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...this year,
let
Minnesota
bring out the
Voyageur
in you.



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The Voyageurs.
Three centuries ago,
these intrepid French
traders came down
from Hudson Bay and
blazed trails across
what is now
Minnesota.

**Welcome to
another century
and another way
of life.**

They portaged woods
so vast, some are yet
unseen by man. And
canoed lakes so
myriad, only God
knows how many.

Now this land is
yours.
To refresh your
senses.
To renew your spirit.
To bring out the
Voyageur in you.



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**Minnesota
Vacation Guide
for modern day
Voyageurs.**

Take your pick of six great regions:

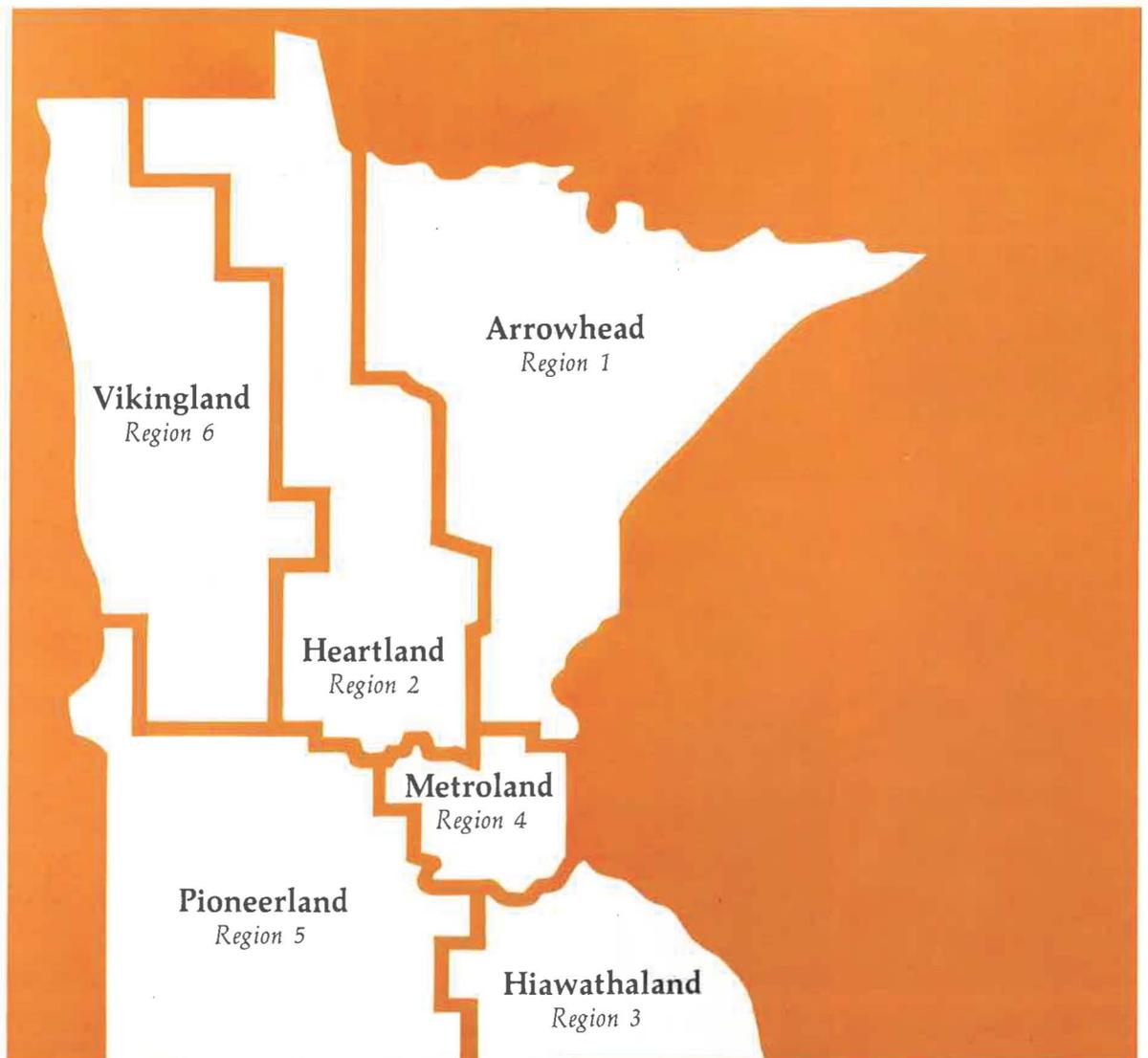
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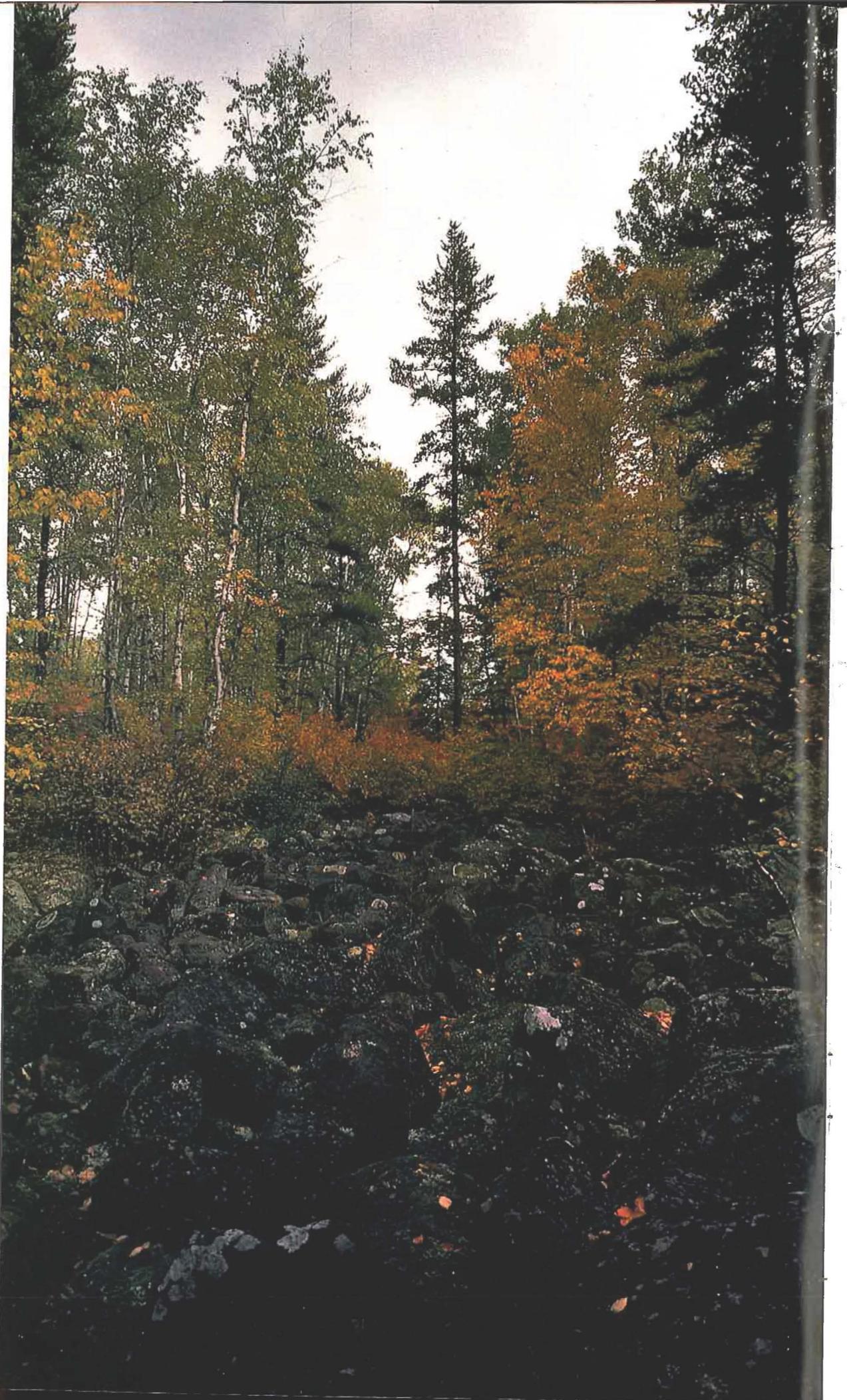
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Travel

Arrowhead
Region 1

*Untamed wilderness.
International seaport.
Rugged Iron Range.
Discover the best of
many worlds
right here.*



What's your vacation pleasure?

You're likely to find it, plain or fancy, in this gorgeous region. Arrowhead looks, sounds and feels like a lot of intriguing places you've been meaning to visit for a long time. All rolled into one.

Where else on our shrinking planet can you explore, within a few hours drive, a vast and virtually untamed wilderness, the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame, an underground iron ore

mine and a busy international harbor?

Nowhere but Arrowhead.

Welcome to a wilderness.

Want to really get back to nature?

Arrowhead is bountifully blessed in two big ways. Voyageurs National Park, America's newest, and the Boundary Waters Canoe Area, federally protected as a wilderness preserve.

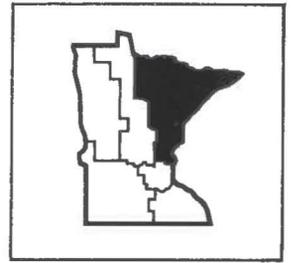
These wildly beautiful woods and sparkling waters are today much as they were when the 16th century voyageurs

canoed their way from Grand Portage to the newly opened Northwest territory in search of treasures in mink, beaver and otter furs.

Now, it's your turn. To paddle, hike and camp your way to a kind of serenity you won't find anywhere else. And to share with your family the same feelings of wonder, peace and joy.

See what's cooking on the Range.

Head south and you're soon in the heart of Minnesota's booming Iron Range,



source of 60% of the iron ore used for America's cars, bridges and skyscrapers.

You'll believe it when you make a few key stops.

One is a tour of the Tower-Soudan underground mine, now preserved as a State Park on Lake Vermilion. Another eye-opener is the Hull-Rust-Mahoning open pit mine in Hibbing. At 5 miles long, 2 miles wide and 600 feet deep, it's the largest manmade excavation on earth.

And, to get a full update on the Range, its people and industry, visit the new Iron Range Interpretative Center at Chisholm.

Greet ships from Aden to Zaire.

Now go east to Lake Superior and the port of Duluth, bustling terminus of ocean freighters from around the globe.

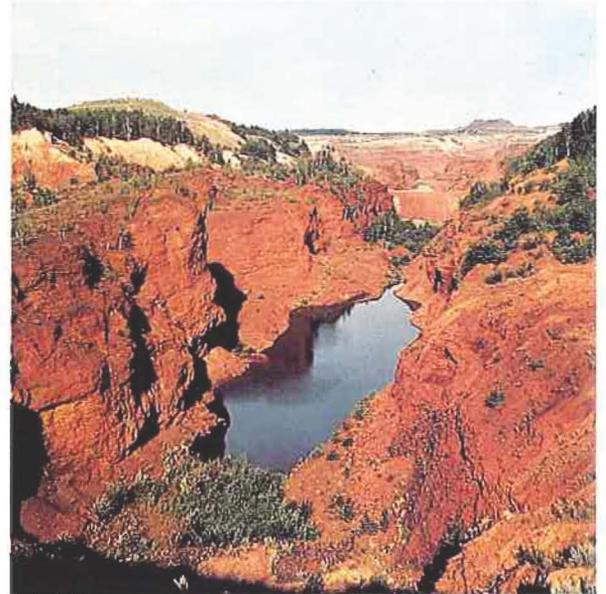
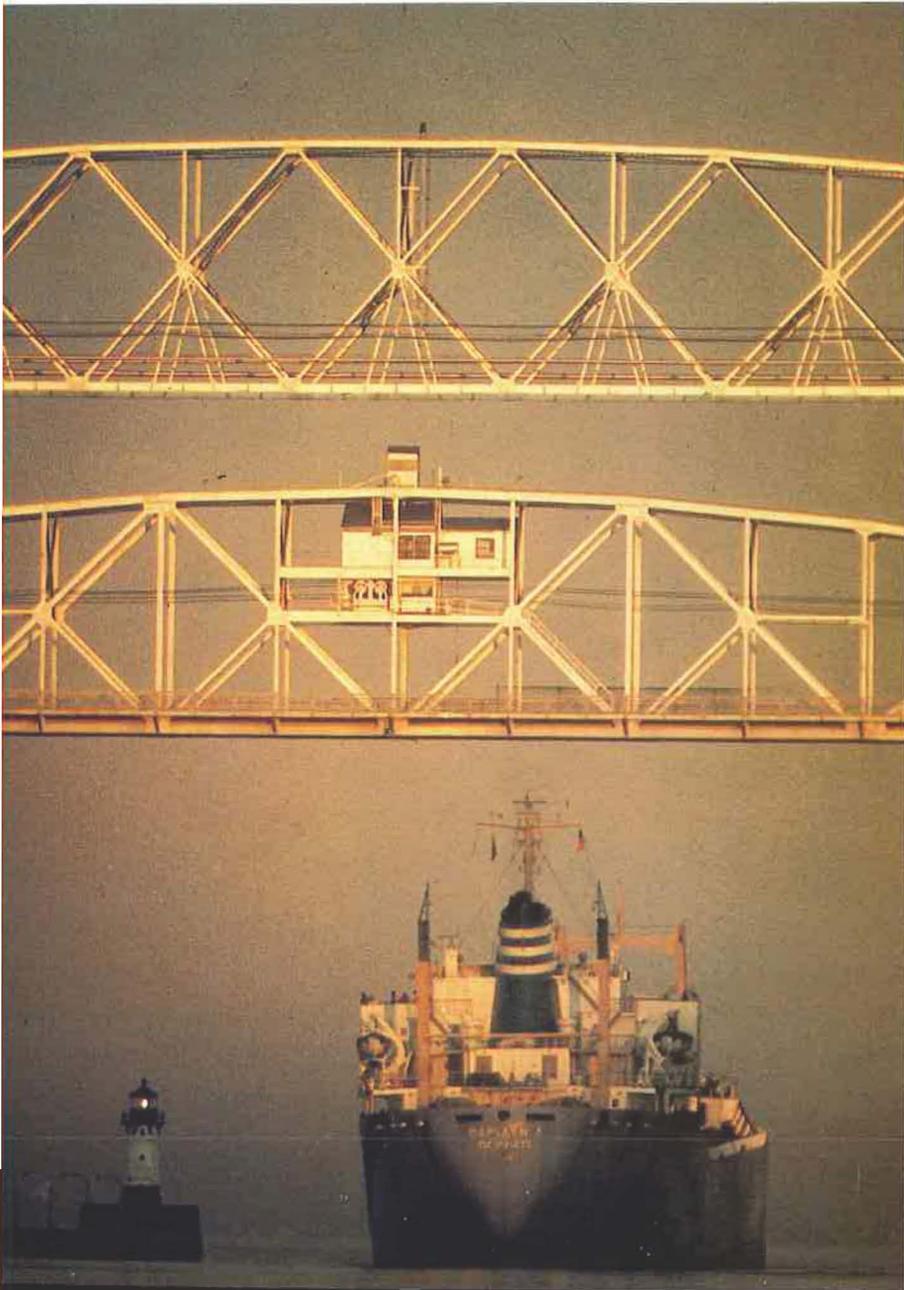
It's a panorama; and an excellent spot to take it in is Spirit Mountain, a new all-year recreation area that's both a winter ski paradise and a summer playground.

