

11th ANNUAL
League of Minnesota Poets
BLIZZARD WRITER'S POETRY RETREAT

WHEN: 4th weekend of January. Come Thursday, January 28th late afternoon or night through Sunday, January 31st, 2010
(Or who knows how long if we get snowed in!)

WHERE: At the home of Sue Chambers, located in the country on 10 wooded acres next to the Big Cobb River, 10 miles south of Mankato, Minnesota. There are many bedrooms in the main house, additional if needed in garage apartment. There are fireplaces to curl up in front of, a full library so we can consult the authorities, and good places to hike, ski or skate.

Directions:

If heading south on Highway 22 out of Mankato:

Take Highway 22 approximately 7 or 8 miles south. You are looking for County Road 16. (A little white church is on the right side about a half-mile before the turn.) ** Turn west (right) onto County Road 16. It is also called 169th Street. Continue, to the second gravel road on your left—574th Avenue. The gravel road is a t-intersection, you cannot turn right. Turn south (left) onto 574th Avenue, follow it for about 2/3rd's of a mile to 166th Lane. Turn right onto 166th Lane. You will note a "dead end" sign. We are the first house on the right, look for the large garage and house, brown in color. (The dogs are friendly!) If you go down the hill on the minimum maintenance road, you have gone too far.

If heading south on County Road 16 out of Mankato:

You will go over two rivers, the LeSeuer and the Big Cobb Rivers. This is approximately 7-8 miles. Continue on Co. 16 until County 16 is called "169th Street" (it changes depending what direction the road is going. You want to turn right onto 574th Avenue. The gravel road is a t-intersection, you cannot turn left. Turn south (right) onto 574th Avenue, follow it for about 2/3rd's of a mile to 166th Lane. Turn right onto 166th Lane.

If coming from Mapleton:

Head north on Highway 22, approximately 6 miles, through Beauford, to County Road 16. Turn west (left) on County Road 16 and follow the directions from above.

WHO: You! This retreat is for all who are interested in poetry.

WHAT IS REQUIRED: Bring a poetry program that is at least half an hour in length and some food to share. The program can be anything that tickles your fancy--, physical activity that will stimulate writing; a writing workshop; a favorite author; a new form; a lecture; a special taped program that you want to lead a discussion on...the possibilities are endless. Joint programs are also permissible.

Not required, but you might also want to bring hiking boots, cross-country skis, skates, a sled. **Please notify Sue Chambers at least 3 weeks in advance so that food selections can be coordinated.**

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