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## Moosehaven News Heart of the Community



Moosehaven will host the 13th Annual Halloween Trick or Treat event on our campus on Thursday, October 31st. If you would like to **volunteer or donate** in support this wonderful community event, please contact Susan Luke at 904-278-1210 or visit our website [www.moosehaven.org](http://www.moosehaven.org).



Our 10th Annual Moosehaven Chili Cook-Off is happening on Saturday, November 9th. We are calling ALL cook teams to help us raise money for K9S For Warriors, a wonderfully worthwhile organization! Visit our website for information and to register...hoping to see you then!

[Visit our Website](#)

## Upcoming Events

- Lunch & Tour of Sally Corporation
- Low Country Boil
- Steak Night at Lakeshore Lodge
- Lunch & Shopping in Argyle
- The Hall Closet Resale Shopping
- Bowling Banquet
- Golf at Bent Creek
- Friday Movie Matinees
- Dinner Dance at Mandarin Lodge
- Sock Hop at Lake City Lodge
- Shopping & Lunch in St. Augustine
- Dinner Theater
- District Meeting & Sports at Macclenney Lodge
- Fall Dance at Moosehaven
- Veterans Social
- Fried Chicken Night at Lakeshore Lodge
- Breakfast at Mandarin Lodge

[October Activities Calendar](#)

[Heart of the Community Events](#)





## **What Do You Know About Moosehaven?**

As a resident, a fraternal member or a staff member...what you know about Moosehaven and what you say about Moosehaven is vitally important to the message we communicate to visitors, our community and our fraternity.

Do you know that Moosehaven first opened in 1922 and has served retired Moose members for close to 100 years? This 65+ retirement community has served thousands of senior Moose members! Our residents enjoy a campus lifestyle that is active, engaging and anything but "retiring." Our Activities Programs are designed to keep everyone busy and involved, whether with on-campus events, hobbies and sports or with off-campus trips to shop, eat and visit with our fraternal family.

Do you know who lives at Moosehaven? Moosehaven currently has 302 residents enjoying their retirement dream. Of those residents, less than 36 live in our Skilled Nursing area. Moosehaven is not a nursing home; we are a retirement community. We have 122 men, 178 women and 49 couples taking advantage of their Moose member retirement benefit.

Do you know where the residents of Moosehaven come from? Not all residents who retire to Moosehaven are from Florida, in fact, 128 residents come from other states including Alaska! Illinois and Virginia are the two states with the next highest sponsor rate for our residents.

Do you know what services are offered at Moosehaven? We offer on-campus therapies including speech, occupational and physical therapies. This means our residents rehab at home rather than a facility in the community. Moosehaven offers pool exercises, chair exercises, a varied activities calendar and more! Be sure to visit our website to see our monthly calendar.

Do you know what amenities are offered at Moosehaven? Our campus has a indoor heated pool, a private 4-lane bowling alley, ceramics room, a woodshop, a gift/craft store, shuffleboard, billiards, electronic darts, a gym/fitness center... just to name a few.

Residents enjoy fun and social activities with fellow residents every day.

If you aren't spreading the word about this fraternal blessing we call Moosehaven, that you call HOME, then you should start. If you or someone you know deserves to retire to the most beautiful place on earth, encourage them to contact us. Let us welcome you and them home to Moosehaven, where every day is ***Another Day In Paradise!***

For more information, please visit our website [www.moosehaven.org](http://www.moosehaven.org).

**Marina Mathews**  
Director of Communications & Events

[Click Here to Visit our website](http://www.moosehaven.org)

## Look Who's Talking



**Just John**  
**John Capes, Executive Director**

*"The line it is drawn, The curse it is cast, The slow one now, Will later be fast, As the present now, Will later be past, The order is rapidly fadin', And the first one now will later be last, For the times they are a-changin'" "The Times They Are A-Changin'" Bob Dylan, circa 1963*

Change is hard and just as Dylan sang in 1963, *"The curse it is cast"* it is also inevitable. The nation is in the grips of change probably not been seen since the turbulent 60's. Recently, most of our state associations voted to admit women as full-fledged members of the Loyal Order of Moose. In at least one case, the vote was unanimously in favor of doing so. Oh, yes...the times they are a-changing'!

While there are still many important issues to be decided before this historic change can be fully implemented, I'm confident that, working together, the men and women of this fraternity will successfully resolve each and every one of them.

As important as this change is, it is only a first step in addressing the needs of the fraternity within the context of today's rapidly evolving society. For example: "Those people."

Have you ever heard someone describe a group with that sentiment? Maybe the words were spoken about someone who has a very different perspective on how things should be run in the lodge, the association or the fraternity overall. Perhaps you heard these words whispered (or yelled) about people who have a different ethnic background or sexual orientation. Or possibly a friend of yours said them while referring to a group of people who held different religious, political or parenting views than his own.

Regardless who spoke them or what group they were directed towards, it likely carried with it certain smugness. The type of self-importance that entitles someone to cross his arms, shake his head and look down in disdain upon others.