Complete with everything from chair lifts to campsites to a cozy lodge. Another "must see": the St. Louis County Heritage and Arts Center, housed in Duluth's classic French-Norman railroad depot, circa 1892.

A drive up Superior's North Shore is a good idea, too. Sort of a tranquilizer on wheels. With Split Rock Lighthouse to romance you along the way.

Come on up anytime.

Arrowhead offers an open season on fun. Which means its famed resorts, hotels and motels are as varied as the seasons and open just as long. All year. For sun sports in the summer. For snow sports in the winter.





Heartland

Region 2

*Lindbergh and Lewis
hail from here.
So do Paul and Babe,
2,500 lakes and
more than 1,500
fine resorts.*



It's said that nature was good to Minnesota's Heartland region. Pine forests, birch groves, blue skies and clean, crisp air abound.

How can you improve on that?

Well, add about 2,500 lakes. Then surround them with thousands of nice beaches fronting more than 1,500 fine resorts, ranging from the most luxurious to the most rustic house-keeping cottages. Mix well with hundreds of camp-

grounds and over 50 golf courses, while stirring in attractions like an 1870 lumber town. And, finally, drop some names. Like Lindbergh, Lewis and Bunyan.

Now you've got Heartland.

Make yourself at home.

Heartland gives you many homes to choose from.

Up north, Bemidji is the home of Paul Bunyan and Babe the blue ox. Down south, Paul appears, animated and talking, at Brainerd's Paul Bunyan Center. A great place for kids.

Grownups and youngsters alike appreciate the boy-hood home of Charles A. Lindbergh in Little Falls, where a new Interpretive Center displays mementos of the renowned "Lone Eagle." And nostalgia fans of all ages can relive an important chapter in American literary history in the Sinclair Lewis home and museum in Sauk Centre. This is the town that inspired "Main Street," the novel that won Lewis the Nobel Prize.

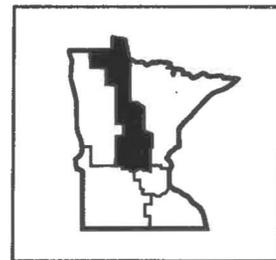
What about a vacation "home" of

your own? No problem, no matter what time of year. More and more Heartland resorts are staying open all four seasons.

Fish for fish that won't get away.

You won't have to settle for stories about the-big-ones-that-got-away in Heartland.

The fishing is so good here they have international tournaments. Like Walker's annual Muskie Derby. And Mille Lacs and other big walleye lakes are in Heartland. Lake of the Woods, Upper





Red, Leech, Cass, Winnibigoshish, Cut-foot Sioux, Big Whitefish, Pelican, Gull, Osakis and Koronis. Besides walleyes that won't quit, these lakes are teeming with muskie, northerns, bass and panfish of all species.

Come and land your limits.

Take a variety of side trips.

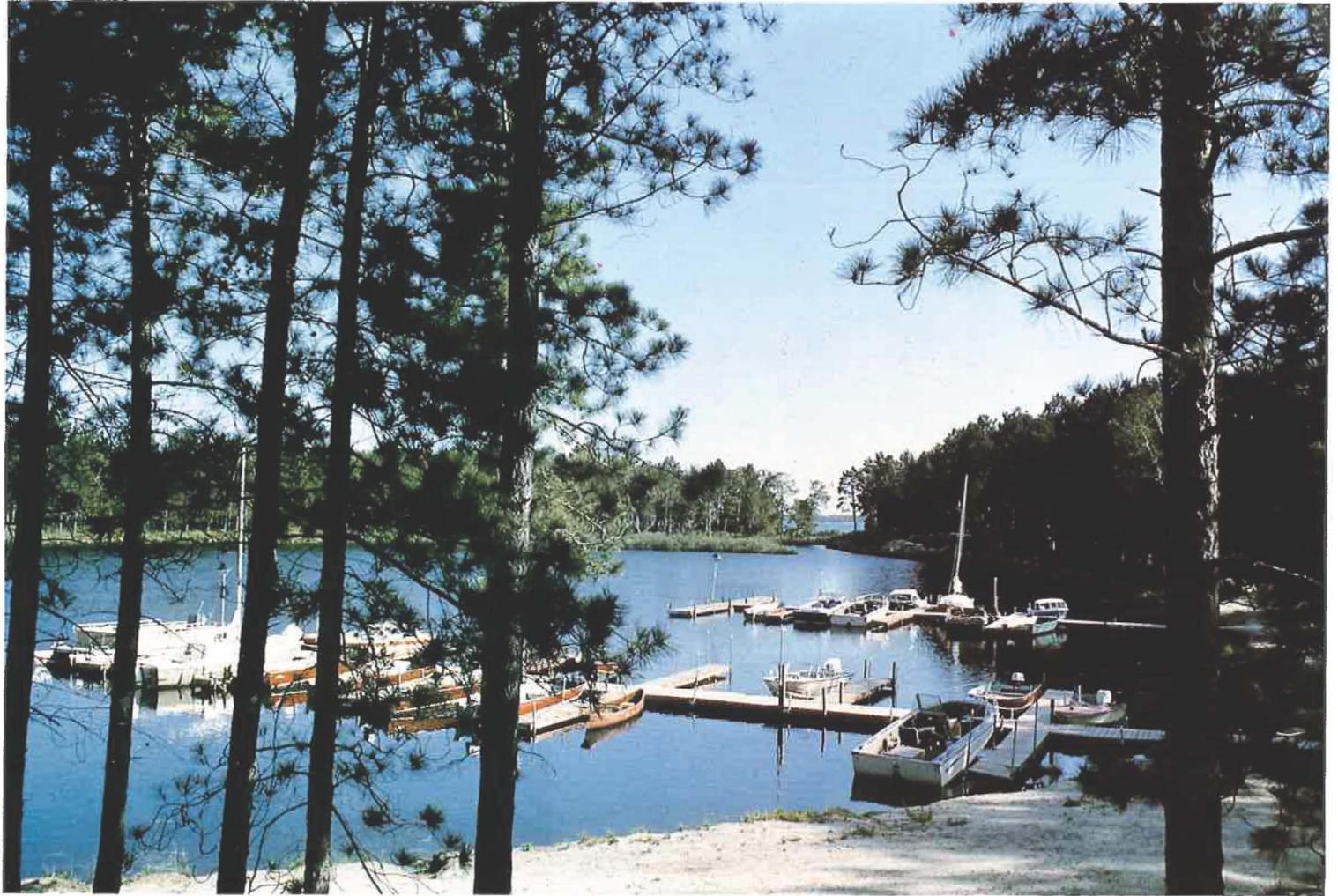
Something to do or see is never far away in Heartland. Some examples:

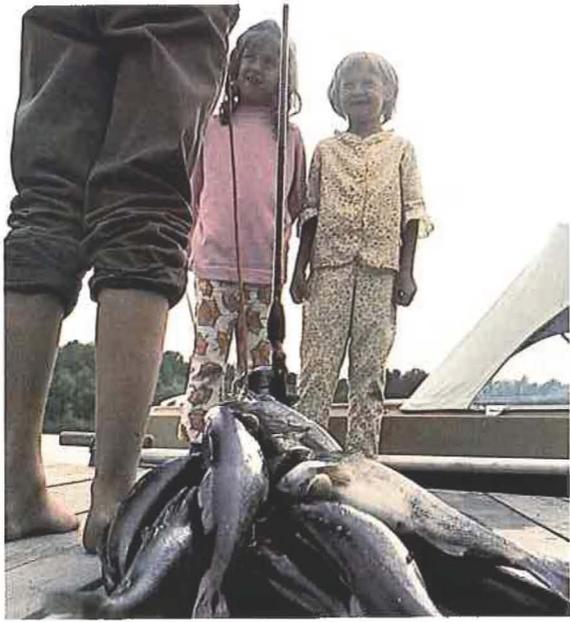
On Gull Lake, there's Lumbertown, U.S.A., an 1870

village complete with saloon, livery stable and ice cream parlor. On Magnusson's Island in Lake of the Woods, historic Fort St. Charles is where the French explorer Pierre LaVerendrye established an outpost while searching for a Pacific waterway. St. John's University at Collegeville has an Abbey Church acclaimed for its striking architecture and magnificent bells. And colorful Indian ceremonial pageants take place throughout this historic land.

Have a ball at the races.

In winter, Heartlanders race dog sleds, snowmobiles, toboggans, you name it, including downhill and cross country skis. Summers, join them at Brainerd International Raceway for big league sports car and speedway events. Or, for slower souls, the town of Nisswa has turtle races every summer Wednesday at 2 p.m., more or less.





Hiawathaland
Region 3

*The lure of
Ol' Man River.
The charm of
Mantorville.
The ghosts of the
James Gang.
Come and get 'em
here.*



Got a family that's hard to please?

Here's a vacation spot that's hard to resist. Because it has more to see and do than you can cover in a month of Sundays.

Where else can you canoe four canoe streams? Boo the villain in an 1880's opera house? Water-ski where the sport was invented? Spelunk in any of three great caves? Eat smoked carp? Munch LaCrescent apples? And tour a Mississippi sternwheeler? All

within easy driving distance of 12 State Parks, 36 golf courses and many fine resorts?

Hiawathaland, that's where.

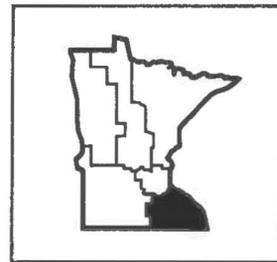
Camp in ancient hardwood forests.

Because Hiawathaland was untouched by glaciers, it's a unique part of Minnesota. You'll see centuries-old hardwood forests, like those in Whitewater State Park, one of the most popular for tent or trailer camping.

Bring your canoe or rent one. The

Zumbro, Cannon, Root and Cedar Rivers are perfect for paddling. And for power and sailboat enthusiasts, there are hundreds of inviting lakes. Like Clear Lake at Waseca, Byllesby Lake near Cannon Falls and the many lakes around Faribault.

Fish? You bet. Everything from blue gills to bullheads, catfish to crappies. Plus, excellent trout angling on over 300 miles of fast water.



Tour Minnesota's South Shore.

The South Shore is that portion of the Mississippi as it flows through Hiawathaland. And its towns are blessed with the charm of Ol' Man River.

In Hastings, see the historic Gen. LeDuc mansion. Red Wing offers fine steaks and seafood, or bratwurst and cold beer. Waterski Pepin at Lake City, birthplace of the sport. Drop a line in Wabasha, white bass capital of the world. And be sure to tour

Winona's great steamboat museum. It's loaded with river lore.

Show the kids a terrific time.

No one, including kids, can get bored in Hiawathaland. Not when you can take them to Mantorville, a complete town restored to its 1880 appearance and now on the National Register of Historic Places. Or how about Northfield's James Gang shootout site; Mayowood, the elegant estate of one of the Mayo Clinic's founders at Rochester; Zumbrota's covered

bridge; the rare bald eagles, snowy egrets and blue herons around Reads Landing; and if you dig caves, drop into your choice of three. Mystery Cave and Minnesota Caverns at Spring Valley and Niagara Cave at Harmony.

Come snow or shine.

Hiawathaland doesn't hibernate in winter. When it snows, the welcome mat goes out for downhill and cross country skiers at two

major areas: Welch Village and Frontenac. Tobogganing, skating, snowshoeing and ice fishing bring families out for fun. And hundreds of miles of exciting snowmobile trails open up a whole new world of winter thrills.

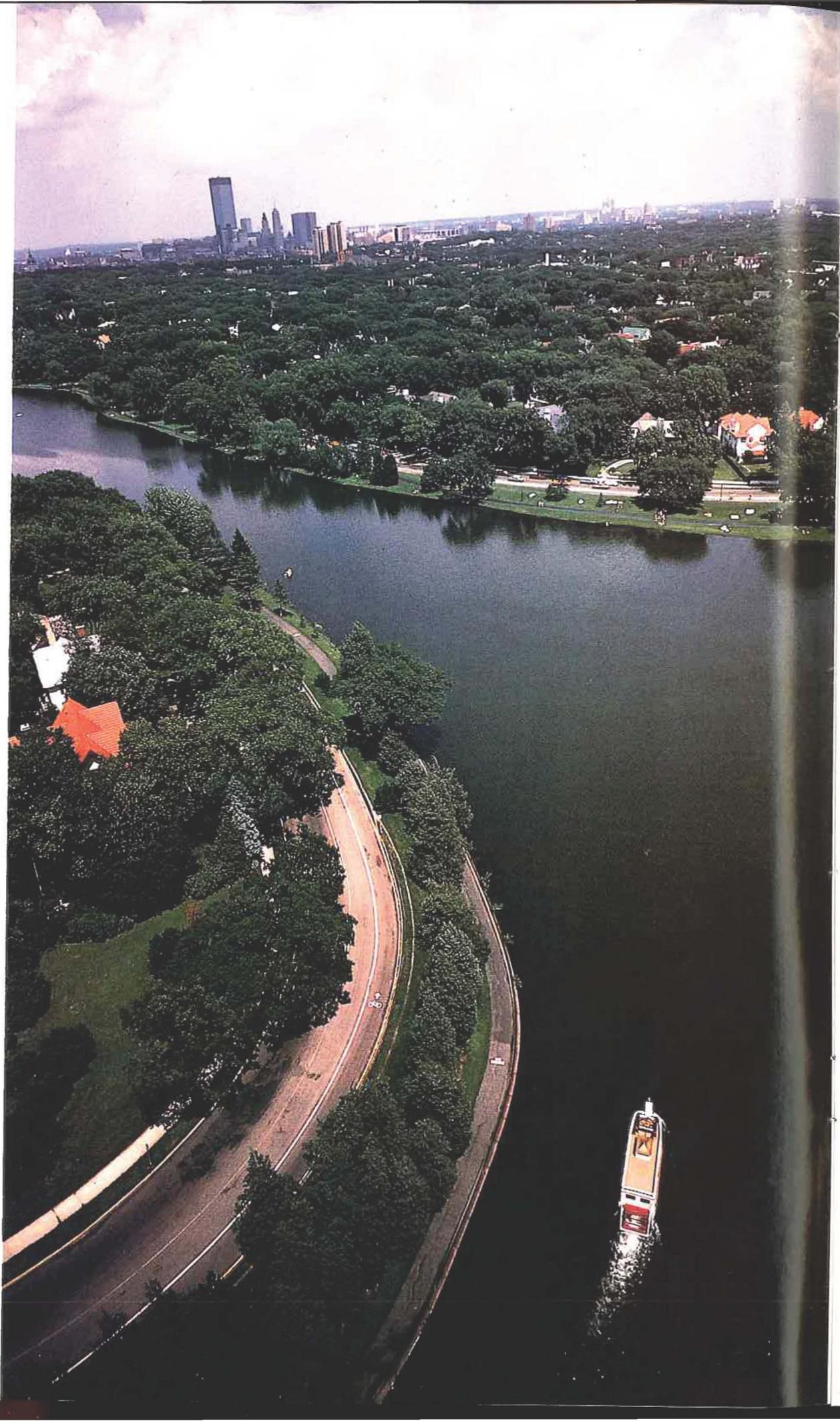
In short, you don't have to wait for summer to enjoy Hiawathaland. Come snow or shine, we're ready to please you.





