



# MUNCY VALLEY FAMILY CENTER #866 NEWS



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 3 Band - Kwitichurbitchin
- October 24 Children's' Halloween Party 1:00pm
- October 31 Adult Halloween Costume Party - Music Explosion
- November 14 Band - Kwitichurbitchin
- November 15 Turkey Shoot
- November 25 Pre-Thanksgiving Party - Music Explosion
- December 14 WOTM Christmas Dinner 6:30pm
- December 20 Children's' Christmas Party 2:00pm
- December 31 New Years Eve Party -Band - Kwitichurbitchin
- January 1 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Moose Setback tournament

## Notes From the Governor

I want to welcome everyone to the first issue of the quarterly Muncy Valley Family Center #866 News. We hope to keep everyone abreast of the results of past Family Center functions, as well as advise you of upcoming events at your Family Center. In August we had a family picnic which was open to our members and their families. In September we held a members-only picnic. Everyone had a great time. Thank you to all who attended these picnics and to everyone who gave a hand. We have a lot of interesting and fun activities planned for the next few months. Please see the upcoming events calendar in this newsletter. **I would like to ask all Lodge and Chapter Members to pay particular attention to the very important Membership Campaign Section in this newsletter.** It will explain why we took the time and incurred the expense of sending you a membership application with this newsletter. Finally, I would like to invite all members to attend the twice monthly membership meetings. This is your Lodge as much as it is anyone else's. Everyone has one vote on how the Lodge and Family Center is operated. Please exercise your right as a member.

Fraternally,  
Steve Ryder, Governor

**Check our weekly ad in the Lycoming Shopper for our daily lunch & dinner specials.**

**Moose Legion Mondays  
First Beverage Free On Mondays For All Moose Legion Legionnaires**

## Notes From the Administrator

All of the members at the Muncy Valley Moose Family Center are truly blessed to have such a facility as we do. Our Family Center offers one of the top Loyal Order Of Moose operations within all of them. Our unique dining and kitchen facility provides an exceptional experience that quite frankly all other Moose operations admire and applaud. To truly appreciate and comprehend this statement, all of our members need to visit other Moose Lodges, as your membership entitles you to, and clearly see and judge for yourself. Should you wish, please pass on to our Family Center Officers, work staff, or Social Quarters Manager any or all thoughts as to how we all can improve on what is already an outstanding place to come to meet your fellow members, friends, and loved ones.

Another thought to share with all of our members is we all pay dues and many members like to grumble due to the \$50 fee required for all male members. Everyone knows within a year, you have; let's say, 50 weeks to visit our family center. Each member's family using our dining experience once a week or even twice a month easily would pay for their membership as compared with choosing another establishment.



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### LOOM #866 OFFICERS

Governor.....Steve Ryder  
Jr. Governor.....Brian Toseki  
1 Year Trustee.....Zack Armstrong  
2 Year Trustee.....Kevin McElwee  
3 Year Trustee.....Ed Hiller  
Treasurer.....Charlie Berkheimer  
Prelate..... Dale Johnson  
Jr. Past Governor .....Bob Kolbrich  
Sgt Of Arms.....Abe Pittenger  
Administrator.....Dave Adams

Meetings – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays at 7:30 PM

### WOMEN OF THE MOOSE OFFICERS

Senior Regent.....Kim Cockrum  
Jr. Regent.....Roxann Armstrong  
Past Sr Regent.....Pam Toseki  
Scrtry/Treasurer.....Lee Ann Stump  
Chaplain.....Debbie Bower  
Recorder.....Ida Ryder  
Guide.....Shelly Eddy

#### Meetings

Chapter Activity Night/Orientation - 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Monday of each month at 7:00pm

Business Meeting - 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each  
Month at 7:00pm

[www.chapter2222@mooseunits.org](mailto:www.chapter2222@mooseunits.org)

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Our Family Center, like all other Moose Lodges across the state, has many commitments to fulfill our obligations to Moose Charities funding Moose Heart and Moose Haven. Additionally our Family Center has other commitments to the Pennsylvania Moose Association, District IV, and the Susquehanna Moose Legion 89, all funding other Moose Projects. All of these costs are paid by our Family Center through the contributions to our endowment collections and special donations made by all of our members. We thank you and ask all members to continue to contribute as you can.

