

2018 Summer Gathering & Board of Directors' Meeting

August 10 & 11, 2018—Hosted by Wes Libbey Northern Lakes Chapter

Friday, August 10

Social time with drinks and pizza from 7:00 - 9:30 PM at **The Dutch Room, 702 NW 4th Street, Grand Rapids, MN 55744** (right on Highway 2). Drinks must be purchased by attendees on site. Pizza will be paid with registration for Friday.

Saturday, August 11

All activities will be held at the **Marcell Experimental Forest Field Laboratory, 43122 Wilderness Trail, Bovey, MN 55709**. GPS coordinates are N 47 degrees 30.167 minutes, W 93 degrees 28.967 minutes.

8:00 - 9:00 AM – Breakfast/Registration

Coffee, fruit, and sweet rolls will be provided.

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM – Board of Directors meeting.

12:00 -1:00 PM – Lunch

Box lunch and beverages will be provided for those who have pre-registered. *Please see registration form.*

1:00 - 2:00 PM – Overview of Marcell, Peatlands, Mercury Studies and the Spruce-Peatland Responses Under Climatic and Environmental Change (SPRUCE).

2:00-2:45 PM – Visit Experimental Watershed and site of Mercury Cycling Studies.

2:45-3:30 PM – Visit SPRUCE

3:30-4:00 PM – Core a peatland, talk about peat soils

Program concludes at 4:00 PM

Other Area attractions

Lost Forty: An old growth pine stand about 50 miles from Grand Rapids in northwestern Itasca County.

Mud-Goose Wildlife Management Area 25 miles west of Grand Rapids.

Forest History Center: A 1900 era re-constructed logging camp and interpretive center in Grand Rapids.

Judy Garland Museum in Grand Rapids.

Mesabi Bike trail: A surfaced bike trail from the Grand Rapids Fairgrounds to Ely.

More information available at visitgrandrapids.com

Accommodations

Hotels: AmericInn: 800-634-3444 or 218-326-8999;

Country Inn: 800-456-4000 or 218-327-4960; Super 8: 218-327-1108 and many others can be found by searching the internet.

Campgrounds in area: Schoolcraft State Park and Scenic State Park are in area; US Forest Service has rustic campgrounds nearby at North Star Lake and Clubhouse Lake; Army Corp of Engineers has a very nice, small, fully developed campground at Pokegama Dam just west of Grand Rapids. There is also a nice campground among large red and white pine at the Itasca County Fairgrounds in Grand Rapids. It has electric hook-ups running water and an RV dump station. It can be busy on weekends during large events.

Registration Form - Summer Gathering/Board of Directors' Meeting

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____

ST _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

Meals included with registration Friday - pizza; Saturday - Continental breakfast and a choice of box lunch with registration (see below). Beverages at afternoon break.

\$26 per person (Friday & Saturday)

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\$20 per person (Saturday only)

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Please circle your choice of box lunch with registration:

Ham Italian Roast Beef Tuna Salad Turkey
Veggie I have dietary restrictions, please contact me.

Please send completed registrations and payment to:

Minnesota Division IWLA, 2233 University Avenue West, Ste. 339, Saint Paul, MN 55114.

Online registration and more information is available at minnesotaiques.org. Click on the Events link.

Questions/Late RSVP or reservation? Call 651-221-0215 or email ikes@minnesotaiques.org. Thank You!

USDA Forest Service, c/o Marcell
Experimental Forest, 1831 Highway 169
East, Grand Rapids, Minnesota 55744
(218) 326-7100; FAX (218) 326-7123.

Directions from Grand Rapids MN

On Highway

Take MN 38 North for 5.6 mi, turn right on CR 49 for 8.2 mi, turn left on CR 49 for 5.7 mi.

Off Highway

Turn right on Forestry Road for 1.1 mi, turn right on Wilderness Trail for 0.7 mi, turn right into the parking lot of the Marcell Research Center.



