

# LEDGE TOURS

**Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

## Washington Island Adventure

Explore the day away on a unique, behind-the-scenes tour of this renowned part of Wisconsin's Niagara Escarpment - Washington Island! Our host, Sandy (Ursula) Petersen has spent over 15 summers teaching ecology in this paradise. The fully arranged trip from Northport will take you on a guided ½ hour ferry ride across the infamous "Death's Door". Hear about and see the accomplishments of the Door County Land Trust, while hiking the new trail to Little Lake and The Cut. Stroll the infamous Schoolhouse Beach, view or climb "The Mountain" and get 'up close and personal' with the rocks, sea caves and ferns. Gaze at the striking Stavkirke (Norwegian chapel) and learn about local actions taken to preserve and protect some of the Island's habitats while enjoying lunch (provided). Visit with local commercial fisherman and farmers to learn about the Island's oldest, and newest, economic drivers - including wheat for specialty beer and spirits, and the expansion of the viticulture (grape-growing) industry. Participants will meet at the Northport Ferry Dock at 9:30 A.M. sharp for boarding and we'll plan to return on the 4:00 P.M. ferry. Please be very aware of the drive time and be sure to dress for the weather - even though its late May, the Island stays quite cool! **A maximum of 20 registrations will be taken for this special tour!** Sign up by contacting Sherrill Anderson via phone at (920) 412-1920 or by e-mail at [Sherrill@lnrp.org](mailto:Sherrill@lnrp.org) **Registration and payment will be due by May 17, 2011** and is considered non-refundable unless the tour is cancelled by NERN.

***Cost: \$25/person for paid NERN members or \$40/person for non-members.***

***Make checks out to LNRP please, with NERN Tour on the memo line.***

***Includes all transportation from Northport and lunch.***

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### TRIP SCHEDULE (subject to change)

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9:30 a.m.	Meet at Northport Ferry Dock <i>(bathrooms)</i> - <i>SEE ATTACHED ROUTE MAP</i>
10:00-10:30 a.m.	Ferry Ride to Island <i>(bathrooms)</i> - <i>SEE ATTACHED MAP OF ISLAND</i>
10:45 a.m.	Meet with Dick Purinton, Owner - Washington Island Ferry Line
11:15 a.m.	Little Lake Trail Hike w/ Terrie Cooper - Door County Land Trust
Noon	Lunch at People's Park with box lunch from Karly's Tavern <i>(Turkey on Rye/Wheat, Fruit, Cookie and Soda/Water)</i> <i>(bathrooms)</i>
12:55 p.m.	Schoolhouse Beach Visit <i>(bathrooms)</i>
1:15 p.m.	Escarpment Viewing at "The Mountain" / The Stavkirke
2:00 p.m.	Jackson Harbor - Commercial Fishing / Rock Island Viewing <i>(bathrooms)</i>
2:45 p.m.	Washington Island Wheat Field & Vineyard Visit
3:30 p.m.	Return to Island Ferry Dock <i>(bathrooms)</i>
4:00-4:30 p.m.	Ferry Ride / Return to Northport Ferry Dock <i>(bathrooms)</i>

#### TRIP SUGGESTIONS:

- ✓ Dress for the weather! The Island environment can still be quite cold, even near the end of May. Bring layers of clothing and a good pair of comfortable walking/hiking shoes or boots.
- ✓ The hiking portions of the trip will be 'easy' to 'moderate'.
- ✓ Water and refreshments will be provided.
- ✓ Bring your camera, film, sunglasses.

#### TRIP CONTACT INFORMATION:

Sherrill Anderson, LNRP

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*Please let us know in advance if you have any physical or dietary restrictions!*

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### Map to Northport Ferry Dock

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#### TRIP SUGGESTIONS

- ✓ Please be aware of the drive time to Northport Pier/Ferry Dock!
- ✓ According to "Google Maps", the drive time from Green Bay, WI to Northport is approximately 1 hour and 48 minutes! Give yourself an extra fifteen minutes on your travel time to be safe, as you could run into an open drawbridge in Sturgeon Bay, or perhaps get behind people taking a more 'leisurely' journey. Plan ahead!
- ✓ Protected indoor areas and bathrooms are provided on the ferry.
- ✓ Depending on weather, the trip can get quite 'rough' as we pass through Death's Door. Be prepared, particularly if you suffer from motion sickness!



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#### CONTACT INFORMATION

Washington Island Ferry Line

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