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**DEVIL'S LAKE TEST HIKE
UPDATE**

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TO: Devil's Lake Participants
FR: Coach Gunn
RE: IMPORTANT UPDATE

Cairn Stone vet, Kathy Flynn and I are leaving Thursday to set up this classic course at Devil's Lake, Wisconsin.

We will host a reception at our host hotel the Baymont Inn in Middleton (a suburb of Madison) on Friday from 5:30 to 6:30PM. It will include a variety of beverages and packaged snacks. IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS will be given including the plan for parking and spotting cars at the park.

Saturday morning I will lead a caravan from the hotel to Devil's Lake State Park. I have asked the hotel to start the breakfast buffet early at 6:30AM for us. We will leave the parking lot at 7:30AM for the easy 45 minute drive.

Those camping or not able to caravan with us should meet us in the North Shore parking lot.

Our first stop will be at North Shore parking lot (near the hike finish) to spot cars. Please note that Devil's Lake park does take the *Golden Age National Park Pass*. Our *short hitters* will park here and wait for my return (there are picnic tables near the Chateau). Then we will move on to our starting point at Parfrey's Glen.

We should be at Parfrey's Glen by 8:30AM and will begin with a day pack check. (It is critical that all candidates for the *West Rim Trail* hike or the *Narrows Top to Bottom* hike are fully prepared with all items on day pack checklist.) You will get the first of four colored tags indicating completion of the day pack check. The social distance start will run to 9:30AM.

Before you start your hike you will get your day pack check tag and your map, and then you can sign in with your starting time.

Four colored tags will be given on the course to indicate completion of each step: 1) Day pack check, 2) & 4) North Shore check point, and 3) South Shore check point. The second check point and finish will be in front of the Chateau on the north shore of the lake.

This is a TEST HIKE and no one should start early if they want to qualify for the final TEST HIKE. All four colored tags are required for successful completion of the TEST HIKE.

Special commemorative long sleeve shirts will be awarded to those who meet our standards for the TEST HIKE at the finish. (Note that those who got shirt orders in late will have to wait for a reorder.)

I really look forward to returning to Devil's Lake for our TEST HIKE. We have made so many wonderful memories there and have galvanized as a team!

