



## Explore Advertisers' Location Map

- |                                  |                                 |                               |                                 |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. African Safari                | 5. Historic Lyme Village        | 9. Mockingbird Winery         | 12. Packer Creek Pottery        |
| 2. Bench Farms                   | 6. Leafy Oaks Campground        | 10. Our Lady of Toledo Shrine | 13. Schedel Arboretum & Gardens |
| 3. Fulton County Visitors Bureau | 7. Meinke Marina                | 11. Oregon, City of           |                                 |
| 4. Gladioux Home Center          | 8. Millbury Classic Cars Museum |                               |                                 |



# EXPLORE FAMILY FUN

## Toledo Museum of Art

Visitors to the Toledo Museum of Art will find one of the finest and most diverse collections of artworks in the country. Discover treasures ranging from ancient Egyptian pieces to contemporary art, including glass, sculpture, European and American paintings, African and Asian art, graphic arts and decorative arts.

Other highlights include the Sculpture Garden outside and the architecturally renowned Glass Pavilion, a separate structure located across Monroe Street.

Current exhibitions include: “Rachel Ruysch: Nature into Art” (through July 27); “Return to Turtle Island: Indigenous Nation-Building in the Eighteenth Century” (through June 29); “Opulent Echoes: Artistic Journeys in the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Centuries” (through June 29); “From Asia to the World: Ancient Contemporary Art” (through June 29) and “Africa Unmasked” (through Aug. 30). “Infinite Images: The Art of Algorithms” will open July 12 and run through Nov. 30.

The Toledo Museum of Art engages local and regional artists through the Robert C. and Susan Savage Community Gallery.

In addition, a number of special events and programs are planned throughout the year. Visit the museum website for descriptions of current and upcoming exhibitions and more info.

2445 Monroe St., Toledo  
419-255-8000 or 800-644-6862, toledomuseum.org

## Toledo Zoo

The Toledo Zoo, previously voted a top family-friendly destination and number one zoo in the nation, boasts more than 10,000 mammals, fish, reptiles, amphibians, birds and invertebrates representing over 720 species.

This year, the zoo is marking 125 years of memories. Throughout the year, the Zoo will host a series of special events, exhibits, and programs to honor this remarkable milestone. These celebrations will highlight the Zoo’s historic achievements, ongoing conservation efforts and ambitious plans for the future. Visitors can look forward to engaging experiences that connect them to the Zoo’s mission of inspiring people to care about wildlife and natural environments.

Visitors from near and far come to the Toledo Zoo to stroll the scenic grounds and explore the historic Work Progress Administration-era buildings. Among the zoo’s highlights are the Arctic Encounter, the Africa! exhibit, Nature’s Neighborhood children’s zoo, Tembo Trail, the Aquarium, the ProMedica Museum of Natural History and the Nancy L. and Martin Davidson Barnyard, an interactive exhibit where guests can meet alpacas, goats, pigs and other farm animals.

A wide range of programs, special events and activities add to the fun throughout the year, including a Father’s Day celebration; concerts; Kidsapalooza (June 8); Music Under the Stars Sunday-night concerts (July 6-Aug. 10); Christmas in July (July 25-26); Wild About Art (Aug. 9-10); BUGFest (Aug. 26); Senior Discovery Days (Wednesdays in September and October); Little Boo (Oct. 16-17), Pumpkin Path (Oct.

18-19), Pumpkin Stomp & Chomp (Oct. 25) the 40th Lights Before Christmas (Nov. 21-Dec. 31) and a Noon Year’s Eve celebration (Dec. 31).

2 Hippo Way, Toledo (located off the Anthony Wayne Trail)  
419-385-4040, toledozoo.org

## Imagination Station

Visitors of every age can engineer a day of fun with hundreds of hands-on exhibits and demonstrations that bring science to life at Imagination Station, Toledo’s Science Center.

The KeyBank Discovery Theater – located within the science center – features a massive, 58-foot, 4K screen that offers an exciting and immersive experience for movie-goers. Shows and showtimes are available at [imaginationstationtoledo.org/keybank-discovery-theater](http://imaginationstationtoledo.org/keybank-discovery-theater).

Through Aug. 31, visit “Hockey: Faster Than Ever,” an immersive exhibition that puts visitors right in the action. The exhibition highlights the technical advancements and scientific breakthroughs that have shaped the sport over time.

