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Please email updates and events your Chapter and Unit have so that I can share with the Department.

I hope to hear from every Chapter and Unit quarterly.

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When possible, send all your updates, suggestions and corrections in Word or PDF format and pictures in JPG.

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Meetings, Dates, Times, & Locations

### **Winnebago land MOPH 162 and MOPHA Unit 162.**

Meeting in Oshkosh 11:00 first Saturday of Feb, Apr., Jun., Aug., Oct., Dec.

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### **Milwaukee County MOPH Chapter 818 Milwaukee**

Now combined with 228

### **RESIGNATION OF BARB CHERONE**

Thank you to all the lovely members who attended the 2025 Department of Wisconsin and voted me overwhelmingly into office. We saw some members who we haven't seen in a couple of decades at our convention. It was especially nice to have those members in attendance.

Unfortunately, I am resigning as the MOPHA President of Wisconsin for personal circumstances beyond my control currently. Most of these unforeseen circumstances need my immediate attention. I feel terrible about letting you all down. I am sure that you all have experienced times in your life when too many things are going on at the same time. I don't want to put my name

on something that I haven't given it my best. I am asking for your understanding. Keep up your good work helping veterans in need. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Fall Meeting.  
Barb Cherone.

### **RESIGNATION OF MIKA DASEKE**

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May I volunteered to be the Secretary and Treasurer of the MOPHA Department of Wisconsin. Since no others stepped up, I volunteered.

Since the convention I have sent numerous emails, and a few phone calls as to my position and responsibilities to the outgoing Officer but received nothing back.

At this point we are more than 10 days after the convention, and I still know nothing about my duties. In fact, I am not sure if I hold any of the positions because of the negative messaging circulating.

Considering the above stated conditions, I submit the following:

If, in fact, I am the incoming Secretary I withdraw my name from consideration and if appointed, resign from the position.

If, in fact, I am the incoming Treasurer I withdraw my name from consideration and if elected, resign from the position.

With respect, Mika A. Daseke

### **DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN CONVENTION**

The Department of Wisconsin annual meeting was held 3 May 2025 at the Oneida Hotel in Green Bay.

Attendance was down slightly but well covered. Everyone liked the food.

Karen Blashka hosted the Bingo games in the hospitality room. When Karen is the hostess, everyone always has a great time. Thanks Karen.

### **FALL MEETING**

The fall meeting will be held on October 18<sup>th</sup> at the VFW in Waupaca. Yes, it is a little later this year due to conflicting schedules.

### **DEDICATION OF HWY 21 WINNEBAGO COUNTY**

The installation of signs showing that Wisconsin Highway 21 in Winnebago County is a Purple Heart Road will take place on the corner of Hwy 21 and Oakwood Drive (road?) at 13:00 on June 7<sup>th</sup>. Please we need a good showing of members.