In closing, within our calendar year there are many activities available for all our members to elect to participate in. For those that attend, most everyone is very satisfied with their experience and the fellowship they encounter. For all those who volunteer their time and effort to make these events a success, we all say: "Thank you for all you do!!!" Believe it or not, without people donating their time, nothing would be accomplished! We have many projects and tasks ahead of us for the future. Should you feel you could help our Family Center in any manner with these initiatives, please contact any officer of the Family Center or our Women of the Moose Chapter #2222. We also hope all members know and understand what a great asset our women's chapter is to our organization and the great things they achieve.

Dave Adams, Administrator



**The Women of the Moose Christmas Dinner will be held on December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. You are welcome to bring your spouse or a guest. The Chapter will provide the meat. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, bring a small wrapped gift. A signup sheet will be posted in late November.**

### Notes From the Senior Regent

On behalf of the WOTM Officers, I would like to thank each and every one of you for a successful year. Over the past year, we have been able to financially support the children of Mooseheart and the senior residents of Moosehaven, as well as offer support to many community projects and club events. We could not have accomplished this without you.

This past year we provided \$1,000 scholarships to graduating students of both Hughesville and Muncy School Districts. We provided five local families Thanksgiving dinners and through our Holiday giving tree, our members donated an overwhelming amount of gifts and helped to give five local families a happy holiday season. The WOTM also contributed to such organizations as the SPCA, Sunlight House, Lycoming County Children and Youth, the Gatehouse Hospice, youth sports leagues and many more.

Please help us to continue to support Mooseheart, Moosehaven, and our local community by renewing your annual dues. By doing so, you will continue your support these worthy causes while being able to enjoy the benefits of being a member of the Muncy Valley Moose.

Kim Cockrum, Senior Regent

**Happy Hour Daily: 4:00pm – 6:00pm**

**If you haven't been in recently, be sure to check out our New Moose Family Center sign. Many thanks to Kevin Harris and Danny and Dave Thomas for the awesome job on the sign, stone work and landscaping.**

**Don't forget to sign the daily book!**

#### Show Your Card At The Bar

**Please be prepared to show your Moose card anytime you enter the lodge. PLCB rules require that all members can show proof of membership.**

#### Box Tops For Education

**Help support Mooseheart by saving BOX TOP\$ FOR EDUCATION coupons from General Mills products. Bring them into the Lodge and place them in the designated container.**

## Notes from the Legion

The Moose Legion is alive and well at the Muncy Valley Moose. We continue to encourage all eligible members to elevate themselves into the Moose Legion. To be eligible a Moose Member must have been a member for at least 6 months and sponsored 3 members, or, been a member for at least 1 year and sponsored 1 member. Members of the Moose Legion are also recognized on "Moose Legion Mondays" at Muncy Valley. All Moose Legion Members receive their first drink free on Mondays.

All Moose Legion #89 information can be found at the Pennsylvania Moose Association website at [www.pamoose.org](http://www.pamoose.org). Meetings are held at the various lodges within Moose Legion #89 and are scheduled the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of most months. Questions regarding the Moose Legion can be referred to myself or to any lodge officer.

Come and join us for some fun and fellowship. Remember, Moose Legion Members Today, Leaders Tomorrow"!!!!!!

Brian Toseki, Legion President

## Flag Pole Dedication

In June Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society donated a new flag pole to the Family Center. On Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, in dedicating the flag pole, the Woodmen of the World conducted a special "In Honor and Remembrance Ceremony" to honor the heroes and victims of September 11, 2001, and those who have lost their lives, and those currently serving in the fight against terrorism. Approximately 30 Lodge and Chapter members attended the dedication. Thank you to the Woodmen of the World for donating the flag pole and for conducting the dedication.

## Support Our Troops – It's easy – Here is how

We are collecting items to send to our military men and women overseas. We are asking our members for donations for items such as Powdered Crystal Light, Powered Hot Chocolate, Tea Bags, Beef Jerky, Fresh Pouch Tuna, Slim Jims, Cookies, Crackers, Licorice, Snack Mixes, Breakfast Bars, Etc. A complete list is on the WOTM bulletin board and the donation box.

## Children's Halloween Party

The Children's Halloween Party for children 10 and under is being planned for October 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. There will be treats and games for the kids. A signup sheet will be posted on the WOTM bulletin board. This will help us with the amount of food and treats to get.