A number of special exhibits, events and programs are offered throughout the year. Check their website for details.  
One Discovery Way, Toledo  
419-244-2674, [imaginationstationtoledo.org](http://imaginationstationtoledo.org)

## Toledo Botanical Garden Metropark

A museum for plants, Toledo Botanical Garden Metropark offers visitors the opportunity to share, discover and enjoy nature’s beauty. With more than 60 acres of display gardens and relevant plant collections, the garden is a place of beauty, tranquility and opportunities for exploration and reflection.

Green thumbs come to the garden to learn more about the varieties of annuals and perennials nestled within the various beds and look for ways to incorporate new ideas into their home landscapes.

The Doneghy Inclusive Garden is an accessible, sensory experience of sights, sounds, tastes and textures.

Art lovers are inspired by the Artisan Village, original sculptures located throughout the garden, and the annual Crosby Festival of the Arts, set for June 28-29 ([crosbyfest.com](http://crosbyfest.com)). Music enthusiasts can groove to the smooth sounds of local jazz performers during the summer Jazz in the Garden concert series (Thursdays from July 10 through Sept. 11 – [metroparkstoledo.com/jazz](http://metroparkstoledo.com/jazz)).

The Secret Forest, an engaging children’s playscape, immerses young visitors in nature and adventure.

5403 Elmer Dr. Toledo  
419-536-5566, [metroparkstoledo.com](http://metroparkstoledo.com)

## Toledo Mud Hens

The Toledo Mud Hens, the Detroit Tigers’ Triple A minor league affiliate, play home games at Fifth Third Field in the city’s Warehouse District from late March through September.

Future major leaguers are among those on the Mud Hens’ roster, and occasionally fans can see current Tigers sent down for



The National Museum of the Great Lakes.

rehab or to better hone their skills.

A number of special events, promotions and giveaways are held at games throughout the season, including fireworks held after a number of games. At every Sunday home game, kids get to run the bases after the game.

Fans can also enjoy the game with rooftop views of Fifth Third Field from beyond the outfield in Hensville, also located in the Warehouse District. Relax with a refreshing drink, have something to eat, or meet up with friends at Hensville’s popular restaurants.

Hensville Park, located at the corner of Summit and Monroe, is the green gateway to Hensville and the Warehouse District, and hosts a variety of outdoor events, including movies, concerts and kids’ activities.

406 Washington St., Toledo  
419-725-HENS, [milb.com/toledo](http://milb.com/toledo)

## Toledo Walleye

The Toledo Walleye, an ECHL hockey league affiliate of the Detroit Red Wings and the Chicago Blackhawks, play from October until early April at the 8,000-seat Huntington Center in downtown Toledo, which is also home to a number of concerts, shows and special events throughout the year.

500 Jefferson Ave., Toledo  
419-725-WALL, [toledowalleye.com](http://toledowalleye.com)

## ARCA/ Toledo Speedway

The ARCA Series has been racing at Toledo Speedway since 1963. Toledo Speedway has long been known for its intense short-track racing. The speedway hosts a variety of events, from stock cars to figure-eight races from May through October.

Toledo Speedway BMX is Northwest Ohio’s premier USA BMX outdoor racing facility, offering something for every level of rider. [usabmx.com/tracks/oh-speedway-bmx](http://usabmx.com/tracks/oh-speedway-bmx)

5639 Benore Rd., Toledo  
419-727-1100, [toledospeedway.com](http://toledospeedway.com)

## Toledo Pickle Co.

Toledo Pickle is a complete family entertainment facility featuring indoor and outdoor pickleball courts. In addition, the

facility offers rock-wall climbing, shuffleboard and cornhole activities, along with a restaurant and bar.

In the warmer months, Toledo Pickle will feature a waterfront patio, boat docks, fire pits and live entertainment.

1030 Water St., Toledo  
419-678-3153, [toledopickle.com](http://toledopickle.com)

## Tony Packo’s

Tony Packo’s restaurant is world famous not only for its Hungarian-style hot dogs, but also for the autographed hot dog buns which have been signed by movie stars, other celebrities and U.S. Presidents. Packo’s as it is known simply by locals, was also frequently mentioned by Toledo’s Jamie Farr on the TV series “M\*A\*S\*H.”