**“Those people”** men and women with different religious beliefs, sexual preferences and views of how the fraternity, and indeed the world, should be run, are already members of the fraternity. I know this because I’ve met them and talked with them and even signed a few of them up. They are here and we need them. We need their hands to help in our tasks, their minds to resolve the challenges we face and, frankly, their friends and families and the financial support they will bring.

Yes, they are with us. If we are to survive - no, make that if we are to thrive - we must begin to listen to, learn from and even connect with those who differ from us? We must choose to see **“those people”** as your brothers and sisters. How else will we build a bridge from where we are to where we can ultimately go, together?

Change is hard, but change is inevitable. Remember, “If you always do what you’ve always done, you will always get what you’ve always got.”

The times they are a-changin’.

For now, I am...

**Just John**



**Bill's Board**  
**Bill Tippins, Director of Operations**

An old joke asks the question, “How can you tell when a politician is lying?” and answers “His lips are moving and words are coming out.” You can easily change this joke by substituting another word for politician (lawyer, man, woman, boss, etc.) and thereby offend any number of people. Most people are deeply offended by being called a liar; ironically this includes people who are liars. Being the subject of lies (being lied about) is

not only offensive, but it can kill reputations and careers. Being lied to creates distrust, destroys respect and ruins relationships. If one browses the internet or watches the news one finds conflicting information about everything from diet and health to politics to global affairs and everything in between. One is forced to ask, "So who is lying?" Unfortunately it sometimes appears as if the answer is everybody. Well maybe that is a little cynical but it is hard to know who to trust.

Dawson McAllister posted an article on The Hope Line titled Eight Types of Lies that People Tell. Some of his article is quoted or paraphrased here:

**White Lies:** these are the lies that people tell to avoid conflict or to avoid hurting other people's feelings. Most people think they are harmless; however a pattern of white lies generates distrust and hurts relationships. Ex. "Oh I really enjoyed your singing" when in fact you think it sounded like cats crying out in pain. "I am fine, nothing is wrong" when you are actually in distress.

**Broken Promises:** Failure to do what you said you were going to do, misleading someone by offering something you are not really willing or able to give, and making a promise you know you will not keep are all examples of broken promises.

**The Lie of Fabrication:** Things that you just make up. Gossip is a good example of a fabrication used to hurt someone's reputation or standing.

**The Bold-Faced Lie:** Telling a lie when everyone knows what is being said is completely false but you continue with the lie. "No I didn't eat the cookies" with chocolate on your face. People resent this type of lie and feel the liar is belittling them.

**The Lying in Exaggeration:** Enhancing a truth by adding false facts; a mix of truth and untruth to make the liar look better. Sometimes the liar even loses track of what is true and what is exaggerated.

**Lies of Deception:** A deceiver tries to create an impression that causes others to be misled by not telling all the facts or creating a false impression. This can include omission of important information. We sometimes call this spinning the facts.

**Plagiarism:** Copying someone else's work and calling it your own. It is both lying and stealing.

**Compulsive Lying:** A person who is compelled to tell lies; they are unable to stop. They lie even when the truth would serve their purpose just as well. Sometimes their lies seem to serve no purpose at all and are unnecessary. They seem to believe their own lies and may not be able to tell the difference.

We all know people who tell each of these types of lies and some of us may have told these kinds of lies. However, lying has a long history of being held in extreme contempt. Biblically lying was/is included as a major sin. In Exodus 20:16 a prohibition against lying is listed in the Ten Commandments along with murder, blasphemy and adultery. Proverbs 6:16-19 includes lying in the six things the Lord hates. Revelations 21:8 lists all liars among those who will be damned. This type of condemnation is probably why we are so

offended by being called a liar.

If lying breaks relationships, destroys trust, harms others and has been compared with murder for over 2000 years why would anyone lie, much less allow a culture of lies be created? Liars believe they make themselves look better, they improve their opportunities, they harm those who oppose them, they reduce their own discomfort, they create personal gain or they just can't help it.

So what do we do about all this lying? We are exposed to so many lies we have become numb to it; we tolerate it instead of fighting against the liars. We have to find ways to value the truth and those who tell it. We have to shun the liar, not promote and support them, any of them; reduce the liar's ability to harm others and/or increase their personal gain. If we focus on trust and relationship building, the liar has no place there. It requires effort to restructure your personal behavior, your family culture and your community culture to promote caring, trust, respect and all the things that are incompatible with lies. So let's start at home by maintaining a culture of trust and respect with our fellow residents and staff here at Moosehaven.

**Bill's Board**



### **SIMPLY HELEN**

**Helen Taylor, Director of Resident Services, Chaplain**

#### **Why do you do what you do?**

*Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. Colossians 3:23*

Let's face it, what we do can be frustrating. We may not always feel appreciated and valued or you may even feel like you are not making much of a difference in doing what you do.

