



Midwest Lama Association

2019 Winter Conference

Dedicated to Pat Zopfi
A Gathering of Lama Lovers
February 15 - 17, 2019

All conference paperwork must be received on or before January 25, 2019.

NO REFUNDS on cancellations after February 1, 2019!

FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Hello one and all...

As I am doing this I hope that each and every one of you are getting into the spirit of the season. And planning spending time with those that are so near and dear to us. With learning to live as an empty nester, I find this year a bit different as I reflect on how great the girls are doing in their lives, and the accomplishments that they have both seen. And having Kayline step back into the llama picture has been a joyous adventure. So we are excited for the new year at 3SF... So I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year. May 2019 be all you want it to be.

SO as the new year approaches, so does MWLA Winter Conference. I am really excited to see everyone and share the wonderful speakers we have coming. I took advice from several as to what they wanted and ran with it. As I have said in the past, this is your conference and I want to make sure that we have a program that fits your interests. This year with the loss of one of our long time members we are dedicating this years Conference to Pat Zopfi. As you know Pat and Floyd have been outstanding supporters of our Association and the MWLA Board felt it was fitting to dedicate the conference to her. We all will miss not seeing her infectious smile. Also keep in mind this year we will be electing a new Secretary and Treasurer. If interested in either of these positions, let one of the Board members know.

This year I am overly excited to announce that Justin Timm from Frog Pond Farms in Oregon, Carol Reigh from Buck Hollow Llamas, Inc. in Pennsylvania, coming to talk on some interesting subjects. Plus, we have Kelsee Robinson coming to assist with the Youth Program. She has some really exciting topics and activities planned to put a spark in our youth. As in the past we will be having some of our own members giving talks. Kristy Brown will be joining us, Katie Mazac, and Rick Carlson round out our line up speakers. Not all details are complete, so there may be additions by Conference time. So stay tuned...

As in the past we will have our silent and live auctions on Saturday for the adults and the youth will be earning llama bucks to use at their own auction. SO please remember to donate to the youth, and adult auctions.

We always have some great items. And could not do this part without your support.

MWLA MEMBERSHIP DUES

If you have overlooked paying your annual membership dues for 2018 or are new to MWLA, please include your dues payment with your conference registration form.

MWLA dues are \$25 yearly. Add your membership dues to the registration form. If you do not wish to join MWLA, non-member conference registrations are available, but will cost more per person than member conference registrations.

Each year we ask for donations for our live and silent fundraising auctions. These auctions help to defer some of the costs of hosting the conference, including the facility rental, fees for speakers, speaker travel expenses, and youth program supplies. The fees charged for conference attendance only covers the cost of the meals.

With your donations, we can continue to offer this conference and keep it exciting and fresh every year!

Thank you for your support!!

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Conference registration times:

Friday 4:00-9:00 PM & Saturday 7:30-8:30 AM.

You will receive a name tag at registration, (which reflects the name and farm name as they appear on your registration form), and your meal tickets. Please keep track of your meal tickets and bring them with you to each meal.

Hotel registration must be done at the main desk of the Stoney Creek Inn & Conference Center which is to your left as you enter the hotel's main entrance.

FARM/PRODUCT DISPLAYS

Farm Displays are a very important part of our conference. Display areas are available, but spaces are limited. Spaces will be assigned on a first come-first served basis.

Each 8' space will be provided a 24" X 6' table. These tables will not be covered or skirted, so please plan accordingly. There are also a limited number of spaces available with electricity, and those too will be assigned on a first come-first served basis. You may consider adding some lighting to your display. You **MUST** pay the conference registration fee to request a display area.

YOUTH LAMA



BUCKS

One of the highlights of the youth program is the youth auction. All day the MWLA youth answer questions, do good deeds, and compete to accumulate lama bucks.

They then use those bucks to purchase items donated to the youth auction. None of this would be possible without fabulous donations from our members.

Please consider bringing something for our youth auction!

Everyone greatly appreciates your donations!!



