



Bemidji

First City of Arts



STUDIO CRUISE '15

Your guide to northern Minnesota's best-known artists' studios

OCTOBER 16-17	10AM to 5PM
OCTOBER 18	10AM to 3PM

Bemidji

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A place where diverse cultures combine – from Native American to Scandinavian, scholar to lumberjack, you'll find that the arts flourish in Bemidji – in galleries, on the streets, at the schools and through a number of top shows.

Bemidji has more visual, performance and literary artists than one can imagine. Whether it's the pristine natural surroundings, the relaxed pace or the educational atmosphere, many artists create their life's work, quietly tucked away in their individual studios.

We invite you to take a self-guided tour of some of the Bemidji area's best-known artisans in their studios, featuring demonstrations with work available for sale. Witness the creative process that makes *Bemidji the First City of Arts*.

Bemidji's natural beauty

Bemidji is not only an artists haven, but rich in beautiful scenery, abundant recreations, and spirited people. Some favorite places to enjoy Bemidji's natural beauty include...

Bike Trails

Pedal off in any direction on one of Bemidji's six varied biking trails ranging from six to 160 miles. Travel along the Mississippi River Trail Bikeway, mountain bike the Movil Maze Single Track or enjoy the paved Paul Bunyan Bike Trail that follows the east side of Lake Bemidji. Nice Ride bike rentals available.

Learn more at:
bemidji.niceridemn.org

Parks

Surrounded by wilderness, Bemidji offers hiking trails, birding hot spots and vistas just about anywhere. The Big Bog State Recreation Area, Chippewa National Forest, Itasca State Park or Lake Bemidji State Park are perfect on a fall day.

Bemidji Art Walk

bemidjisculpture.org

Take a walking tour around downtown Bemidji and view over 40 sculptures and several murals by area artists.

Brochure and parking available at Bemidji's Tourist Information Center.



Butch Holden
Potter

This activity is made possible, in part, by a grant provided by the Bemidji Area Arts Endowment, a component fund of the Northwest Minnesota Foundation and by a grant from the Region 2 Arts Council through funding from the Minnesota State Legislature.



AmericInn Lodge & Suites

800-634-3444 . 218-751-3000 . americinn.com

Suites with refrigerator and microwave. Indoor pool, sauna, whirlpool and exercise room. Free continental breakfast. Perkin's restaurant adjacent.



Best Western Bemidji Inn

877-857-8599 . 218-751-0390 . bestwesternbemidji.com

60 comfortable units. Free continental breakfast with 24-hour front desk. Indoor pool, sauna and whirlpool. Restaurant adjacent.



Country Inn & Suites

800-830-5222 . 218-441-4800 . countryinns.com/bemidjimn

Overlooking Lake Bemidji, attached to The Sanford Event Center. Indoor pool, whirlpool. Continental breakfast. Cowboy Jack's restaurant.



DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton

800-222-TREE . 218-441-4400 . bemidji.doubletree.com

Beautiful lakeside hotel rooms and suites with signature chocolate chip cookie upon arrival. Sandy beach, adjacent paved trails, minutes from downtown and The Sanford Event Center. Green Mill Restaurant on site.



Hampton Inn & Suites

800-HAMPTON . 218-751-3600 . hamptoninn3.hilton.com

100 rooms on the shore of Lake Bemidji. Space for conferences and receptions. Sandy beach. Indoor pool and Green Mill Restaurant.



Holiday Inn Express

800-617-4379 . 218-751-2487 . hiexpress.com/bemidjimn

70 rooms with whirlpool suites. Indoor pool, whirlpool and sauna. Free deluxe breakfast bar. Near mall and restaurants. Conference facilities.



Super 8 Motel

800-800-8000 . 218-751-8481 . bemidjisuper8motel.com

100 units with luxury suites. Sauna and whirlpool. Free continental breakfast. Restaurant with lounge on premises.



Quality Inn

800-228-5150 . 218-444-7700 . qualityinn.com/hotel-bemidji-minnesota-MN018

61 rooms some with microwave and refrigerator and whirlpool. Indoor pool, whirlpool and game area. Continental breakfast. Airport shuttle.



