



# Minnesota SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION SINCE 1885

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Hello spouses and guests,

While it may seem hard to believe with the weather this week, the 2019 Summer Conference will be here before we know it. We will be welcoming some fabulous new friends to our group and look forward to everyone connecting.

There are a few changes this year. We will not be doing the flower pots (I know, I hear your big sighs already.) but we will be making some planter stakes to go into flower/plant containers. The garden nursery we used closed and we decided to go easy on the schedule this year and allow time at the resort. With this MSA conference being a week later, there are more Cragun's activities to partake in as well.



On Sunday night, there is the annual BBQ. The location moved to the beach area near the marina. Cass County (and MSA) is adding to the Cragun's meal and having a Fish Fry. You will need to purchase a ticket through Cragun's for this meal.

On Monday morning we will have our spouses/guest gathering at 8:30 a.m. If you have kids going on the fishing event, you will have time to get them off. As part of our morning, we will be working with a company called Twisted Metals ([www.twistedmetalsmn.com](http://www.twistedmetalsmn.com)). I visited their booth at the Little Falls Craft Fair last September.



They will be making us a 5-point sheriff star on a stick (like the MSA logo)– we will then paint them and add whatever words, sayings you'd like to your star or you can leave them plain. MSA will purchase one for each of you and you may buy additional stars for \$5. They will also make us larger stars (6" stars on a stake) that would be for sticking in the ground and allow for more words. Those will be \$10-\$12 each. (see owl sample.) **I will need you to RSVP by May 15<sup>th</sup>** so that they can prepare for our group. They will also bring their traveling display of goods and I know you will love their stuff.



After our morning gathering and kids returning from fishing, we will pontoon over to Ernie's on Gull for lunch. BKV is our pontoon sponsor and everyone is responsible for their lunch and beverages. Dawn Lange (Nicollet County) has agreed to be our captain. Again, a RSVP is helpful so I can make reservations and see if we need two pontoons. If you prefer not to pontoon, you could certainly drive over to Ernie's and meet up for lunch. If the weather isn't cooperating on Monday, we will move the pontoon lunch to Tuesday. This pontoon lunch is adults only.



On Monday afternoon at 4:00 pm is the Sheriff's golf tournament. The course is beautiful, and the skill level of golfers is all over the place. All are welcome! Cost is \$40.



Spouses and guests are welcome to attend the Exhibitor Fair. However, if you plan on eating, you will need a meal ticket from Cragun's. If I were to recommend a meal, the main one I'd suggest is the Sunday night BBQ. The dinner at the golf club on Monday night is good too and some spouses stay back and order pizza. We can talk about that at the Monday morning gathering.

Below is the list of Cragun's events during the week. Some of these are fee based. Signups are in the lobby.

9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Sand Castle Contest 1:00	Fishing Frenzy 8:30 am	Guided Hike 8:00 am	Paddleboard Lesson 8:00	Guided Hike 8:00 am	Fishing Frenzy 8:30 am	Paddleboard Lesson 8:00
Pontoon Cruise 2:00 pm	Ski School 9:00 am	Fishing Frenzy 8:30 am	Ski School 9:00 am	Tubing 9:00 am	Ski School 9:00 am	Tubing 9:00 am
Beach Soccer 3:00 pm	Human Football 10:00 am	Tubing 9:00 am	Ski School 10:30 am	Vacation Creations 10:00	Beach Relays 10:00 am	Vacation Creations 10:00 a
Welcome Reception 6:30 p	Ski School 10:30 am	Vacation Creations 10:00	Treasure Hunt 12:00 pm	Tubing 10:30 am	Ski School 10:30 am	Tubing 10:30 am
Bingo 8:00 pm	Slip N' Slide 12:00 pm	Tubing 10:30 am	Ski School 1:00 pm	Tubing 11:45 am	Slip N' Slide 12:00 pm	Tubing 11:45 am
Social Bonfire 8:00 pm	Ski School 1:00 pm	Tubing 11:45 am	Ski School 2:30 pm	Pontoon Cruise 1:00 pm	Ski School 1:00 pm	Lawn Games 12:00 pm
	Ski School 2:30 pm	Foot Golf 12:00 pm	Cardboard Boat Regatta 4:	Tubing 1:00 pm	Ski School 2:30 pm	Tubing 1:00 pm
	Clue 4:00 pm	Tubing 1:00 pm	Family Olympics 5:00 pm	Tubing 2:30 pm	Team Challenge 4:00 pm	Tubing 2:30 pm
	Moonlight Movies 8:00 pm	Tubing 2:30 pm	Team Charades 6:00 pm	Foot Golf 4:00 pm	Social Bonfire 8:00 pm	S.N.A.G. (Starting New At
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		Trivia 7:00 pm		Moonlight Movies 8:00 pm		Social Bonfire 8:00 pm
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Let me know if you have any questions. I'm sure for some of you, this may be overwhelming, so no question is a bad question.

Any or all spouse activities are optional. We will review the schedule (and any changes) at the opening gathering. Please RSVP by May 15<sup>th</sup> - especially if you want to make additional metal stars.

We look forward to seeing all of you.

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