Metroland
Region 4

*Want to get away
without getting
away from it all?
Here's a pleasing
blend of city
sophistication and
country serenity.*



Town or country? You don't have to give up one to get the other when you make Metroland your vacation destination.

This eight county region offers you city sophistication, with the Twin Cities of Minneapolis-St. Paul as its hub, and country serenity, with primitive camping no more than twenty minutes away.

That means you can fish a wild river in the morning, take in a Minnesota Twins baseball game in the afternoon, spend the evening at the new

Valleyfair entertainment center, then head back to your tent for a good night's sleep.

Metroland. It's something else.

Fish in sight of skyscrapers.

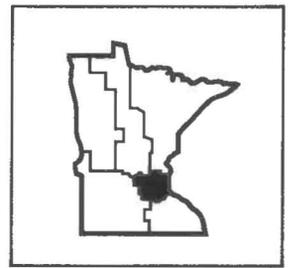
You can take some nice catches in either of the Twin Cities or suburbs, from sparkling lakes or the Mississippi River.

Or, take your pick of any other of Metroland's 930 lakes and several streams, including the scenic St. Croix, to go after

walleyes, bass, northerns, panfish, or even giant sturgeon. Some within sight of the 57-story IDS Tower on the Nicollet Mall, perhaps the most Parisian thoroughfare this side of Paris. Stroll its tree lined sidewalks in summer or weather-proof skyways in winter. Preferably with someone you love.

Enjoy sports, music, theater, the arts.

Metroland offers sports fans a steady supply of major league action at Bloomington's Metro-



politan Sports Area. Here, you can root for baseball's Twins, football's Vikings, hockey's North Stars or the new Minnesota Kicks soccer team.

Music? The world renowned Minnesota Orchestra performs at Orchestra Hall in Minneapolis and in St. Paul's O'Shaughnessy Hall. And for drama and the fine arts, the Guthrie Theatre and Walker Art Center are leaders in one of the nation's liveliest cultural communities.

Family fun is the name of the game at the new Valleyfair entertainment center near Shakopee. It features over 50 rides, shows and other attractions. Nearby, the Minnesota Valley Restoration Project presents history from a realistic and unique point of view.

Get back to nature fast.

Metroland presents lots of attractive distractions. Swinging night life. Como Zoo. Championship golf courses. The classic State Capitol. Historic Fort Snelling.

Minnehaha Falls. And many other sights worth seeing.

Yet, you can get back to nature in no time at all. To places like the 14,000-acre Carlos Avery Wildlife Refuge, its marsh swamps and winding streams. And to the St. Croix, designated by Congress as one of America's wild and scenic rivers.

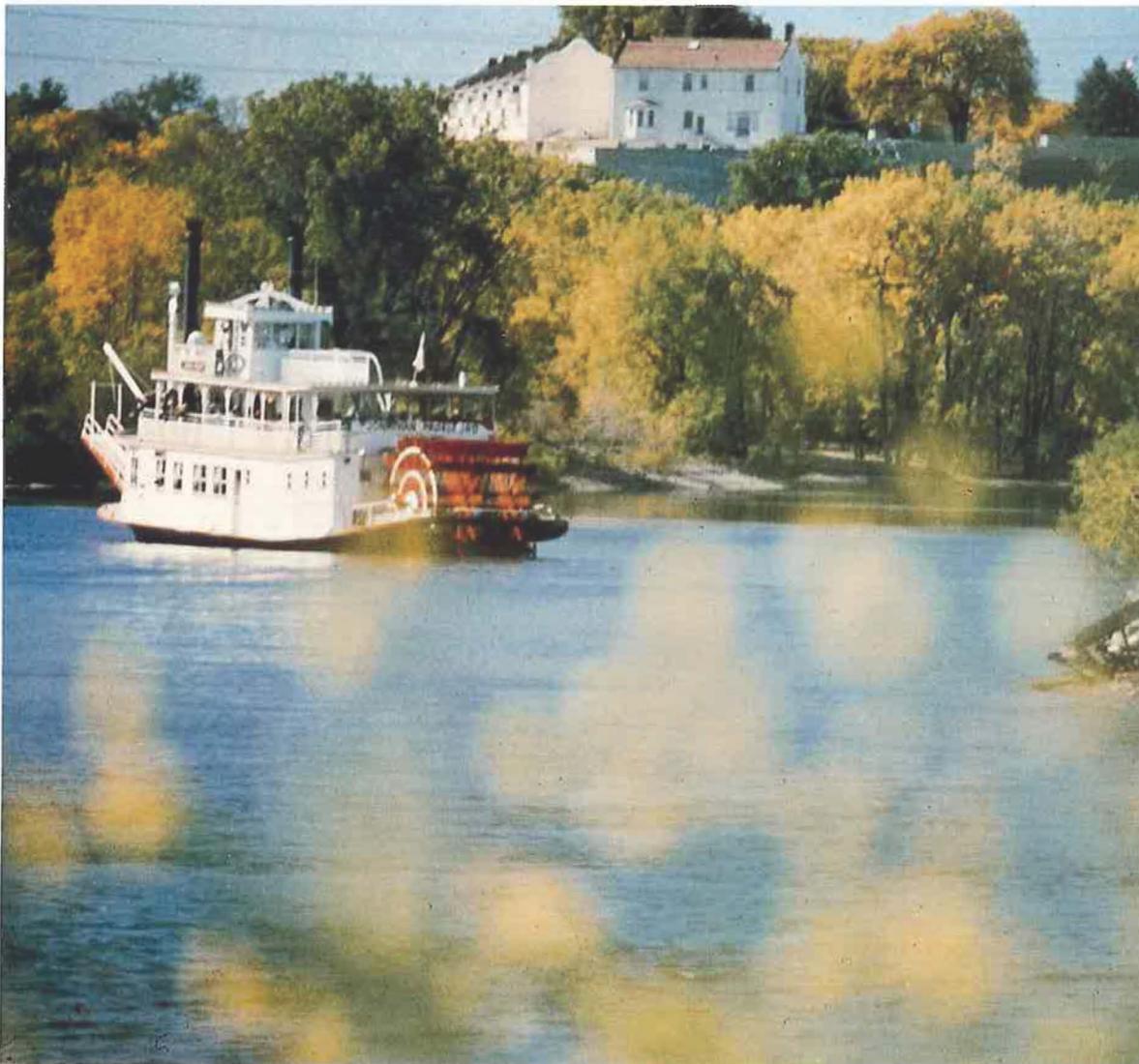
What about winter? Metroland loves it, as skiers, snowmobilers, skaters and ice fishermen take over the outdoors. In the

latter category, Lake Minnetonka alone has over 1,500 ice fishing houses.

Choose from fine accommodations.

At latest count, there are 373 hotels and motels and 51 resorts in Metroland. Many with pools or close to safe public beaches.

All are a lot like Metroland. Ready to offer you city luxury plus country hospitality.

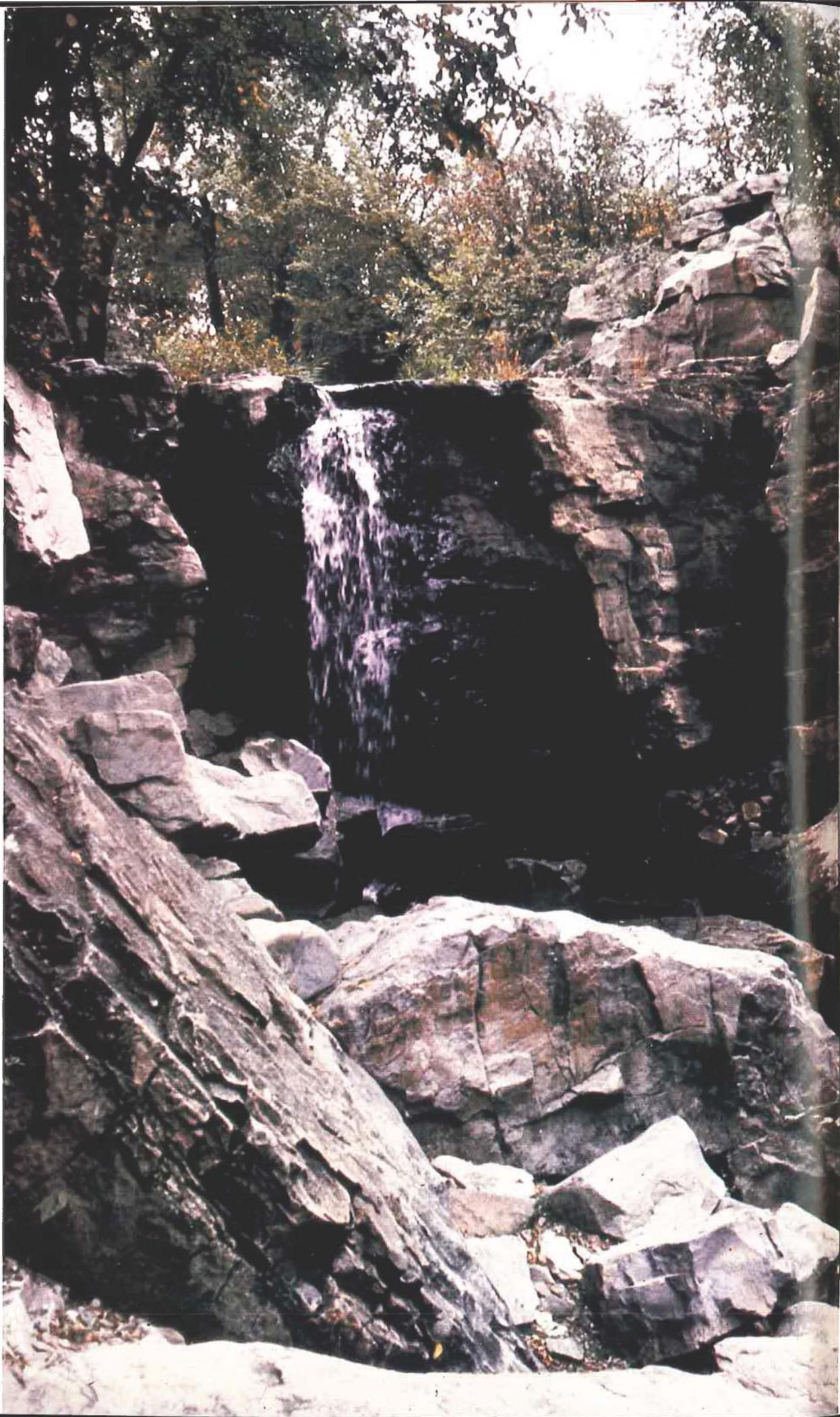




Pioneerland

Region 5

*Pipestone Monument.
Agricultural empire.
Hiawatha Trail.
Here's where history
comes alive.
Along with
hospitality.*



Step into Pioneerland and you're smack in the middle of history.

Not the musty kind. But the real thing. As colorful as the gold and green fields on top of that history.

Pioneerland's farms are hailed for the most diversified agricultural production in the world. And a Pioneerland Agri-Tour proves it. Take one and you'll see "world's largest" like the world's largest tiller,

butter churn, ear of corn (45 feet tall and 4,000 lbs.), and sugar beet, turkey, and corn and pea processing plants.

Walk the holy grounds of the Sioux.

Underneath this agricultural empire lies a rich vein of history you may have missed in school.

Start at Pipestone National Monument, one of Minnesota's prime attractions.

Here, on the Coteau des Prairies, the Sioux for eight centuries have quarried a unique red

stone to make ceremonial peace pipes. These are holy grounds and only Indians are permitted to mine the sacred red stone.

If you're here in mid-summer, attend Pipestone's "Song of Hiawatha" pageant. It runs for three weekends and will be enjoyed by the whole family.

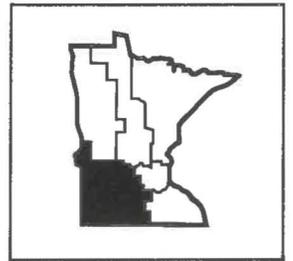
Travel the trail of the pioneers.

The Hiawatha Pioneer Trail begins at Pipestone and moves

into the woody Minnesota Valley, which upstream is the home of the Jolly Green Giant.

Every bend in this historic trail reveals Sioux and pioneer lore as you approach Fort Ridgely State Park, refuge for settlers during the Great Sioux Uprising of 1862.

Each stop is an absorbing, and often gripping, chapter in that brief but tragic conflict. There's Fort Belmont, complete



with guard tower and chapel. Camp Release. Birch Coulee. The Upper and Lower Sioux Agencies. And Traverse des Sioux, site of the 1851 land deed agreement that later sparked the Great Uprising.

Live it up at festivals.

One of the liveliest is in Montgomery, a town with a Czechoslovakian heritage. Kolacky Day celebrates the savory flavor of the Bohemian bun. Besides a kolacky eating contest, there's a parade

featuring top bands and drum corps in the state. And LeSeuer's Corn-on-the-Curb festival is another tasty event.

In fact, you're almost bound to be here in time for a celebration of some kind or another. One seems to be going on just about any week of the year.

Fish, swim, boat at family style resorts.

Where to stay is no problem at all in Pioneerland.

