

A THREE STATE DAY!

Some days are more serendipitous than others. In the state of Michigan, in the little town of Wakefield, at the edge of Sunday Lake, stands a carved wooden statue of an American Indian. The man that carved it is an amazing artist, who has dedicated his life to the cause of memorializing the American Indian. His name is Peter Toth and he originally came from Europe.

He has carved some 60 statues from wood and stone, and has given one or more to every State in the Union to promote the recognition of the injustices that befell the Indians. We found out that there is one in Desert Hot Springs, California. Forty miles from our home! We can recall seeing several others of his works but did not know the story behind them. He started this work in 1971 and finished in 1988.

From the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, we slipped across the corner of Wisconsin and into Minnesota. The Upper Peninsula is as different from southern Michigan as night and day. The landscape is different, even the people are different!

Wisconsin launches immediately into farm and dairy country, and both Wisconsin and Minnesota really do have 10,000 lakes!

The road we decided to travel west on is Highway 2. It goes all the way to Idaho at least. So far, it is a small country road that is two lanes and has very little truck traffic, or any other, for that matter!

Today is Monday, and we found the nicest RV Park. It is about 3 miles from the highway and is on a good size lake. The rig is parked 60 ft from the waters edge and is under beautiful large trees for shade. We will stay here for a couple of days. The lake is Lake Cass and the inlet and outlet is the Mississippi River. The headwater of the river is in Bimidji, MN.

While we were parking the RV here, we discovered that we had stayed here in 1999!

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