

TALKING TOURISM

April 5, 2026

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.

2026 GAP Recipients Announced

For 13 years, the Cambridge/Guernsey County Visitors & Convention Bureau has proudly offered local nonprofit organizations the opportunity to stretch their marketing dollars through the Grant Assistance Program (GAP). The local program assists qualified non-profit tourism events, organizations and businesses to “fill in the gap” through advertising and promotion of activities that directly increase lodging occupancy, create positive publicity of the Cambridge/Guernsey County area, and enhances the tourism environment. This year the VCB will distribute \$40,000 in grants.

This year’s recipients are:

1. Cambridge Lions Club
2. Cambridge Main Street
3. Cambridge Performing Art Center
4. Dickens Victorian Village
5. Guernsey County Community Development Corporation
6. Guernsey County Historical Society
7. Living Free Events
8. National Museum of Cambridge Glass
9. National Whitetail Deer Education Center
10. Ohio Hills Festival
11. Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
12. Salt Fork Arts & Crafts Festival
13. The Living Word Outdoor Drama
14. The Wilds

Attraction Openings on the Horizon

From safaris to scenic lakes, Guernsey County offers attractions you might never expect to find in Ohio. This is a place where adventure meets imagination – and every visit brings a story to share. Eight key attractions are set to open for the season beginning in April and May. The bureau encourages all to experience each of these unique points of interest in celebration of America’s 250th anniversary.

Opening Dates:

- April 1 – National Museum of Cambridge Glass
- May 1 – The Wilds
- May 1 – Stone House Museum
- May 1 – John & Annie Glenn Museum
- May 1 – National Road & Zane Grey Museum
- May 2 – Guernsey County History Museum
- May 9 – Deerassic Welcome Center
- June 19 – The Living Word Outdoor Drama

For more Guernsey County happenings and information, visit our events calendar at www.visitguernseycounty.com.

Events to Discover

- April 1 Ribbon Cutting, Brickhouse Market & Deli, Downtown Cambridge
April 1 Photos with The Bunny, Guernsey County District Public Library – Byesville Branch
April 2 Byesville Crafted Chapter, Guernsey County District Public Library – Byesville Branch
April 4 Easter Egg Hunt, Cambridge City Park
April 4 *Senecaville Fish Hatchery Open House
April 4 Meet Rowdy & the Easter Bunny, Rocky Fork Ranch. Kimbolton
April 5 Easter Sunrise Service, The Living Word Outdoor Drama
April 5 Easter Buffett, Salt Fork Lodge
April 8 & 22 From Scratch Co-op Workshop: Kombucha making and the art of making tea,
Guernsey County District Public Library - Crossroads Branch
April 9 Homeschool Hub: Crafters Fair, Guernsey County District Public Library
April 10 The Living Word Outdoor Drama Auction/Banquet, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
April 10 Teen Escape Room, Guernsey County District Public Library- Crossroads Branch
April 10 Annual Name That Tune, Southgate Hotel
April 10 Rust Monkey, Salt Fork Lodge
April 10-12 Jimmy Buffett's Escape to Margaritaville!, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
April 10 & 24 Pennyroyal Bluegrass Concerts, Fairview
April 11 Seneca Easter Egg Hunt & Welcome Back Campers, Seneca Lake Park
April 11 *Guernsey County- Railways of Yesteryear, Guernsey County District Public Library
Crossroads Branch
April 11 Bottles and Books Adult Book Fair, Guernsey Brewhouse
April 11 Bourbon Tasting, Salt Fork Lodge
April 14 Reading Dragons Tournament, Guernsey County District Public Library – Byesville Branch
April 14 Cambridge Main Street Mosaic Paint Party, Central Station Steak & Ale
April 16 Downtown Book Club, Guernsey County District Public Library
April 17 The Naughty Lobstah Food Truck Night, Guernsey Brewhouse
April 17 Backbone Acoustic, Salt Fork Lodge
April 18 Grand Opening! Nervous Wreck Bike & Coffee Shop, Lore City
April 18 Seneca Ohio Boating Education Course, Seneca Lake Park
April 18 Business & Professional Girls Club Positivi-Tea Luncheon, Mr. Lee's Banquet Room
April 18 *Open House, Guernsey Valley Model Railroad Club, Downtown Cambridge
April 18 Renegade Monster Trucks – Guernsey County Fairgrounds
April 18 *America 250 Historic Cemetery Tour, Salt Fork State Park
April 21 Book Club, Guernsey County District Public Library- Crossroads Branch
April 21 *Cambridge Min Street Mosaic Paint & Sip Party, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
April 23 Homeschool Hub: Nature Program, Byesville City Park
April 23 Cambridge Main Street Basket Auction, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
April 24 Escape Room “Novel Escapes”, Guernsey County District Public Library - Downtown Branch
April 24 & 26 *Spring Show “An American Celebration”, Cambridge Singers
April 25 Seneca Earth Day Clean-Up, Seneca Lake Park
April 25 & 26 *250 Buckeye Train & Transportation Celebration, Dennison, Ohio
April 25 Paint and Sip with Chloe Milliken, Salt Fork Lodge
April 25 Living Free Events Concert, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
April 25 Skye's Adult Eggstravaganza, Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center
April 25 & 26 *Free Movie Night - My Hometown, Scottish Rite Theater
April 26 *Cambridge Main Street Mosaic Paint & Sip Party, Brickhouse Social
April 28 Paint & Sip, Guernsey County District Public Library - Crossroads Branch

*Denotes Guernsey County America 250-Ohio Events

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, or log onto VisitGuernseyCounty.com.

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