

August 29, 2017

Dear St. David's Camper,

Such a deal! CSB's next outing is a fall extravaganza. We are going canoeing on the south branch of the Au Sable River (near Roscommon), on the weekend of September 15-17. This route will allow us to canoe approximately 5 hours through a near wilderness area and end up near our campground in a National Forest. Much of our route passes through the Mason Tract, which is a forest with no buildings or other development. No canoeing experience is required - just a sense of adventure. The trip has been scheduled for mid September, so the weather should be warm and sunny, with cool nights. The decision to join your friends on this adventure needs to be made by Wednesday, September 13th.

The following summary provides key information needed for the trip:

- 1) Depart/Return
 - a) Leave St. David's at 6 PM Friday night, 9/15
 - b) Return home between 4 and 5 PM on Sunday, 9/17
- 2) Food
 - a) Food will be provided from Saturday morning thru Sunday breakfast
 - b) Friday dinner and Sunday lunch will be fast food ala Mickeydees, paid by the individual participants
 - c) Snacks are welcome, as are voluntary offerings of cookies, fudge, brownies, cakes, pies, cup cakes, etc.
- 3) Cost
 - a) Food, transportation, canoe rental, etc. will cost \$50. per person. If money is an issue, plan on coming, arrangements can always be made.
 - b) Money for the two fast food meals will also be needed
- 4) Clothes and misc.
 - a) One change of lightweight clothes. One or two changes of warm clothes. Temperatures at night are expected in the mid 40s. Daytime temperatures are hoped to be in the mid 70s.
 - b) Warm long sleeved shirts, sweaters, hoodies, light weight windproof jackets, warm jackets, hats that cover the ears, gloves, tennis shoes, t-shirt, sunglasses, rain gear (NOT optional, talk to a leader if you need to borrow rain gear), flashlight, personal items, medication (please tell the leaders how much and when)
 - c) Please bring at least one change of clothes and a towel, which can be brought in the canoe, for obvious reasons.
- 5) Sleeping
 - a) Bring a sleeping bag and pillow (if summer weight, bring a couple of blankets to lay over it). Contact a leader if you need to borrow a sleeping bag.

We are looking forward to a great weekend. The leaders can be contacted to answer additional questions.

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