

CAMBRIDGE GUERNSEY COUNTY *Visitors & Convention Bureau*

Salute to the Homefront

This tour offered May through November

During the Revolutionary War, Civil War, WWI and WWII, what did our families do on the home front while their fathers, brothers, mothers, sisters, daughters and sons were serving during conflicts? A positive tour bound to give your guests something to talk about for years to come! Each guest receives a colorful bag to capture treasures throughout this multiple day journey. American flags and apple fry pies are just a few of the “goodies” your guests will receive on this tour.



National Museum of Cambridge Glass Focus on the Homefront – This interactive tour brings social consciousness, community needs and relief organizations like Fletcher Hospital to the forefront. On this tour, enjoy the opportunity to dress as glass workers did. Stroll through the sparkling displays of over 10,000 pieces of Cambridge Glass led by a friendly docent! Complete a rubbing from an authentic etching plate used by the world renowned Cambridge Glass Company. Feel the quality of the crystal and touch molds used to make the glassware in the museum education center. Visit the Gift Shop with something for everyone.

Guernsey County History Museum- Explore the military room, unique Coal Mining display and One Room School House housed in the McCracken – McFarland Home built in 1827. A soldier’s mother, brother or father greets the coach upon arrival in period attire. Hear about our local soldiers’ stories:

A Tale of a Guernsey County Doughboy 1918

Courage in the Soloman Islands 1943

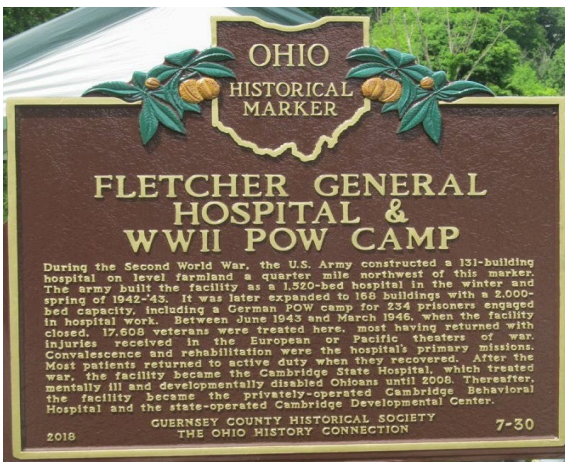
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Fletcher Hospital & St. Luke's Chapel- Learn of the role these buildings played in WWII. Fletcher General Hospital was built by the Army three miles north of Cambridge in the winter of 1942-1943. By the end of the war, it had 168 buildings, over 230 German POWs, 2,000 patient bed and had served more than 17,000 servicemen and servicewomen. At war's end, it became the Cambridge State Hospital and continued to serve in that capacity for 62 more years. The Cambridge Developmental Center continues to operate a portion of the facility. This can be a guided driving tour or you may choose to have a presentation at lunch or dinner by a local historian on this fascinating part of our history.



Old Washington- An epic event took place during the Civil War in this pike town. An historic figure boards the coach and shares the history and highlights of Morgan's Raid and gives each guest a treat. Learn how the local townspeople baked pies and placed them on the window sills to cool to divert the Morgan's Raiders! (They would take the pies and leave the homes alone!) On July 2, 1863, John Hunt Morgan and his Confederate Cavalry started moving north through Kentucky on a road that would encompass three states and 950 miles.

His 2,000-man cavalry entered Ohio on July 13, 1863 spreading fear throughout the villages in Ohio. One of their last stops in Guernsey County was Old Washington where they commandeered meals from the proprietors of the American Hotel. Many of the raiders spread out through town to rest or ravage the local store of wares and supplies.

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