

TALKING TOURISM April 2, 2017

Each month this space will be devoted to a column written by Debbie Robinson, executive director of the Cambridge/Guernsey County Visitors & Convention Bureau (VCB). She will provide information about upcoming events, area attractions, bureau services and projects, and most importantly, communicate the tremendous impact that the travel and tourism industry has on this region.

Seasonal Attractions Open

National Museum of Cambridge Glass - View a short vintage film that explains the handmade glassmaking process used by The Cambridge Glass Company (1902-1958). Hold the tools used many years ago and see over 8,000 pieces of colorful Cambridge Glass. Visit the museum's Edna McManus Shepard Education Center to feel the quality of the crystal and do a pencil rubbing from an authentic etching plate. A gift shop is available with genuine Cambridge glass. Open April through October Wednesday-Saturday 9am-4pm. Sunday 12pm-4pm. Admission: \$5; Seniors/AAA, \$4; and children 12 and under are free. www.cambridgeglass.org

Farmers Markets – Both the Cambridge Main Street and Guernsey County Farmers Markets open in May for the season. You can take your pick from homegrown fresh fruits, vegetables, flowers and homemade goods at either market. The Guernsey County Farmers Market takes place on Thursdays from 8 a.m.-Noon at the Guernsey County Fairgrounds. The Cambridge Main Street Farmers Market opens every Friday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on Turner Avenue in downtown Cambridge.

John & Annie Glenn Museum - Learn about life in 1937 during the Great Depression, in 1944 during WWII, and in 1962 when John Glenn orbited Earth and gave hope to the free world. Open May - October on Wed. - Sat. from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sun. 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors, \$3 for students and \$5 for groups. www.johnglennhome.org

National Road/Zane Grey Museum - This museum tells the story of the building of the National Road and the settlement of America's Midwest. Also featured is an exhibit on author Zane Grey and a spectacular collection of locally-made Art Pottery. Guided tours; buses welcome. Hours: May through October on Wed.-Sat. from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday 1 – 5 p.m. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors, \$3 for students and \$5 for groups. www.ohiohistory.org

Stone House Museum – In 1837 Benjamin Kennedy, whose ancestors hailed from Ireland and Scotland, purchased an 80-acre tract of land in Guernsey County, and built a two-story home from sandstone quarried nearby. In 2002, the Stone House Museum (the last remaining original homestead structure) was converted into a museum and placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Open May – October Friday through Monday 1-5 p.m. www.kennedystonehouse.org.

the Wilds - One of the largest and most innovative wildlife conservation centers in the world, is located on 10,000 acres near Cambridge. The Wilds is open daily May through September and on Saturday and Sunday in October. www.thewilds.org

Zipline Safari Tour at the Wilds - Enjoy the Wilds from an aerial perspective! Led by two professionally trained guides, this 2.5 hour zipline safari tour consists of 10 ziplines and a rappel built on a series of observation platforms overlooking various exotic animal species that are home to the Wilds. www.zipthewilds.com

The Living Word Outdoor Drama - The Living Word is a non-denominational amphitheater depicting the moving and powerful life and ministry of Christ. Presenting “the greatest story ever told” on a spectacular 400 foot panoramic permanent set, you will witness His last days from the Sermon on the Mount to His Ascension. Season begins June 17. www.livingworddrama.org.

Events to Discover

April 2, 7-9	Give My Regards to Broadway, Cambridge Performing Arts Center
April 7, 21 & 28	Pennyroyal Opera House, Fairview
April 15	Easter Egg Hunt, Deerassic Educational Park
April 19	Rave on Buddy Holly Experience, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
April 22	Broadway Bash & Benefit, Guernsey County Senior Center
April 23	Southeastern Ohio Symphony Orchestra, New Concord
April 29	Daffodil Luncheon and Style Show, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
April 29	Forgotten Places & Spaces Walking Tour, Historic Downtown Cambridge
April 30	Zane Grey Day, Norwich

To learn more about the VCB, area events, and activities, visit the Cambridge/Guernsey County VCB office at 627 Wheeling Avenue, Suite 200 in downtown Cambridge, call 740-432-2022, email info@VisitGuernseyCounty.com, or log onto www.VisitGuernseyCounty.com

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