

WFA Winter Meet Sun Prairie Wisconsin-February 3, 4, 5, 2012
McGovern's Motel, 820 W. Main St., Sun Prairie, WI
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Our Annual meet will be held in Sun Prairie, WI, at McGovern's Motel. Last years meet was moved up a week earlier and we had great response and turnout, so we are going to do the same this year so as to not interfere with Valentines Day. We are again going to have a workshop format Sat. a.m. right after registration instead of a flight demo. NR 18 is going for public comment soon, so Chip will open a short discussion period about NR 18 to start the workshop. David Zilker will be showing us how to make parachute cord jesses again for those of you that missed it a few years ago or have never seen it done. I will be showing a new pattern(to me at least) of making removable bracelets and fixing a bent tail feather with a guitar string again. Phil Yurtis will enlighten us with how he attached a backpack camera on his falcon and view some video of her flying. If anyone else would like to contribute a craft or skill that would be much welcomed. Registration will be from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m in the lower level of McGoverns, the workshops will be over at the Masonic hall at 8:45. You can register again in the evening if you can't be there in the morning.

We are going to have a Spaghetti dinner over at the Masonic Hall from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Saturday night before the presentation, prepared by the lovely chefs- Dianne Moller and Laura Yurtis. It was a big success last year so we are doing it again. This is an effort to make it easier for everyone to get supper before the presentation, chat a while about the days hunting with each other and be at the presentation without any trouble. The dinner is included with your registration as well as a meet T-shirt.

For the evening program Mr. Frank Taylor will be our speaker. Frank is a walking encyclopedia of falconry knowledge and has enlightened us before with his trapping talk and his Art History in falconry presentation many years ago. This time Frank will show us a presentation of two trips he took with Dr. Redig to the Middle East to perform surgery on a member of Arab Royalty's prized falcon. While there, Frank was a sponge, soaking up knowledge of Middle East falconry. Not many people get to rub elbows with falconers of Arab Royalty and get insight that most of us will never have the opportunity to get. He has some wonderful video and great stories with personal insight of how their falconry *might* be a little different than ours. Franks talk will go for about 40 min. with the raffle immediately following. Speaking of the Raffle, you know the story. Knock on doors or create something yourself to bring, this is our big fundraiser and you always come through with great stuff.

We will also have our WFA apparel available for purchase. Lightweight coats, Denim shirts, (**NEW**)Baseball caps, T-s, knit caps, (**NEW**)Hooded Sweatshirts and Heavy weight coats.

Hope to see you all there.
Steve Kaufer

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