In addition to the flagship restaurant on Toledo’s East Side, Packo’s has other locations, including one across from Fifth Third Field, home of the Toledo Mud Hens. 1902 Front St., Toledo  
800-366-4218, [tonypacko.com](http://tonypacko.com)

## Sundance Drive-In

The Sundance Drive-In, located on Navarre Avenue across from Pearson Metropark in Oregon, features two first-run movies each night on two screens spring through fall. Food and concessions are available.

4500 Navarre, Oregon  
[facebook.com/sundancekiddrivein](http://facebook.com/sundancekiddrivein)  
[sundancedrive-in.com](http://sundancedrive-in.com)

## National Museum of the Great Lakes

Located at the base of the Veterans’ Glass City Skyway Bridge on Toledo’s East Side, the National Museum of the Great Lakes tells the awe-inspiring stories of our Great Lakes through breathtaking photography, more than 300 artifacts, a number of powerful audio-visual displays and 40 hands-on, interactive exhibits, including the 617-foot iron ore freighter Col. James M. Schoonmaker Museum Ship and the historic Museum Tug Ohio. (Museum ships are open May-October.)

A number of special programs and events are held throughout the year. Learn more, get updates on hours and visitor policies and take a virtual tour by visiting the

*Continued on page 3*

## A Place of Prayer, Quiet Reflection & Healing Our Lady of Toledo Shrine

In our gardens is the Pieta, a life-size Michaelangelo bronze.

“The water in the Well will be refreshing and healing... All those who come to the Garden will be refreshed...”  
Come hear our history on “The Well,” also on our website.

- All faiths welcome! • Chapel hours: 1 - 4 p.m.
- Daily protect life prayers: 2 p.m.
- Tues. protect-life prayers: 5 p.m. • Gifts of Love Gift Shop
- First Saturday monthly meeting - Social Hour - Prayer 12 noon
- Visit our gardens, Stations and rosary walk • Well open during daylight hours

655 S. Coy Rd. Oregon, OH (Just north of Navarre Ave.) 419-697-7742

[ourladyoftoledoshrine.org](http://ourladyoftoledoshrine.org)

## Fire Up The Fun!

Propane Tanks  
Ready to use for your outdoor grill, fire pit or heat lamps!

**\$15.00**

for 20lb. Tank Refill

Unlimited number of 20 lb. Tanks

tax included

Good through October 31, 2025



**We fill motorhomes too!**

**5120 Navarre Ave. Oregon 419-693-0601**

Mon-Fri 8:00am-6:00pm, Sat 8:00am-5:00pm, Sun 10:00am-4:00pm



# Family Fun

Continued from page 2

website.  
1701 Front St., Toledo  
419-214-5000, nmgl.org

## Fort Meigs State Memorial Park

Fort Meigs, a War of 1812 fort and battlefield in Perrysburg, features a reconstructed fort and museum. Under the command of future President William Henry Harrison, Fort Meigs helped defend what was then the Northwest Territory against attacks by the British and the Native Americans during the War of 1812.

A replica of America's largest walled fort, Fort Meigs offers several reenactments featuring soldiers in period costumes throughout the year, and a number of special events, including: First Siege 1813 (May 25-26); Memorial Day Celebration (May 27); Crossbow to Cartridge (June 14-15); Independence Day 1813 (July 4); After Dark Lantern Tours (July 26, Sept. 27); The 60 Years' War for Ohio (Aug. 23-24); Life in Early Ohio (Sept. 20-21); Brigade Napoleon (Oct. 11-12); Garrison Ghost Walks (Oct. 17, 18, 24, 25); The World at War – Miniature Gaming Conference (Nov. 7-8) Historic Holidays – Fort Meigs Winter Festival, (Dec. 14) and more.

The fort and Visitors Center & Museum are open through October. The Visitors Center & Museum are open year-round. Closed Mondays and Tuesdays and holidays except Memorial Day and July 4. Visit the website for hours.

29100 W. River Road, Perrysburg  
800-283-8916, fortmeigs.org

## Hollywood Casino Toledo

Hollywood Casino Toledo, located just off I-75 along the banks of the Maumee River, offers more than 1,700 slot machines, 45 table games, restaurants, entertainment acts and more.

