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## **Park Rapids Hosts Annual 2010 Legends & Logging Days Friday & Saturday, August 13 & 14, 2010**

Legends and Logging Days 2010 will celebrate our area's history, culture, artisans and food Friday and Saturday, Aug. 13 and 14, 2010 at Red Bridge Park on the Fish Hook River. Skilled chainsaw artists will sculpt masterpieces before your eyes and fiercely competitive loggers will thrill the crowd. Loon calling contestants will compete for the best calls in their age category. The Running of the Loons will take place each day. Our unique Marketplace, Chili Cook-off, amazing array of delicious foods and family activities will delight visitors of all ages. This is Park Rapids' **Premier Summer Event!**

On Friday & Saturday, August 13 & 14, 2010 world record-holding Lumberjacks, Lumberjills and Master Chain Saw Sculptors will return to Park Rapids' Red Bridge Park for the 2010 Legends & Logging Days Events. This has been Park Rapids' signature event for more than 30 years and was established to honor the rich heritage of logging in this neck of the woods. The Legends & Logging Days brings World Champion and World Record-Breaking Lumberjacks and Lumberjills, competing in wood chopping and sawing contests. Points these skilled competitors earn here will count toward the Lumberjack Championships.

Master Chainsaw sculptors will create north woods masterpieces all day Friday and Saturday. Judges will do “quick carves” to demonstrate their skills while the master carvers work. Competition will be keen as the chips fly and a masterpiece emerges from a raw piece of wood. All finished carvings will be auctioned off to the highest bidders on Saturday.

Visitors will find the unique items at our Marketplace. Food vendors will serve a delicious variety of fare from buffalo burgers and corn on the cob to fresh fruit and smoothies. A chili cook-off invites entries and offers prizes. Loon calling contests and Family activities will take place both days.

The All Veterans Memorial Committee will sponsor the Running of the Loons, races on the Fish Hook River both days. Other activities will include the Park Rapids firefighters' water fights on Main Street, the annual Sweet Corn and Burger Feed at the Park Rapids American Legion on Friday and Dance with live music and beer garden on Saturday night at Red Bridge Park sponsored by Park Rapids Roteract Club. The Northern Knights Car Club's Run to the Rapids will do a “Show and Shine” at the Fair Grounds on Saturday from 8 am – 1 pm.

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