## **TALKING TOURISM**

November 2, 2025

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.

## Dickens Victorian Village Celebrates 20th Anniversary

**Experience the enchantment of Dickens Victorian Village** from **November 1, 2025, to January 1, 2026**, in historic downtown Cambridge, as the community celebrates the **20th anniversary** of this beloved holiday tradition. For two decades, visitors have returned year after year to feel the spirit of Charles Dickens and merry Olde England brought to life in the heart of Guernsey County.

As guests stroll or drive along Wheeling Avenue, they will encounter nearly 100 handcrafted Victorian scenes—displayed both along the street and in windows—depicting life in the 1800s with charm, detail, and a touch of holiday magic.

Throughout the season, Dickens Victorian Village will host a variety of events that appeal to visitors and residents of all ages from Cemetery Tours and Trolley Rides to traditional Victorian Teas and Dickens Crafts on Main. The full schedule is available on their website, <u>dickensvictorianvillage.com</u>, and updates are regularly posted on their Facebook page, making it easy for guests to plan their visit.

The **Dickens Welcome Center** continues to be a hub of activity and a great starting point for the day. Inside, visitors can explore how the village came to life twenty years ago, view original scene sketches and shop for keepsakes to remember their experience. The **Imagination Station** invites guests to dress in Victorian attire and pose for a photo with Charles Dickens or Father Christmas—always a hit with families and group tours.

To cap off the day, the **Guernsey County Courthouse Light Show** offers a spectacular display of more than 85,000 lights synchronized to music, filling the night with color and festive cheer.

As tourism partners, your continued support and participation help bring this event to life year after year. Whether you are sharing event information with your guests, decorating your storefront or simply welcoming visitors with a smile, you play a vital role in creating the warm, small-town atmosphere that makes Dickens Victorian Village so special.

As we celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> season, we also want to recognize and promote other holiday events happening throughout Guernsey County. If your township or community is hosting a festive event this season, we would love to help spread the word. Please contact our Communications Manager, Karen Castello, with your event details at Destination@VisitGuernseyCouutny.com.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Nov. 1 Dickens Victorian Village Opening Day

Nov. 1 Dickens Victorian Village Reception, Guernsey County District

Public Library, Downtown

Nov. 1-Jan.1 Dickens Victorian Village, Downtown Cambridge

Nov. 1-Jan. 1 Courthouse Holiday Light Show, Guernsey County Courthouse Nov. 1 & 8 Coming Alive Cemetery Tours, Northwood Cemetery, N. 10<sup>th</sup> Street

Nov. 1,7-8,14-15,21-22,28-29 Nov. 1,7-8,14-15,21-22,28-29 Nov. 4	Carriage Rides, Downtown Cambridge Holiday Hours, National Museum of Cambridge Glass America 250-Ohio Meeting, Guernsey County Administration
Nov. 5, 12, 19, 26 Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27	Building Old Washington Farmers Market, Lore City Farmers Market in Cambridge, Cambridge Senior Center
Nov. 6 Nov. 7	Thanksgiving Cookie Decorating Class, Dickens Welcome Center Next Stop Comedy, Guernsey Brewhouse
Nov. 7-8	Sherlock Holmes Murder Mystery Weekend, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
Nov. 7 & 21	Bluegrass Concerts, Pennyroyal Opera House, Fairview
Nov. 8	Bottles & Books Adult Book Fair, Guernsey Brewhouse
Nov. 11	Veterans Day Parade, Downtown Cambridge
Nov. 12	Cooking Demo + Cultural Night, Guernsey Brewhouse
Nov. 13	Chocolate Walk, Downtown Cambridge
Nov. 13	Homemade for the Holidays, Guernsey County District Public
	Library. Crossroads Branch
Nov. 14	Puzzles and Pints, Guernsey Brewhouse
Nov. 14	Sewing with Gillian: Traditional Isle of Guernsey Clothing,
	Guernsey County District Public Library. Crossroads Branch
Nov. 15 & 22	Trolley Tours, Downtown Cambridge
Nov. 15	Queen Victoria Tea, Cambridge Country Club
Nov. 18 – 23	Mosser Glass Holiday Open House
Nov. 20	Downtown Book Club, Guernsey County District Public Library, Cambridge
Nov. 20	Beeswax Candles with Meliah, Dickens Welcome Center
Nov. 22	Fezziwig Ball, Guernsey County District Public Library. Crossroads Branch
Nov. 22	Victorian Tea, Masonic Ballroom
Nov. 22	Christmas Candlelight Walk, Dickens Welcome Center
Nov. 29	Single's Night, Guernsey Brewhouse
Nov. 29	Small Business Saturday, throughout Guernsey County
Nov. 29	Cambridge Christmas Parade, Historic Downtown Cambridge
Nov. 30	Cambridge City Band Christmas Concert, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center

A full list of our events is located at VistGuernseyCounty.com. Before attending any event, we suggest that you call before you go. *For a complete listing of events, log on to VisitGuernseyCounty.com.* 

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 destination@VisitGuernseyCounty.com or log onto VisitGuernseyCounty.com.