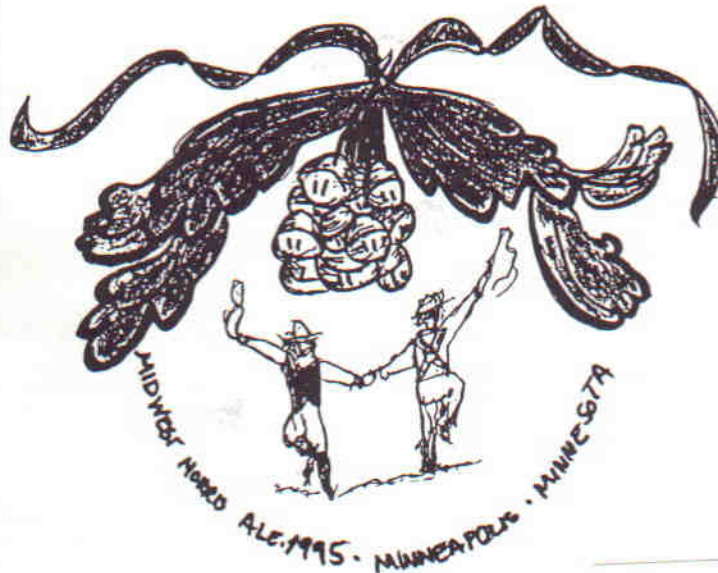


15th Annual Midwest Morris Ale



Dear Fellow Morris Dancers:

Plans for the 1995 Midwest Morris Ale are progressing well. We have received positive responses from 28 teams and expect about 190 people to attend. The teams planning to participate range from California (Deer Creek Morris Men) to New Jersey (Millstone Morris).

"Yes"		"Maybe"	
Team	State	Team	State
Ann Arbor Morris And Sword	MI	Berkeley Morris	CA
Bells Of The North	MN	Bloomington Quarry Morris	IN
Deer Creek Morris Men	CA	Bridgetown Morris Men	OR
Grand Rapids Reformed Morris	MI	Capering Roisters	MO
Great River Morris	MN	Greenwood Morris	MI
Hillsdale	OR	Merry Heymakers	KS
Maroon Bells Morris Dancers	CO	Morris At Large	VT
Millstone River Morris	NJ	Olentangy Motley Morris And Sword	OH
Minnesota Traditional Morris	MN	Rock Creek Morris Women	MD
Oak Apple Morris	WI	Winnipeg Mountain Morris	MB
Prairie Waves Morris	NE		
Ramsey's Braggarts	MN		
Ravenswood Morris	IL		
Rigor Morris	OH		
Seabright Morris And Sword	CA		
Sourwood Morris Dancers	TN		
Squash Beetle Morris	KY		
Uptown-On-Calhoun	MN		

As the temperature rises to a balmy 40 degrees, we thought you would like to know something about the upcoming Ale.

Enclosed you will find:

1. **15th Annual Midwest Morris Ale Details** - Provides information on frequently asked questions, like, how much is this gonna cost?
2. **Registration Form** - Complete this form and return it to Tom Baxter with a check made out to "Bells of the North". The registration material must be received by April 22, 1995. For more information, see the Morris Ale Details sheet.

3. **Additional Information Forms** - Complete these forms and return them to Tom Baxter with your registration form. These form include:

1. Dietary Needs Form - for listing allergies and dietary restrictions
2. Family Housing Form - for listing which families will room together
3. Child Care Sign-Up Form - for signing kids up for day care
4. Child Care Provider Sign-Up - for volunteering to care for kids
5. Traditions Request - for listing all the traditions your team is willing to dance with partial teams.

4. **Mass dance list, descriptions and music** - Provides dance descriptions for all the mass dances and processions. Also, there is a survey in this packet that must be returned to Tom Baxter by April 22, 1995.

5. **Workshop Leader Sign-Up** - Complete this form if you wish to lead any of the suggested workshops.

6. **Travel Form** - If you are coming by plane, train or bus, complete this form with your travel arrangements as soon as possible. This form must be returned to Tom Baxter by May 12, 1995 at the latest.

After you register you will receive another mailing that will include maps and more specific details about the camp.

