moose with their Home Lodge. But, a higher degree enables every member to more fully enjoy all the perks and benefits of membership in The Moose.

If you have questions about your membership status or renewal date don't hesitate to ask your Moose Home Lodge administrator for assistance. It would be a sad occasion that anyone's membership expires with resultant forfeiture of years of service credit and honors due to a misunderstanding or oversight.

* does not apply to Life Members



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me a slip of paper of what you did, the date(s) and hours spent doing whatever it was, along with the mileage driven and we will add this information to our report.

In addition to the the regular activities already on the calendar, this month we're having a Clam Bake on September 4 beginning at 5 PM with music by *Bridget Phillips* 6 - 9 PM; on September 11 we'll have live music by *Oncoming Storm* from 6 - 9 PM; September 25 enjoy a Free Juke Box from 6 until 9 PM. We have the NFL Sunday Ticket so you won't miss a single game this season. Plus the kitchen is open during the games serving up fresh football special meals.. Come in and enjoy the games and enjoy our lunch or dinner specials.

Thank you to all of our members for your continued support of our lodge, our children at Mooseheart and our seniors at Moosehaven.

Fraternally Terry W. Seal Sr. Administrator



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Cove #2554. Remember that Lodge general meetings are the second and fourth Tuesday at 7 PM in the office annex beside the Lodge. Don't forget ladies—you are Lodge members and expected at general meetings, to vote and see what's going on at our Lodge. We are always looking for ideas and I'm sure you have some.

We have a lot going on in September, so please check out the monthly calendar, the app, newsletter and posters at the Lodge for upcoming events. The annual golf outing will be held at Pelican Point in Venice on October 23 at 8 AM; the cost is \$70 per person. Get signed up early because we are only allowing 120 players. Information and signup sheets are posted on the bulletin boards around the Lodge.

I also want to thank all the volunteers, bartenders, servers, everyone else that helps us and our kitchen staff. I also want to thank all the volunteers that helped to install the cement pads needed for the recyclable containers. God bless you and your families.

Don't forget that you are required to show your Moose membership card to your server or bartender with your first purchase of the day, every day.

Fraternally yours,
Edward J. Mell, Lodge President