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HOTEL

The 2019 Annual Winter Conference of the Midwest Lama Association will be held at:

Stoney Creek Inn & Conference Center

3060 South Kinney Coulee Road

Onalaska, WI 54650

Telephone: 608-781-3060

Reservations: 800-659-2220 (Monday - Friday)

www.stoneycreekinn.com

The hotel has reserved a block of rooms on a first- come, first-served basis until January 15, 2019.

Be sure to state that you are with the **2019 Midwest Lama Association** when you make your reservations.

We have one great price of \$97 plus tax per night for deluxe king or deluxe double rooms if booked by January 15th.

Check-in is 3:00 PM and check-out is by 11:00 AM.



TRANSPORTATION

Traveling East via Interstate 90

- On Interstate 90, take Exit 5 (US Highway 16)
- Stay on the right side of the ramp
- Turn right onto US Highway 16
- Immediately get into the left lane
- Turn left at the first set of lights onto South Kinney Coulee Road (you will see a Kwik Trip Convenience Store at this intersection)
- Stoney Creek is located 2 blocks in, on the right

Traveling West via Interstate 90

- On Interstate 90, take Exit 5 (US Highway 16)
- Turn left onto US Highway 16
- Stay in the left lane
- Turn left at the second set of lights onto South Kinney Coulee Road (you will see a Kwik Trip Convenience Store at this intersection)
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Traveling South via US Hwy 53 or State Road 35

- Turn onto Interstate 90 East
- On Interstate 90, take Exit 5 (US Highway 16)
- Stay on the right side of the ramp
- Turn right onto US Highway 16
- Immediately get into the left lane
- Turn left at the first set of lights onto South Kinney Coulee Road (you will see a Kwik Trip Convenience Store at this intersection)
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Traveling North via State Road 35

- On State Road 35, turn right onto Losey Blvd
- Losey Blvd will turn into State Road 16
- Just past Valley View Mall, you will see a Kwik Trip Convenience Store. Turn right at this intersection (South Kinney Coulee Road)
- Stoney Creek is located 2 blocks in, on the right

ADULT CONFERENCE SCHEDULE 2019

FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 15

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| 4:00 PM | Registration Area Opens | Farm/Vendor Display Set-Up (Salon C) |
| 6:00 PM | Light Supper (Salon A) | |
| 7:00- ? | <i>Kristy Brown</i> | Farm fecal and other things you can do at your farm |
| 7:00 - ? | Whimsical Llama paint A –Long (salon B) | \$35.00 paid at door |

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 16

7:30 AM Registration Area Opens - Silent Auction Opens - Farm/Vendor Displays Open

8:00 - 8:30 AM Welcome & Opening Announcements (Salon A)

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| Session 1 | 8:30—10:30 AM Salon A | How to buy and sell at auctions, Marketing you farm and llama Justin Timm |
| Break | 10:30 - 10:45 AM | Visit the Farm Displays - Refreshments |
| Session 2 | 10:30 - 12:00 NOON Salon A | Running a successful 4H Program Rick Carlson |
| Lunch | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | Sandwich and Soup Lunch |

Afternoon Sessions start promptly at 1:00 PM!

ADULT CONFERENCE SCHEDULE 2018

Afternoon Sessions start promptly at 1:00 PM!

Choose from 1 of 2 options!

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| Session 3 | 1:00 - 2:00 PM Salon A | Data Base access UAP / CCC Kristy Brown |
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| Session 1 | 1:00 - 3:00 PM Salon B | Fiber Coop and Organizing a Sort Carol Reigh |
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| Guild | 1:00 - 3:00 PM Salon B | River Guild Spinning and Fiber gathering Danita Doerre |
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| Session 4 | 2:00 - 3:00 PM Salon A | Art Of Shearing Katie Mazac |
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| Break | 3:00 - 3:15 PM | Visit the Farm Displays - Refreshments |
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3:15 PM **Silent Auction Closes**