If you have any questions on anything related to the Ale, please write them on the back of the registration form and we will respond accordingly. If you need an immediate answer, contact Jan Raven at (612) 489-0205, Carol Ormand at (612) 224-8789, or Gale Traynor by electronic mail at trayngm@anubis.network.com

We look forward to seeing you in May!!!!

Twin Cities Morris Community

15th Annual Midwest Morris Ale Details

SITE: Camp Tanadoona sprawls on the wooded hills overlooking scenic Lake Minnewashta. It is 25 miles west of Minneapolis on the outskirts of the metropolitan area and encompasses 103 acres of wood, shoreline and open fields. Camp Tanadoona began operations on June 12, 1925. Once the summer residence of Governor John Lind and family, the site was purchased by the Minneapolis Council of Campfire with the backing of the Minneapolis Rotary Club. The site features the Governor's "Mansion" which was renovated in 1983.

HOUSING: There are four types of housing available at the camp.

1. **Family Housing** - The mansion has 4 rooms with 4 beds each. Extra mattresses can be provided for sleeping on the floor. Amenities include kitchen, living room, sinks and toilets, but not showers. Families requesting family housing should fill out the Additional Information Form. Since there is limited room for family housing, please indicate if there is a specific family with whom you would like to share a room.
2. **Lodge** - There is one lodge available. This building will sleep 32 people in bunk beds. There is a kitchen and living room with a fireplace in this building, but no toilets or showers.
3. **Cabins** - There are enough cabins to house 100 people. Each cabin sleeps about 12 people in bunk beds. Cabins are one room wood structures with screen windows.
4. **Tents** - Tent space for all who will.

There are 4 shower buildings scattered throughout the camp.

Please indicate on the Registration Form the type of housing you prefer. Lodging will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis.

COST: This year the Ale fee is \$70.00 for adults (13 and older), \$35.00 for children ages 6 - 12, and free for children 5 and under. Return all the requested information and your registration check to Tom Baxter by **April 22, 1995** to avoid a late fee. Although you may have found this information on the World Wide Web, electronic registration submissions will not be accepted (It's hard to get a check through that small wire!). **A late fee of \$10.00 per person will be applied after April 22, 1995.** You may register at the campground, but you will be charged the \$10.00 late fee. This cost reflects the added expenses associated with last minute changes.

T-SHIRTS: Shirts are \$9.00 this year (see draft of design on upper right hand corner of letter.). The shirt will be 100% white cotton. Please indicate on the registration form the number of T-shirts, and sizes. A limited number of t-shirts will be available for purchase 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 to Tom Baxter as soon as possible. We need to have all travel information by May 12, 1995. We would appreciate your wearing some form of Morris attire, such as a hat, so we can identify you as you arrive. 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 snacks on Friday night and three meals on Saturday and Sunday and a breakfast on Monday. Please indicate your food preferences and/or allergies, if you have any, on the Additional Information 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 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 Additional Information 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 will provide a limited number of passes to the Ale for people willing to do approximately 8 - 10 hours of child care (about 6 hours while dances are touring on Saturday or Sunday and 2 or more hours during the workshops or skits on Sunday). The passes include food, housing and Saturday night socializing (including the contra dance), but do not include traveling on the tour buses on either day. Some experience is required (e.g. being a parent, baby-sitting regularly). Passes will be awarded on the combined basis of experience and "first come, first serve". Complete the enclosed Additional Information Form or call Kay Schoenwetter at (612) 822-5477 (eves. until 10:00 p.m. Central time) or (612) 649-1274 (days). About May 1st, you will receive a postcard telling you whether you have been accepted to do child care or not.

KITCHEN HELP:

We need eight people to help in the kitchen. These people will receive a \$15.00 discount on their Ale fee to be refunded upon arrival at the Ale. If anyone is interest, please have them contact Jan Raven at (612) 489-0205 days or eves. until 10:00 p.m. CST. Only people who call Jan will be considered for a scholarship.

Return by May 12, 1995

Dates and Times

Minneapolis, MN 55406

Return by April 22, 1995

ALE REGISTRATION

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Traditions

**List All Traditions Your Team Currently Dances Or Knows
Well Enough To Dance With Partial Teams**

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