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Guernsey County Celebrates 12th Annual Dickens Victorian Village

CAMBRIDGE, OHIO (Nov. 1, 2017) – Delight in the holiday spirit in historic Downtown Cambridge this season! Marvel at the beauty of the charming city streets, stroll through the Dickens Victorian Village displays, take in the animated musical light show at the courthouse, or enjoy other holiday events that Ye Olde Cambridge has to offer.

The sights and sounds of the 12th Annual Dickens Victorian Village start November 1 and run through January 1, 2018. Each holiday season, the streets are transformed into a quaint Victorian Village, making it the most unique holiday tour destination in the Midwest!

This year the Dickens Victorian Village display will consist of 189 lifelike figures placed on the sidewalks, in store windows and on benches. Enjoy the crisp winter air with a stroll down Wheeling Avenue to learn about the Victorian era by reading the plaques at the base of each scene. You are invited to participate in the many special holiday events as well. To learn more, visit DickensVictorianVillage.com.

Visitors are encouraged to make their first stop at the Dickens Welcome Center located in the historic Gomber House at 745 Steubenville Avenue where they will be greeted by Ambassadors who will assist in planning their visit. Visitors may tour this magnificent building built in the early 1800's and deemed the oldest house in Cambridge. The Welcome Center is home to the Curiosity Shoppe, The Imagination Station, The Victorian Tea Room and the Educational Side of Dickens. The Ambassadors will share the story of how Dickens Victorian Village began and the process for creating our unique "characters." Visitors may also purchase tickets for all events and pick up our Visitor's Guide. The Welcome Center hours are Mon-Sat 10:00 am -6 pm and Sunday 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Another "must see" is a performance by Charles Dickens great-great-grandson, Gerald Dickens at the Scottish Rite Theater. Dickens will travel across the pond to join us on Friday, Nov. 3 at 7 p.m. to perform a one-man show called "A Christmas Carol." Earlier in the day, he will be at the Dickens Welcome Center to "Meet and Greet" people from 2 to 3 p.m.

Don't miss these and many other holiday events coming up between now and the end of the year!

November & December Holiday Events

November 1 – January 1, 2018

Guernsey County Courthouse Holiday Light & Music Show

Guernsey County Courthouse

Time: Nightly shows from 5:30-9 p.m. Extended holiday hours to 11 p. m.

Nov. 3-4

Sherlock Holmes Murder Mystery Weekend

St. Benedict's Social Hall

Time: Begins 8:30 p.m. Friday and resumes Saturday morning at 10 a.m.

Overnight packages available.

Nov. 4

Jingle Mingle on Main Holiday Open House & Carriage Rides

Downtown Cambridge Shops

Time: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Nov. 8-15

Wonderland of Trees Display

Southeastern Ohio Regional Medical Center Lobby

Time: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day

Nov. 17

Wonderland of Trees Gala Dinner & Auction

Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center

Time: 6 p.m. for the buffet and 8 p.m. for the auction

Nov. 5-Dec. 8

Gingerbread House Display

Guernsey County Senior Citizens Center

Time: Open during business hours

Nov. 10-12

Solve the Mystery of Sherlock Holmes and the Case of the Circumstantial Covenant

Cambridge Performing Arts Center

Time: Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m.

Nov. 17 & 18

Salt Fork Gospel Jubilee

Salt Fork Lodge & Conference Center

Time: Friday from 6-10 p.m. and Saturday from 1-10 p.m.

Nov. 18

The Grand Holiday Ball

Eagles Club

7 p.m. – 11 p.m.

Nov. 24 - 25

Craft Show

Salt Fork Lodge & Conference Center

Time: Friday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

November 25

Holiday Parade "Light Up Your Holidays"

Main Street, Historic Downtown Cambridge

Time: 5 p.m.

Nov. 25, December 2 & 16

Historic Trolley Rides

Downtown Cambridge Time: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Nov. 26

Cambridge City Band Concert

Scottish Rite Auditorium

Time: 3 p.m.

Nov. 27

Christmas at the Museum Open House (New Concord)

John & Annie Glenn Historic Site

Time: 5:30-8 p.m.

Dec. 1-3 & 8-10

Miracle on 34th Street

Cambridge Performing Arts Center

Time: Friday and Saturday shows at 7 p.m. Sunday shows at 3 p.m.

Dec. 2

Steeple Walk

Downtown Cambridge Time: 12:30 to 3 p.m.

Dec. 3

Little Dickens Day & Cookies with Santa

Deerassic Education Center Time: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Dec. 9-10

National Road & Zane Grey Museum Open House (Norwich)

Time: 1-4 p.m.

Dec. 9-10

John & Annie Glenn Museum Special Holiday Hours (New Concord)

Time: 1-4 p.m.

Dec. 9-10

Harper Cabin Holiday Hours

New Concord Time: 1-4 p.m.

Dec. 12

Sounds of the Seasons Along the National Road National Road & Zane Grey Museum (Norwich)

Time: 7 p.m.

Dec. 10 Cambridge Singers Annual Christmas Concert

Scottish Rite Auditorium Time: 3 p.m.

Dec. 16 Dickens of a Good Time First Baptist Church

Time: 11 a.m. -1:30 p.m.

Dec. 31 – Jan. 1 New Year's Eve Gospel Sing Harvest Christian Fellowship Time: 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

For more Cambridge/Guernsey County holiday getaway ideas and event information, call the Cambridge/Guernsey County Visitors & Convention Bureau at 800-933-5480 or log onto VisitGuernseyCounty.com.

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