

SS Meteor 2021 Project Work Weekend Volunteer Information

Superior Public Museums welcomes you to the 2021 SS Meteor Preservation Work Weekend.

The weekend is collaboration of multiple organizations and is instrumental in the maintenance and preservation of the SS Meteor.

Thank you to all of the volunteers from the participating organizations, including the Great Lakes Shipwreck Preservation Society, Lake Superior Marine Museum Association and the Wisconsin Underwater Archeology Association. We also thank our staff and the other great people who have joined us to help.

The event could not happen without the support of many generous donors. Our sincere thanks to the following:

City of Superior- Saturday's evening meal

Bellisio's- Saturday's lunch

Lakehead Constructors - lift

Kari and Craig David – paintbrushes, rags, and use of their welding equipment and supplies

Barker's Island – discounted rooms

Super One – cake for the 125th celebration

Keyport Liquor – champagne for a toast

All of the individuals that bring their own tools and donate supplies

Weekend Schedule

Friday

Individuals will work independently. No meals are provided.

Saturday

7:00 - Breakfast on your own. There will be an informal group gathering at Perkins.

8:00-9:00 - Check-in, waivers signed, group meeting and task assignments

9:15 – Briefing followed by group photo outside of Meteor

9:30-12:00 - Work on projects

12:00-1:00 - Lunch (boxed lunches handed out) provided at the ship

1:00-4:30 - Work on projects

4:30-5:00 - Wrap up projects and put supplies away

5:00-6:00 - Free time

6:00-8:00 - BBQ and bon fire provided outside at the Fairlawn Mansion

Sunday

7:00 - Breakfast on your own. There will be an informal group gathering at Perkins.

8:00-12:00 - Work on projects

12:00-1:00 - Lunch provided (pizza)

1:00-4:00* - Work on projects

4:00-4:30* - Wrap up projects and put supplies away

*Wrap up time on Sunday may vary depending on schedules and project status.

Safety

Please put safety first. We appreciate all of you and really want to keep you around for a long time. A first aid kit is located near the Meteor office. All volunteers must complete a waiver before starting work. Wear safety glasses and masks when appropriate.

DO NOT DISTURB ASBESTOS! WHEN IN DOUBT...ASK!

Clean-up

Please be responsible for cleaning up any supplies you use. At the end of the project or day, bring all brushes, containers and tools back to the main staging area. YOU ARE THE CLEANING CREW.

Drips and Paint

We ask that all painters try to eliminate drips as much as possible. Paint dries slowly when it is cold. Please paint carefully. Be aware of where you set your paint cans. Do not leave cloths with mineral spirits in a ball at the end of the day. Spontaneous combustion is a real concern.

Meteor Gift Shop and Memberships:

Our gift shop is not open for the season, but we will have a few selected items and memberships available in the Fairlawn Gift Shop at the evening event on Saturday. There is a new membership program!

Snacks and Coffee

Snacks, bottled water and coffee will be available throughout the weekend. Help yourself!

Group Breakfast

It has been a tradition for many of our volunteers to informally gather for breakfast. This year, we will be meeting at Perkins. We will be meeting there at 7:00 AM both Saturday and Sunday. Feel free to join the group.

Saturday Evening BBQ and Bon Fire

The Saturday evening event will be held OUTSIDE at the Fairlawn Mansion. You may begin to arrive at 6:30. A casual BBQ with bon fire will be our evening entertainment starting at 7:00. Soda, water and coffee will be provided. Adult beverages are BYOB. However, we will be having a champagne toast with cake to celebrate a 125 years of the Meteor. Bring a cooler if you want. There is no charge for this event. Please bring a chair, blankets, etc. Restrooms will be available inside the mansion.

Directions- The mansion is directly across the street from Barker's Island. The address is 906 E. 2nd St. (2nd Street is Hwy 2 & 53. They are all the same road at this point.)

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Have fun!