



March 1st, 2026, One Hundred and Thirty-Ninth Edition

President's Note

Hello Chapter 33 Members,

I want to start by thanking everyone who came out to our last meeting with Kamden Glade from the MN DNR. Your participation and enthusiasm are what keep this chapter strong. It's always great to see familiar faces and welcome new ones, and I appreciate the time you take to stay involved and connected.

As we look ahead, I want to remind everyone that our annual Sportsman's Banquet is coming up on March 14th. This event is one of the highlights of our year — a chance to celebrate our chapter, support our conservation efforts, and enjoy a great night with fellow anglers and friends. If you haven't already, mark your calendar and help spread the word. The banquet is not only a fundraiser but a gathering that strengthens the community we've built together.

Thank you again for your continued dedication to our chapter and to the muskies we all care so deeply about. I'm looking forward to seeing you at the banquet and out on the water as the season approaches

As a reminder, our next meeting will be on March 10th at The Grand View Grill & Bar, Duluth, MN:

- Board Meeting – 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM (all are welcome).
- General Meeting – Dan Wilfond – See Save the Date below

Sincerely,

Joe Grupa

President - Lake Superior Muskies Inc. Chapter 33



Standings as of December 21, 2025

Men's Master Division

Robert Busche	20 Fish	207 Points	Avg. Length	36.15	Largest	50.50
Carl Peterson	12 Fish	138 Points	Avg. Length	37.33	Largest	45.00
Robert Himango	1 Fish	23 Points	Avg. Length	49.50	Largest	49.50

Men's Division

Cade Busche	42 Fish	389 Points	Avg. Length	35.16	Largest	47.00
Jason Kahler	29 Fish	312 Points	Avg. Length	36.64	Largest	51.75
Joe Grupa	12 Fish	203 Points	Avg. Length	42.87	Largest	50.50
Joshua Monge	9 Fish	132 Points	Avg. Length	40.53	Largest	50.25
Danial Freeman	7 Fish	124 Points	Avg. Length	43.71	Largest	52.00
Peter Krause	5 Fish	51 Points	Avg. Length	36.05	Largest	43.75
Mike Tafs	3 Fish	48 Points	Avg. Length	41.67	Largest	44.50
John Nordberg	3 Fish	48 Points	Avg. Length	41.83	Largest	44.00
IanVeiham	3 Fish	39 Points	Avg. Length	38.67	Largest	46.50
Joey Johnson	2 Fish	35 Points	Avg. Length	43.50	Largest	43.50
Ian Johnson	2 Fish	30 Points	Avg. Length	41.00	Largest	45.00
Rickey Havron	1 Fish	22 Points	Avg. Length	47.75	Largest	47.75
Pat Greene	2 Fish	11 Points	Avg. Length	31.50	Largest	32.00
Austin Hoidt	1 Fish	11 points	Avg. Length	37.00	Largest	37.00
Jim Carnes	1 Fish	10 points	Avg. Length	35.50	Largest	35.50

Women's Division

Amanda Monge	7 Fish	80 Points	Avg. Length	37.36	Largest	44.50
Kaala Veihaman	1 Fish	7 Points	Avg. Length	33.00	Largest	33.00

Juniors Division

Gabe Wefelmeyer	1 Fish	13 Points	Avg. Length	39.00	Largest	39.00
Gavin Krause	1 Fish	11 Points	Avg. Length	36.50	Largest	36.50

Lunker of the Month

(May)	Joe Grupa	44.00
(June)	Daniel Freeman	52.00
(July)	Robert Busche	50.50
(August)	Rickey Havron	47.75
(September)	Jason Kahler	50.50
(October)	Joshua Monge	50.25
(November)	Joe Grupa	43.25

SAVE THE DATE!

Lake Superior Muskies Inc

Announcing our March 10th, 2026 speaker!

Board meeting 6:00 pm
General meeting 7:00 pm

Grandview Bar & Grill
2820 Midway Rd Duluth, MN 55810



Dan Wilfond- MN DNR

SAVE THE DATE!

30TH ANNUAL LAKE SUPERIOR CHAPTER 33



SPORTSMAN'S BANQUET



Feel free to join us!

Proctor Moose Lodge #1302, 415 3rd Ave, Proctor, MN

March 14, 2026(5PM)

Social Hour 5 to 6:30

Meal: 6:30 to 7:00

Awards & Drawings: Start approx. 7:00

Over \$5,000.00 in prizes

Here is just a small list:

Resort Stays, Gear, Quilt, Rod Packages,-Muskie, Walleye, etc.

