

MOOSE NEWS

A Publication of Port Charlotte Moose Lodge 2121



From the Lodge President

Happy May Everyone! Let me start off by congratulating our new board of officers for our next year, and yes you have me as President for one more year. I will do my best at keeping us one of the best lodges here in our district.

We have been making some much-needed upgrades to our sales equipment and to our Internet. We are also making some much-needed repairs throughout the lodge. Hope you have noticed. But what we all care about is good food, good entertainment, good-priced drinks, and some fun activities. We are striving to make you proud to call 2121 your lodge.

On May 10th, we will need some volunteers to help do a big clean-up at our lodge – we will start at 9 AM and should be done by noon. If you are available, your help would be greatly appreciated.

We have so many great volunteers who deserve recognition for all that they do. This month I would like to recognize **Sue Stang** as our Moose of the Month. Sue does so much behind the scenes of the lodge, and she deserves to be praised for it. Congratulations, Sue – keep up the good work.

And finally, let's all come together to help our lodge excel in the next year. "Less drama and more fun" would be a good motto for the summer. I look forward to seeing you all at the lodge – till then.....

Fraternally, Bill Harris,
President, Moose Lodge 2121

Senior Regent's Report



Hello, coworkers and moose members of Chapter 1619 and Lodge 2121! As we move into the new calendar year, I would like to say THANK YOU for electing me as your senior regent, and I appreciate your support of our endeavors via the WOTM and OneMoose.

Thank you to Joanne Dauer, Dawn Miller, and Desiree Durr for serving as our officers last year, and

thank you all for your commitment and dedication to our chapter! This month, my coworker is **Joanne Dauer**, who serves the Chapter as treasurer. The position of secretary is open, and if you would like to run for the position please fill out the posted form on the WOTM board in the Social Quarters due by May 9. Also, see Marguerite in the Social Quarters for tickets for our May fundraiser—a raffle basket

thoughtfully put together by Joanne Dauer. If you are willing to help with events, have ideas for fundraisers, and would like to attend our meetings. They are once a month in the ballroom, the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00 PM. Ladies of the Moose, we welcome you to join our chapter for \$15 annual dues. Applications are at the Social Quarters bar and with Marguerite.

"A mother's love endures through all." – Washington Irving. Happy blessed Mother's Day

Fraternally,
Senior Regent, Sharen Reardon

A graphic for Mother's Day Dinner. It features a pink heart with a white flower inside. The flower has a yellow center with a smiling face. Below the flower is a green leaf with a smaller smiling face. The text 'Ticket Sales End on May 7' is at the top right, 'MAY 11 4 - 8 PM' is in the middle right, and 'Mother's Day Dinner' is at the bottom.

Ticket Sales
End on
May 7

MAY 11
4 - 8 PM

Mother's Day Dinner



2025 Florida Moose Association Mid-Year Convention Delegate Report by Daniel Wheeler, VP Lodge #2121. The 64th Annual Florida Moose Association Mid Year Conference was held in Orlando at the Rosen Plaza Hotel between April 10 and 13, 2025. Read Brother Wheeler's comprehensive [summary here](https://portcharlottemoose.org/2025MidYearDelegateReport.pdf). <https://portcharlottemoose.org/2025MidYearDelegateReport.pdf>



Lodge Administrator's Report

Hello, and congratulations to the new Board of Officers. We welcome a new year with lots of plans for new activities and ideas for our Lodge, and we are hopeful to continue with a successful year.

Please make plans to attend our Mother's Day dinner on May 11 from 4 - 8 PM. We're serving your choice of a 14-ounce Porterhouse steak, 10-oz bone-in pork chop, or stuffed Cornish hen. All dinners are served with two sides. \$40 per couple, \$10 for appetizers.

TICKETS ONLY AVAILABLE UNTIL MAY 7!

Celebrate Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, here at the Moose 2121 Tiki hut, where we're having one of our famous cook-outs. The fun starts at noon, so come out and enjoy yourself.

In closing, I would like to thank all of our volunteers for their hard work and dedication to our wonderful Moose Lodge.

Fraternally, Danny Ulrich, Lodge Administrator

Beirut Peacekeepers Memorial Update

On March 16, Lodge 2121, led by longtime member Donnie Long, sponsored a remarkable outreach to contribute to the Beirut Peacekeepers Memorial Tower of Charlotte County. Over \$14,000 was raised for the Peacekeeper's Memorial!

