



MIDWEST MORRIS ALE
2001
MINNESOTA

2001: a midwest morris ale

Dear Fellow Morris Dancers,

Plans for the 2001 Midwest Morris Ale are progressing well. We have received positive responses from 12 teams and expect about 150 people to attend.

Yes, Definitely!		Definite Maybe	
Team	State	Team	State
Uptown-On-Calhoun Morris	MN	Winnipeg Mountain Morris	ON
Prairie Waves Morris	NE		
Maroon Bells Morris	CO		
Bells of the North	MN		
Minnesota Traditional Morris	MN		
Ramsey's Braggarts	MN		
Oak Apple Morris	WI		
Ann Arbor Morris & Sword	MI		
Capering Roisters	MO		
Red Herring	NH		
Ravenswood	IL		

Enclosed in this packet you will find the information you need to register for the Ale. If you need more information, enclose a note on your registration form or call or email Tanith Korravai at (612) 721-1240 or Empress@MidwestMorrisAle.org.

List of forms to return:

Mandatory:

1. Registration & T-Shirt Order Form – Complete this and return it to Tanith Korravai with a check made out to **Midwest Morris Ale** by April 21, 2001. Registrations received after that date will be subject to a \$10 per person late fee. Really, we mean it.

Optional:

2. Dietary Needs Form – list food allergies and dietary restrictions. This helps us plan the meals. We will make a reasonable effort to accommodate your needs.
3. Child Care Registration Form – sign up children who need day care.
4. Child Care Provider Form – sign up to volunteer to care for kids.
5. Traditions Form – list all the traditions that your team is willing to dance with partial teams.
6. Workshop Leader Form – sign up to lead a workshop
7. Family Housing Form – list family housing preferences
8. Travel Form – tell us your travel arrangements if you are coming by plane, train or bus and need to be picked up. This form must be returned to Tanith Korravai by May 6, 2001.

After you register you will receive another mailing with maps, more details about the camp, and a tentative schedule.

We look forward to seeing you in May!!!

-The Twin Cities Morris Community

Return forms to:

Tanith Korravai

3600 - 18th Ave. S.

Minneapolis, MN 55407

Ale Information

REGISTRATION:

Please complete all necessary forms. Clearly print names on the registration form the way you want them to appear on your Ale button. Make your checks payable to **Midwest Morris Ale**. Registration forms and check need to be returned by **April 21, 2001**. **A late fee of \$10.00 per person will be charged after that date.** To be sure your registration arrives in time, mail the information on April 15, 2001 (with your taxes!). Registration will be refunded minus a \$10.00 handling fee if notice of cancellation is received by May 12, 2001. No refunds will be guaranteed after that date. Refunds will be mailed after the Ale.

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SITE:

Camp Ojiketa sprawls across 85 acres beside Green Lake near Chisago City, MN. The site, some 50 miles north of the Twin Cities, was purchased in 1926 by the Minnesota Camp Fire Council. Camp Ojiketa, which means "sweetness of life" features 3,000 feet of lakeshore, 65 buildings, an ancient Cranberry Bog and numerous hiking trails.

The multi-story dining hall has plenty of room for dancing, jam sessions, and other social activities. Also, the cozy sitting rooms found in the nicer cabins offer additional space for renewing cherished friendships.

Finally, there is no credible evidence to support ignorant local myths about a creature that emerges from the lake by night to feed on white clad sacrificial dancers.

COST:

Last year Ale fees were on the high side, based on the expected number of people attending. More people came than we had anticipated, and we ended up with a surplus. At the Squire's meeting we decided not to offer refunds, but to use the money to make this year's Ale less expensive. And so it is! (Now don't get spoiled, and don't expect the next Ale to be quite this low; if you average out last year & this year, it comes out to around \$100.00 per person.) And it still includes beer, food from the Seward Café and a good live contra dance band!

Ale fees, per person:

Lodges - \$85.00
Rustic Cabins - \$75.00
Tenting - \$75.00
Children age 6 - 12 (regardless of housing) - \$40.00
Children 5 and under - free

All registration forms and checks are due by Saturday April 22, 2000. After that date a late fee of \$10.00 per person will be assessed. You may register on site, but you will be charged the late fee. This fee reflects the added expenses (and annoyance) associated with last minute changes.

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HOUSING:

There are four kinds of housing available at the camp. All lodges and cabins have electricity.

1. **Lodges/Cabins** - There are 4 lodges and 5 cabins available. They sleep 6, 12, 16 or 32 people each in bunk beds. They are newer buildings with a kitchenette, living room with fireplace (most of them), toilets and showers. We have room for 108 people in the lodges & cabins.
2. **Rustic Cabins** - There are 7 rustic wood cabins that sleep 8-10 each in bunk beds. These have electricity but no plumbing. These all share 2 separate shower buildings. Each shower building has 2 showers, 2 sinks and 4 (plumbed) toilets. We have room for 70 people in these cabins.
3. **Tent** - There is tent space for all who will. BYOT. Tenters will use the same shower facilities that serve the rustic cabins.

Family Housing - Family housing is for families with small children. One of the lodges has been set aside for family housing. Families requesting family housing should indicate this on the Registration Form and fill out the Family Housing Form. Since there is limited room for family housing, it will be assigned first-come, first-served, based on the registration postmark.