## Children's Christmas Party

The Children's Christmas Party will be held on December 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Once again, a signup sheet will be posted on the WOTM bulletin board and we ask that the age range be 10 years and under.

## Membership Campaign (Important)

With this first quarterly issue of the Moose newsletter, we are asking all members of the lodge and chapter to do one very simple and very important thing; sign up **JUST ONE** new member. When you became a member of the Moose, someone thought enough of you to ask you and sponsor you into the Moose. We are asking that each member sponsors a family member, co-worker, neighbor, church member, or an acquaintance into this great family of ours. Moose memberships are a great gift for a birthday or at Christmas. I have been asked how to sign up new members. It is easy, you ask them.

We know that many members are too busy with family activities, school activities, church, work and just plain living life to volunteer their time to helping with activities at the Moose. This is an easy way to help out and strengthen our family without having to donate your time. We have included a membership application for your convenience. Please use it to sponsor a new member. During October – December, a \$10.00 Moose Gift Certificate for food and beverage will be immediately given to each member when he/she hands in an application for membership in either the Lodge or Chapter.

Also, the Bull Moose and Moosette campaign are still in effect. A beverage of choice will be given to anyone handing in an application for membership with the \$20.00 application fee. Their name will be placed on the board as the reigning Bull Moose or Moosette. As long as their name remains on the board, (until someone else hands in an application) they will receive a beverage of choice the first time each day that they visit the Social Quarters. Please help by sponsoring **JUST ONE** new member. Please do it soon.

Thank you.  
Bob Kolbrich, Past Governor  
Membership Committee  
Chairman

**Watch for information on our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Setback Tournament scheduled for January 1, 2010. Prizes will be awarded for the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> team. Rules and registration fee will be posted in late November.**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>October 2009</b>						
				1 WING NIGHT	2	3 BAND KWITCHURBITCHIN
4	5 LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM	6 PASTA NIGHT	7 TACO NIGHT	8 WING NIGHT	9	10
11	12 WOTM CHAPTER MEETING & ORIENTATION 7:00 PM	13 PASTA NIGHT	14 TACO NIGHT	15 WING NIGHT	16	17
18	19 LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM	20 PASTA NIGHT	21 TACO NIGHT	22 WING NIGHT	23	24 CHILDRENS HALLOWEEN PARTY 1:00 PM
25	26 WOTM BUSINESS MEETING 7:00	27 PASTA NIGHT	28 TACO NIGHT	29 WING NIGHT	30	31 ADULT HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY MUSIC EXPLOSION
<b>November 2009</b>						
1	2 LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM	3 PASTA NIGHT <i>ELECTION DAY</i>	4 TACO NIGHT	5 WING NIGHT	6	7
8	9 WOTM CHAPTER MEETING & ORIENTATION 7:00 PM	10 PASTA NIGHT	11 TACO NIGHT <i>VETERANS DAY</i>	12 WING NIGHT	13	14 BAND KWITCHURBITCHIN
15 TURKEY SHOOT	16 LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM	17 PASTA NIGHT	18 TACO NIGHT	19 WING NIGHT	20	21
22	23 WOTM BUSINESS MEETING 7:00 PM	24 PASTA NIGHT	25 TACO NIGHT PRETHANKSGIVING PARTY MUSIC EXPLOSION	26 LODGE OPENS @ 2:00 PM. KITCHEN CLOSED ALL DAY. <i>THANKSGIVING</i>	27	28
29	30					
<b>December 2009</b>						
		1 PASTA NIGHT	2 TACO NIGHT	3 WING NIGHT	4	5
6	7 LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM	8 PASTA NIGHT	9 TACO NIGHT	10 WING NIGHT	11	12
13	14 WOTM CHRISTMAS DINNER 6:30 PM	15 PASTA NIGHT	16 TACO NIGHT	17 WING NIGHT	18	19
20 CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY 2:00 PM	21 LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM	22 PASTA NIGHT	23 TACO NIGHT	24 WING NIGHT	25 LODGE CLOSED <i>CHRISTMAS</i>	26

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27	28 WOTM BUSINESS MEETING 7:00 PM	29 PASTA NIGHT	30 TACO NIGHT	31 WING NIGHT NEW YEARS EVE PARTY KWITCHURBITCHIN	1 LODGE OPEN 1 <sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL SETBACK TOURNAMENT	