

2018 Reunion Activities

The Local Arrangements Committee is organizing a riverboat cruise on the St Croix River and a tour of gangster hangouts in St. Paul for 2018 reunion attendees. Transportation and food will be included in the cruise or tour's overall cost. Additional information regarding the dates, times, and costs will be provided in the November 2017 Newsletter.

St. Croix Riverboat Cruise:

The Riverboat cruise will involve a short 35 mi. charter bus ride to Stillwater, MN, named the "best destination small town" in the country. The boats offer climate controlled levels with top viewing decks. The four-star (yelp reviews) cruise will provide an excellent opportunity to enjoy the beauty of the St. Croix River while visiting with old friends. (see <http://www.stillwaterriverboats.com/photo-gallery/> for more info)

(photos from Stillwater river boats website. Cruising under Stillwater lift bridge; view of Stillwater, one of Minnesota's oldest cities)



Gangster Hangout Tour:

Learn about some of the country's most ruthless former criminals such as John Dillinger, "Ma" Barker, Alvin "Creepy" Karpis, and Evelyn Frechette as you take a wander back in time. Our guide leads your group in exploring the sites of nightclubs, kidnappings and gun battles associated with the 1930's gangsters like John Dillinger, Ma Barker and Babyface Nelson. See where these gangsters (and others) lived it up, their hideouts, and where they socialized with the public.

(Photo from St. Paul Gangster Tour website)

The tour has an excellent rating according to Trip Advisor—a recent reviewer wrote: "I had no intention



of planning this as a learning opportunity - but I was fascinated to learn about the history of St. Paul and the inner workings of the city back in the day. The architecture in St. Paul is absolutely breath taking. We had a blast and I would recommend the tour. "

(see <https://www.mnfieldtriplibrary.org/original-saint-paul-gangster-tour/> for more info)