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**SOCIAL QUARTERS HOURS:**  
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SUNDAY— 12:00 UNTIL????

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JUDY KENNEDY

Application Fees are waived from Jan.1, 2012 until April 30, 2012. This is a wonderful time to take advantage of the twenty dollar savings and signup new members. The only cost is the first years dues of forty dollars. Remember: signup two members and your dues is free for the next year.

(Lodge Elections continued from page 4.)

Unless the Lodge is utilizing the “Australian Ballot”, the election must be held during the first Lodge meeting in April. —but no less than two weeks after the report of the Nominating Committee.

*What is the “Australian Ballot?”* The Lodge may choose to accept ballots for an extended period of hours on the day of the Lodge meeting. This is permissible only if the Lodge has voted at least two weeks prior to the regular election date to accept ballots in this manner. The election must still take place and conclude on the day of the first regular meeting in April; it cannot be conducted on any other date.

The Governor appoints an Election Committee of three good standing members who are neither officers or candidates for office. The Election Committee is responsible for the conduct of the election, the counting of the ballots and the safeguarding of the ballots for 48 hours, in case of a challenge.

After the votes are tallied, the Election Committee prepares a report to be read, either by its Chairman or the Governor, prior to the completion of the Lodge meeting. The Administrator must attach a copy of this report to the meeting minutes.

Why do we ask you to be aware of and knowledgeable about the election process? Because an informed member who knows and understands the correct process will be a more supportive member and is more likely to submit his name and become involved in the Lodge’s success.

Why is the process a bit involved and detailed? Because having a member become a candidate “on a lark” in anger, or during an evening in the Social Quarters, is generally not the best way to get qualified candidates on the ballot. **Electing Qualified leaders is crucial to the success of every Moose Lodge!**

**IN HONOR OF  
SHERRY MAYES  
DECEASED JANUARY 14, 2012**



**Unexpected, Sherry was taken away from us last month. Her smiling face and dedication to our Lodge will be missed. Sherry was small and petite in stature but she was a giant when it came to taking care of Lodge business. She made our Lodge her second family. Sherry took care of us by planning menus, ordering food, cooking the food, helping to serve the food and making sure our kitchen was always clean and in order. She held offices in the WOTM and served on various committees and achieved the honor of College of Regent.s Sherry was very proud of our Lodge and our Lodge is very proud of her. May God bless her soul.**

**CURRENT BOOSTER LIST**

Bud & Marie Brucker 9/13  
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 Marge Klenk 9/12  
 Bob Deibold 11/12  
 The Cowans 11/122  
 Jim Kennedy 11/13  
 Judy Kennedy 11/13  
 Charlotte Bauer 11/12  
 Alice Wheeler 01/13  
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 Juanita Brown 1/13  
 Memory of Bob Morgenthaler  
 Gerda Beltrami 1/13  
 Omar Ested 1/13  
 Fred Geraci 1/13  
 Viola Cressman Moorhead 1/13  
 Memory of Jackson Bragg  
 Rocco & Betty 1/13  
 Walter Exell 1/13  
 Ava E Geant 1/13  
 Marlene Lancaster 1/13  
 Ree Rogers 1/13  
 Ian Simmonds 1/13  
 Judy Delahoussaye 1/13

**Help defray the cost of publication  
Signup to become a booster**

The family of Sherry Mayes wishes to thank the LOOM 1406 and the WOTM 1046 for the service provided for Sherry. It was indeed a memorable Memorial Service. It proved that Sherry was truly loved and respected. Anyone wishing to donate in her memory, please make it out to our Sunshine Child in Mooseheart.: Eryn Syrkus, Mooseheart, IL. 60539. Memo it Savings Account in memory of Sherry Mayes, or send it to Melbourne Moose Lodge 1406, PO Box 121506 and we will see that it gets to her. Thank You——Bill Mayes



## *From the Administrators Office*

### **WHY DO WE ELECT OFFICERS?**

The answer may seem obvious—to provide leadership and direction. However, it's also a legal requirement: every Lodge is incorporated in the state in which it is located, and the state requires the election of corporate officers.

Those legal officers are President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer; our fraternal names are Governor, Jr. Governor, Administrator and Treasurer, respectively. The election is essential because Lodge members are, simultaneously electing both its corporate and fraternal officers. The corporate officers are legally responsible for the corporation that is the Lodge; they have a fiduciary responsibility to protect and preserve its corporate assets.

Too many members assume that all election notices, nominations, etc., must be posted or published within the Lodge or in the newsletter. Although such full disclosure of information is encouraged, the General Laws do not require it. However, notice is posted of all Lodge meetings, where election matters must be discussed; attend Lodge meetings and you will be informed.

The annual election process must begin no later than February. The Governor first appoints a Nominating Committee. The names of the men appointed, plus the time and place of Nominating Committee meetings must be announced verbally during the last Lodge meeting in February. Additionally, a written copy of that announcement must be included in the Lodge meeting minutes.

*Who is eligible to be a Lodge officer?* The only requirement for Treasurer and Trustee is that the member be in good standing. For the offices of Prelate, Jr. Governor and Governor membership of at least six months in that Lodge is required. And for, Governor, the member must have served in another elected office (not a combination of offices) in that Lodge for a full 12 month term.