Kohl's Resort

800-336-4384 . 218-243-2131 . kohlsresort.com

A family resort with 19 cabins and two poolside suites on Big Turtle Lake. Indoor pool, beach, boat rentals, seasonal specials and family activities.



Ruttger's Birchmont Lodge

888-788-8437 . 218-444-3463 . ruttger.com

Indoor pool, whirlpool, sauna and fitness center. Cottages, villas, kitchenettes, whirlpool rooms and suites on Lake Bemidji. Sandy beach. Boat rentals. Seasonal lakeside dining with lounge.



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Big River Scoop

219 Bemidji Ave. N . 218-444-3898 . bigriverscoop.com

28 flavors of super-premium ice cream! Waffle cones made fresh daily. Large slices of delicious homemade pizza. Made-from-scratch pasties. New & used books, including local authors and local arts & crafts. Lakeview seating available and free Wi-Fi. Your gateway to downtown Bemidji.

Bemidji Brewing Company

401 Beltrami Ave NW . 218-444-7011 . bemidjibeer.com

Bemidji Brewing's taproom is a great spot to sip, socialize, and soak up the beautiful views of the lake and downtown. Fresh craft beers, soda, and coffee on-tap with growlers available to-go. Cheers!

Raphael's Bakery Cafe

319 Minnesota Ave . 218-759-2015 . gr8buns.com

Made from scratch baked goods and home cooked breakfast and lunch. The wild rice bread is a local favorite.

Slim's Bar and Grill

142 Anne St NW . 218-444-7546 . slimsbarandgrill.com

A great stop on the Cruise! Delicious handmade patty burgers, homemade chili and soups. Free popcorn!

Sparkling Waters Restaurant

824 Paul Bunyan Drive S . 218-444-3214 . sparklingwatersbemidji.com

Serving great food in a relaxing, upscale atmosphere. Best steak and seafood around. Prime rib nightly. Come as you are and dine between the lakes.

Turtle River Chophouse

468 Bemidji Road NW . 218-586-5827 . trchophouse.com

Made from scratch restaurant featuring high quality ingredients and delicious recipes. Offering hand cut steaks, fresh sushi, and house made pasta.

Tutto Bene Italian Restaurant

300 Beltrami Ave NW . 218-751-1100 . tuttobene.us

Casually sophisticated atmosphere. Providing a 'from scratch' approach in the kitchen by using Italian influenced ingredients and heritage while paying attention to the season's that embrace us. Wine and spirit suggestions from knowledgeable and friendly staff.

Wild Hare Bistro & Coffeehouse

523 Minnesota Ave NW . 218-444-5282 . wildharebistro.com

Breakfast and lunch menu created with fresh whole foods and world flavors by Wild Hare's own culinary artists. From the serving ware to wall exhibits and specialty gifts, the work of area artists are integral elements of the bistro.

Brigid's Pub

317 Beltrami Ave. NW . 218-444-0567 . brigidirishpub.com

Serving Irish & American food, fine Irish whiskey, local craft beers, local fine art and local music! Brigid's Pub, where the vibe is good.

sponsors



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galleries and retail

Forestedge Winery Gallery
 35295 MN Highway 64 . 218-224-3535
 Fine arts & crafts gift shop near Laporte.

Glazed and Amused
 311 3rd St NW . 218-333-6880
 Paint your own pottery studio.

Morell's Trading Post
 301 Bemidji Ave N . 218-751-4321
 Souvenirs, gifts and handmade
 Native American crafts.

Shop 426 Watermark Art Center
 505 Bemidji Ave N . 218-444-7570
 Handcrafted items and rotating exhibit gallery.

Special thanks...



friends of the arts...

Kenny's Clark & Goodyear Station

Patt & Ernie Rall

Dunn Bros. Coffee



This new bronze statue, dedicated on June 6, 2015, was commissioned by the City of Bemidji and created by artist Gareth Curtiss of Olympia, Washington. The monument honors Shaynowishkung and the Anishinaabe people, encouraging the healing of all people.

appreciation

Brian Grund
Nature Photography

Inspired by God's wonder-filled world surrounding us, where sunsets illuminate the sky, frost glistens in the morning sun, and the loon's cry sings us to sleep.