777 Hollywood Blvd., Toledo

hollywoodcasinotoledo.com

## Canal Experience

Step back in time at the Canal Experience and get a taste of life on the Miami and Erie Canal in 1876. Providence

Metropark is located in what was once the canal town of Providence, Ohio. Today, the Metropark has one of the greatest concentrations of canal-era features in the country, including:

- The Volunteer, a working reproduction of a mule-drawn canal boat.
- The Isaac Ludwig Mill, a working water-powered saw and gristmill.
- More than a mile of the original Miami and Erie Canal and towpath.
- Lock #44, one of the last functioning 19th century limestone locks.
- Scenic Providence Dam, constructed across the Maumee River to maintain water levels in the canal.
- Characters in period attire welcoming visitors to a time gone by.
- Visit the Heritage Center to view The Volunteer and Lock 44 in action.

Visit Providence Metropark May through Oct. 26. Group reservations for tours of the Isaac Ludwig Mill welcome.

Providence Metropark,  
Parking, tickets and amenities available at  
13205 S. River Rd., Grand Rapids  
419-407-9741, metroparkstoledo.com

## Oregon-Jerusalem Historical Society Brandville School

Built in 1882, the historic Brandville School has been restored and is now part of the Oregon-Jerusalem Historical Society complex. It was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1994.

Brandville School houses artifacts from Native Americans who lived in the Great Black Swamp of Northwest Ohio. There is also a military room with artifacts from all the major conflicts in which the United States has been involved, dating from the War of 1812 to the present.

The Carriage House includes vignettes of the old Metzger General Store, a doctor's office and an old post office. The one-room schoolhouse will take visitors back to the turn of the 20th century.

The historical society offers a number of special events and programs throughout the year.

The museum complex is open Wednesdays from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. for tours, research and artifact collection. Call to arrange groups tours. No charge; donations accepted.  
1133 Grasser St., Oregon  
419-902-5149, ojhs.org



The Canal Experience at Providence Metropark.

## Harbor View Historical Society museum

Located in the village of Harbor View along Lake Erie, the Harbor View Historical Society museum continues to attract visitors from all over the country and Canada.

The society's museum is situated on land originally deeded to the Ottawa chief named OTT-TO-KEE (Autokee) for his assistance to the American Forces during the War of 1812.

Located nearly 100 yards outside of the Harbor View Yacht Club entrance on Autokee Street, the museum offers a glimpse of the War of 1812 and the Battle of Lake Erie in 1813.

The British long gun and the American carronade on display are from the 2003 movie "Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World," starring Russell Crowe. Visitors can get an up-close view of the cannons that were used at the Battle of Lake Erie in 1813. Other exhibits include "The United States Navy, Toledo from 1933 to 1997," and the nearly

100-year-old Harbor View Post Office that has provided service to the small communities on Maumee Bay.

The museum hosts many other special attractions throughout the year.

Open Wednesdays 5-9 p.m. Admission is free.

2083 Autokee St., Oregon  
419-691-1517

## Historic Genoa

Among the many mercantile, entertaining, and historical treasures the Village of Genoa (founded in 1857) has to offer, the Historic Town Hall (built in 1883) is a must-see for a variety of reasons.

Located in the village's Downtown, it is classified as the oldest free-standing municipal building in Ottawa County and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Built in the Gothic revival style, the structure features eight ornamental chimneys and a hand-carved sandstone mask of

Continued on page 4



**ful of history**  
Sauder Village



**artful**  
Fulton County Fair



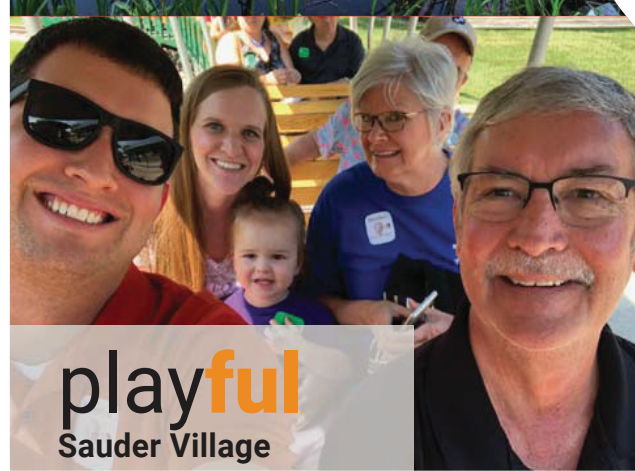
**eventful**  
Oakshade Raceway



**restful**  
Harrison Lake



**spiritful**  
Wineries & Breweries



**playful**  
Sauder Village



**shopful**  
Junk & Disorderly



**peaceful**  
Bracy Gold Bison Ranch



# Family Fun

Continued from page 3

Dionysius, the Greek God of theater, which rests over the main entrance. The first floor houses the mayor's office and the village council chambers. The second floor is used by Genoa Civic Theater.

