

52nd Annual MPCS Meeting

Saturday, April 26, 2025

MN State Community and Technical College (MState)

900 State Hwy 34, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501

Roosting

Fairfield Inn & Suites – Detroit Lakes (218) 844-0001

Country Inn & Suites – Detroit Lakes (218) 846-8763

AmericInn – Detroit Lakes (218) 325-1024

Quality Inn & Suites – Detroit Lake (218) 847-4483

Budget Host Inn – Detroit Lakes (218) 847-4454

Holiday Inn – Detroit Lakes (218) 847-2121

Saturday April 26 – Meeting Agenda

- **Optional: Hamden Slough National Wildlife Refuge, Prairie Chicken viewing blind**

Blind can reasonably hold 5 people. Please compile your group of 4-5 people and have a group representative reach out to USFWS (Becky E.) @ **218-847-4431**. Please state that you are with the MPCS group when making the reservation. *Availability based upon reservation.

- **Optional: Birding/Wildlife Walk**

6:30 a.m. Meet at MState east parking lot to carpool for field trip to Troll locations at DL Mountain

***If interested, please RSVP by email to Matt Mecklenburg, mecknani@gmail.com**

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9:00 Registration and snacks

9:30 Announcements and Call to Order

Welcome – Brian Winter

Field Trip Report – Matt & John

9:45 *Land Acquisition Update* – Jake Granfors, MN Public Lands Mgr./ PF & Rob Baden, Area Mgr./ MN DNR

10:05 *MPCS/PF Partnership: USFWS WPA Acquisition Update (recording)* – Shawn May, Wildlife Biologist/ USFWS & Tyler Zimmerman, Wetland Restoration Specialist/ Pheasants Forever

10:30 **Break**

10:45 Lydell Scholarship Award presentation

10:55 *Two Prairie Insects in need of Conservation & how we can help* – Jessica Petersen, Terrestrial Insect Ecologist/ MN DNR

11:25 Friend of the Prairie Chicken Award Presentation

11:40 **Socialize and Silent Auction updates**

Foraging & Loafing - 12:00 Lunch on-site (*Catered by Shirley Kjolberg, Shirley's Kruisin Kitchen Catering*)

More Cackling

1:05 *Eastern Prairie Grouse: A Complicated and Confusing (Hi)Story* – Greg Hoch, Prairie Habitat Supervisor/ MN DNR

1:30 *Greater Prairie Chicken Research, Season Updates* – Charlotte Roy, Research Scientist/ MN DNR

1:45 **Break**

Our Business in Booming

2:00 MPCS Annual Business Meeting – Brian Winter, President MPCS

3:00 Raffle Prizes – MEMBERS ENCOURAGED to bring/solicit items (original art, hunting/fishing items, preserves, maple syrup, books, etc.)

Dispersal

3:30 Adjourn

MN Prairie Chicken Society

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- Pre-registration encouraged by mail or online
- Register by April 21, 2025 for Early Bird prize drawing!
- Registration costs include lunch, snacks, MPCS Annual Membership

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Register ASAP!

Send registration to: Phil Doll

40492 490th St.

Perham, MN 56573

Checks payable to MPCS

Pre-registration = \$ 45.00

OR

@ Door \$ 50.00

Additional Donation = \$ _____

Total Enclosed = \$ _____

OR

Register online with PayPal at

www.prairiechickens.org