Besides seventeen State Parks and many private campgrounds, you'll find a complete variety of family style resorts for fishing, swimming and boating. But please make reservations early. And plan to stay awhile.

Pioneerland has a lot going for you. And you don't want to miss a bit of it.

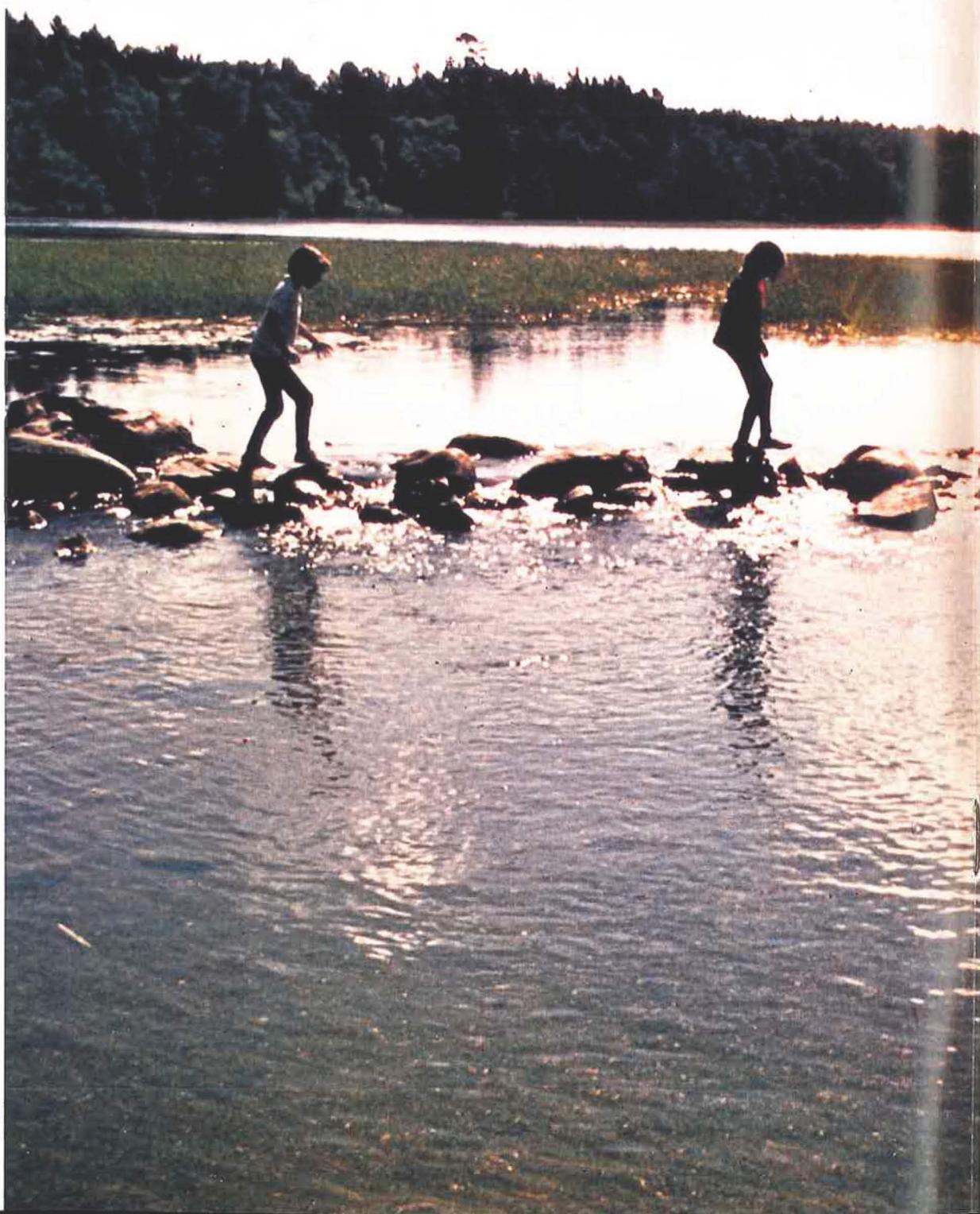




Vikingsland

Region 6

*America's first
tourists liked this
place.
Now it's favored
by fishermen,
campers and
families who take
fun seriously.*



Vikingland is a land of contrasts.

As old as its Viking heritage, yet as new as its infant Mississippi River.

As quiet as the summer breezes that whisper through its towering Norway pines, as noisy as its annual steam thresher conventions.

As big as its fertile Red River Valley of the North, yet as small as your budget need be to have a nice vacation here.

Vikingland. Sounds like your kind of vacationland, doesn't it?

Sample 17 counties of variety.

From Canada on the north to the source of the Red River on the south, Vikingland is packed with things to do and see this year as well as reasons to come back next year.

A few samples:

Four major resort areas that cater to fishermen, golfers, campers and the family trade. And, in winter, to downhill and cross-country skiers, snowmobilers and other snow sports lovers.

Lush forestlands, swift streams and

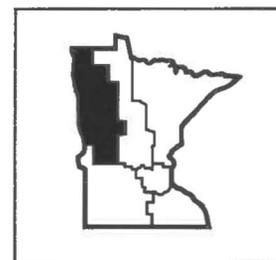
thousands of clear, sand bottom lakes loaded with game-fish.

Sites ranging from the Kensington Runestone to the world's largest loon statue, at Vergas.

Plus, nearly 50 different fairs, festivals, rodeos and derbies held throughout Vikingland.

Leap the baby Mississippi.

Come to Itasca State Park, source of Ol' Man River as it begins its 2,552 meander to the Gulf. Here, it's so



narrow and shallow you and the kids can leap across it.

Other interesting side trips include Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge, which has been featured on television's "Wild Kingdom" series; Glacial Lake State Park, where you can rock-hound; and the ox cart trails of the pioneers, still visible in some areas of Vikingland.

See a 600-year-old legacy.

Do you still believe Columbus discovered America?

You might have second thoughts when you see the Kensington Runestone at Alexandria, said by some historians to be the legacy of a band of Vikings who explored the area some six hundred years ago. It's controversial, as are other Norse artifacts found throughout Vikingland.

What's not controversial is the fishing you'll find here.

Trout anglers appreciate the famed Straight river. The Red River now yields fair catches of channel catfish, new to

the north. And Vikingland's lakes run the gamut in sizes and species. From sunfish and crappies in smaller bodies to walleyes, northerns and muskies in larger lakes.

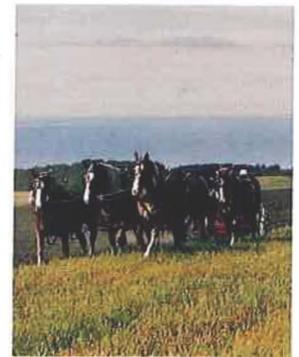
Fit a resort to your budget.

Vikingland offers a wide range of accommodations, from uncrowded campgrounds to luxury resorts, hotels and motels. At prices to fit your budget.

Major clusters of resorts are around Detroit Lakes, noted for its mile-long beach

and Pine to Palm golf tourney, and Alexandria, bass capital of the world. Others are at Fergus Falls, center of an area of 1,034 lakes, and Glenwood on the shores of Lake Minnewaska.

All of these resorts are different. But each promises to make your Vikingland vacation one you won't forget.





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Camping and Canoeing

We're not exaggerating.

Minnesota really cares about folks who favor packs and paddles as vacation basics.

And we prove we care about outdoor buffs by making more campsites, trails, lakes and streams available to them than any other state.

We can do it simply because we have more of these blessings.

\$3 buys 62 State Parks.

How's this for a bargain?

A \$3 sticker on your car window provides admission to all of our 62 State Parks. Your campsite fee is \$3 a night. Where available, electricity is 50¢ per outlet.

Want more room? Minnesota State Forests offer 55 campgrounds and nearly 3 million acres of camping area if you really like to roam.

Primitive to posh camping.

There are more than 700 campgrounds in

Minnesota. Ranging from primitive to posh.

As primitive as remote sites in the 14,000 square mile Boundary Waters Canoe Area; as posh as full-service campgrounds with putting greens and magic shows.

Canoeing that won't quit.

Minnesota has 16 rivers designated excellent for canoeing. And they're statewide.

From the Big Fork in the north to

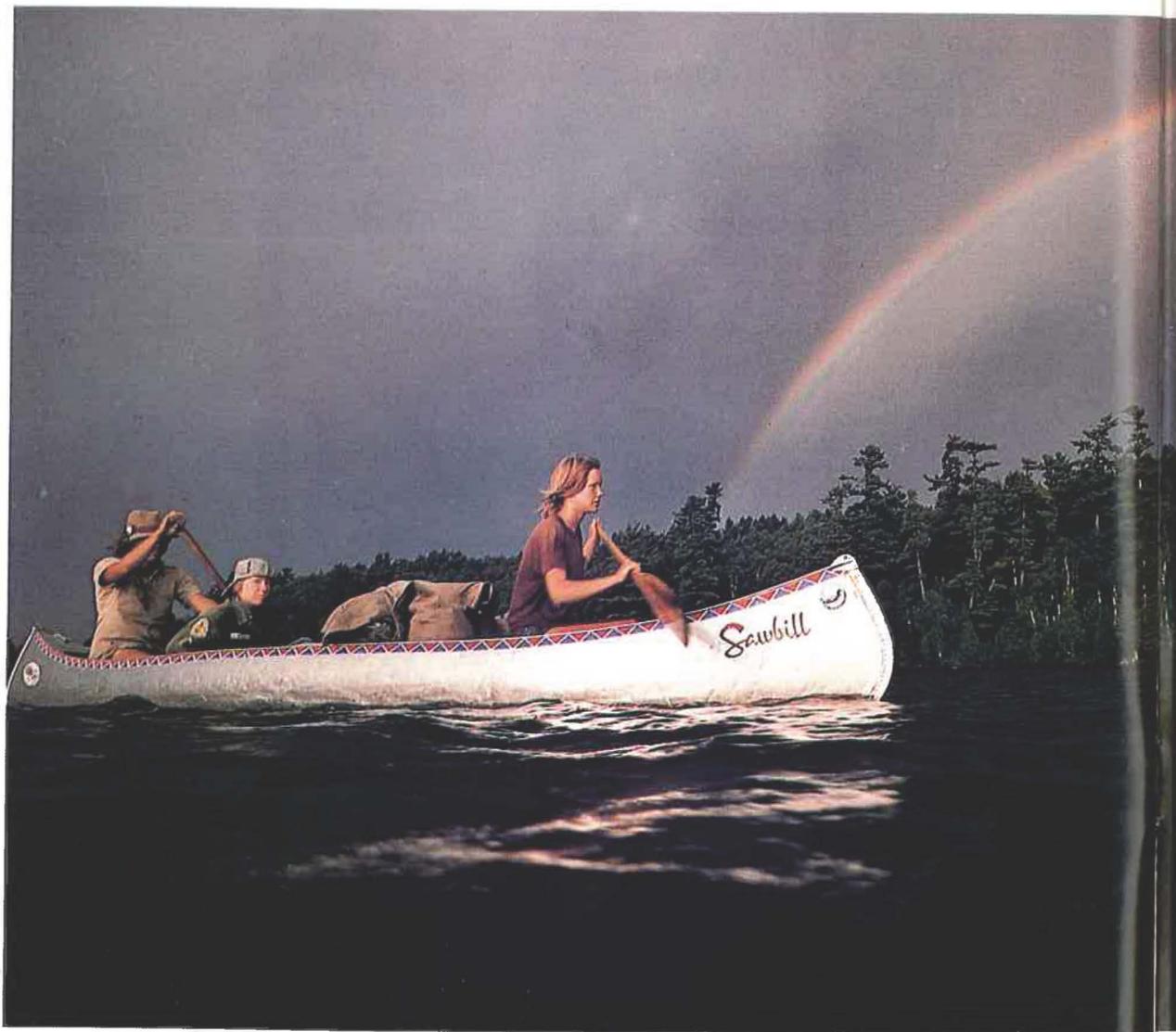
the Root in the south; from the Red in the west to the St. Louis in the east.

Beginner or master, you'll find canoeing that won't quit. Even in the Twin Cities, with Minnehaha Creek and the Mississippi River running through town.

And, for something different, try "inner tubing," a late summer sport that's big on the Cannon and Rum Rivers.

Another unusual experience is available on the Crow Wing. There's a recreation area with campsites and horseback trails on the river for canoeists.

To renew your spirit, Minnesota offers more wilderness, waters and campsites than any state in the Union.

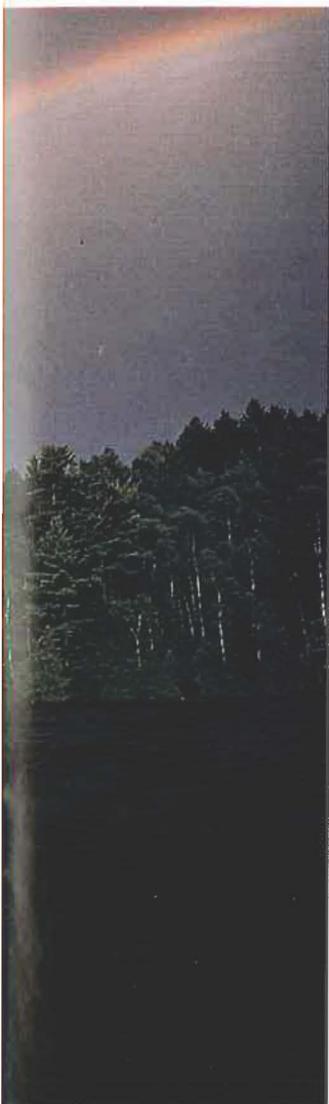
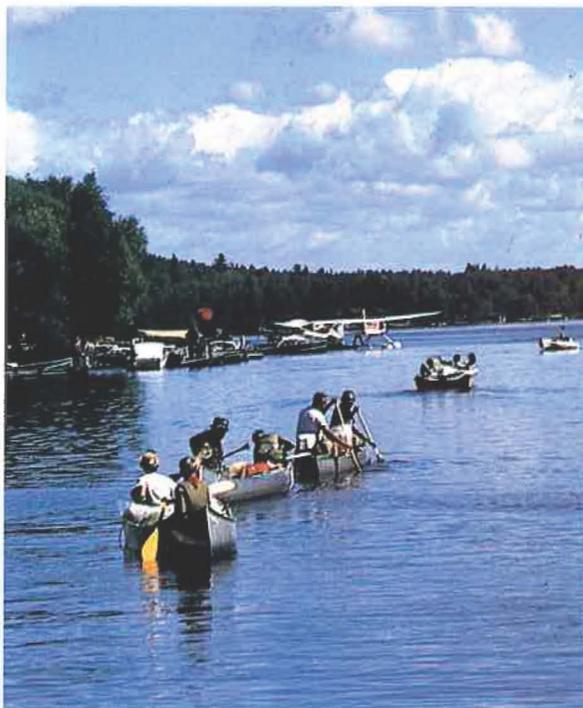


The price is right.

