



NC Region NACD Board and Leadership Meeting January 6-8, 2010 Holiday Inn, Dubuque, Iowa

••••• A special room rate of \$70 is available for king single or queen double
••••• under the group code CDI. Call now 1 888 465 4329 or visit the holiday
••••• Inn website to make your reservation!
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Wednesday, Jan 6

1:00 p.m. Optional tour, this will be of won't want to miss caliber--with hand-made caskets, organic farming (real row crops), timber production, wine and awesome caramels made by those religious fanatics at the Abbey
(of course the bus will be air conditioned for your comfort)

5:00 p.m. Iowa hosted reception

Thursday, Jan 7

7:00 a.m. Breakfast
Agency meetings as needed (NASCA, past presidents, NRCS, who else???)

8:30 a.m. General session (NRCS Chief White has tentatively agreed to participate)
Leadership development

(I'm thinking about assigning topics to agency leaders to allow them time in front of the group without having to do agency reports--and this is also the time that Brad Ross was asked to do something on leadership, and I'm hoping Steve Robinson will be able to be there.)

Noon Lunch

1:30 p.m. NC NACD board meeting
Other sessions for those not on the board

5:00 p.m. Reception at the National River Museum

Friday, Jan 8

7:00 a.m. Breakfast
8:30 a.m. Board meeting continued (if needed)
Other sessions

Depart by noonish

Any comments or suggestions?? If you need more time for the board meeting you'll need to let me know. More information as I have it coming in the future (someday, not likely soon), and nothing is set in stone, other than the hotel. I welcome thoughts and constructive criticism. The hotel is taking now reservations until Dec 7, 2009, when the block will be released.

We plan to have a registration fee that will include all meals except for dinner (snacks will be provided in the evening). I'll keep it as low as I can and still feed you well. For those that want to go out for dinner, Dubuque has a great selection of award winning restaurants with-in walking distance, and a wonderful brew pub (okay, it's across the river into WI, but they really do make better beer there) about 30 minutes away.



STAR BREWERY BUILDING

Located in the Port of Dubuque, this building that was once home to Dubuque Star Beer now features successful businesses, a growing winery and a savory restaurant. Epic Construction, Kurtz Communication and Peninsula Gaming are three successful businesses that call the Brewery building home. The Stone Cliff Winery has opened up a meeting room, tasting room, and wine bar for guests on the first floor. Deemed as Dubuque's premier venue for dining, entertainment and special events, the Star Restaurant and Ultra Lounge raises the bar to new heights and the experience is to be appreciated.



NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM



Chart a course through gators, otters, fish and more. Working riverboats, fresh water aquariums, a wetland nature trail, barge theater, touch pools, live animals and living history presentations celebrate the colorful history of America's most powerful waterway. Become a barge pilot, control the river's locks and dams and get up-close and personal with live critters. Open daily 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM with group rates available.

DIAMOND JO CASINO

The NEW Diamond Jo Casino opened its doors on December 11, 2008. Now based on land, this facility is home to Cherry Lanes, a 30 lane bowling alley. Nightlife abounds at the Mississippi Moon Bar where national acts such as The Doobie Brothers and Jewel have taken stage, along with dueling pianos on Thursdays and Comedy Club on Wednesdays. The facility is also the perfect setting for any dining experience!



MYSTIQUE CASINO & DUBUQUE GREYHOUND PARK

Mystique Casino and Dubuque Greyhound Park invites all guests to come out and play! The facility features state-of-the-art gaming complete with 1,000 slot machines, Vegas-style games and heart pumping excitement with live greyhound racing! This facility is in the process of undergoing a \$10 million renovation to be complete in late spring 2009.