The tower, at the William R. Gaines Jr. Veterans Memorial Park in Port Charlotte, symbolizes freedom and will be a place to memorialize the 241 U.S. Military veterans who served and lost their lives in Beirut on October 23, 1983.

Along with local politicians, the following organizations participated in the fundraiser, making it a resounding success: A.B.U.A.T., The DOGS, Blue Knights, Defenders, Bikers Reaching Out, AMVETS Riders 103, Patriot Riders of America, and the Charlotte County Children's Theater. The bugler playing Taps was Todd, accompanied by bagpipers from Guns and Hoses.

This was a great opportunity for the Moose to uphold the core values of the Heart of the Community program and demonstrate what the Moose Lodge represents. Thanks to all who took part in honoring our Valued Veterans.

Fraternally, Sharen Reardon, Senior Regent and Heart of the Community Chair

Moose Lodge Officers

President: William Harris III
Vice President: Sharen Reardon
Chaplain: Martin Fischer
Treasurer: Mark Hotlen
1-Year Trustee: Michael Zimmerman
2-Year Trustee: Ralph Busalacchi
3-Year Trustee: Pat Moran
Jr. Past President: Mike Counselman
Administrator: Dan Ulrich

Chapter Officers

Sr. Regent: Sharen Reardon
Treasurer: Joanne Dauer
Secretary: Diana Galiper

District 16 meets
at noon Saturday,
May 3 at Englewood
#1933



Moose General Meetings	WOTM meets	Moose Legion meets
Thursday, May 8, 2025	Wednesday, May 14, 2025	Wednesday, May 14, 2025
Thursday, May 22, 2025	Wednesday, June 11, 2025	Wednesday, June 11, 2025
7:00 PM	6:00 PM	6:00 PM

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Moose Legion Report

Hello all members of Moose 2121! On April 24 elections were held for the incoming board of officers. Please join me in congratulating all officers for the 2025-26 Moose fiscal year. I will continue as chairman of the Moose Legion.



Moose racing will continue on Saturdays with Krista and Doug (vice-chairman). Please come out and show your support. We have a Lodge Cleanup Day scheduled for May 10 at 9 AM. I'm asking for all who can volunteer an hour or two on this day at our Lodge. If you're interested contact me, President Bill Harris or Administrator "Bam-Bam" Ulrich for more information and so we can be ready for everyone who helps. Out in the Tiki the band stage was recently re-carpeted, a long overdue project.

Lodge Cleanup Day

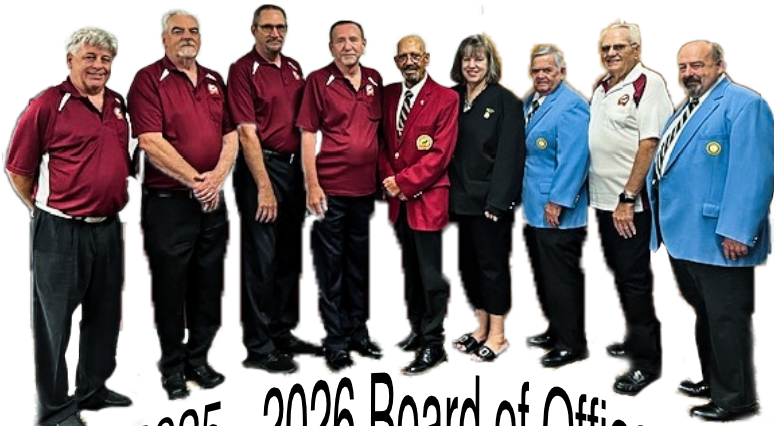
**Sat.
May 10
9 AM**



We will be having events during the summer for everyone to enjoy and have fun. Please plan to attend some of our functions so we may have more. It's the hot season now, so stay safe and hydrated.

Please keep Katy Nation in your thoughts and prayers for her speedy recovery. And, as always, do something nice everyday for others.

Fraternally, Juan (JR) Rodriguez
Moose Legion Chairman



2025 - 2026 Board of Officers

Congratulations to the newly elected Board of Officers of Port Charlotte Lodge #2121. The Officers took their oath of office in late April

left to right
Treasurer **Mark Hotlen**
Lodge Administrator **Dan Ulrich**
3-year Trustee **Pat Moran**
2-Year Trustee **Ralph Busalacchi**
Lodge President **Bill Harris**
Vice President **Sharen Reardon**
Jr Past President **Mike Counselman**
Sgt-at-Arms **Doug Aswege**
Chaplain **Martin Fischer**
not pictured 1-year Trustee Mike Zimmerman

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MONDAY, MAY 26
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