



**PROGRAM: Wausau - Homes, Birds & Ginseng!**

**Length: 1-Day - Tour Cost: \$60.00 p.p.** (Pricing based on minimum of 30 people)

**Operation: Thursday (Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> '2018)**

**Group Name: Green Bay Retired Men's Club**

**ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS:**

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**Lv. Bellevue Park'n Ride Lot (7 AM)**

**Arr. Wausau Area (8:30 AM)**

...located in the midst of the Wisconsin River Valley, it began as a sawmill settlement. After the timber supply was depleted, farming and diversified manufacturing has made Wausau one of the state's major industrial centers.

**Visit – Wausau Homes, Inc. (Rothschild) 9:45-11:15 AM**

...started in 1960, this company manufactures over 200-customized homes yearly. We learn of the art of manufacturing & producing a customized component house – floor panels, closed wall interiors, exterior walls, closed roof panels and a mechanical core.

**Lunch (Incl.) at Culver's (Rothschild) (11:30-12:15 PM)**

**Visit – Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum (12:30 til 2 PM)**

...opened in 1976 in a 1913 English Tudor-style house once owned by Leigh Yawkey, it is now home of America's best known "Birds in Art" collection. Hosting its 43<sup>rd</sup> annual Birds in Art exhibition (Sept. 8-Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>). Over 575 artists submit 904 artworks for consideration to be one of the featured 92-artist in its annual show!

**Visit – Hsu's Ginseng Farm (2:30 til 4 PM)**

...the largest American ginseng farming & retail operation in the U.S., it was started by the first American grower in North America – Paul C. Hsu. Started in 1974, Hsu has over 1,000 acres of prime ginseng under cultivation. We tour & learn of the ginseng production during our tour. We learn that field prepping starts in early May, planting in July, berry season in August, and harvesting season in late September and October when roots are harvested & washed. During the tour we have an opportunity to see the process-ing & packaging of ginseng products and visit Hsu's Retail Store.

**Lv. Wausau Area (Approx. 4 PM)**

**Stop- Nueske's Smoked Meats (Wittenburg) 4:45-5:30 PM**

...since 1933, Nueske's has been producing Applewood Smoked bacon, ham & sausage. We stop at the retail store for an opportunity to purchase some of its popular products.

**Return Bellevue Park'n Ride (6:30 PM)**

Tour Features include: Lamers Transportation (Air-conditioned & restroom equipped); Tours of Wausau Homes & Hu's Ginseng Farm; Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum; Lunch at Culver's, & taxes.

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