Chasing the Wind Photography
323 Beltrami Ave NW
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-759-9218
Cell 218-766-2533
chasingthewindphotography.com

Directions
One block west of Paul Bunyan Dr NW on corner of 4th & Beltrami.

Natalia Himmirka
Oil on Canvas

Art for me is a way of life; it heightens awareness, broadens the horizons and brings sparkle to daily existence. People need art in their lives.

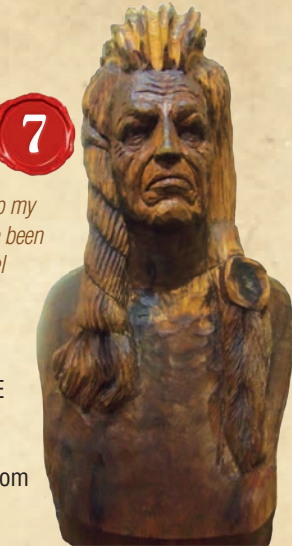


Bemidji State University
1500 Birchmont Dr NE
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-755-3740
nhimmirka@bemidjistate.edu

Directions
From Watermark Art Center, drive N on Bemidji Ave .7 mi. Turn R on 16th St NE to Birchmont Dr NE. Studio in Bridgeman Hall Room 213 Bemidji State University campus.

Les Sanders
Wood Carving

I've always had the desire to understand and develop my artistic abilities and I have been woodcarving at some level over the past 35 years.



Sanders Studios
3619 Birchmont Dr NE
Bemidji, MN 56601
Cell 218-556-3521
lessanders17@gmail.com

Directions
From Watermark Art Center, drive N on Bemidji Ave 1.7 miles. Turn R on 29th St NE to Birchmont Dr NE. Turn L, drive .5 mile. Driveway on left.

Ruth Ann Nordlund
Oil Painting

The manner in which light falls on objects influences how we perceive them and leads the viewer through the carefully arranged still life.



Ruth Ann's Art
30635 243rd Ave
Shevlin, MN 56676
Ph 218-785-2494
ruthansart.com

Directions
From US Hwy 2 W of Shevlin MN, turn S on Clearwater City Rd 110. Go 5.5 miles (road changes to City Rd 84). On right.

Billie Barthelmy
Fiber/Wearable

Original garments, quilted, hand-embroidered wearable art.



Bird of Paradise
23229 Boreal Rd NW
Pinewood, MN 56676
Cell 218-556-4106
birdofparadisidesigns.com

Directions
5 miles west of Bemidji US Hwy 2 W, go north on MN Hwy 89 for 11 miles. Turn west (left on City Rd 24) for 3.7 miles. Turn north (right) on Boreal Rd NW (City Rd 513) for 2.2 miles. Studio on left.

Tom Daly
Stoneware Ceramics

Playful pottery and ceramic sculpture that is enjoyable to experience and use.



607 Bemidji Ave NW
Bemidji, MN 56601
Cell 218-556-7733
bemidjiaquatom@gmail.com

Directions
1.5 blocks north of the Watermark Art Center. West side of Bemidji Ave. Parking on 6th Street.

Butch Holden
Pottery

I make containers for ideas.

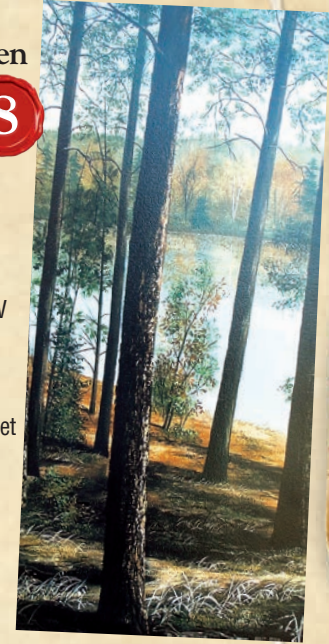


Bemidji State University
1500 Birchmont Dr NE
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Ph 218-407-7739
jholden@bemidjistate.edu

Directions
From Watermark Art Center, drive N on Bemidji Ave .7 mi. Turn R on 16th St NE to Birchmont Dr NE. Studio in Bensen Hall Room 105 Bemidji State University campus.

