



Making a difference in the lives of children and senior members

Our Goal

To provide the necessary resources for the continued support and maintenance of the Mooseheart Child City and School and the Moosehaven retirement community.

Your CNMA Moose Charities Committee members:

Andy Higgins, Bob Bakman, Charles Barber, Charley Bright, Leonard Chapman, Bill Farley, Ray Hungate, Bob Inderbieten, Gary McGrath, Jeanette Machicek, Russ Nelson, Larry Salem, Mike Aldrich, Ted Machicek, Wayne Parker, Leonard Vylvinkel, Chip Wilbur, Joe Zenkus, and myself, Bill Thompson as Chairman

We have awesome members! Because of your combined efforts we have great news to share. Our team is made up of the members above, each Lodges Moose Charities chairman and of course the support of the lodge officers is essential. We also have superb volunteers across the association who make an effort to not only improve the support for the kids and seniors but to increase the communication to all of the Lodges, Moose legions and districts. We made an effort to improve the flow of information to our leaders and members which has improved results. We continue to send out periodic updates to Moose leaders at the Lodge level and higher to keep them apprised of our efforts and current events. Because of our members who really care we have had a great year so far!

The **Donors Circle** is a program designed to recognize donors who send in an individual tax-deductible Endowment Fund donation to Moose Charities. Individuals may join the **Donors Circle** at any time with a minimum \$25-dollar donation and their donations are cumulative over time. As a donor reaches each level of the **Donors Circle recognition program**, a pin for that level will be sent from Moose Charities. Our Association members have donated \$35,767.29 since May bring our total to \$277,602.78 through December 31, 2017. This program is designed to secure the future of Mooseheart and Moosehaven and with your support it can. For more information please visit <http://www.moosecharities.org/donors-circle/>

Moosehaven Centennial project. The goals are to improve the quality of life for the Traditional Residents, add a substantive, dynamic housing option to the Moosehaven complex and provide Moose retirees an upgraded, enhanced, superior quality living opportunity while reducing the operating expenses. The Project will be located immediately east and across the street from the Donald R. Eisel Ohio Assisted Living Hall. It will be three stories with two wings and have 105 residential Apartments. This new facility will have in-house kitchen and dining with up-to-date 21st century technologies. It will have enhanced In-house amenities with covered tricycle parking area and modern, durable, all-weather construction. The Association Moosehaven Centennial project has so far raised **\$174,982.19** as of December 31st. With your continued support it will go up every month. Bob Bakman will have updated Special Projects information to report at the convention.



Endowment Fund.

We continue to assist our Fraternal Units with Endowment Fund collections, fundraising programs such as Cradle Fundraiser and the Rocker Fundraiser. Communicate our message to ensure participation in these and other Endowment Fund collection opportunities. Since May 2017 through December 31, 2017 we have raised \$111,540.85. We have significantly reduced the number of Lodges not sending in their Endowment Fund Collections at least **monthly** but we can do even better with your help. Just ensure your Lodge sends the money collected each and every month. It is that simple!

Our **m+m club**. I am asking for your continued commitment and persistence in getting our message out to the members at large via the Lodge newsletters, emails, websites or other means of communication you may have.

The **MHT Scholarship Fund** is currently adequately funded and we will continue monitoring its reserves' and establish a fundraising project when necessary.

The October **Founders Day Cradle fundraiser** kicked off again in October and this year the women challenged us. I'm happy to report we won a significant victory but the real winners are the kids and seniors we support. Thank you! Unfortunately, not every lodge is participating and we need to fix this! The good news is that the Lodges that are participating really come through for which we are forever grateful! We will have just completed the Rocker fundraiser by the time you read this and with your help and support we can reach new heights in supporting our kids and seniors. Our Association members contributed \$6,915.25 for the October 2017 Cradle campaign.

In summary, we are making good progress with the help of some really great people! Communication continues to be a challenge as some lodges have full mailboxes and are not getting the latest information. Our administrative efforts include year-round promotion and development of fundraising efforts & activities to raise funds for Mooseheart, Moosehaven and to fund our Association's Appeals. But we could use your help in promoting all areas of Moose Charities by encouraging other moose members in your conversations. Together we will make a significant difference! Thank you for your dedication and if you have any questions or comments please let me know. Thank you for your awesome efforts in making our fraternal organization better!

Fraternally yours,

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