Restaurants: restaurantdb.net

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Lodging

AmericInn Motel
1812 S. Pokegama Ave. 218-326-8999
Grand Rapids, MN 55744 888-950-8999
americinnmotel.com/grandrapidsmn

Budget Host Inn
311 East Highway 2 218-326-3450
Grand Rapids, MN 55744 800-283-4678
budgethostinn.com/grandrapidsmn

Country Inns & Suites
2601 South Highway 169 218-327-4960
Grand Rapids, MN 55744 800-596-2375
countryinns.com/grandrapidsmn

Forest Lake Motel
1215 NW 4th St.
Grand Rapids, MN 55744 218-326-6609
forestlakemotel.biz

Itasca Motel
610 Pokegama Ave. South
Grand Rapids, MN 55744 218-326-3489
itascamotel.com 800-842-7733

Morning Glory Bed & Breakfast
726 NW 2nd Ave.
Grand Rapids, MN 55744 218-326-3978
morninggloryb&b.com 866-926-3978

Sawmill Inn
Highway 169 South
2301 S. Pokegama Ave.
Grand Rapids, MN 55744 218-326-8501
sawmillinn.com 800-235-6455

Super 8 Motel
1702 S. Pokegama Ave.
Jct Hwy 169 S. & Airport Rd.
Grand Rapids, MN 55744 218-327-1108
super8motel.com 800-800-8000

The Lakes Inn
1300 E. Highway 169
Grand Rapids, MN 55744 218-326-9655
thelakesinn.com

Timberlake Lodge
144 SE 17th Street 218-326-2600
Grand Rapids, MN 55744 866-800-2200
timberlakelodgehotel.com

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Northern Research Station at the



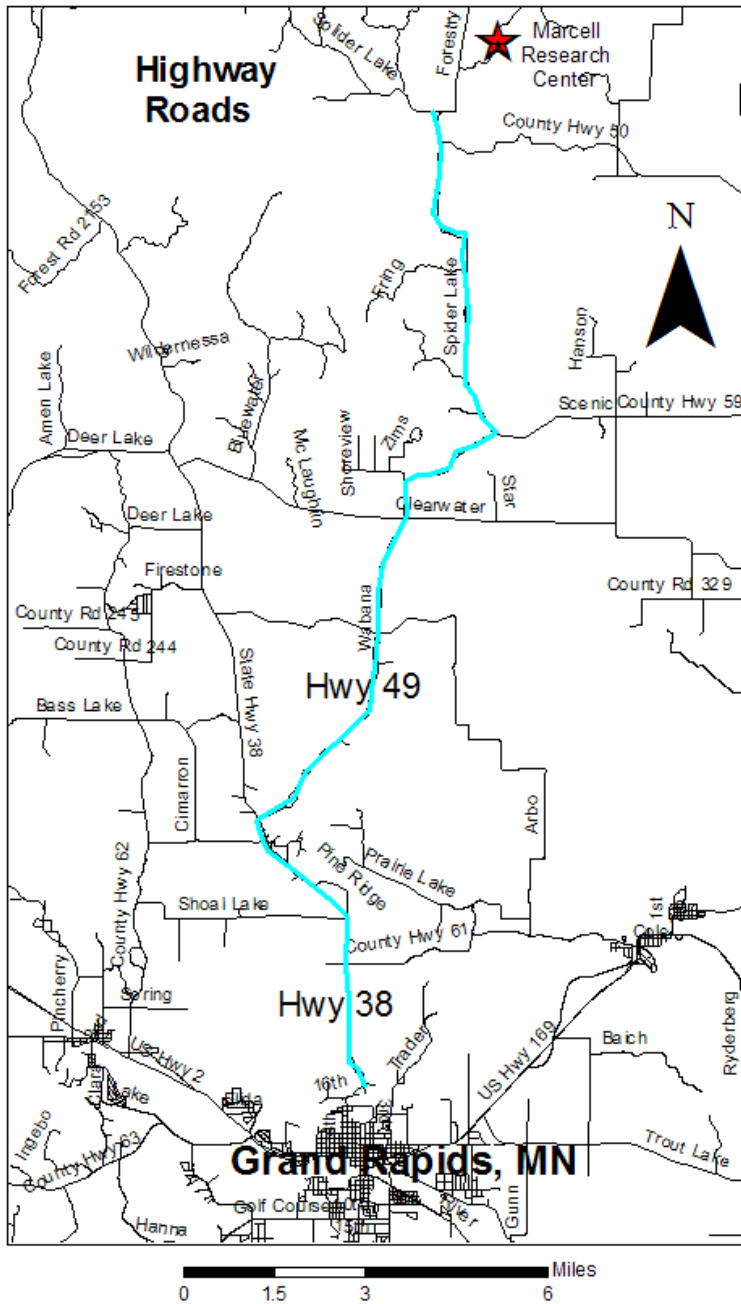
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Map to the Dutch Room in Grand Rapids