Put that thought to rest! We all know very well without someone doing what you do at your lodge, chapter, church, hospital or other volunteer programs, someone or something would suffer. The bible describes the church as "one body" all having different parts. I think of our fraternity in the same way. Therefore, there is no room for self-importance. *No matter how significant your part is it is only because of "what you are a part of."*

We are one body with many parts. We can't do everything, but we can do something. We are not good at everything, but we are good at something. We need each other! God has given each person abilities and gifts that are needed to complement one another. If everyone in your lodge, chapter, church, community, etc. looks the same or does the same thing, we'd be lacking in many areas.

Each part is significant! Break your toe and you will find it's a significant part of your body. How can a tiny little toe hurt so badly? Don't fool yourself into believing that anyone is more important than another – every person is needed.

The church in Colossia had a mixed group of members. Just like us, there must have been some complaining and quarrelling going on. Maybe one group was pointing out they shouldn't have to do a certain task or how much they are doing and how little someone else is doing. I don't know. But something prompted the Apostle Paul to remind them to ***work heartily because they are really working for the Lord.***

Think about the question I started with.....**Why do you do what you do?** Think of it on a Fraternity level. We don't have to be the Director General or the Grand Chancellor to be needed or valued. They are counting on us to do what we are doing and to do it whole heartily! If you are not doing anything, it's time you ask yourself why? Why am I not doing what I can do as a part of this fraternity? **Remember one body, many parts.**

I'd bet some of you have a reason, such as "they" never appreciated me, no one seemed to care and so forth. That is exactly why the Apostle Paul reminded the group they were working for the Lord and not for man. People will disappoint you! It may be as simple as they are busy doing what they are doing and may not notice what you are doing. Guess what? It doesn't matter!! Work whole heartily (put your heart into it) and remember why you do what you do!! We have a tremendous responsibility to our children and seniors – they are counting on you to do what you do, whole heartily. If you are not "doing," maybe it's time to start!

Don't get consumed by "lack of appreciation," cliques or whatever. You are not doing it for them, you are doing it for a common purpose! Don't lose your focus or passion of why you do what you do.....our children and seniors.

**"Whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well."**

*So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. Galatians 6:9*

Don't give up – don't grow weary – remember why you do what you do.

Simply Helen

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**Out And About on Campus**



Darlene Boyer, one of our Environmental Services staff members was selected as Crothall's **Gem of the Year** and was awarded a \$250 gift card.

Way to shine Darlene!!

Moosehaven is always proud of the unsung heroes on our campus including the environmental services staff, dining services staff, maintenance staff, security staff and all who are involved in our clinic and nursing areas-basically ALL of our staff-are appreciated for the work they do 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Moose Proud!

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Author Betty Rafter visited Moosehaven to host a reading of her book, *The Biggest Moonshiner*. Betty has two sisters, Moosehaven resident Mary Lou Kehle and Evileen, known as "Bright eyes" in the book. The character known as Buzz was based on Betty herself. Residents enjoyed the reading and visiting with all three sisters. Four copies of the book were donated to the Moosehaven library for all to enjoy!



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**Moosehaven Hosted the Clay County Veteran's Appreciation Event**

In this county, thirty thousand veterans do live  
so many sacrifices these men and women did give  
Our Centennial building balconies adorned in red white and blue  
to honor so many that are tried and true  
Honoring a one hundred year old WWII Marine  
so many battles in the South Pacific he had seen  
One hundred and sixty five booths and tables were setup  
letting all know where to get help so any burdens could ease-up  
Many of Moosehaven's eighty veterans made the rounds  
happy to greet so many fellow veterans on our grounds  
So many did not no Moosehaven even existed  
giving them Moose knowledge we happily assisted

Some talked to longtime Moose members who didn't have a clue  
of our campus it was the first time they had a view  
Some many need to spread the word  
it is time for all to increase the herd  
Moosehaven is truly the heart of our local communities  
guiding light for those seeking new opportunities

Our members can only fuel this beacon  
for without new life we will only weaken  
Bard of Moosehaven



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**RESIDENTS**

Maria Bailes	Lynda Daniels
Diane McMillian	Joe Noack
Mary Ellithorpe	Bobbie Godwin
James Reed	Thomas Reed
Tom Bachman	Richard Braun

**RESIDENT COUPLES**

Norm and Freda Vertigan  
Donald and Anita Gettings  
Jack and Louise Purtee  
Arthur and Lois Woodward

Donald Hahulski	Don Christen
Kathy Morris	Mary Lou Kehle
Dixie Banks	Susan Mix
Ellie Boisse	Mary Reed
Betty Paulsen	Laura Osborne
Mary Johnson	Louise Purtee
Ken Sanders	Dolores Belkot
Dolores Skelt	

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## Stand Up and Be Recognized!

- Teron Haywood 'T', Clinic Driver, is recognized for always going above and beyond. In the words of one resident, "He is awesome!"
  - Brenda Jewell, Health Care Activities Director, is recognized for her kindness and dedication to ensuring residents are kept active and engaged with the many wonderful activities she plans. In the words of one resident, "She is indeed a Jewel."
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