Maureen O'Brien
Acrylic Painting

Painting nature and bringing it to those who cannot walk in it daily.



Evergreen Studios
4006 Centerline Rd NW
Solway, MN 56678
Ph 218-467-3273
Cell 218-929-9772
maureen@paulbunyan.net

Directions
US Hwy 2 W at Solway, turn left on City Rd 5 S (Centerline Rd) .7 of a mile, east side of road.

Duane Shoup
Wood Furniture

Rustic free-form furniture and custom woodwork.



Wildwood Rustic
29175 243rd Ave
Shevlin, MN 56676
Ph 218-785-2179
dshoup.com

Directions
US Hwy 2 W through Shevlin, turn south on Clearwater City Rd 110. Go 7 miles (road changes to City Rd 84). Turn right into driveway.

Alice Strand
Miniature Fabric Animals

Miniature fabric animals, all hand-stitched, stuffed and embellished. 1/2" to 4" in size!

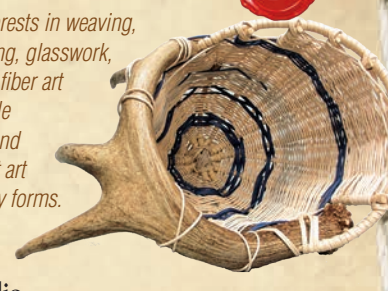


Alice's Animals
23229 Boreal Rd NW
Pinewood, MN 56676
Cell 218-841-5931
alicesanimals.com

Directions
5 miles west of Bemidji on US Hwy 2 W, go north on MN Hwy 89 for 11 miles. Turn west (left on City Rd 24) for 3.7 miles. Turn north (right) on Boreal Rd NW (City Rd 513) for 2.2 miles. Studio on left.

Shannon Lucas Westrum
Basketry

Combining interests in weaving, beading, painting, glasswork, metalurgy and fiber art to inspire people to experiment and understand that art can take many forms.



Wildflower Design Studio
located in Shannon's Art & Soul
313 Beltrami Ave NW
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-556-5907
ShannonLucasWestrum.com

Directions
One block west of Paul Bunyan Dr NW on Third St NW, half block north on Beltrami Ave NW.

Kat Sanders
Gourd Art/Lampworking

My desire to diversify my artistic skills has resulted in my fascination with using handmade glass items as focal pieces my gourd art.



Sanders Studios
3619 Birchmont Dr NE
Bemidji, MN 56601
Cell 218-556-0887
katsanders58@gmail.com

Directions
From Watermark Art Center, drive N on Bemidji Ave 1.7 miles. Turn R on 29th St NE to Birchmont Dr NE. Turn L, drive .5 mile. Driveway on left.

1-14 Red Tour

Travels through the Mississippi Headwaters State Forest to a variety of art, from paintings to sculptures and pottery.

15-23 Orange Tour

Cross the Mississippi and take in the lakes and river scenery on your drive to nine artists.

24-30 Purple Tour

See the Bemidji countryside and seven artists nestled in northern Minnesota's woods and sparkling blue waters.

Tourist Info Center

- Artists 1-14
- Artists 15-23
- Artists 24-30
- Lodging
- Dining
- Galleries
- Music
- Restrooms
- Handicap Accessible*

*Restrooms may not be handicapped accessible.

Joan Wilson
Painting

Sharing inspiring moments and scenes with squishy, pliable and addicting oil on canvas. Joan has done commission work for 46 years.



White Rock Studio
Guest of Duane Shoup
29175 243rd Ave
Shevlin, MN 56676
Ph 218-751-9608
northernmarts@hotmail.com

Directions
US Hwy 2 W through Shevlin, turn south on Clearwater City Rd 110. Go 7 miles (road changes to City Rd 84). Turn right into driveway.

Al Belleveau
Stone & Steel

Using rocks, metal, wood, humor and found objects to express the joy and mystery in the world around him.



