

Steele-Waseca Cooperative Electric's 2012 Coal Creek Station & Falkirk Mine Tour Bismarck, North Dakota

Tour Dates ☞ Tue., Wed., & Thur. ☞ June 19, 20, & 21, 2012

Agenda Tuesday - - - - June 19, 2012

6:15 a.m.	Delivery	Coffee, Rolls & Juice (Doug to Arrange-72 rolls, 1-gal of OJ WM CM)
6:15 a.m.	Bus	Northfield Bus arrives - Mark Estrem/O-800-944-2190/ C 507-321-8181
7:00 a.m.	Registration	Nametags & Bag, Load Bus
7:30 a.m.	Depart	Owatonna for Bismarck (take a pillow and blanket for the ride)
7:56 a.m.	Arrive	Big Steer , pick up more travelers (Back on I35 at 8:02)
8:58 a.m.	DVD 1	Introduction - 10:22 minutes
	Select	King & Queen #1 (Cheerleaders/Booers) (Bug Bingo/Wheel of Fortune)
9:35 a.m.	Arrive	Rest Stop - Exit 178 - Clearwater Truck Stop JoAnn P.O. Box 8 Clearwater 55320 Tel. 1-320-558-2261 Fax - 1-320-558-2092
10:00 a.m.	Depart	Rest Stop - Grab Snacks for the Road (Announce Winners)
10:30 a.m.		Go past Sterns Cooperative Electric at MM 135
10:35 & 11:15 a.m.	DVD #2-10:35/#3-11:15	Tour Day-7:16M / Coal Creek Station-10:02M
11:45 a.m.	Earn Lunch	Circle SWCE on the Minnesota GRE Territory Map, GRE Quiz & Facts to earn money for meals.
12:35 p.m.	LUNCH	Exit 349B/I29-Arrive at West Acres Mall Food Court -From I-29 Exit 64 on to 38th Street & go West - BBWFBF -Everyone will receive a meal envelope 38th St. exit -Audra Freeman 800-783-6450 Fax 701-282-2229 www.westacres.com/stores
1:50 p.m.	BE ON THE BUS	After Lunch -You can shop until its time to get back on the bus.
2:00 p.m.	Depart	West Acres Back on I-94 at 2:05 p.m. - Pass Ex-320 2:30 pm
2:15 p.m.	DVD 4 & 5	Coal Creek Station Part 2-8:25 / Part 3-9:25 - Trivia
2:42 p.m.	Wind Mill	At Mile Marker 298
	MM 270	Spiritwood Generating Station(Continental Divide MM276)
3:00 p.m.	DVD 6	Blue Flint Ethanol-6:42 MM 270 - Trivia
	MM 270	Spiritwood Generating Station (Continental Divide MM276)
3:25 p.m.	Rest Stop	Exit 254/255 - Jamestown Rest Stop (West of Jamestown)
3:45 p.m.	Depart	Jamestown Rest Stop (Announce Winners)
3:50 p.m.	DVD 7 & 8	Falkirk Mine 9:41 Garrison Dam 9:00 (MM 238) - Trivia
4:10 p.m.	Draw Doug	Hand in drawings when process is complete.
4:50 p.m.	Call Deb Bolte	to tell her we are going by the Bismarck rest stop MM 168
5:10 p.m.	Arrive	Take Exit 159 off of I94 to take 83 N. - Country Suites Debby Bolte (BB-TR-BF) Tel 1-701-258-4200 Fax 258-4300 debby.bolte@countryinns.com
		Snacks at the Motel! (Mgr Tim, Kim, Alexis & Jeremy)
5:15 - 5:45 p.m.	Rooms	Room assignments & keys.
5:45- 9:00 p.m.	Variety	Until 9:00 p.m. you have free time to go to dinner at your choice of restaurants (see map), relax, shop around the area and go swimming if you like.
9:00 p.m.	Activities	At 9:00 p.m. we will have BINGO before we call it a night. Meet in the Harvest Room. (Use Wireless Mic)

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Agenda **Wednesday ----- June 20, 2012**

