

# America 250: Stars, Stripes and Small Town Celebrations

CAMBRIDGE, OHIO (June 17, 2026) – Southeast Ohio is bursting with excitement this July 4th! From dazzling fireworks to delightful festivals and mouth-watering food, the fun extends far beyond a single day of celebration. In fact, the festivities kick off in late June and continue to light up our community through mid-July! This is the perfect opportunity for families to come together and celebrate our nation's birthday. So, grab your picnic blankets and make unforgettable memories together

## THE PREAMBLE

The **Byesville Blast** on **June 27** features live entertainment, vendors, demonstrations from first responders, a cornhole tournament, a parade and fireworks at dusk.

## THE MAIN EVENT

Established in 1841, the **Cambridge City Band** is Ohio's oldest continuously performing community band and will present a free concert on **July 4** at 7:30 p.m. under the park's large pavilion. As part of the evening's celebration of America's 250th anniversary, Judge David Ellwood will share remarks about our nation's founding documents, including the Constitution of the United States and the Declaration of Independence and discuss why these enduring principles continue to matter in our lives today.

This cherished Independence Day tradition offers a meaningful opportunity to reflect on our nation's history while enjoying an evening of outstanding music in a beautiful community setting. There will be fun for the kids throughout the day. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to watch the annual **Cambridge Boomorama fireworks** display at dusk.

Want to have a night camping under the stars and see amazing fireworks? Tucked away in the pristine trees and hills of the Appalachian countryside, **Glamplyfe** is the perfect retreat. After a busy day of exploring the lush trails and private lake, guests will love spending time together in a stunning A-frame unit, ideal for guests to experience an elevated camping, or rather "glamping" experience. The location will offer fireworks on Saturday, **July 4**, at dusk in celebration of America's birthday.

Speaking of retreats, lakes and fireworks ... **Seneca Lake Park**, enjoy the outdoors and camp on the shores of Seneca Lake, or rent a cabin with all the comforts of home. Families love the opportunity to hike, fish, or swim at the sandy beach (with a new splash pad) in one location! A special fireworks display will take place on Saturday, **July 4th** at 10 p.m.

## THE AFTER PARTY

If you want to extend your holiday activities in the area, check out **The Ohio Hills Folk Festival, July 9-11**, in Quaker City, or the **New Concord 250 America Celebration** on **July 11**.

Get ready to experience an event like no other at the **New Concord America 250 Celebration**. Free walk-through tours of the John & Anni Gleen Museum and Harper Cabin a community picnic, Bingo, vintage games for the kids, musical performances and fireworks at dusk.

Celebrating its 123rd year, the **Ohio Hills Folk Festival** is one of Ohio's oldest. The Quaker community comes together to celebrate Americana at its best - with parades, free entertainment, art, quilts, car shows, crafts, flea market, kids' games, contests, amusement rides and great food! Make sure to stop at the country store on East Main Street and enjoy homemade ice cream, fudge, baked goods and locally made favorites, including cheese and bologna. Quaker City closes out The Ohio Hills Folk Festival with a fireworks display on Saturday, July 11, at 10 p.m. For more information, check out <https://myohff.com/>

Here is a quick recap of area towns hosting fireworks celebrations:

- Byesville: Sat., June 27 at 10 p.m. at Byesville Park
- Cambridge City Park: Friday, July 4 at Dusk
- Seneca Lake Park: Saturday, July 4 at 10 p.m.
- New Concord: Saturday, July 11 at Dusk
- Quaker City: Saturday, July 11 at 10 p.m. (during the Ohio Hills Folk Festival)

For more information, contact the Cambridge/Guernsey County Visitors & Convention Bureau office at 627 Wheeling Avenue, Suite 200, in downtown Cambridge, call 740-432-2022, email [destination@VisitGuernseyCounty.com](mailto:destination@VisitGuernseyCounty.com), or log onto [VisitGuernseyCounty.com](http://VisitGuernseyCounty.com).



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