Albert Belleveau
Metal Sculpture
24011 Hwy 89 NW
Puposky, MN 56667
Ph 218-243-2685
Cell 218-368-7330
abelapaulbunyan.net

Directions
5 miles west of Bemidji on US Hwy 2 W, go north on MN Hwy 89 for 14.75 miles. Driveway on west, sculptures in field.

Terry Honstead
Watercolor/Acrylic

Working with mixed media. Best known for watercolor and acrylic collages, as well as handmade beads.



Terry Honstead's Art
10586 Quarterhorse Circle NE
Tenstrike, MN 56683
Ph 218-586-5458
Cell 218-407-4881
http://terry-honstead.artistwebsites.com

Directions
From intersection of US Hwy 2 and US 71 N, drive north 12 mi. Turn left onto Gull Lake Loop Rd/City Rd 23 (Pass Castle Highlands). Go 5.7 mi to second Horseshoe Ln NE. Turn right and then immediate left onto Quarterhorse Circle NE. Stay left, third house on left.

Monica Hansmeyer
Metal Jewelry

Texture, unique stones, simplicity and chance are all connected in creative expression. Age-old techniques produce many one-of-a-kind pieces.



Seven-Sister Design
410 Main Ave
Turtle River, MN 56601
Ph 218-586-3795
Cell 218-368-7381
sevensisterdesign.com

Directions
From Tourist Info Center travel 10 miles north on Bemidji Ave (City Rd 21). Turn right on Island View Dr NE. 25 mile turn left on Main Ave for 1 mile. Studio on right.

Don Houseman
Acrylic Painting & Woodcut Prints

Through the mediums of original woodcut prints and acrylic paintings, Houseman has a passion for rural landscapes, often featuring the American barn.



Stuff on Paper
21849 Erdahl Court NE
Tenstrike, MN 56683
Ph 218-586-2212
Cell 218-766-1167
jhouse@paulbunyan.net

Directions
From intersection of US Hwy 2 and US Hwy 71 N, drive north 16 mi. Turn left onto Gull Lake Loop Rd NW. Drive 2.3 mi. Turn left onto Sharp Rock Rd NE for .5 mi. Turn left into Erdahl Ct NE.

Pat Shough
Watercolor & Acrylic

Pat paints under the name "Sillimandi," a vibrant colorist and brings her creative spontaneity to works in watercolor and acrylic.



Sillimandi Art Studio
4202 Pintail Ln NE
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-751-8841
Cell 218-760-2308
eshough@paulbunyan.net

Directions
At intersection of Paul Bunyan Drive South (Hwy 197) and 1st St South (Keith's Pizza) turn east onto 1st St. Turn left on Lake Ave. Drive 3.25 miles to Lavinia Rd, turn left, turn right at stop sign. Drive 2 blocks to Pintail Ln, turn left.

Jeff Burger
Functional Ceramics

I make pottery to use.



8959 Turtle River Lake Rd NE
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-586-2428
Cell 218-368-8134
jeffburrerclay.com

Directions
From intersection of US Hwys 2 and 71, go 11 miles north on Hwy 71. Turn east (right) on Turtle River Lake Rd NE. First driveway on north (left) side of road.

Gayle Highberg
Watercolor/Mixed Acrylic

I project my feelings for a place, person or object onto my work. My creative journey has taken me to watercolor, acrylic and mixed media.



Gayle H.H.
Guest of Pat Shough
4202 Pintail Ln NE
Bemidji, MN 56601
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gaylehh@gvtel.com

Directions
At intersection of Paul Bunyan Drive South (Hwy 197) and 1st St South (Keith's Pizza) turn east onto 1st St. Turn left on Lake Ave. Drive 3.25 miles to Lavinia Rd, turn left, turn right at stop sign. Drive 2 blocks to Pintail Ln, turn left.

Cindy Burger
Metal Jewelry

Hand-fabricated jewelry with a northern Minnesota theme.



Cindy Burger
7883 Island View Dr NE
Turtle River, MN 56601
Ph 218-586-2501
cindymburger.com

Directions
From Tourist Info Center, travel 10 miles north on Bemidji Ave (County Rd 21). Turn right on Island View Dr NE. Third residence on left.

