

Maritime Trip Day 01, August 23, 2010

Our trip begins at Petoskey KOA, leaving at 9:15 A.M.--15 minutes ahead of schedule as everyone was ready and excited to begin! It was 67 degrees and overcast. Our first stop was at the Brutus Camp Deli for breakfast. Looks like a hunting lodge inside and the food is all homemade and delicious! Crossing the Mackinaw Bridge is always a beautiful sight. We arrived at the Soo Locks at 12:15, just in time to see the Philip R. Clarke freighter and a Soo Locks tour boat go through. There is a 21 foot drop from Lake Superior to Lake Huron! We walked down to the Captain's Pub and Grill right on the lock and enjoyed lunch while other small boats went through. There was fun tourist-type shopping in downtown Sault Ste. Marie. We especially enjoyed the Mole Hole. Our last stop for the day was the Soo Locks Campground—a bargain at \$26.00—with a great view of the water. It stayed cool and cloudy all day—nice for traveling. Margaritas and snacks finished off our day's travel of 90 miles!