



**WISCONSIN MOOSE ASSOCIATION
81st ANNUAL MID-YEAR CONFERENCE
March 4 – March 8, 2026
Embassy Suites – Brookfield, WI**



**Official Visitor – Troy King
Assistant Director of Membership**

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

**9:00 AM – WOTM Treasurer Training – Cheryl Ripp
9:00 AM – Administrator-Accounting Course (AAC): Matt Boardman
6:00 PM - Executive Committee Meeting - President Kellee Chwala**

Thursday, March 5, 2026

**9:00 AM – Administrator-Accounting Course (AAC): Matt Boardman
9:00 AM - Money Management Course (MMC): Margie Marsden
9:00 AM – Moose Legion Education Conference (MLEC) Training – Mike Wixom
9:00 AM – WOTM 6 Hour Training – Karyn Johnson
12:30 PM – 5:00 PM – Registration
12:30 PM – 4:00 PM - Store
3:30 PM – Association Board Meeting - All elected officers & appointed chairman -
President Kellee Chwala, Presiding
4:15 PM – Past Presidents Meeting – Brad Boivin
5:30 PM – Cocktails
6:00 PM – Get Acquainted Dinner
7:00 PM – 12:00 AM Hospitality Room**

Friday, March 6, 2026

**8:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Registration
8:00 AM –Workshop I – Lodge Orientation - Mike Ryneerson - Everyone invited
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Heart of the Community Project – Elmbrook Church Food Pantry
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Store
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Display Area
9:00 AM – Opening General Session**

- Call to Order – President – Kellee Chwala**

Friday, March 6, 2024 (continued)

- Safety Briefing – Mike Rynearson
- Invocation – Chaplain – Tom Kronenburg
- Singing of The National Anthem
- Pledge of Allegiance – President – Kellee Chwala
- Welcome Remarks – President Kellee Chwala
- Recognition of First Time Attendees and Veterans – President Kellee Chwala
- Roll Call of Officers, Chairpersons, and Appointees – Matt Boardman
- Secretary Remarks – Matt Boardman
- Roll Call of Lodges, Chapters, and Moose Legions – District Presidents – John Springsteen / Jeff Kaebisch / Karyn Johnson
- Credentials Report – Gwen Ferguson
- Video – C.E.O. Scott Hart
- Introduction of Official Visitor – President – Kellee Chwala
Troy King - Assistant Director - Field Operations
- Moose Charities – A Visual Presentation – Cheryl Ripp
Moose Charities PowerPoint
Recognition of Members giving to Moose Charities Programs
- Heart of the Community – Jon Hill
Heart of the Community PowerPoint
- Video – Shawn Baile – Director of Moose Legion & Higher Degree
- Youth Awareness – Amy Boivin
- Instructions and Remarks – Secretary Matt Boardman
- Endowment Fund Collection

11:00 AM – Workshop II – Lodge - Chapter – Moose Legion – Mike Rynearson – [Everyone invited](#)

- Endowment Fund Collection

12:00 PM Lunch – Council of Higher Degree – Dennis Dost - [Everyone invited](#)

1:30 PM – **WOTM Session** – Chapter Meetings – Karyn Johnson

1:30 PM – **Moose Legion Workshop** – Nominations & Elections – Jeff Kaebisch

Friday, March 6, 2026 (continued)

3:00 PM – Workshop III – Heart of the Community - Mike Rynearson

Everyone invited

- Endowment Fund Collection

5:00 PM – 12:00 AM Hospitality Room

5:30 PM – Cocktails

6:00 PM - Fun night Dinner

7:30 PM - Fun Night – Patriotic Parade

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2026

8:00 AM - 3:00 PM – Registration

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Heart of the Community Project – Elmbrook Church Food Pantry

9:00 AM – 4:30 PM – Store

9:00 AM – 4:30 PM – Display Area

9:00 AM – Workshop IV – Fraternal Recognition Program – Mike Rynearson

Everyone invited

- Endowment Fund Collection

10:15 AM – Workshop V – Lodge Nomination and Elections – Mike Rynearson

Everyone invited

- Endowment Fund Collection

11:30 AM - Lunch – Valued Veterans – Lee Aanonsen - Everyone invited

1:00 PM - General Session II – President Kellee Chwala

- Safety Briefing – Mike Rynearson
- Roll call of Association Officers – Secretary Matt Boardman
- Roll Call of Lodges, Chapters, and Moose Legions – District Presidents – John Springsteen / Jeff Kaebisch / Karyn Johnson
- Video – Frank Voorhees - Director of Membership
- Membership – Now More Than Ever – Growing and Retaining Our Membership - Renee Lapoint
- Official Visitor Remarks – Troy King - Assistant Director - Field Operations
- Video - Executive Director Moosehaven Helen Taylor
- Moosehaven Update – Jeff & Diane Bonnin

Saturday, March 7, 2025 (continued)

- Video - Executive Director Mooseheart Gary Urwiler
- Mooseheart Update – Jeff & Diane Bonnin
- Training – Program Updates – Mike Wixom
 - Training PowerPoint
- RISK Management – Operating a Safe Lodge – Jim Konitzer
- Wisconsin Moose Association Sports Program Update – Debbie Guillaume
- Comments of Supreme Lodge Officers, Directors, Committee people
 - Remarks from Moose International Board – Vice Chairman Mark Penzkover
 - Remarks from Moosehaven Board – Member Karyn Johnson
 - Remarks from Mooseheart Board – Member Kellee Chwala
 - Remarks from Moose Legion Council – Member Steve Hennen
 - Remarks from Moose Legion Ambassador – Jeff Kaebisch
 - Remarks from Moose International Activities Committee Chair – Stephanie Aanonsen
 - Remarks from Moose International Credentials Chair– Tom Kronenburg
- Liaison Remarks – Territorial Manager - Mike Rynearson
- Final Remarks from Wisconsin Moose Association President – Kellee Chwala
- Final Credentials Reports – Gwen Ferguson
- Final Instructions and Remarks – Secretary Matt Boardman
- Endowment Fund Collection

4:00 PM – Practice – Academy of Friendship (In Store)

4:00 PM – 12:00 AM Hospitality Room

6:00 PM – Cocktails (Foyer)

6:30 PM – Mid-Year Conference Awards & Banquet – Jr Past President Margie Marsden
Banquet honoring Last Year's Lifetime Achievement winner Eugene Schindler

- Official Visitors – Troy King - Assistant Director - Field Operations - Closing comments
- Awards
- Presentation of the “Lifetime Achievement” winner
- Benediction – Tom Kronenburg
- Adjourn - Sine Die

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026

7:00 AM – Executive Committee

8:30 AM - Academy of Friendship Conferral – Cheryl Ripp

10:00 AM – Lodge Leadership – Mike Wixom

Have a safe and pleasant journey home. God willing, we will meet again at our 110th Annual Convention at the Holiday Inn, Stevens Point. September 10 - 13, 2026