Marley Kaul
Painting

Known for his exceptional use of color, Marley's egg tempera and acrylic paintings are in the collections of many Minnesota and North Dakota art museums.



Kaul Studio
4111 Mill St NE
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-751-8940
marleykaul.com

Directions
Take Paul Bunyan Dr S from Tourist Info Center 1.5 miles, turn east onto 1st St. In 1 mile, turn left onto Lake Ave. Go 3 blocks, turn right onto Mill St. Travel 1 mile. Studio on left.

Wanda Reise Odegard
Acrylic/Watercolor/Metal Sculpture

Influenced by northwoods beauty and those who live and play there, Wanda captures the transparency of a petal with watercolor and the intangible movement of a body through metal sculpture.



Odegard Studios
4803 Yaubetcha Ln SW
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-751-6844
Cell 612-554-0880
wrodegardstudios@hotmail.com

Directions
3.2 mi south of Bemidji on US 71 S, turn west on N Plantagenet Rd SW for 2.1 mi. First right after river.

David Towley
Woodturning & Function Urns

Seeking beauty and function through the use of fine hardwoods in the creation of turnings, furniture and other functional objects for everyday use.



David Towley Woodworking
50088 County Rd 29
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-333-3547
Cell 612-220-5177
dtowley@paulbunyan.net

Directions
3.2 miles south of Bemidji on US Hwy 71 S, turn west on North Plantagenet Rd (Beltrami City Rd 2). Travel 5.9 miles (City Rd 2 becomes Hubbard City 29). Driveway on left.

Paula Swenson
Painter

Mystery is essential to art and life, it is what keeps us questioning and questing. Colorful, contemporary art using acrylic and mixed media.



River of Time Studio
1017 N Plantagenet Rd SE
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-751-6767
swensonmail@yahoo.com

Directions
3.2 miles south of Bemidji on US Hwy 71, turn east (left) on North Plantagenet Rd (Beltrami Line Rd). Approximately .5 mile, third house on left.

Alice Blessing
Acrylics on Canvas

Painting commissioned portraits of people and pets with acrylics, Alice has long ago eschewed brushes, choosing instead to paint only with her fingertips.



Guest of Cindy Burger
7883 Island View Dr NE
Turtle River, MN 56601
Cell 218-760-7259
blessingalice@gmail.com

Directions
From Tourist Info Center, travel 10 miles north on Bemidji Ave (County Rd 21). Turn right on Island View Dr NE. Third residence on left.

Mary Theres
Fabric Painting

Playful designs of flora and fauna on silk scarves, cotton wall hangings, and nylon banners with dyes and wax resists.



Fern Lake Studio
3592 Fern Lake Rd SW
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-759-2566
marythereseart.com

Directions
West from Bemidji on 5th St (Division St) 2 miles, turn left on Becida Rd (City Rd 7) for 1.5 mi. Turn left on Fern Lake Rd SW, follow for 2 mi. Driveway to studio across from Fern Lake.

Kathy Towley
Woodturning

Functional handturned objects, with simple freehand woodburned designs from fine hardwoods, finished with natural beeswax/mineral oil.



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Ph 218-333-3547
Cell 218-755-2205
dtowley@paulbunyan.net

Directions
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Jonathan Carlson
Pottery

Functional pottery for everyday use around the home. Subtle, natural colors of the clay are enhanced by a wood-firing process.



25443 County Road 9
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-333-8992
Cell 218-760-8583

Directions
From Watermark Art Center, drive 6.1 mi. S on US Hwy 71. Turn E on County Rd 9, travel 1.5 miles. Driveway on R.

Gary Thomson
Woodwork

For this exhibit I have created a series of food safe exotic wood serving boards. These are attractive to use for serving or as wall decorations.



Guest of Paula Swenson
1017 N Plantagenet Rd SE
Bemidji, MN 56601
Ph 218-751-6767
swensonmail@yahoo.com

Directions
3.2 miles south of Bemidji on US Hwy 71, turn east (left) on North Plantagenet Rd (Beltrami Line Rd). Approximately .5 mile, third house on left.



Don't miss **STUDIO CRUISE** Oct. 21-23 2016

Watch for this **Studio Cruise** road sign along your scenic route!