

33rd ANNUAL LOMP

“We are back!”

WOODTICK POETRY RETREAT WEEKEND

Cabin on Horseshoe Lake, 13362 SW Horseshoe Lake Road
Merrifield, Minnesota

Thursday, July 15th through Sunday July 18, 2021

Come back to the cabin and celebrate live poetry! Space is limited to allow for distancing. ***EVERYONE IS REQUIRED TO SHOW YOU HAVE BEEN VACINATED FOR COVID*** more than two weeks prior to the retreat. Camping out on the property is a possibility. There are motels within 10 minutes if you prefer your own room.

Each poet should bring food and at least a thirty minute program. (Keep this a secret, you don't have to tell Sue what you are doing.) This can be a writing workshop, talk on writing forms, a reading from a famous poet. Let your imagination run wild! Be sure and bring your own poems for many sessions of “read-arounds”.

Casual dress, you may be asked to deliver your program in the woods or on the beach. Bring a swimsuit and long sleeves to fight off mosquitoes in the evening. Rooms are limited, there will be no sharing of beds unless mutually agreed to. There are a number of stairs in and around the cabin. You do not need to bring linens or towels. Everyone pitches in with the cleanup.

Please let me know arrival plans and what you want to bring for your food so I can coordinate rooms and food, the earlier the better! Most participants arrive sometime on Thursday afternoon or early Friday. We ask local poets to come and go each day.

RSVP on or before July 9, 2021, to Sue Chambers: 507-387-8154 cell 507-420-4031 schambersmediator@yahoo.com

DIRECTIONS

From Brainerd, Minnesota. If you have come from Little Falls, follow Highway 371 to Hwy 210. Turn right (east) and take Hwy 210 until you meet the intersection of Hwy 25. There will be a mall on your left side. Turn left (north) on Hwy 25, follow this road approximately 8 miles to Merrifield. Go through Merrifield, where the road changes to Co. Rd. 3. Just outside of Merrifield take a right, on Co. Rd 3 (the old “Y” intersection). Follow Co. Rd. 3 for approximately 7 miles (through Ossippe Corners). The speed limit reduces to 45, look for “Jim’s Campers” on the right side of the highway; turn right onto the blacktop road named “Mission Park Drive” right after that. If you pass the Mission Township Hall or Mission Bar & Grill, you have gone too far. Follow Mission Park Drive to Oak Spur, turn left. Follow Oak Spur to the stop sign; make a sharp right on Horseshoe Lake Drive. The Stevens Cabin is the first left driveway after the turn. There is a “Daughters of MURRY & BARBARA STEVENS” sign out front.