

# Family Reunion Suggested Activities

## Spring - Summer

### Minneapolis, Minnesota

#### Sports

- Twins Baseball
- Timberwolves Basketball
- Lynx Women's Basketball
- Tour of the HHH Metrodome

#### Museums

- Minneapolis Institute of Arts  
(Tip: Free & connects with Children's Theatre)
- Mill City Museum  
(Tip: Best view of Minneapolis Riverfront)
- Sculpture Gardens and Conservatory (Tip: Free)
- The Bakken Museum  
(Tip: On Lake Calhoun – great picnic spot)
- Minnesota Historical Society (Tip: Free)
- Science Museum of Minnesota (9:30 am to 5 pm)
- Historic Murphy's Landing (Shakopee)

#### Attractions

- Mississippi Riverboat Cruises, open May through October  
(Tip: Ask about the discounted educational tours)
- ValleyFair! Family Amusement Park, open mid-May through September
- Mall of America (10 am to 9:30pm)  
(Tip: Scavenger hunt at MOA is always a hit)
- UnderWater Adventures at MOA
- The Park at MOA  
(Nation's largest indoor amusement park)
- Minnesota Zoo & Great Clips IMAX Theatre
- Como Zoo, ComoTown, Conservatory (Tip: Free)
- Historic Fort Snelling
- GameWorks – Bowling, video games, Hopscotch Grill in Block E
- Thunder Alley Indoor Speedway & Paintball

#### Restaurants

- Family friendly restaurants in Minneapolis: The News Room, Rock Bottom Brewery, Brit's Pub, Chevy's, Hopscotch Grill, Hard Rock Café, Applebee's, Buca di Beppo, Hell's Kitchen, Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches, Joe's Garage, Market Bar-B-Que, NBA City, Peter's Grill, Skyroom, Bryant-Lake Bowl and many more.

#### Water Parks

- The Depot, Minneapolis (indoor)
- Grand Rios Resort, Brooklyn Park (indoor)
- Tropics, Shoreview (indoor)
- Apple Valley Aquatic Center (outdoor)
- Cascade Bay, Eagan (outdoor)
- Water Park of America (indoor) – Opening May 2006 (Bloomington)

#### Picnic in a Park

##### Find a park in Minneapolis for your family reunion

- Go to [www.minneapolisparcs.org](http://www.minneapolisparcs.org)
- To find a park click on "Parks and Lakes"
- Click on "Find a Park" on the left side
- Click on the features that are important to your family
- A list of parks will be displayed for you to choose from

##### Reserve a park for your family reunion

- Go to [www.minneapolisparcs.org](http://www.minneapolisparcs.org) or call 612.230.6442 to check dates and availability
- Click on permits and reservations and follow instructions
- Other area park links: Bloomington Parks – <http://ci.bloomington.mn.us/cityhall/dept/commserv/parkrec/parkrec.htm>  
Saint Paul Parks – [www.ci.stpaul.mn.us/depts/parks](http://www.ci.stpaul.mn.us/depts/parks)

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