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### **DID YOU KNOW THAT**

Mooseheart has a Baby Village—Here boys and girls ranging in age from infancy through age four make their home in surroundings designed for their comfort and security. There are four buildings decorated in a nursery theme with soft carpeting on the floors and lower walls to cushion uncertain toddler steps. Each child has his or her own individual youth-sized bed, with cribs for the youngest. During the day, a favorite doll or stuffed animal keeps watch over the bed, but at night the same item is generally found cuddled in the arms of its youthful owner. Three and four year olds attend nursery school, right in their village. At the age of five they advance to kindergarten and at age six begin first grade. Built by the Lodges of Pennsylvania, the Baby Village was dedicated August 22, 1922. The buildings are one story structures with red tile roofs and they are arranged in the form of a heart. Thanks to the Pennsylvania Moose Assoc. and the WOTM, the buildings were fully renovated in the early 1990's.

Men marry women with a hope they will never change;

\* Women marry men with the hope they will change.

Invariably they are both disappointed

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### **GREEN CAP LUNCHEON FOR**

**PAT FERDIANI**

**FEB.18TH, 2012**

**12:00PM-4:00PM**

## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Well it is February 2012 and here is where we stand as a Lodge. The physical health of our Lodge building is being worked on as I write this message.

We must turn our efforts to the mental health of our Lodge now! By this , I mean WHO are the members that will stand up and be counted as to: I can help, I can hold an office, I can and will do the right thing for my Lodge.

We, the current board of officers, have done an outstanding job taking care of your/our Lodge this year. It is time that some of us move on to other endeavors, as our tenure of office is up.

By the third Wednesday of February the Nominating Committee will start the process of selecting new officers. If you are not part of the solution then you will have no say as to the direction of where the Lodge is going. Become an officer and your voice will be heard.

Dave Bennett, Governor

**ANY MEMBER INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN OFFICER CAN ASK AN OFFICER FOR A NOMINATION FORM.**

**AFTER YOU RETURN YOUR FORM , YOU WILL BE CONTACTED AS TO WHEN THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE WILL INTERVIEW YOU.**



**Welcome New LOOM Members  
Pierre Desrosiers, Robert McGinnis,  
Charles Polson, Jose Ramos, Jack Rich,  
J C Tremblay and Jason Zabel**

## DISTRICT MEETING

**FEBRUARY 12, 2012  
SEBASTIAN RIVER MOOSE LODGE**

**EXECUTIVE MEETING 12:00 PM**

**GENERAL MEETING 1:00 PM  
LETS BEAT LAST MONTH WHERE WE  
EARNED THREE TROPHIES**

**4TH ANNUAL TEA PARTY  
MAR. 10, 2012  
11:00AM-2:00PM  
HAT CONTEST**

**Ladies make or bring your favorite hat  
HAVE FUN  
Games, Chinese Auction, Door Prizes  
LUNCH \$6.00  
Chairperson Barbara Whitneck  
321-768-0868**

When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.



## SENIOR REGENTS REPORT



It is with sadness that I start this report with the news that Sherry Mayes passed away, 1-14-2012. Our deepest sympathy to her husband Bill,, and her family. She was dedicated to the Moose Organization. She came up through the ranks and was a Past Senior Regent. She was always working in the kitchen, willing to help with every function and such a joy to watch when Bill did Karaoke. She will be greatly missed by all.

I would like to personally thank everyone for all the recruiting done this month. As of this date we have 15 new members. We cannot stop now, we still have 3 months to go before the start of the new year. Orientation for all the recruits will be Feb14,2012 at 6:30PM.

Coworker of the month is Barbara Whitneck, who has spent so much time on membership retention, plus all the extra fund raisers to help our Chapter. A very big thank you for all you do in time and donations for the Chapter.

Soup contest was a big success, 3rd place—Clayton Ruth, and place Paige Lancaster, 1st place— Elizabeth Bracciale. Beautiful engraved ladle, for her Spanish Chicken Soup.

Second Hand Rose Luncheon was great. Food, friends, games ,cards , Chinese auction and lots of fun had by all.

Now we start into February. The 11th will be our Valentine Dinner/ Dance, Lou Philips is playing. There will be a food drive so bring in can goods. Bring your sweetie for an evening of good food and romance. Green Cap Luncheon on Feb. 18th from 12 PM to 4PM honoring Pat Ferdiani earning her Green Cap.

Going into March, we have Barbara Whitneck's Tea Luncheon on the 10th of Mar. from 11:00AM until 2:00PM. This luncheon is a blast. Speaking of that, a blast from the past will be the same evening the 10th a 50's Dinner/Dance from 6:00PM until 11:00PM. Wear your poodle skirt, bobby socks and rolled up jeans. Expect to dine in the closest A&W, Drakes or Dairy Queen with girls on roller skates.

Nominations for next year's officers will be starting soon. Watch for the posting on the bulletin board. My thanks to all who have worked so hard to make this year a success and to Emily Bopp for keeping all of us on track this year.—Judy Delahoussaye

**VALENTINES DINNER/DANCE  
FEB. 11, 2012  
Music by Lou Philips  
BRING CAN GOODS  
FOR DAILY BREAD**

Middle age is when your age starts to show around the middle.

### COMING EVENTS

**Mar. 10,2012—Tea Luncheon & Hat Contest**

**Mar. 10,2012—50's Dinner/Dance**

**Mar.17,2012—St. Patrick Day Dinner/Dance**

A clear conscience is usually a sign of a bad memory.  
If you die in an elevator, make sure you push the up button.

**WESTERN NIGHT DINNER/DANCE  
SAT.FEB.4, 2012  
DINNER 6:00 DANCE 7:00  
RIBS OR CHICKEN  
MUSIC BY  
LARRY AND SANDI  
  
DONATION \$12.50**

**LOTS OF DOOR PRIZES AND FUN**