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| Session 5 | 3:15 - 4:15 PM Salon A | Herd Sire Selection and Promotion Tracking Pedigree to Predict Production Justin Timm |
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| Session 6 | 4:15 - 4:15 PM Salon A | Marketing and Selling Your Llama Carol Reigh |
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5:00 - 6:00 PM **Social Hour**

6:00 - 7:00 PM **Dinner Banquet** (Salon A & B) Pasta Bar – Marinara sauce, Alfredo sauce, Meatballs, chicken, bread sticks and salad

7:30 PM **Fund Raising Auction** (Salon A & B)

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 17

8:30 AM **MWLA Meeting** (Salon A & B)

Youth CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 15

6:00 PM Light Supper

7:00- ? Pool Party

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 16

8:00 - 8:30 AM **Welcome & Opening Announcements** (Salon A)

After announcements, youth will be directed to the Thomas G. Rowe Room—lower level

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|------------------|------------------|---|
| Session 1 | 8:30 - 9:00 AM | Decorate the Lama!!! All will do this and brought up stairs for public judging |
| Session 2 | 9:00 - 9:45 AM | Lama Photography Kristy Brown |
| Session 3 | 9:45 - 10:30 | Selecting a Lama and intro to Showmanship Kelsee Robinson |
| Break | 10:30 - 10:45 | Bring Decorate the lama sheets to registration table |
| Session 4 | 10:45 - 12:00 PM | Hands on with Kelsee and Kristy, crafts worksheets kelsee will be working hands on Showmanship Kristy will be working on hands on injections for your lama Lama fiber soap Cheryl Pflipsen's group |
| Lunch | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | Lunch break with adults |
| Session 5 | 1:00 - 2:15 PM | Tips tricks to training and navigating obstacles Kelsee Robinson |
| Session 6 | 2:15 - 3:00 PM | From a Judges Perspective Nick Hauptly |
| Auction | 3:00 - 4:45 PM | Youth Live Auction |

4:45PM—5:30 **Youth room clean up. This is time to earn bucks for adult auction items**

6:00 - 7:00 PM **Youth join Adult Dinner Banquet**

7:00—7:30 PM **Amazing lama race**

7:30 Attend adult live auction with parents or group



Midwest Lama Association

2019 Membership Form

Farm Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____ Cell Phone _____

Website _____ Email _____

Census Numbers: Llamas _____ Alpacas _____

Printed/Mailed Copy of Newsletter

Emailed Copy of Newsletter

Adults Members:

1. _____

2. _____

Youth Members:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Annual Dues \$25.00

Send Completed Forms with Payment to:

Tracey McGinnis
20185 Cinder Ave
Warrens, WI 54666

Total Enclosed = \$ _____
(Make Checks Payable to Midwest Lama Association)



Midwest Lama Conference

Conference Registration

Farm Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Adults Attending:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Youth Attending:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Adult Conference (Member) Includes presentations and all meals # _____ X \$60.00 = \$ _____

Adult Conference (Non-Member) Includes presentations and all meals # _____ X \$100.00 = \$ _____

Adult Conference Presentations Only (Member) No meals # _____ X \$40.00 = \$ _____

Adult Conference Presentations Only (Non-Member) No meals # _____ X \$80.00 = \$ _____

Friday Night Social Meal # _____ X \$10.00 = \$ _____

Saturday Lunch Buffet Meal # _____ X \$20.00 = \$ _____

Saturday Evening Banquet Buffet Meal # _____ X \$30.00 = \$ _____

Youth Conference Includes Fri, night, Sat lunch, crafts & presentations # _____ X \$25.00 = \$ _____

Youth Conference Cash Donation Help offset program cost \$ _____

Vendor/Display Space 24" X 6' table included, must pay a conference fee # _____ X \$20.00 = \$ _____

2019 Membership Dues Please include the completed membership form \$25.00 = \$ _____

Late Fee If postmarked after January 25, 2019 \$10.00 = \$ _____

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Due Postmarked by January 25, 2019