- 6:00 - 7:29 a.m. **Breakfast** **Country Suites Harvest Room** (for everyone)
 Sign In Sign in at Breakfast
- Meet** Lyndon Anderson- at the Motel 701-442-7036 (office) 701-442-7236
 (Motel to Wilton is 21 miles) mm112 Wilton to Coal Creek is 22.9 miles
- 7:30 a.m. **Depart** for Coal Creek Station & Falkirk Mine (46 miles)
 Select **K&Q #1** **Select King & Queen #2**
 Assign everyone into 4-Groups for the CCT to keep families together.
- 8:30 a.m. **Tour Coal Creek Station**, the largest power plant in North Dakota. Learn why this power plant is vitally important to Great River Energy's generation needs.
 ☛ Tour stops include the maintenance floor, turbine deck, control room observation area with DVD, 8th floor boiler & 21st floor outdoor overlook-features Blue Flint Ethanol.
 ☛ Cookies & coffee served after the tour.
 ☛ Shop for North Dakota coal items & Great River Energy merchandise.
- 10:15 a.m. **Drive to the Falkirk Mine**
 During the drive to the mine, your tour guide will talk about how Blue Flint Ethanol uses a mix of primary & waste steam to produce ethanol, making it one of the lowest-cost facilities in the nation.
- 10:30 a.m. **Tour Falkirk Mine.** See the gigantic equipment that is used to help supply about 8 million tons of lignite coal each year to Coal Creek Station. The group tours the mine aboard the Falkirk Mine bus (capacity—48).
- 12:00 p.m. **Drive to the Garrison Dam.**
12:30 p.m. **Lunch**
1:30 p.m. **Depart for Garrison Dam**
2:00 p.m. **Tour the Garrison Dam (Lyndon to provide a portable sound system)**, the fifth largest earthen dam in the world. See the Control Room, the Dam, Generator Floor, Water Turbines, and the Penstock Room. Learn how the plant generates electricity that is marketed by the Western Area Power Administration.
- 3:00 p.m. **Depart Garrison Dam travel back to Bismarck**
 Drive to the West end of the Dam to the Scenic Outlook
- 3:20 p.m. **Depart the Outlook area.**
 Travel back to Bismarck - Complete Survey for Lyndon
 -Lyndon will get off at the Motel
- 5:00 p.m. **Arrive** at the Motel
- 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. **Free Time** Until 8:00 p.m. you have free time to go to dinner at your choice of restaurant, relax, take a nap, shop around the area go swimming or take the City Tour.
- 6:15 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. City Tour, Winery, and Gateway Mall.
- 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Meet in the **Harvest Room at 8:00 p.m.** we will have activities, **Energy Jeopardy** and an **ICE CREAM SOCIAL (3-5 quart pails)**

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Agenda Thursday ----- June 21, 2012

- 6:00 to 7:29 a.m. **Breakfast Country Suites Harvest Room** (for everyone)
EVERYONE CHECK OUT OF MOTEL
- 7:00 a.m. Everyone must sign-in at Breakfast by 7:00 a.m.
- 7:30 a.m. **DEPART FOR OWATONNA** (Put Cookies from motel under the Bus
8:00 a.m. **K&Q #2 Select King & Queen #3. Do Name Tag Checks - Receive
Doug Dollars for wearing name tags, bus Activities, and suggest poems to
be written.** (Note Exit 200 has new Cenex Station {2011} if needed)
- 8:55 a.m. **Rest-Stop (Get Cookies out Here) (Ask which Rest stop to stop at)**
Jamestown Rest Stop Exit 254 is the best rest stop to stop at.
MM 298 Wind Mill
(Note: another option if everyone is doing fine is to continue to the New rest stop in the center median at mm 304, this would be about
9:35 to arrive here-THIS IS NOT A GOOD REST STOP AREA-NOT CLEAN)
- 9:15 a.m. On the road again (Announce Winners)
- 12:15 p.m. Ext on 103 Alexandria for McDonalds (BB-WF-BF)
12:25 p.m. **Group & K&Q's Photo before we have Lunch along side of the bus**
12:30 p.m. Lunch in Alexandria at Exit 103--McDonald's-tel-320-763-5070 (Kathy or Erin)
(They can serve us in 10 to 12 minutes - Give your name - pay with cash) (45min for lunch)
(Tell members to watch their McDonald's receipt for when the food comes up)
- 1:15 p.m. On the Road Again.
- 1:30 - 2:15 p.m. Read Poems, announce each writer, gauge each poem with applause, keep tract
of level with scale 1 to 10, select top three, read them again provide prizes to
each one.
- 2:20 p.m. Select Winners for Doug Dollars 1st, 2nd, 3rd for both Adults and Kids
MM 207 will take us through Bell Plaine if we need to avoid metro traffic
- 2:40 p.m. MM 202 is a new Emma Crumbies
- 2:50 - 3:05 p.m. **Rest Stop - Where needed (BB-WF-BF) (Albertville is Exit 215)**
3:13 p.m. Grand Finale - TP Relay Race - Instructions: Four rows, must unroll going
back, re-roll back forward, Prize for the winning Row.
- 3:30 p.m. Passing Hwy 100 on 494 Exit 7B
4:15p.m. Big Steer (Hwy 19)
4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Arrive in Owatonna at Steele-Waseca (depending on traffic)