



**NEWS RELEASE**  
***FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE***

627 Wheeling Ave | Cambridge, OH

800-933-5480 | [www.VisitGuernseyCounty.com](http://www.VisitGuernseyCounty.com)

**CONTACT: Debbie Robinson**

---

**Welcome Home to the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Dickens Victorian Village  
by Beverly Kerr**

Cambridge, OH (August 14, 2020) Visitors to the Cambridge this holiday season are invited to stroll through the historic downtown to view the Victorian scenes that line the street. Volunteers have been busy refurbishing those scenes since February in anticipation of the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Dickens Victorian Village, which begins on November 1.

While activities will be somewhat changed due to the coronavirus pandemic, this will be a great chance to take a walking tour of the Victorian scenes which cover five blocks of the downtown area. Scenes can be found under every lamppost as well as in some store windows. Pick up a map of the scenes at the Welcome Center or the Visitors Bureau.

Every effort is being made to meet safety standards for the current pandemic. Guests will be asked to practice social distancing and wear masks when required. The health and safety of our guests is our foremost concern as we share the story of Dickens Victorian Village.

A small dedicated crew of helpers meets once a week to make repairs, replace clothing, and clean all the scenes from top to bottom. Faded clothes are replaced, heads are repaired, and platforms are strengthened. Others work from home sewing new garments and making new heads for some of the characters. The scenes will be ready to be moved downtown on November 1.

Plans that still will be happening include a Cemetery Tour, Trolley Ride, Victorian Teas, and of course, the spectacular Courthouse Holiday Light Show. Bus groups are always welcome.

It all begins on November 1; however, Opening Night activities will be held on Friday, November 6 at 7pm on the Guernsey County Courthouse square. Local dignitaries will speak, musical entertainment will be provided, and the traditional candle lighting ceremony will be held. Then stay around to watch that beautiful Courthouse Holiday Light Show.

Downtown business and restaurants have also taken special precautions to assure your family will have a safe experience as you visit their establishments. Stroll through the Victorian scenes in the crisp autumn air as you learn more about life at the time of Charles Dickens from the bronze plaques that appear on each scene along the street.

Every evening from November 1 – December 31, 2020, the Courthouse Holiday Light Show will delight young and old alike with over 65,000 lights synchronized to holiday music. The evening shows begin at 5:30 and last until 9:00. Joel Losego of AVC Communication works all year long to provide the community with this fantastic light show.

Plan to visit Dickens Victorian Village this November or December to catch the Christmas spirit with that downhome feeling in Cambridge, Ohio.

For more information about Dickens Victorian Village and events, visit [DickensVictorianVillage.com](http://DickensVictorianVillage.com) or call (740) 421 4956.