You don't have to be rich to camp and canoe in Minnesota.

For instance, most of our 16 canoe rivers have outfitters who'll equip you with canoe, packs, maps, food and accessories for about \$16 per day.

The price is right. And just think. You get Minnesota free.



Fishing

You no doubt already know that the name Minnesota is practically synonymous with the sport of fishing.

Not because Minnesota fishing is good.

It's because it's great. World famous, in fact. An honest claim backed by thousands of serious anglers who come to Minnesota year after year to fish our lakes and streams.

Now, how about you? Minnesota is ready. And so are our millions of fish.

We've got the fish you want.

You're likely to find your favorite gamefish near any base you choose. Most natives are walleye fishermen, but more and more are going after muskie, bass, northern pike, trout and panfish, including perch, crappie, sunfish and rock bass.

Trolling is gaining popularity on bigger lakes like Pepin, Mille Lacs and Lake of the Woods.

And trout anglers are taking nice catches in fast water streams, particularly on Lake Superior's North Shore.

Our seasons are sensible.

Minnesota is very conservation-minded, maybe because we have so many nice things to conserve.

Yet, our seasons are sensible and limits are liberal, though strictly enforced.

Some examples:

Species	Season	Limit
Walleye	May 15-Feb. 15	6
Northern Pike	May 15-Feb. 15	3
Muskie	May 15-Feb. 15	1
Bass	May 29-Feb. 15	6
Lake Trout	Jan. 3-Feb. 29 May 15-Sept. 26	3
Panfish	Continuous	15 crappie 30 sunfish 30 rock bass

Our fees are reasonable.

Though Minnesota fishing is superb, you won't pay a fortune for a permit.

For example, fees for non-resident man-and-wife are \$10.00 and non-resident individual is \$6.00.

*Ready to move up
from beginner to
serious fisherman?
Minnesota is
ready for you.
And so are our fish.*

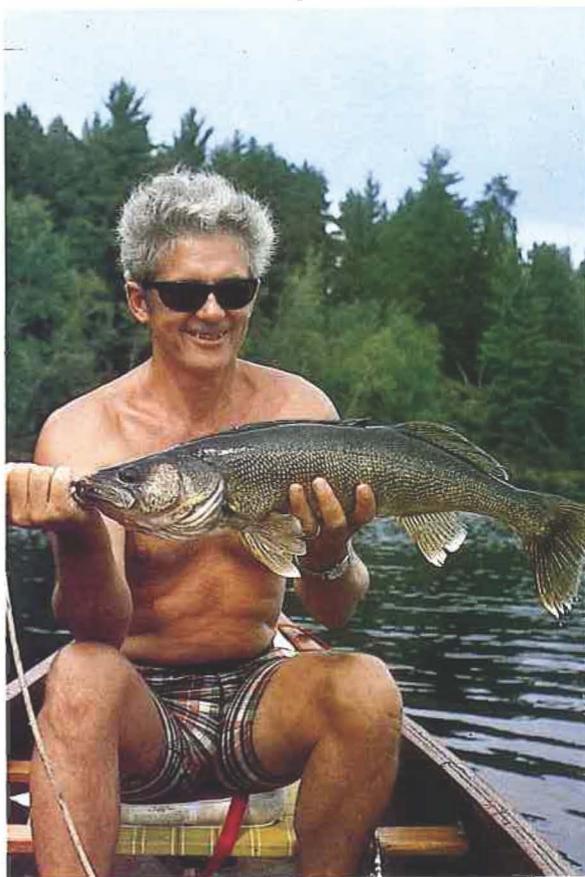
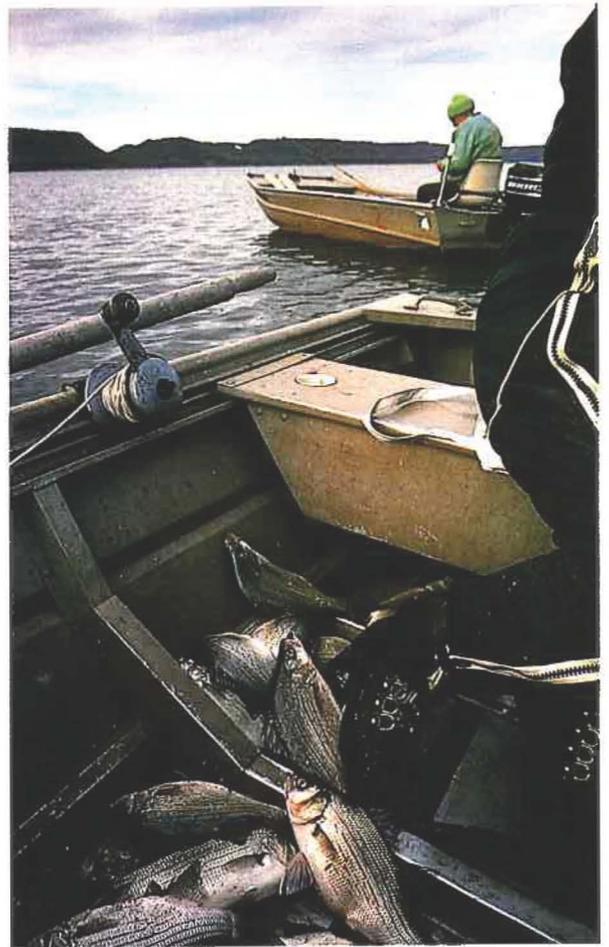
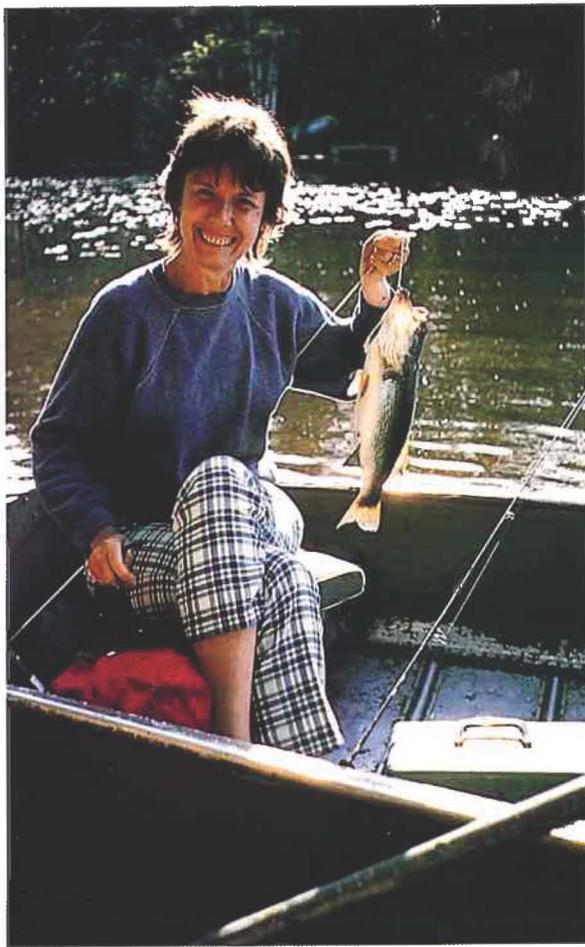


If you want to see where a good part of that money goes, take a tour of one of our fish hatcheries located throughout the state.

Like the one at Lanesboro or the new hatchery at French River.

Who knows? Maybe you'll see the baby version of that big one you'll land a few seasons from now.

In Minnesota.



Water Sports

When the glaciers retreated from Minnesota, they left plenty of a good thing.

Enough water to cover more than one-twentieth of our total area.

Or, at latest count, 12,034 lakes and 25,000 miles of streams and rivers.

No wonder the Indians named us Minnesota (sky-tinted waters). No wonder you'll find all the water you need for your favorite water sports.

Boat on it.

Bring, rent or buy a boat. Your boating opportunities in Minnesota are too many to remain drydocked.

Powerboat, canoe, pontoon boat, kayak, sailboat, houseboat, you name it; even a raft will do in a pinch.

Don't worry if you're a novice. Expert help is usually available, especially on our larger lakes. If needed, you can hire a guide or an entire crew to run the show.

Rentals are reasonable, too. Anywhere from \$8 a day for a canoe to \$500 a week for a houseboat for a family of six.

Race on it.

You say just plain boating isn't your speed?

Then head for the races, as participant or spectator. We have many events in Minnesota. Here are just a few:

The Leech Lake Regatta, a classic sailboat race. The Barnum Canoe Derby. The Fergus Falls Sportstacular, featuring powerboat and canoe races. And Glen-

wood's Waterama, with races for sailboats and canoes.

Fish in it.

Bring your tackle or buy it here.

Minnesota's waters are stocked aplenty with walleyes, muskie, northern pike, bass and panfish.

Or cast for trout in our fast-water streams. Minnesota's seasons are sensible, our limits are liberal and our license fees are reasonable.

Above all, let the kids fish. Minnesota is a great place to get

With more than 12,000 lakes and countless streams, Minnesota needs just one more water sport. You.



them started on a sport that affords a lifetime of pleasure.

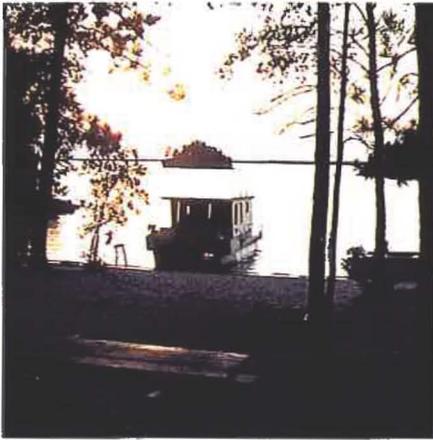
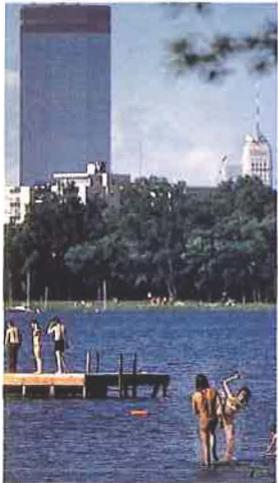
Swim in it.

How about swimming in a real lake?

Not an artificial, man-made lake, but the real thing with a sandy beach alongside your resort cottage.

It's surprising what a tonic Minnesota water can be. To swim in or just look at.

Especially at sunup or sundown.



Winter Fun

Winter is a whole new ballgame in Minnesota.

From late November through early March, there's a change of fun.

Active, outdoor fun. Downhill and cross-country skiing. Snowmobiling. Tobogganing. Skating. Iceboating. Ice fishing.

It's enough to make Spring an anti-climax. And enough, we hope, to encourage you to make Minnesota your choice for your winter vacation.

Skiing is hot here.

Take your pick of more than 30 ski areas, many with full lodging facilities, others for by-the-hour skiers. Some of these multi-million dollar areas have entire communities built around their modern lifts and challenging slopes.

Challenging? Olympic medalist Cindy Nelson learned to ski on Minnesota slopes in her hometown of Lutsen.

Cross-country skiing is gaining ground, too. So fast that some resorts now

cater exclusively to the folks with the "skinny skis" and more than 800 miles of trails are set aside for their use.

No freeze on fishing.

Minnesota's great fishing doesn't stop in the winter.

Just saw a hole in the ice and go after the big ones.

You won't be alone. Upwards of 250,000 fishermen, many of them visitors like you, try their luck every winter. A typical big lake, Mille

Lacs, has facilities for 25,000, including 5,000 fish houses.

Do our fish bite in winter?

Better, say many experts.

Snowmobiling is a gas.

Well established in Minnesota, of course, is that rip-roaring sport called snowmobiling.

Bring your machine or rent one here.

You'll have plenty of room, as there are now 5,800 miles of trails reserved for you and your snowmobile.

*When winter comes,
some states
close down.
Not Minnesota.
We're open all year.*



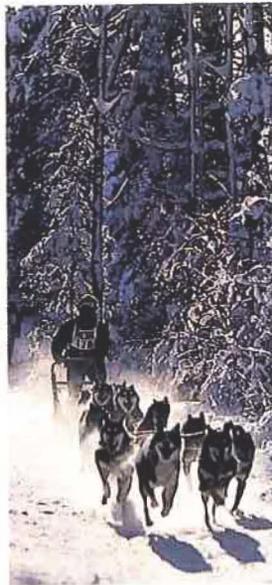
And you'll find many resorts extend a special welcome to snowmobilers.

Celebrate the season.

We don't just like winter in Minnesota. We celebrate it. A few examples:

Alexandria's Ullr Fest. Ely's All-American Championship Sled Dog Races. Winona's Winter Wonderland Festival. The St. Paul to Winnipeg "500" Snowmobile Race. And the St. Paul Winter Carnival.

Come on up. Help us celebrate.



Historic Sites

We have quite a past.

And proudly share it with you, thanks in large part to the Minnesota Historical Society.

Nationally acclaimed as a leader in state and local history, the Society operates 19 major historic sites.

Here's a listing of these sites, which are, of course, in addition to hundreds of other important historical points of interest throughout Minnesota.



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From 5,000 year old Petroglyphs to the streets of F. Scott Fitzgerald, history is alive and well in Minnesota.

1. Solomon G. Comstock House.

Built in 1883, the restored Comstock House offers a glimpse into the lives of a community leader and his family a century ago. Located at 5th Avenue South and 8th Street (State Highway 75) in Moorhead. Open May 1 thru Sept. 30, Sat. & Sun., 1 pm-5pm; Weds., 7:30 pm - 9:30 p.m.

2. Upper Sioux Agency.

Established in 1854 as a center teaching farming methods to the Dakota (Sioux). A brick duplex has been restored and foundations of other buildings are marked. Located 9 miles south of Granite Falls on Highway 67. Open daily May 1 thru Labor Day, 10 am - 5pm.

3. Lower Sioux Agency.

Scene of the first organized Indian attack in the War of 1862. An Interpretive Center tells of the long, proud struggle of the Indians in a time of drastic change. Located nine miles east of Redwood Falls, accessible from County Road 2. Open daily May 1 thru Oct. 31, 10 am - 5 pm.

