

The KaBeeLo Lodge Line

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Passports

Beginning in **2008** all persons entering back into the United States will be required to show their passport! So, if you are coming to Canada you will need the passport to get back into the USA. We would strongly encourage you to apply for your passport. There are several options: Visit any All Canada Show (www.allcanada.com) – they will have a US Postal Service representative in attendance to aid in the application process; or, download the passport application forms at: <http://travel.state.gov/passport>.

The COURAGE "KIDS"

During the first week of August 2005 KaBeeLo Lodge hosted five individuals (with disabilities) from the Courage Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They were accompanied by their guardian/parent for a weeklong fly-out fishing expedition. The "campers" included: Tammy Snider, Mark Braun, Lucas Towle, Matthew Pappenheim and Lloyd Thompson. Parent/guardians were Warren, Claire, Karen, Carlotta and Tom. Organizer of the trip was Sharon Van Winkel, Director, Sports and Recreation Department at the Courage Center. Individuals and/or companies that supported and funded this trip include the Bloomington Minnesota Rotary Club, Carciofini Caulking Co., Rotarians Frank Grazzini and Mike Fewer and wonderful friends of KaBeeLo Lodge, Tom Koury and Brian Lindstrand. We would also like to THANK the entire KaBeeLo staff for the wonderful work they performed for the "kids" of the Courage Center. They worked very, very hard. So, THANKS, EVERYONE, for their outstanding cooperation and contributions.

COMMUNICATIONS

Satellite telephones were in **BIG** demand in the 2005 season. They will be available in 2006 at \$25/day + calls + taxes. A gentle reminder: don't wait - reserve **NOW** for the 2006 season!

WINNER - Steve Kusske

Steve (Rosemount, MN) was the lucky winner of a trip for two persons during the 2005 fishing season. He registered his e-mail address with us and his name was selected. Steve and his group enjoyed a trip in August on Bertha Lake. CONGRATULATIONS, Steve.

GETTING TO KABEELO

From International Falls, MN cross the border into Canada and go **EAST** on Hwy 11 for 20 miles; **NORTH** on Hwy 502 to Dryden; **WEST** on Hwy 17 to Hwy 105; **NORTH** on Hwy 105 to Ear Falls. **EAST** on Hwy 657 (Goldpines Rd) follow signs to KaBeeLo. REMEMBER: follow the power line NORTH on the South Bay Road for 36 miles (57 kilometers) to KaBeeLo. Note that the "small signs" on the side of the road are in kilometers. Travel past kilometer 57 to arrive at KaBeeLo.

New Website - Q & A

The Kenora District Camp Owners Assn. (KDCA) and NW Ontario Tourism Assn. (NWOTA) have developed an informational website for persons traveling to Canada. This new and informative website, www.canadawelcomesyou.net, addresses travel issues between the USA and Canada. Please use this website and please give us your feedback because it is designed with YOU in mind to assist in your travel back and forth from home to KaBeeLo Lodge.

COVER GIRL

Emily Wilton, Minnesota, is the "cover girl" for the 2006 KaBeeLo Lodge fishing brochure. CONGRATULATIONS, Emily. She is holding a walleye caught-and-released on one of our outpost lakes.

FISHING LICENSE INFORMATION

Anticipated pricing for the 2006 non-resident licenses are as follows: **ANNUAL** - \$60.00 **ANNUAL CONSERVATION**: \$38.00; **8 - Day**: \$38.00; **8-Day CONSERVATION**: \$22.00

COST of DOING BUSINESS

Gas is up - WAY UP! Diesel is up - WAY UP! Propane is up - WAY UP! Accordingly, our 2006 pricing is being adjusted to reflect (in part) these necessary increases. The "fly-out" fishing business, just like every other business, is experiencing the pains of higher fuel costs, tougher economic times, changing family priorities & shifting entertainment options. Together, these factors have forced us to take a hard look at the costs of our operations as well as critical planning for the future. Our analysis supports our current goals/objectives as well as details a blueprint for our future business. The long and short of it reduces to a single statement: *KaBeeLo Lodge is committed to keeping prices under control and not compromising service to our valued customers.* While this might sound like we are spewing clichés and platitudes it continues to represent what KaBeeLo Lodge is all about - providing first class service to first class people in an environment that is friendly, safe and welcoming. THANK YOU for being part of KaBeeLo and your continued understanding.

Ontario Angler Awards

Introduced just a few years ago the Ontario Angler Awards program gives each angler the opportunity to be recognized for "trophy" fish caught while in Ontario. All you have to do is catch a fish that is equal to or greater than published minimums and you receive a FREE personalized award certificate & program decal. If you enter your fish in the program during the fishing season KaBeeLo Lodge will purchase an award pin & crest as a bonus. Take advantage of this program by entering your "trophy catch" during the 2006 fishing season.

OOPS - We're Sorry

Allysson - we are sorry! As many of you know, and several of you commented, our son (Erik) was married in October 2005 to a young lady named Allysson Lindsay. While we did include her in the family photo in the Personal Note section of the 2005 brochure we failed to mention anything about her appearance. Rest assured that it was an oversight on our part - one never to be repeated. We have welcomed Allysson into our family with open arms and open hearts and we are **extremely**

proud to have her as part of the Lohn and KaBeeLo families. ☺

MISCELLANEOUS & SHORT NOTES

* Weather report: www.ear-falls.com

* Sports show schedule:

Kansas City, Kansas

-J. Bartle Hall: January 3-8, 2006

Wilmington, Ohio

(Roberts Convention Centre)

February 3-5, 2006

Minneapolis, Minnesota:

Minneapolis Convention Center

March 28-April 2, 2006

DO NOT BRING:

Handguns

Leeches

Potatoes

Firewood

Coolers with wheels

Weight restrictions: when organizing for your trip please remember - extra weight (allowance - 40 lbs./person) means extra costs for the party. Some suggestions to limit your weight: forget bottled water - boil the lake water or bring a water filter; bring powdered drinks such as kool-aid, tang, iced - tea, lemonade, cocoa, ovaltine, etc.; share tackle boxes; drink whiskey or wine instead of beer; forget that sewer pipe rod carrier & pick out something nice and light; re-think your coolers - you really don't need them since we have refrigerators at the outposts; use artificial bait instead of live bait. We think that you get the point!

MORE BORDER-CROSSING SUGGESTIONS

Since 9/11 border crossings have "tightened up" at all of the ports of entry into the USA & Canada. To make your crossing into Canada easy and painless we recommend that you access the Canadian website (www.canada.gc.ca) or call the Border Information Services (204-983-3500 or 506-636-5064). Also, please access (www.canadawelcomes.net) for detailed information on border-crossing issues. If there are specific individual issues of concern please call us here at KaBeeLo Lodge (800-233-2952) or e-mail us (kabeelo@integra.net) with your questions and we will try and assist you. Please remember that the two conditions for admission to Canada are a picture I.D. and proof of birth/citizenship. The easiest validation is provided with a USA passport; however, a birth certificate and driver's license is still sufficient to meet these requirements.