



## **The Director's Digressions**

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This year we are having our annual planning meeting a month early. Tom thought it would be a great idea to have it before some of the members headed south for the winter. Now we might actually have some that were not able to attend in previous years. We get together at someone's house and come with a list of all the events we can think of that other chapters are doing to minimize the chance of booking one of our events for the same day as theirs. It can't always work out and we don't always have all the dates we need, but we try. And we realize that some people may not be able to go on a MN-O overnigher, but may be able to attend an event from a different chapter on that day – so we really don't try to eliminate all potential conflicts.

So by the time it's time to write the next journal article, I should have a list of practically all of the events that we have planned for 2019.

And on a personal note, by the time I write the next article, our main floor should be all painted, the ceiling converted from popcorn to dropdown, all new lights in the family room and kitchen that talk to Alexa, all new appliances delivered and the cabinets a couple days from being installed. Then we just have to wait for the granite countertops and backsplash and our life will be close to being back to normal – for a while anyway. It won't last for long before the next projects start and it would be great if they're all done before riding season begins.

Thanks for reading,  
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