4. Charles A. Lindbergh House and Interpretive Center.

The boyhood home of the first aviator to fly the Atlantic alone was built in 1906 by "Lucky Lindy's" father, a distinguished lawyer and congressman. The contributions of three generations of Lindberghs are described in the Interpretive Center. Located 2 miles south of Little Falls on County Road 52. Open daily May 1 thru Oct. 31, 10 am - 5 p.m.

5. Oliver H. Kelley Farm.

Homesteaded in 1850 by the man who later founded the National Grange. Today, the Kelley Farm recalls rural America of a hundred years ago. Located two miles southeast of Elk River, accessible from U.S. Highways 169, 10 and 52. Open daily May 1 thru Labor Day, 10 am - 5 pm.

6. Minnehaha Depot.

Known as "The Princess," this gingerbread-trimmed

depot was built in the 1870s as a stop on the Minneapolis to Chicago line. Now it's restored to its 1890 appearance. Located on Minnehaha Avenue near 49th Street in Minneapolis. Open Memorial Day thru Labor Day, Sundays only, 1 pm - 5 pm.

7. Fort Snelling.

Built between 1820 and 1824 by U.S. soldiers under Col. Josiah Snelling, the Fort was the indisputable guardian of American interests in the upper Northwest. Today, the fort is a living museum with costumed soldiers actively involved in the traditional military life of the 1820's. Located in St. Paul, accessible from Interstate 494 and State Highways 5 and 55. Open daily June 5 thru Sept. 6, 10 am - 6 pm; in May, Sept. & Oct., weekdays, 9 am - 5 pm; weekends, 10 am - 6 pm.

8. Burbank-Livingston-Griggs House.

Bordering St. Paul's Summit Avenue, street of Scott Fitzgerald, this lavish mansion was built in 1863 by shipping magnate James C. Burbank. It includes ten

European period rooms with 17th and 18th century appointments. Located at 432 Summit Avenue. Open year round except Mondays; daily, 10 am - 4 pm, Sat. & Sun., 1 pm - 4:30 pm.

9. Alexander Ramsey House.

An 1872 French Renaissance mansion, it was the home of Alexander Ramsey who served as governor, U.S. Senator and secretary of war. It features walnut woodwork, marble fireplaces and Brussels carpeting. Located at 265 South Exchange Street, St. Paul. Open year round except Mondays; daily, 10 am - 4 pm, Sat. & Sun., 1 pm - 4:30 pm.

10. Minnesota State Capitol.

Completed in 1904, the marble domed statehouse was designed by Cass Gilbert, also architect of the U.S.



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Supreme Court Building and George Washington Bridge. Located at Aurora and Park Avenues in St. Paul, accessible from Interstate 94, Marion Street exit. Open year round, tours on the hour. Daily, 8:30 am - 5 pm; Sat., 10 am - 4 pm; Sun., 1 pm - 4 pm.

11. Minnesota Historical Society Building.

Contains a comprehensive collection of materials relating to state and regional history, plus Scandinavian-American and general American culture. Located at 690 Cedar Street, St. Paul. Open year round. Daily, 8:30 am - 5 pm; Sat., 10 am - 4 pm; Sun., 2 pm - 5 pm.

12. Jeffers Petroglyphs.

The work of native Americans from as long ago as 3,000 B.C., these carvings comprise nearly two thousand reproductions of human figures, weapons and animals. Located east of Jeffers; from junction of U.S. Highway 71 and County Road 10, drive east on 10 three miles, then south on County Road 2 one mile. Open daily May 1 thru Labor Day, 10 am - 5 pm.

13. Harkin Store.

Alexander Harkin opened a general store in West Newton in 1869. He prospered until a railroad bypass turned the village into a ghost town. The store closed in 1903, and most of the stock was left on the shelves. Now you can examine merchandise, check prices and smell the aromas of a century ago. On Nicollet County State-Aid Highway 21, eight miles northwest of New Ulm. Open summer of 1976.

14. Mille Lacs Indian Museum.

Once the homeland of the Dakota (Sioux), the area around the Museum was settled by the Chippewa whose descendants still live here. It features dioramas portraying Chippewa life in each of the four seasons. Accessible from U.S. Highway 169 on the southwest shore of Mille Lacs Lake at Vineland. Open daily May 1 thru Sept. 30, 9 am-4 pm.

15. N.W. Company Fur Post.

In 1804, traders landed on the banks of the Snake River and set up a wintering post. Today, an authentically reconstructed fur post is stocked with the goods of those early times and guides dressed as voyageurs are engaged in activities typical of the post in the 1800's. Located off Interstate 35 at Pine City exit, 1 1/2 miles west on County Road 7. Open daily May 1 thru Sept. 30, 10 am - 5 pm.

16. Fort Ridgely.

A restored stone commissary now houses exhibits explaining Fort Ridgely's two crucial battles that turned the tide of the 1862 Dakota (Sioux) War. Located in Fort Ridgely State Park, accessible from State Highway 4, seven miles south of Fairfax. Open daily May 1 thru Sept. 30, 10 am - 5 pm.

17. W.H.C. Folsom House.

This rare example of Greek Revival architecture overlooks the scenic St. Croix Valley. It

was built in 1855 by a Maine lumberman who became a major Minnesota figure.

Located on Government Road in the Angel's Hill district of Taylors Falls. Open Memorial Day thru Sept. 30, daily 1 pm - 4 pm; Sat. & Sun., 1 pm - 4:30 pm.

18. W.W. Mayo House.

An English immigrant, Dr. William W. Mayo, built this small Gothic house in 1859. Later, he and his two sons established the world renowned Mayo Clinic. Located at 118 North Main Street, Le Sueur. Open Memorial Day thru Sept. 30, daily 1 pm - 4 pm; Sat. & Sun., 1 pm - 4:30 pm.

19. Grand Mound Interpretive Center.

136' long, 98' wide and 40' high, Grand Mound is the largest prehistoric Indian Burial Mound in Minnesota and one of the largest in the Upper Midwest. A new Interpretive Center explains the culture of the people buried here. Accessible from State Highway 11, fifteen miles west of International Falls. Open summer of 1976.

State Parks

Banning:

2 mi. N. of Sandstone. Kettle River flows through scenic rock gorges. 32 modern campgrounds, picnic grounds, stream fishing, 4 mi. of foot trails.

Baptism River:

33 mi. N.E. of Two Harbors. Outstanding beauty; highest waterfall in state. Stream fishing and 2 mi. of foot trails.

Bear Head Lake:

16 mi. E. of Tower. Wilderness setting, 15 modern campsites, 50 primitive campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, stream and lake fishing, boats or canoes, 10 mi. of foot trails, 15 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Beaver Creek Valley:

4 mi. W. of Caledonia. Trout stream threads its way through the steep bluff valley. 28 modern campsites, 20 primitive campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, stream fishing, 7 mi. of foot trails.

Big Stone Lake:

(3 areas) 8, 17 & 20 mi. N.W. of Ortonville. A series of 3 separate areas along Big Stone Lake. Important for scenic values and prehistoric record of man. 42 primitive campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, boats or canoes, 3 mi. of foot trails, 5 mi. of snowmobile trails, naturalist program, visitor center.



Birch Coulee:

2 mi. N.E. of Morton. Site of one of the hardest fought battles of the 1862 Sioux Uprising. Picnic grounds and 1 mi. of foot trail.

Blue Mounds:

7 mi. N. of Luverne. Prairie hunting grounds of the Sioux; unusual Sioux quartzite; small buffalo herd. 76 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, 4 mi. of foot trails, 4 mi. of snowmobile trails, visitor center.

Buffalo River:

13 mi. E. of Moorhead. Prairie oasis and prehistoric Campbell beach of Lake Agassiz. 44 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, stream fishing, 4 mi. of foot trails.

*Camden:

7 mi. S.W. of Marshall. Natural wilderness valley. 36 modern campsites, 10

primitive campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, stream fishing, 9 mi. of foot trails, 4 mi. of saddle trails, 6 mi. of snowmobile trails, naturalist program, visitor center.

Carley:

4 mi. S. of Plainview. Rugged, wooded valley of Whitewater River. 22 primitive campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, stream fishing, 4 mi. of foot trails.

Cascade River:

10 mi. S.W. of Grand Marais. Mountainous terrain along Lake Superior; river flows through a twisting rocky gorge. 45 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, lake and stream fishing, 5 mi. of foot trails, 4 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Charles A. Lindbergh:

2 mi. S. of Little Falls. Boyhood home of famous flyer, along wooded bank of Mississippi River. Lindbergh home and interpretive center open to the public. 52 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, 2 mi. of foot trails.

*Crow Wing:

9 mi. S.W. of Brainerd. Crow Wing village site; important in Red River ox cart days; confluence of Mississippi and Crow Wing Rivers. 101 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, stream fishing, 12 mi. of foot trails, 12 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Father Hennepin:

1 mi. N.W. of Isle. Deciduous forest on extensive shore of Mille Lacs Lake. 62 modern campsites, trailer dump station, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, 4 mi. of foot trails.

Flandrau:

S. side of New Ulm. Cottonwood River Valley with high wooded bluffs. 57 modern campsites, 33 primitive campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, children's group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, stream fishing, 7 mi. of foot trails, 3 mi. of saddle trails, 4 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Forestville:

7 mi. S.E. of Wykoff. Scenic segment of Root River Valley and abandoned townsite of Civil War era; historic Forestville store open to the public. 68 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, stream fishing, 10 mi. of foot trails, 8 mi. of saddle trails, 10 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Fort Ridgely:

7 mi. S. of Fairfax. Site of some of fiercest battles of

1862 Sioux Uprising; battle exhibits in commissary building. 20 modern campsites, 30 primitive campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, 3 mi. of foot trails, 5 mi. of saddle trails, 5 mi. of snowmobile trails.

*Fort Snelling:

Junction of Minnesota and Mississippi Rivers at St. Paul. Oldest building in state. Interpretive activities at restored Fort Snelling. High bluffs overlooking broad Minnesota River Valley. Picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake and stream fishing, boats or canoes, 18 mi. of foot trails, 8 mi. of saddle trails, 4 mi. of snowmobile trails, Pike Island Nature Center programs.



Gooseberry Falls:

13 mi. N.E. of Two Harbors. Beautiful Lake Superior north shore. Stream with falls and rapids. 125 modern campsites, trailer dump station, picnic grounds, lake and stream fishing, 6 mi. of foot trails, 1/2 mi. of snowmobile trail, naturalist program.

Hayes Lake:

22 mi. S.E. of Roseau. Wooded area on edge of prairie. 20 primitive campsites, picnic grounds, swimming beach, stream fishing, 4 mi. of foot trails, 4 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Frontenac:

8 mi. N.W. of Lake City. Rolling woodlands along Lake Pepin. 1727 fur trading post and 1860 river town. 39 modern campsites, 20 primitive campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, lake fishing, 6 mi. of foot trails, 11 mi. of snowmobile trails.

George H. Crosby Manitou:

8 mi. N.E. of Finland. Mountain and forest area with 4 miles of Manitou River, 2 waterfalls. 23 primitive campsites for back packing, lake and stream fishing, 9 mi. of foot trails.

Glacial Lakes:

5 mi. S. of Starbuck. Spring fed lakes surrounded by virgin prairie and virgin oak forest. 23 modern campsites, 21 primitive campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, boats or canoes, 5 mi. of foot trails, 9 mi. of saddle trails, 10 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Helmer Myre:

5 mi. E. of Albert Lea. Heavily wooded island in Albert Lea Lake. 400 species of wildflowers. 142 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, lake fishing, 13 mi. of foot trails, 10 mi. of snowmobile trails, visitor center.

Interstate:

1 mi. S. of Taylors Falls. "Glacial Garden" in narrow Dalles of St. Croix River. 47 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, stream fishing, boats or canoes, 5 mi. of foot trails, naturalist program, visitor center, cassette tape tour of the area.

Itasca:

28 mi. N. of Park Rapids. Lakes, virgin forests, source of Mississippi River. Famous Douglas Lodge. 237 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, children's group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake and stream fishing, boats or canoes, 28 mi. of foot trails, 12 mi. of snowmobile trails, naturalist program, visitor center.

*Jay Cooke:

2 mi. W. of Duluth. Spectacular with St. Louis River running through gorge. 96 modern campsites, trailer dump station, picnic grounds, stream fishing, 14 mi. of foot trails, 30 mi. of snowmobile trails, naturalist program.

John A. Latsch:

14 mi. N.W. of Winona. Limestone bluffs and panoramic view of Mississippi River. 8 primitive campsites, picnic grounds, stream fishing, and 2 mi. of foot trails.

Judge C.R. Magney:

14 mi. N.E. of Grand Marais. Waterfalls and boiling rapids of Brule River, exceptional geologic and scenic values. 38 modern campsites, stream fishing, 3 mi. of foot trails.

Kilen Woods:

8 mi. E. of Lakefield. Hills and woods in middle of rolling farm land. 20 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, stream fishing, 5 mi. of foot trails, 3 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Lac Qui Parle:

10 mi. N.W. of Montevideo. Hardwood timber along Lac Qui Parle and Minnesota Rivers. 50 modern campsites, 5 primitive campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake and stream fishing, 6 mi. of foot trails, 6 mi. of saddle trails, 6 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Like your outdoors big and roomy? Minnesota offers you 4 million acres in 62 handy locations.

*Lake Bemidji:

6 mi. N.E. of Bemidji. Virgin pine forest on sandy shore. 113 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, children's group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, boats or canoes, 3 mi. of foot trails, naturalist program, visitor center.

Lake Bronson:

2 mi. E. of Lake Bronson. Artificial lake in vast Red River Valley. 180 modern campsites, 25 primitive campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake and stream fishing, boats or canoes, 6 mi. of foot trails, 6 mi. of snowmobile trails, naturalist program.

Lake Carlos:

10 mi. N. of Alexandria. Rolling land along sandy shore. 146 modern campsites, 12 primitive campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, children's group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, boats or canoes, 15 mi. of foot trails, 17 mi. of saddle trails, 15 mi. of snowmobile trails, naturalist program.

Lake Louise:

2 mi. N. of Leroy. Wooded area where 2 streams form a lake in upper Iowa River. 19 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, stream fishing, 9 mi. of foot trails, 5 mi. of saddle trails, 5 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Lake Maria:

8 mi. W. of Monticello. Rolling land with deciduous tree cover which surrounds 2 small lakes. Pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, lake fishing, 7 mi. of foot trails, 7 mi. of saddle trails, 4 mi. of snowmobile trails.



Lake Shetek:

14 mi. N.E. of Slayton. Wooded shore. Site of massacre of 1862 Sioux Uprising. 88 modern campsites, 20 primitive campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, children's group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, boats or canoes, 4 mi. of foot trails, 5 mi. of snowmobile trails, naturalist program.