Proceeds go to:

FISHERIES – Muskies, Inc. works to conserve, protect and restore North America's Muskie Fisheries. Areas of concern include habitat preservation, water quality, water management policies, and the development/maintaining of self-sustaining fish populations.

RESEARCH – Muskies, Inc. continues to seek out Elevate and Fund Research for local projects and activities that involve improving Muskie fisheries.

YOUTH – Muskies, Inc. provides guidelines and suggestions for quality programs and activities to educate our young members and, where possible, youth in general to ensure the future of the fishery.

Register online at www.Lakesuperiormuskies.com

For more info contact Curt at 218-390-8888 or Terry at 218-391-2655

Registration Link:

[Chapter 33 Banquet](#)

2026 Lake Superior Chapter: Upcoming Events

General meetings take place on the second Tuesday of each month from October through May at the Grand View Grill & Bar, located at 2820 Midway Road, Duluth, MN 55810. Board meetings begin at 6:00 pm, followed by the general meeting at 7:00 pm. All board and general meetings are open to both members and the public.

March

- Mar 10 — General Meeting • *Dan Wilfond - Minnesota DNR Fisheries*
- Mar 14 — 29th Annual Sportsman's Banquet

April

- Apr 14 — General Meeting • *Keegan McIntosh — "Tactics for Pressured Waters"*

May

- May 12 — General Meeting • *Cade Busche — "Fishing the St. Louis River"*
- May 23 — St. Louis River Muskie Opener

June

- June 6 — MN Muskie Opener — Inland Waters

July

- July 31 — Youth Fishing Day — Hi-Banks on Fish Lake

September

- Sep 19 — St. Louis River Shoot Out Tournament

MEMBERSHIP

To renew your membership or become a first-time member, either:

- 1). Fill out the online form found here (<https://muskiesinc.org/public/miWjoin1>) - be sure to select **Chapter 33**, or

Example of online form below:

Check If Ever A Member Before

<p>First Name First Name</p> <p>Address Address</p> <p>Select State Select State</p> <p>Email Email</p> <p>Sponsor Full Name of Sponsoring Member</p> <p>Birth Date mm/dd/yyyy</p> <p>Gender --</p>	<p>Last Name Last Name</p> <p>City City</p> <p>Zip Zip Code</p> <p>Select a Chapter 33 - Lake Superior</p> <p>Home Phone Home Phone</p> <p>How Found Select Found</p>
<p>Mobile Phone Mobile Phone</p> <p>Volunteer/Partner With Us Select</p>	

Membership Types

Auto Renew for PayPal Members only

Individual --	Family --	Web Only --	Junior --	Military --
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- 2). Print and complete the form below and mail to the listed address – be sure to indicate **Chapter 33** for the Chapter Affiliation Choice number

**Join Muskies, Inc.
or give a membership
as a gift.**

Regular Membership:
Family Membership:
Junior Membership:
(Under 18)

1 Year-\$45.00* 2 Years-\$75.00 3 Years-\$105.00
 1 Year-\$57.50* 2 Years-\$100.00 3 Years-\$142.50
 \$30.00* Military Membership: \$35.00* For Donation \$ _____

RENEW ONLINE NOW! WWW.MUSKIESINC.ORG

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City & State _____ Zip _____

Chapter Affiliation Choice Number _____ D.O.B. (required) ____-____-____
(to find the number of the Chapter you wish to join, see the Chapter News & Views section)

Old Address (for address change only) _____

City & State _____ Zip _____

My Membership # _____ Expiration Date _____

Check One: New Member Renewal Address Change Gift

Email (required) _____

Payment: Check or Credit Card: VISA MasterCard

Card # _____ Exp. Date ____ / ____

**All addresses OUTSIDE THE U.S. are defaulted to website only membership and pay by credit card. *No checks from outside the U.S. will be accepted.*

Name of Spouse _____ D.O.B. ____-____-____

Junior Member(s) _____ Date of Birth (DOB) _____

Name _____ DOB _____

Name _____ DOB _____

Name _____ DOB _____

How did you hear about us : _____

MAIL TO: MUSKIES, INC.

PO BOX 1509

WAUKESHA, WI 53187-1509

1-888-710-8286

Signature _____

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