

MILWAUKEE PBS 2026 TRIPS

The Milton House and Underground Railroad, The Lincoln-Tallman House, and Rotary Gardens Tour

June 18, 2026

Milton & Janesville, WI



Summary:

Discover Wisconsin's history and beauty on this all-inclusive day trip to the Milton House, Lincoln-Tallman House, and Rotary Gardens. Includes guided tours, lunch, dinner, and transportation – reserve your spot now!

Step back in time and explore Wisconsin's rich history and natural beauty on this all-inclusive day trip! Begin at the **Milton House**, the state's only certified Underground Railroad site, where you'll walk the same secret tunnel freedom seekers once used. Enjoy a delicious lunch in the **Lincoln-Tallman House Carriage House**, followed by a guided tour of the historic residence where President Abraham Lincoln once stayed. Then unwind among the serene landscapes of the **Rotary Botanical Gardens** in Janesville, with dinner served among the blooms. With round-trip bus transportation, all meals, and admissions included, this is a captivating and hassle-free way to experience Wisconsin's past and present.

Embark on a captivating journey through Wisconsin's rich past and picturesque beauty. This all-day, guided excursion brings history to life—from a hidden stop on the Underground Railroad to the home where Abraham Lincoln once stayed, ending in a tranquil stroll through lush, blooming gardens. With all meals, admissions, and transportation included, all you have to do is relax and enjoy the ride.

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Itinerary:

8:30 AM – Departure

Board our deluxe motor coach at Watertown Plank Park & Ride, with a second pick-up in Pewaukee. Our first destination: the historic town of Milton.

Milton House Museum

Uncover the powerful stories of courage and hope at Wisconsin's only certified **Underground Railroad** site open to the public. Walk through the original hand-dug tunnel used to shelter and guide enslaved individuals to freedom. A guided tour brings this moving piece of American history vividly to life.

Lunch at the Carriage House

After our journey into the past, enjoy a delicious lunch (I) in the charming **Carriage House** adjacent to our next destination.

Lincoln-Tallman House

Explore the beautifully preserved 19th-century Italianate mansion that once hosted Abraham Lincoln during his campaign travels. Learn about the Tallman family and the political and social life of the era during an engaging guided tour.

Rotary Botanical Gardens

Spend the afternoon surrounded by serenity at the award-winning **Rotary Botanical Gardens**. Stroll at your own pace through 20 acres of meticulously curated themed gardens, from tropical and Japanese to formal and woodland. A delightful dinner (I) will be served on the grounds before we begin our journey home.

(I) Meal Included

(NI) Meal Not Included

Inclusions:

All-Inclusive Day Trip – Includes Transportation, Lunch, Dinner & All Admissions

Pricing:

\$199 per person

Important Notes:

- **Physical Requirements:** This tour includes stair climbing, above average walking, standing in one place, uneven outdoor surfaces, outdoor grassy surfaces, and frequent bus boarding. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and be prepared for moderate activity.
- **Itinerary Subject to Change**

For more information or to sign up for the trip, and payment, call Lori at (414) 477-0155.