Little Elbow Lake:

16 mi. E. of Waubun. Rolling land with deciduous tree cover including 3 lakes. 23 primitive campsites, picnic grounds, lake fishing.

McCarthy Beach:

20 mi. N.W. of Hibbing. Virgin pine timber on hills between 2 lakes; exceptional sand beaches. 45 modern campsites, 39 primitive campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, boats or canoes, 11 mi. of foot trails, 12 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Maplewood:

7 mi. S.E. of Pelican Rapids. Spectacularly beautiful; including about 20 lakes. 51 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, 25 mi. of foot trails, 25 mi. of saddle trails, 25 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Mille Lacs Kathio:

5 mi. N.W. of Onamia. Hills, meadows and forest; site of the major battle between Sioux and Chipewewa, 1745. 71 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake and stream fishing, boats or canoes, 15 mi. of foot trails, 15 mi. of saddle trails, 25 mi. of snowmobile trails, naturalist program, visitor center.

Minneopa:

6 mi. W. of Mankato. Waterfalls in wooded gorge, historic mill site and village. 50 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, stream fishing, 3 1/2 mi. of foot trails.

Monson Lake:

4 mi. S.W. of Sunburg. Site of 1862 Sioux Uprising Massacre. 20 modern campsites, picnic grounds, lake fishing, 1 1/2 mi. of foot trails.

Moose Lake:

1 mi. S.E. of Moose Lake. Bordered by two beautiful lakes. Picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, 8 mi. of foot trails, 10 mi. of snowmobile trails.

*Nerstrand Woods:

16 mi. S.E. of Northfield. Remnant of big woods with picturesque prairie creek. 62 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, 11 mi. of foot trails, 5 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Old Mill:

17 mi. N.E. of Warren. Prairie terrain except for rolling valley with winding river, site of steam-operated grist mill. 26 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, stream fishing, 6 mi. of foot trails, 6 mi. of snowmobile trails, naturalist program.

Rice Lake:

10 mi. E. of Owatonna. Virgin forest surrounding undeveloped natural lake. 41

modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, 4 mi. of foot trails, 4 mi. of snowmobile trails.

*St. Croix:

16 mi. E. of Hinckley. Pine, spruce, hardwoods, wildlife; St. Croix River and several smaller rivers flow through this large park. 224 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, children's group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, stream fishing, boats or canoes, 127 mi. of foot trails, 75 mi. of saddle trails, 75 mi. of snowmobile trails, 8 mi. of bicycle trails, naturalist program, visitor center.



Sakatah Lake:

2 mi. E. of Waterville. Virgin hardwood forest. 59 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, 4 miles of foot trails, 5 mi. of snowmobile trails, visitor center.

Savanna Portage:

16 mi. N.E. of McGregor. Major link in the Mississippi to St. Louis River route. 63 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, boats or canoes, 16 mi. of foot trails, 60 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Scenic:

7 mi. S.E. of Big Fork. A primitive park. Stand of virgin Norway Pine beside unspoiled lakes. 74 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, boats or canoes, 5 mi. of foot trails, 18 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Schoolcraft:

8 mi. S. of Deer River. Indian wild ricing site. Pine forest lands embrace the Mississippi River. 38 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, stream fishing, 2 mi. of foot trails.

Sibley:

5 mi. W. of New London. Virgin hardwoods cover moraine hills along Lake Andrew. 85 modern campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, children's group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, boats or canoes, 4 mi. of foot trails, 5 mi. of saddle trails, 6 mi. of snowmobile trails, naturalist program.

Split Rock Creek:

1 mi. S. of Ihlen. Recreational area on artificial lake. 17 modern campsites,

pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, 1/2 mi. of foot trail, 1 1/2 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Split Rock Lighthouse:

27 mi. N.E. of Two Harbors. Symbol of Lake Superior North Shore. Lighthouse operated by Coast Guard until 1968. Cassette tape tour of lighthouse available. 1 mi. of foot trail.

Temperance River:

23 mi. S.W. of Grand Marais. Spectacular river gorge with large potholes; on Lake Superior. 26 modern campsites, 19 primitive campsites, picnic grounds, lake and stream fishing, 5 mi. of foot trails, naturalist program.

Tower Soudan:

1 mi. W. of Soudan. Minnesota's deepest and oldest underground iron mine; on Lake Vermilion. The nation's only underground mine tour, picnic grounds, lake fishing, 5 mi. of foot trails, 15 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Traverse Des Sioux:

1 mi. N.W. of St. Peter. Site of village of Traverse Des Sioux and signing of treaty of 1858. Picnic grounds, stream fishing, 2 mi. of foot trails, 8 mi. of snowmobile trails.

Upper Sioux Agency:

4 mi. S.E. of Granite Falls. On the banks of Yellow Medicine River; location of government outpost called Upper Sioux Agency. Pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, stream fishing, 9 mi. of foot trails, 8 mi. of snowmobile trails, visitor center.

Whitewater:

9 mi. N. of St. Charles. Formed by a deep ravine with limestone formations and hardwood forest. 77 modern campsites, 49 primitive campsites, trailer dump station, pioneer group camp, children's group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, stream fishing, 15 mi. of foot trails, naturalist program.

*William O'Brien:

16 mi. N. of Stillwater. Wooded countryside on St. Croix River. 125 modern campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake and stream fishing, boats or canoes, 13 mi. of foot trails, naturalist program.

Zippel Bay:

9 mi. N.E. of Williams. Gently sloping land bordering an exceptional beach area on Lake of the Woods. 50 primitive campsites, pioneer group camp, picnic grounds, swimming beach, lake fishing, 10 mi. of foot trails, 12 mi. of snowmobile trails.



*Handicapped Facilities:

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has chosen this as one of eight state parks minimally accessible to the handicapped. Each has wheelchair-accessible picnic areas; designated camping areas close to handicapped-accessible sanitation buildings, water supply, etc.; and trails designed for easier exploring.

Voyageurs National Park

Boundary Waters Canoe Area

National Monuments

Voyageurs National Park.

It's as new as the 1971 Act of Congress that established it for all of the people.

Including you.

Yet this vast expanse of over 200,000 acres along the U.S.-Canadian border is as old as the French voyageurs who first canoed and portaged it three centuries ago.

Now it's your turn.

Four lakes dominate the Park. Namakan, Kabetogama, Rainy and Sand Point. Along their shores are many places well suited for camping, though you may prefer

making your base near any of a number of smaller lakes. There are no roads into the interior, so access is primarily by water.

Fishing is superb. Especially for walleye, northern pike, trout and bass. Canoe and boat rental services are nearby, as are resorts, hotels and motels if you like to "rough it" part-time only.

The Boundary Waters Canoe Area.

In 1688, Jacques de Noyons became the first white man to travel it.

He would know it yet.

Because the primitive character of this roadless land of lakes, forests, wildlife, ridges and muskeg has been preserved.

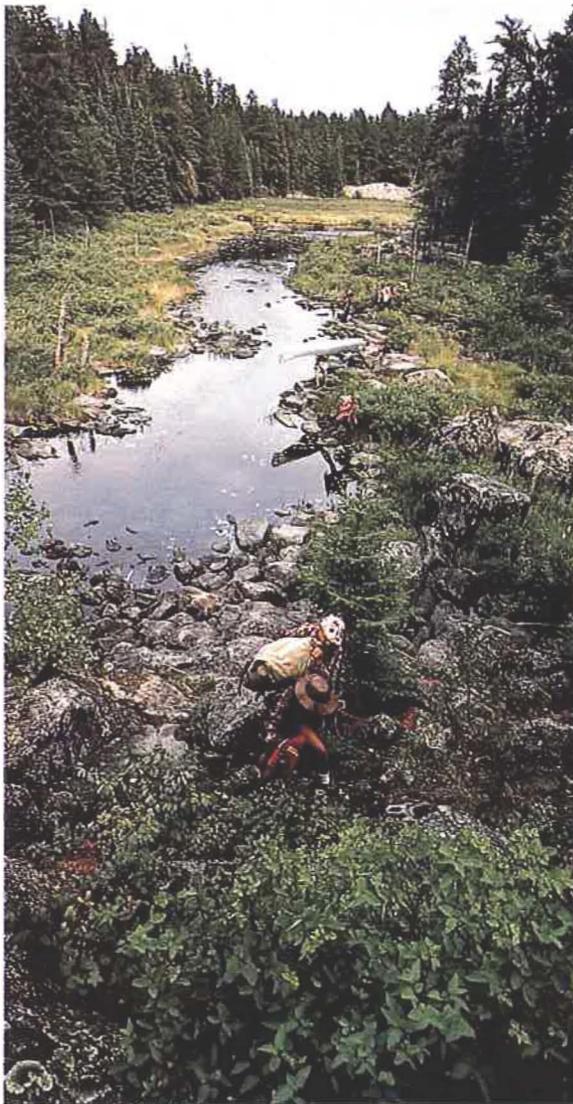
To offer you a true wilderness experience.

The BWCA is located in the northern third of Superior National Forest. It has some 1,200 miles of

canoe routes and more than 2,000 managed campsites. But party sizes are limited to 10; and fire, sanitation and other regulations are well enforced.

Another caution. You'll need a travel permit. These are available without charge from Superior National Forest offices and from cooperating outfitters and resorts nearby.

Minnesota has national attractions, too. Like America's newest national park.



There are two national monuments in Minnesota.

By all means, visit both. Each commemorates a rather remarkable facet of our American heritage.

Pipestone National Monument, in southwestern Minnesota, is the site of quarries from which an unusual red stone has been taken for centuries to make ceremonial pipes used by Plains Indians and other tribes.

The prized stone and its source are still revered by native Americans who

continue to produce pipes from the stone, which by federal law is reserved for Indians.

The monument has geological features which have lent themselves to legends, such as Three Maidens, Leaping Rock and Winnewissa Falls.

Longfellow immortalized Pipestone in "The Song of Hiawatha," which in turn has become the title and theme of a Pageant held annually in mid-summer.

Grand Portage National Monument, in north-eastern Minnesota, is a faithful reconstruction of a trading post established in 1778 by the North West Company on Lake Superior at the head of what earlier French explorers called "Le Grande Portage."

The Great Carrying Place.

It was a major gateway to the Northwest territory, a vital link in a network of waterways to the fur trade empire.

Indians used the 8½ mile trail to the Pigeon River for ages before the first European recorded it in 1722. The French and then the British transported pelts

and other goods over the portage until the post closed in 1803.

Now it's been restored, complete with Great Hall, Stockade, Fur Press, Canoe Warehouse and other buildings.



Calendar of Major Events

Name your holiday. Or season. Or sport. Or hobby. Or just about anything.

If it's fun, there's probably an event dedicated to it somewhere, sometime in Minnesota.

So we've listed a few of our major events here.

Please note that specific dates apply to calendar year 1976. And all events listed are annual affairs, except where marked "held in 1976 only."

In any case, you may want to write for a copy of the complete calendar of events from the Minnesota Tourist Information Center in St. Paul.

Say when. Big things happen in Minnesota all year 'round.

January

Ely; **All American Championship Sled Dog Races**; one of the nation's largest sled dog competitions.

St. Paul; St. Paul Winter Carnival; over 60 events including snowmobile, cross country and sled dog competition.

February

Nevis; **Nevis Trailblazers Snowmobile Club Open Pit Barbeque and Family Day**; on Nevis Bay of Lake Belle Taine, outdoor barbeque at noon, sleigh rides, races and games.

Bemidji; **North Country Ski Touring Festival**; mass gathering of ski tourers.

March

Gibbon; **Annual Big Spring Concertina Party and Music Festival**; music, food, refreshments, parade, guest bands, dancing.

April

Hibbing; **Last Chance Curling Bonspiel**; curling competition between clubs from



the upper midwest and Canada.

May

6-9

St. Paul; **Festival of Nations; Civic Center**, held in 1976 and every three years, folk dancing, ethnic foods and exhibits.

14-16

Spring Grove; **Syttende Mai**; Norwegian foods, carnival, flea market, fiddler's bee, art and crafts shows, parades, official opening with Olympic Norse runners.

June

19-20

Pipestone; **Pipestone Indian Celebration and Trade Fair**; Pow Wow beginning at 1:00 each day; special speakers from 5-7:00; trade fair continuous. Held in 1976 only.

24-26

Willmar; **31st Annual "Kaffee Fest"**; ethnic coffee drinking of Scandinavian people,

band playing and marching competition, carnival, parades, queen coronation, marathon race.

24-27

Montevideo; **Montevideo's Fiesta Days**; art fair, king and queen contest, carnival, parades, athletic events, international ceremonies.

26

Minneapolis (Metropolitan Stadium); **Freedom Fest**; Dick Van Dyke, master of ceremonies; for celebration of freedom from alcohol and drug dependency; program includes national entertainers and well-known public officials.

27

Minneapolis; **Svenskarnas Dag "Swedish Day"**; Minnehaha Park; annual celebration, U.S. dignitaries and celebrities attending, folk dancing, music, food.

30-July 5

Winona; **Steamboat Days**; parade, fireworks, queen pageant, top name entertainment, Miss America appearances, carnival, bicycle races.

July

2-5

St. Paul; **Landmark Festival**. Held in 1976 only.

2-5

Minneapolis; **Minneapolis Aquatennial**; Our Family and Neighborhoods Heritage weekend; old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration in picnic environment.

3-5

Fairmont; **Festival of Lakes**; boat parade, kiddie parade, fireworks, Little Miss Festival pageant, many competitive events.

3-5

Brainerd; **Johnny Inkslinger Days and Bicentennial Celebration**; old times picnic, water show, parade, religious festival, band festival, fireworks.

4

St. Paul; **Historic Fort Snelling**; traditional ceremonies of the 1820s. Also special events at Alexander Ramsey House, 265 S. Exchange, St. Paul.

9-11

Minneapolis; **Minneapolis Aquatennial**; Our Heritage of the Arts weekend; performances of drama, music, opera and dance and display of visual arts.

11

Montgomery; **Kolacky Day**; parade, top bands and drum corps in the state, kolacky eating contest.

12-18

Detroit Lakes; **Northwest Water Carnival**; Parade of the Northwest with over 120 units, Miss Northwest Pageant, water ski shows, carnival, sail boat races, arm wrestling.

13

Marshall; **National Rolle Bolle Tournament** and Town and Country Days; parade downtown, grandstand show and activities at fairgrounds. Rolle Bolle Tournament, beef and pork barbeque

16-18

Minneapolis; **Minneapolis Aquatennial**; Our Heritage of Leisure and Our Heritage of a People weekend; traditional Aquatennial activities on city lakes including Grande Day Parade. Evening program to include folk dancing and crafts.

