

Diggers 2018 Bus Tour Information Saturday August 4, 2018: 9:15 am – 5:15 pm

This will be an all day bus tour leaving from and returning to the Robin Center parking lot.

Our stops include:

The Garden By The Woods Nursery, Chanhassen, MN: **The Garden By The Woods** is a boutique garden center specializing in organic and sustainable plants with a focus on native plants. We will spend time browsing their annuals, perennials, trees and shrubs as well as strolling through their store with many art/deco products. Check out their Facebook page!

At The Farm, Waconia, MN: Enjoy a visit with Donna Frantz, the dynamic owner of this small, nostalgic farm. Donna has over 50 years of gardening experience and has written a gardening book. She was 65 years old when she opened At The Farm. There is a farmer's market in a restored 1890's German bank barn with stone walls. Donna has also been an antiques dealer for over 40 years and we will be able to shop in the Antiques Loft. We can look at vegetables growing on the property and see Donna's flower garden by her farmhouse. We will be served lunch in the barn loft and some fresh produce (tomatoes, etc.) will be passed around at lunch for tasting. Donna says the barn and loft are handicap accessible. Check out her interesting web site at www.atthefarmwaconia.com.

Duane Otto's Garden, Hamburg, MN: Duane has been a Landscape Gardener at the MN Arboretum for 30 years. Duane says: "The best gardeners have to be passionate", and we look forward to seeing his gardens that are on the 2 and a half acres of land by his 1930's prairie revival style home in the town of Hamburg. An arbor and picket fence, boxwood hedges and more await us on this property that is heavily shaded with some partial sun.

Parley Lake Winery, Waconia, MN: Parley Lake Winery is the perfect escape to Wine Country right here in Minnesota. Their hand-crafted wines have won 114 medals including 30 Gold in National competitions. Their 125 rolling, wooded acres are adjacent to the Carver Park Reserve and offer the chance to experience seven acres of vineyards, 20 acres of orchards, and locally grown and produced wines. Their tasting room is housed in a historic barn built in 1885, a visit to their tasting room is a unique experience in itself. During our visit we will do a tasting of their award -winning wine. This will be a relaxing and enjoyable way to end our bus tour before heading back to Robbinsdale.

Ticket price for the tour is \$55 and includes lunch, 2 bottles of water, wine tasting at the winery and transportation on a luxury motorcoach with air-conditioning and a restroom. All taxes and tips are included. There will be room on the bus for storing any purchases you make. Parking is free in the Robin Center parking lot at 4114 Lakeland Ave N, Robbinsdale, MN 55422.