

## TALKING TOURISM

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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.

### Season Attraction Openings

The warmer weather will soon usher in a new season of visitors to Guernsey County attractions and events. What do Cambridge Glass, one-room school houses, safari tours, the Kennedy clan, and John Glenn have to do with each other? They all can be found in the Cambridge/Guernsey County, Ohio area. Many of the region's attractions open in April, May and June for the season. Plan a weekend outing to see one or all of these great experiences.

**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. Open April – October on Wednesday – Saturday 9am-4pm and Sunday 12noon-4pm. [www.cambridgeglass.org](http://www.cambridgeglass.org)

**Guernsey County History Museum** - 188 year old, restored 16 room home museum, containing antique furnishings, products and personal items from Guernsey County, including a display of an authentic one-room school house and a life like replica of a coal mine from the 1890's. Open April through December on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 12noon to 3pm.

**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 8am - noon at the Guernsey County Fairgrounds. The Cambridge Main Street Farmers Market opens every Friday from 9am – 1pm in Historic Downtown Cambridge.

**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 1-5pm. [www.kennedystonehouse.org](http://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](http://www.thewilds.org)

**John & Annie Glenn Museum** - Learn about life during the Great Depression and the Home Front during WWII through a captivating living history presentation. Open May-October on Wednesday – Saturday 10am -4pm and Sunday 1- 4pm. [www.johnglennhome.org](http://www.johnglennhome.org)

**National Road/Zane Grey Museum** - This Ohio Historical Society Facility, managed by the John & Annie Glenn Museum Foundation, 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, the "Father of Western Fiction" and a spectacular collection of locally-made Art Pottery. Open May-October on Wednesday – Saturday 10am – 4pm and Sunday 1- 4 p.m. [www.ohiohistory.org](http://www.ohiohistory.org)

**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](http://www.livingworddrama.org).

## Events to Discover

<b>April 1-3 &amp; 8-10</b>	Snoopy, Cambridge Performing Arts Centre
<b>April 1, 8, 22 &amp; 29</b>	Pennyroyal Opera House, Fairview
<b>April 2</b>	Remarkable Women - Past, Present & Future, John & Annie Glenn Historic Site
<b>April 2</b>	Southern Fried Chicks – Comedy Tour, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
<b>April 15</b>	Chef in the Vineyard Dinner, Terracotta Vineyards, New Concord
<b>April 23</b>	Daffodil Luncheon and Style Show, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
<b>April 24</b>	The Crossing, a Christian Band, Cambridge Performing Arts Centre
<b>April 24</b>	Southeastern Ohio Symphony Orchestra, New Concord

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](mailto:info@visitguernseycounty.com), or visit [www.VisitGuernseyCounty.com](http://www.VisitGuernseyCounty.com).

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