

## Fall Rendezvous 2010

What a difference a year makes. Last year all of us were huddled up at The Gallery try to feel our fingers and toes. This year, we enjoyed some of the nicest weather, 70 to 80's.

The water was so high that there was only enough sand beach by the campground to launch one boat at a time. That was the only tough part about the whole weekend. Between the sun, the stargazing and the paddling, we all found lots to keep us busy.

We all got out on the water and met up with four kayakers from Wabasha. They joined us and we paddled up river all the way to Old Frontenac Boat Landing. There were 28 paddlers. Lunch was at the wayside rest on the return trip to the campground.

Saturday's Potluck was wonderful as always. Lee surprised the group by getting to the campground by boat just in time for dinner. He had started out at Hidden Falls on Wednesday. The night was ended with a campfire and lots of stargazing. There were lots of satellites and two shooting stars.

Sunday's paddle was a smaller group that went to the other side of Lake Pepin and went down river. The first stop was a paddling tour of the campground in Stockholm, WI. The water was high enough to paddle through the rows of camping sites. Heading down river showed the effects of the flood water with lots of trees and other debris.

The group stopped for a short break and then returned to the campground to suffer through the inevitable packing and leaving. Well there is always next year. See you there?!