22-25

New Ulm; **Heritagefest Festival and Pageant**; at Brown County Fairgrounds in New Ulm, historical and recreational activities and programs, polka bands, German food and biergarten, ethnic dance and music groups, crafts, exhibits, pageant each evening, "Hermannstraum".

23-25

30-Aug. 1-6-8

Pipestone; **Hiawatha Pageant**; evening outdoor performance.



23-25

Minneapolis; **Minneapolis Aquatennial**; Our Heritage from Nature weekend; enjoyment of lakes, rivers, parks and quality of life; aquatic activities; Queen Coronation, Flotilla Frolics, fireworks.

23-25

Park Rapids; **Jaycees State Logging Championships**; contests in tree felling, chain saw cutting, buck saw cutting, chopping, ax throwing, log climbing; large parade.

23-25

Glenwood; **21st Annual Waterama**; lighted pontoon parade, water show, swimming, sailboat and canoe races, art show, button dance, coronation ball and teen dance.

August

10

West Concord; **Berne Swissfest**; all-Swiss programs and foods, imports, alphorn blowing, Swiss wrestling, stone throwing.

21-22

28-29

Sept. 11-12

18-19

Shakopee; **Minnesota Renaissance Festival**; 4 mi. west of Shakopee on MN 169, recreation of 16th century mayfaire and marketplace, players of ancient instruments, magicians, jugglers, jesters, puppeteers, tumblers, handcrafted wares, horse racing and jousting, foods and games for all.

22

Ortonville; **Sweet Corn Festival**; free sweet corn feed cooked in old time steam engine, corn eating contest, parade, inner tube races, canoe races, children's pet show.

26-Sept. 6

St. Paul; **Minnesota State Fair**; many agricultural and horticultural exhibits, fireworks, horse shows, livestock show, Sept. 1 is Bicentennial Day featuring horse and wagon bicentennial parade, Smithsonian Institution exhibit entitled "American Agriculture: A Continuing Revolution", creative activities contest for original quilts.

September

3-6

Rollag; **Western Minnesota Steam Thresher's Reunion**; steam threshing, parade of steam engines, blacksmithing, lumber sawing, spinning, rug weaving, cider making, pioneer museum displays, miniature railroad, pioneer log cabin and old time railroad depot.

9-12

Northfield; **Defeat of Jesse James Days** (100th Anniversary Celebration in 1976); bank raid re-enactments, festival parade, arts fair, baseball tournament, carnival, street dance; Northfield Arts Guild presentation; "Jesse", original musical melodrama Sept. 9-12, 16-18 and 24-26.

11-12

Worthington; **Turkey Day 1976**; parade, national speaker, horse show, Great Gobbler Gallop IV, football bowl game, cross country track, carnival.

13-19

Lake Crystal; **Farmfest '76**; largest agricultural event in the United States in the Bicentennial year. Held in 1976 only.

18-19

Huntersville; **Crow Wing Annual Trail Ride**; saddle horse riders from all over the United States.

18-24

Duluth; **Festival of Arts**; will incorporate all the arts in northeastern Minnesota including art, music, theater, dance; films, ethnic foods and folk dancing, crafts. Open to public in late afternoon and evening. Held in 1976 only.

October

30

Eveleth; **United States Hockey Hall of Fame Enshrinement Day**; ceremony to honor each year's new enshrines into the United States Hockey Hall of Fame, a dinner with a noted hockey speaker and a hockey game, usually involving two college teams.

November

28

Mountain Iron; **All Community Bicentennial Thanksgiving Dinner**. Held in 1976 only.

December

3-5

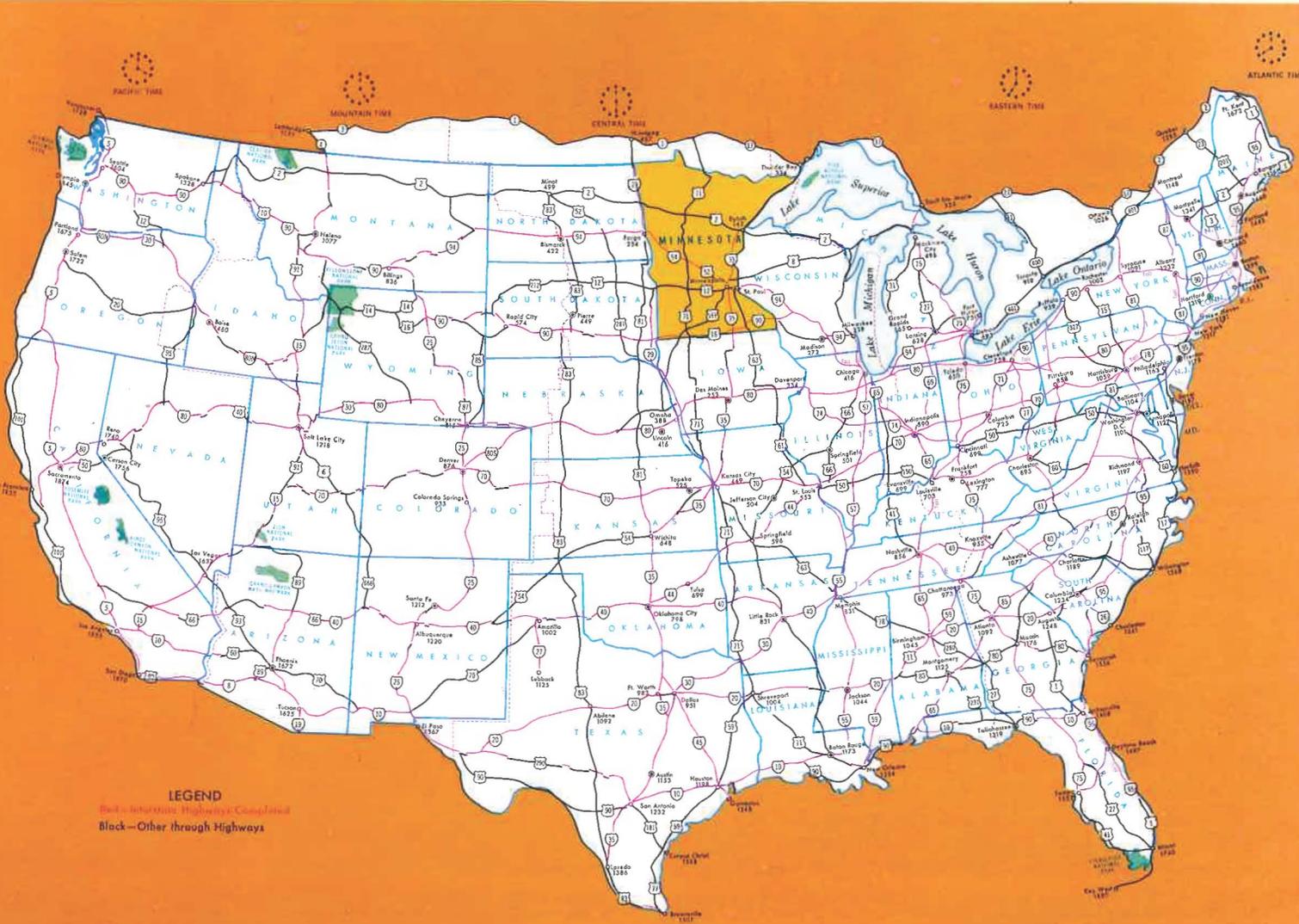
Minneapolis; **Intertribal Crafts Festival**; Native American Center, 1530 E. Franklin, Minneapolis 55404

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Drive, fly or ride. Minnesota is an easy destination from just about anywhere.

Driving? Plan your trip with this mileage and route map.

Approximate distances from various cities to St. Paul-Minneapolis are shown below the names of the cities.



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 our Minnesota
 Travel Informa-
 tion Centers:

			
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 Interstate 90

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 Duluth, MN on
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 Moorhead, MN on
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More Information

Regions

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Minnesota Arrowhead Association
Hotel Duluth
Duluth, MN 55802
(218) 722-0874

Heartland, Inc.
P.O. Box 443
411 Laurel Street
Brainerd, MN 56401
(218) 829-1615

Hiawathaland
212 - 1st Ave. S.W.
Rochester, MN 55901
(507) 288-8970

Metroland
c/o Northern Dakota
County Chamber of
Commerce
Suite 101, 33 E. Wentworth
West St. Paul, MN 55118
(612) 222-5889

Pioneerland
Box 999
Mankato, MN 56001
(507) 345-4517

Viking-Land, USA
Box 545
Battle Lake, MN 56515
(218) 864-8181

For more information on your Minnesota vacation, write directly to these sources:

Resorts

Minnesota Resort Association
2001 University Ave.
St. Paul, MN 55104
(612) 647-0107

Hotels, Motels

Minnesota Hotel and Motor Hotel Association
2001 University
St. Paul, MN 55104
(612) 647-0107

Minnesota Motel Association
2901 Pleasant Ave.
Minneapolis, MN 55408
(612) 827-4035

Restaurants

Minnesota Restaurant Association
2001 University
St. Paul, MN 55104
(612) 647-0107

Campgrounds

Minnesota Association of Campground Operators
P.O. Box 344G
Elk River, MN 55330

Highways

Minnesota Highway Department
Highway Building
St. Paul, MN 55155
(612) 296-3581

State Patrol
Rm. 107
Highway Building
St. Paul, MN 55155
(612) 296-5988

Camping & Canoeing, Fishing, Water and Winter Sports

Write for specific data desired to:
Department of Natural Resources
Parks and Recreation Division
320 Centennial Building
St. Paul, MN 55155
(612) 296-4776

Skiing

Midwest Ski Areas Association
P.O. Box 418
Afton, MN 55001

Snowmobiling

Minnesota Association of Snowmobilers
Box 428
Forest Lake, MN 55025
(612) 464-2285

Historic Sites

Minnesota Historical Society
Building 25
Fort Snelling
St. Paul, MN 55111
(612) 726-1171

State Parks

Department of Natural Resources
Parks and Recreation Division
320 Centennial Building
St. Paul, MN 55155
(612) 296-4776

National Park, Forest (BWCA), Monuments

Voyageurs National Park
405 2nd St.
International Falls, MN 56649
(218) 283-4492

Boundary Waters Canoe Area
Superior National Forest
Forest Supervisor
P.O. Box 338
Duluth, MN 55801
(218) 727-6692 ext. 321

Grand Portage National Monument
Headquarters
Box 666
Grand Marais, MN 55604
(218) 387-2788

Pipestone National Monument
P.O. Box 727
Pipestone, MN 56164
(507) 825-5463

State Publications

For a catalog listing publications for sale such as lake maps, county maps, etc., write:

Minnesota State Publications Documents Section
Rm. 140 Centennial Building
658 Cedar Street
St. Paul, MN 55155

Tourist Information

Write to this address:
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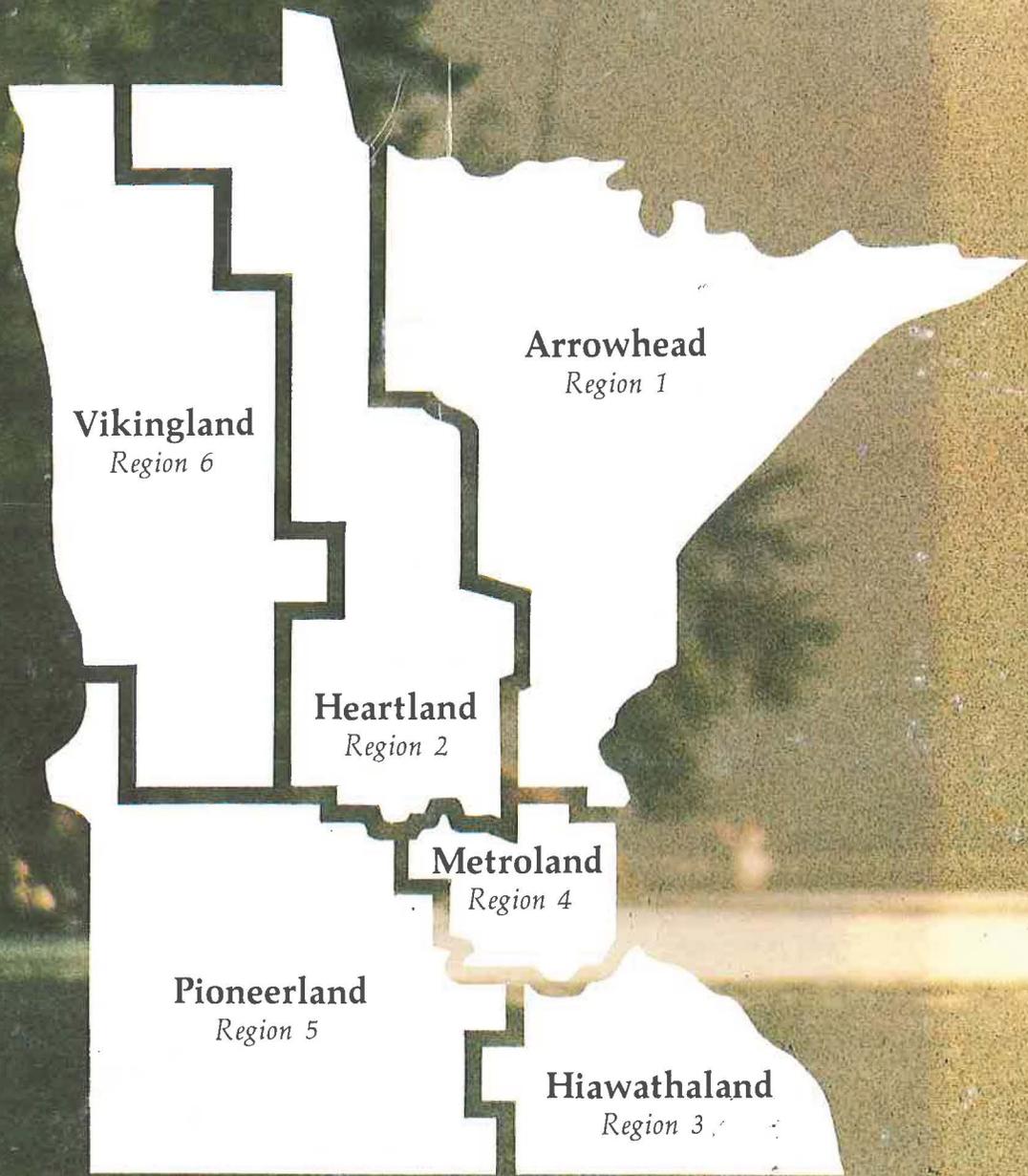
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