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MOOSEHEART Lodge No. 00

MOOSEHEART Lodge No. 00 operates by special charter from the Supreme Council, permitting it to collect dues of \$10.00 per year, but pay no sick or death benefits. By this means there is built a treasury for the purpose of doing things for Mooseheart that the Governors might feel were worthy improvements but which they would not want to spend the money of the Order in doing. Such things as the animal cages in the front park, the flood light upon the flag, the trophy which is given to the various teams representing the School,—these are some of the things that Mooseheart Lodge has been able to accomplish for Mooseheart.

While it is true that Lodge No. 00 may initiate anyone qualified into the Order, its dispensation also provides that it may take membership from other Lodges without affecting the standing of such a member in his old Lodge. The result is that many members of the Order desiring to assist Mooseheart in even a greater way than they may do through Moose and Legion membership, belong to Mooseheart Lodge No. 00, where they know that ten dollars a year of their money is all expended for the good of the Institution.

Nix-Nix was organized in 1913 and Rodney H. Brandon, Secretary to the Governors, was the first Dictator. The Lodge had a great deal to do with the organization of the Mooseheart Boys' Band and it took the first prize at the Milwaukee Convention. The business men of Batavia, Illinois, a nearby town, have been the backbone of the Mooseheart Lodge organization and Past Dictator Julius Morris, Dictator Robert C. Hollister, Trustee Arthur Barckley, Postmaster John Geiss, and others, have been the steadiest and hardest working members of the Lodge. Superintendent Adams of Mooseheart, was Dictator from April, 1917, to April, 1918, and was succeeded by Robert C. Hollister, the present Dictator, who is one of the leading business men of Batavia. Edward J. Hanke, the teacher of electrical work, has been the Secretary of the Lodge for the last two years. Argo M. Dill, Instructor in Printing, is Vice Dictator, and Charles LeRoy Edson, Editor of the Mooseheart Magazine, is Prelate. N. F. Reckard for the last two years bookkeeper for the Supreme Lodge, has been the Treasurer of Lodge No. 00 since its organization.