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NEW WIAMA WEBSITE

WIAMA has a new website it can still be found by going to WIAMA.COM but it is now being hosted by Sportngin. Sportngin is used by many different hockey leagues and rinks around the nation. The updates on our old website were not very easy to do, the new website is much more user friendly. This should make it easier to update addresses, phone numbers, changes in management information at rinks, vendor information and it should make it easier to post pictures, minutes, newsletters, and questions on the website. There will no longer be locked portions of the website so you will not have to have a user name and password to get into things like the newsletter, minutes, or to see which rinks belong to WIAMA!! We hope you agree that this change is good!

SPRING CONFERENCE 2014

Planning is well underway for the 2014 WIAMA Spring Conference. It will be held once again at the Kalahari Resort and Conference Center in Wisconsin Dells, WI. The dates are April 23rd, 24th, and 25th. We will be following approximately the same format as we did last year, with golf being held on Wednesday, a Thursday morning session that will have association updates

from WAHA, USA Hockey, US Figure Skating and the WIAA. US Figure Skating again will present a figure skating track Thursday afternoon. We are encouraging all rinks to contact their nearest figure skating club to let them know about this opportunity.

If you have any ideas for topics that you would like to have covered at the conference please contact anyone of the WIAMA board members. Also, if you have the name of a person that you would like to see nominated for the WIAMA Lifetime Achievement Award please send that suggestion to the board.

Remember that we have our board of director's elections at the spring conference and we will be looking for 2 at large board members this is a commitment of 2 years. The at large board members help in the planning of the spring conference and fall fire up's, help with content for the WIAMA newsletter and website. As an at large board member you will be asked to attend approximately 4-6 meetings per year and be present for the fall fire up and spring conference's while you are on the board. Also elected at our spring conference is a 2nd Vice President. This is a commitment of 4 years; you begin as 2nd Vice President, and then become 1st Vice President, then President and finally Past President. Again you will be asked to

attend 4-6 meetings per year and will be in the leadership role for planning the Fall Fire Up the first year, Spring Conference the next 2 years and finally giving guidance and advice in your final year as Past President.

Where are meetings held? Typically we have been meeting in Wisconsin Dells at the hotel that we have booked for the spring conference, however as we approach the Fall Fire Up we have a planning meeting one month before the fire up at the facility where the fire up is held. On occasion if everyone is from the same area we will have a meeting at one of the board members rinks to save on travel.

We try not to have any meetings during the months of December, January or February if at all possible due to travel conditions and this is typically everyone's busiest time of the season at the rink.

What's in it for me? Well we promise that if you can stay around for lunch we will buy you that! You get to meet with the best group of guys and gals that you could ever want to deal with and get to know so many more people in the industry and make some great new friends!

WIAMA WANTS YOU!!



Calendar of Events

WIAMA Spring Conference – April 23-25, 2014 Kalahari Resort and Convention Center.

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WAHA, USA Hockey, NARCE, and
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