

WBMA NEWS

Wisconsin Building Movers Association Newsletter 2019-2021



Newsletter Catch-up Issue

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- Check out the Associations website at wisbma.org. Send photos and updates for it to wisbma@gmail.com.
- Like the associations Facebook page: [@wisbma](https://www.facebook.com/wisbma)
- Midstates House Movers Association Conventions were held March, 2019 and May, 2021
- WI DOT makes updates to permit process.

What would you like to see in the new WBMA newsletter? Let your WBMA board know!

It's been awhile since our first newsletter, but hopefully moving forward we will all be meeting again!

GET YOUR WBMA LOGO! The Association has a new logo and decals for movers. You can see it on this page! Each member receives one decal and additional cost \$11. These are high quality, fade resistant decals. Show off your WBMA membership and pride and put them on your trucks, trailers, and equipment! Contact Mike Peterson for your decal. Contact Cairie Virrueta for a jpg to use the logo on your website, email, and more.

PUT YOUR MOVES ON THE WBMA FACEBOOK PAGE! As many of our members know, social media is a great, free way to advertise their services. Share your moves with the WBMA Facebook page. It has many followers and can help you promote the moving industry and also the great work you do!

Wisconsin Building Movers Association is committed to ensuring its members are providing a safe and quality service to their customers while preserving Wisconsin's architectural heritage and protecting customer investments. The Association will accomplish this by offering an avenue whereby members can become more knowledgeable movers.

2019 Midstates Convention-Wausau

The Midstates House Movers Association held their annual convention in Wausau in March, 2019. The amenities at the hotel were a bit of a surprise for many and it definitely made it a convention to remember! The convention kicked off with demonstrations and a meal at Mike Peterson's yard. Mike even had a house set up to demonstrate moving with soap on the beams. A short video of the demonstration is on the WBMA Facebook page. Mike's warm and cozy shop was filled with attendees enjoying some Wisconsin brats! The convention had excellent seminars and interesting yard tours (including a tour of Wausau Homes). WBMA donated a basket of Wisconsin goodies for the banquet and WBMA members Ken Shanahan, Egge Movers, LLC was elected President, and Mel Virrueta, Badger Contracting Inc, was elected one of the Directors. The conference for the following year in Iowa was cancelled.



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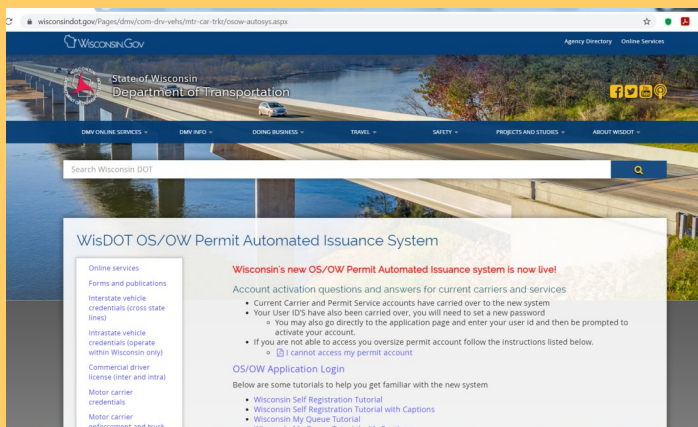
Midstates Convention in Minnesota

After cancelling the 2020 convention, the Midstates House Movers Association decided to have a one day conference at Jespen Inc's yard in Minneapolis on May 8, 2021. The convention was sponsored by Jepsen Inc and the Maguire Insurance Agency. After a business meeting, attendees were able to tour the large yard and displays. A banquet with a great slide show and awards presentation followed a delicious dinner of homemade barbecue ribs—probably the best dinner ever served at a convention! WBMA members Ken Shanahan (President) and Mel Virrueta (Director) continue to serve on the Board.



WI DOT Updates Permit Process

Recently the state made changes to the permitting process for moving on state roads. If you apply for a permit via their website (rather than using a third party), you will notice the changes. Your user name and password from the old website will no longer work and you will need to set-up a new account that needs to be approved by the state. There are tutorial sections on the new website that can assist with using the site. And now when you need your yearly inspection completed instead



of having to have an active permit on hand (which generally meant you had to renew it after the inspection was completed, since they are only good for 5 days), the application is approved after the inspection. There have also been some changes to dates and times for moving, which may reflect the local DOT office recommendations. For State Patrol escorts, a form is now completed by the moving company to be emailed to the appropriate State Patrol office. Find the new OS/OW permit website at: <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/dmv/com-drv-vehs/mtr-car-trkr/osow-autosys.aspx>.