Quiet Housing - People wanting quiet housing (i.e., lights out at 10, no midnight songfests in the living room) can indicate this on the Registration Form. We will attempt to house together those wanting quiet space, at each price level.

Please indicate on the Registration Form the type of housing you prefer and pay the appropriate amount for that housing. Housing will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis when your registration form is received. If the type of housing you requested is full, you will either receive a refund for the difference when you arrive, or can pay to upgrade to a higher housing level.

ALCOHOL:

The Minnesota Campfire Council does not normally allow the use of alcohol at their camps, but we have negotiated the following rules that will allow us to serve alcohol.

1. All Minnesota state laws regarding the use of alcohol will be obeyed.
2. No one under the age of 21 is allowed to drink alcohol.
3. Alcohol use will be in the vicinity of the dining hall only. (The dining hall is also the dance hall.)
4. We may serve beer only.
5. If the site manager feels that we are "out of control", he can ask that the alcohol be removed.

T-SHIRTS:

Prices are \$10.00 for short-sleeved t-shirts and \$15.00 for long-sleeved t-shirts.

Below is a rough draft of the 2001 logo. It will be in multi-colored printing on the front of a light-colored shirt. Shirts will be 100% cotton.

Due to interest expressed at the 2000 Ale, you can also order shirts with the 2000 design, also shown below. The lettering is dark green on a sage green shirt with gold metallic fill in the '2000'.

All shirts must be pre-ordered and paid for with registration; we will not print extras to sell at the Ale.

TRAVEL:

The closest airport is Minneapolis/St. Paul International. The closest train station is in St. Paul. The closest Greyhound bus station is in Minneapolis. Complete and return the attached Travel Form as soon as possible. We need to have all travel information by May 6, 2000. We would appreciate your wearing some form of Morris attire, such as a hat or bells, so we can identify you as you arrive. Or just wave a hankie. Information on airport/train station/bus station pickup will be sent with your Travel Form confirmation. If a significant number of people need to leave before the tours on Sunday, please note this on the travel form as it will affect tour assignments.

FOOD:

Will be provided on a regular basis. We will provide a sloppy joe buffet on Friday night, three meals on Saturday and Sunday and breakfast on Monday. Please indicate your food preferences and/or allergies, if you have any, on the Dietary Needs Form.

TOUR BUS:

The tour buses will be school buses. Children under 40 pounds must be in a car seat. If your child is under 40 pounds, you must provide a car seat in order to ride the bus. Straps are provided for car seats. Child care will be provided during tour times. If parents with small children wish to drive their car to tour sites, we will provide maps and reimburse parking expenses. Also, there is limited space on the tour buses, so non-registered groupies should provide their own transportation.

CHILD CARE:

Child care will be provided during the tours, for the Saturday evening contra dance and Sunday morning during the workshops. If you wish to take advantage of the child care please fill out the enclosed Child Care Form, indicating the names and ages of your children. You must sign up ahead of time to be guaranteed a place. Child care will be provided starting 15 minutes prior to the start of the event, and end shortly after the event is over.

In addition, we can offer a discount on the Ale fee to a few non-dancing people willing to do some child care. Some experience is required (e.g. being a parent, baby-sitting regularly). If interested, complete the enclosed Child Care Provider Form or call Derek Phillips at (612) 870-4055.

WORKSHOPS:

Please sign up to lead a workshop if you can teach something of interest to dancers. If no one comes up with some more offerings, you will be subject to learning traditional Minnesota pastimes. At this time the workshops being considered reflect the special nature of life in Minnesota:

- Ice Fishing
- Harvesting Wild Rice
- Making your own Lutefisk
- Snowshoe Repair
- Excavation of Cranberry Bog Mummies

TRADITIONS:

We need to know all the traditions your team feels comfortable doing. We will use this information when assigning partial teams to tour groups.

MASS DANCES:

Mass dance information will be sent out separately at the end of this month, and will be available on the website.

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Return by April 20, 2001

Team Name: _____

Traditions & Show Dances Form

Please list all the traditions your team is willing to dance with partial teams

Traditions

Show Dances:

1. How many "show dances" would your team like to do at a massed dance event?
Indicate **0, 1** or **2**.

(Due to time constraints, we make no promises that all teams will be able to do two show dances.)

2. Are there any preferences for the time(s) you would like to do your show dance?

☐ No preference
☐ Sat. a.m. in camp
☐ Sat. p.m. on tour
☐ Sun. p.m. on tour

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- Due to the interest last year in ordering more t-shirts, this year you can order shirts for the 2001 Ale and also from last year's Ale.
- Please indicate which year you want; if you check both columns, we will assume that you want the indicated quantity of each year's shirt; if you don't check a year column, we will assume that you want this year's.
- If you want different sizes/quantities of both years, use two lines on the form.

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Workshop Leader Form

If you are willing to lead a workshop, please fill this out.

Workshop Topic	Leader Name	Day Phone	Evening Phone	Email

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Dietary Needs Form

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Family Housing Form (for families with small children)

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Child Care Signup

Team Name: _____

			√ Times you would like Child Care				
Parent's Full Name	Child's Full Name	Child's Age	Saturday Tour	Saturday Night	Sunday Workshops	Sunday Tour	Sunday Night

Child Care Provider Signup

Name	Phone (day & evening)	Describe Child Care Experience

Return by May 10, 2001

Team Name: _____

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