Genoa's Old School Privy, built to serve Genoa's first school, is believed to be the only brick outhouse on the National Register of Historic Places. 509 Main St., downtown Genoa [genoahio.org](http://genoahio.org)

### Elmore Depot

The Elmore Historical Society purchased the 1860s Elmore Depot in 1981, along with 2.5 acres of land. The society undertook an extensive renovation, and the building now houses memorabilia from Elmore's past.

In 1983, society members dismantled, relocated and rebuilt the 1860s Heckman log cabin, adding an elaborate flagstone fireplace and porch, and furnishing it with artifacts from its era. Depot Park, Elmore 567-694-6555, [facebook.com/ElmoreHistoricalSociety](https://facebook.com/ElmoreHistoricalSociety)

### Schedel Arboretum & Gardens

Each year, the beauty and serenity of Schedel Arboretum & Gardens brings thousands to the 17-acre estate on the banks of the Portage River in Elmore.

The legacy of Joseph and Marie Schedel, the estate features an 1800s Manor House, upwards of 10,000 annual plants and flowers, an extensive bonsai collection and themed gardens including roses, perennials, tropical plants, irises and peonies. Other highlights include a Japanese garden, two lakes, numerous water features, a working vegetable garden and a fruit tree orchard.

Schedel is also home to the Blair Museum of Lithophanes, the largest collection of the 19th-century artform in the world. The McAlear Gallery, located in the Brown Welcome Center, features art exhibits each year showcasing the works of international, national and regional artists.

A number of special events, classes and programs are offered throughout the year. Learn more at [schedel-gardens.org/calendar.html](http://schedel-gardens.org/calendar.html).

Regular hours through October are Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Thursday 10-8 p.m. and Sunday 12-4 p.m. Closed Mondays, Independence Day, Labor Day and Sept. 7 for annual fundraiser.

19255 W. Portage River South Rd., Elmore 419-862-3182, [schedel-gardens.org](http://schedel-gardens.org)

### Woodville Historical Museum

Woodville Historical Museum, operated by the Woodville Historical Society, features materials and artifacts documenting the rich history of the village, which is located along the banks of the Portage River about 20 miles east of Toledo on U.S. 20.

Museum visitors can learn about the 1900s oil boom, Native Americans in the Woodville area, lime plants, early schools, the Lake Shore Electric rail system that once traveled between Toledo and Cleveland, and more.

107 E. Main St., Woodville 419-849-2349

### Pemberville highlights

The village of Pemberville is located on SR 105 in Wood County and rests on the forks of the Portage River.

The Pemberville Opera House is the crown jewel in properties restored and maintained by the Pemberville Historical Society. The Opera House is a "Theatre on the Second Floor." Built in 1892 and completely restored in 1999, it is one of the oldest operating opera houses in the state of Ohio. An elevator tower was added in 2016 so the theatre space is accessible to all.

The opera house is home to annual events such as the concert series "Live! In The House," the Children's Theatre Workshop, "For the Love of Art Show" and the annual Festival of Trees.

Pemberville's historic Pember-Furry House and One-Room School take visitors back in time to the 19th century. Believed to be the community's oldest existing building, the Furry House was built by village founder James Pember, and eventually was home to long-time residents Jacob H. Furry and his daughter, Minnie.

Featuring unique architectural details and authentic period furnishings, the house sits adjacent to the One Room School, where Pemberville's youth learned "readin' and writin'" at the turn of the century. [pembervilleoperahouse.org](http://pembervilleoperahouse.org)

### Wood County Museum

The Wood County Historical Society promotes stories of Wood County and its County Poor Farm, connecting memories of the past to the present, while facilitating an informed future.

The museum is the site of the former County Infirmary, which operated from 1869-1971, and became a museum in 1975.

Visitors can expect a variety of educational experiences, including several exhibit rooms depicting the original uses of the building as well as a wealth of information on the significant history of Wood County and Northwest Ohio. Among the exhibits are: "We'll Meet Again: Remembering World War II," which challenges the romantic notion of war through the exhibition of objects used by service men and women from Wood County, coupled with film and audio experiences; "For Comfort & Convenience," "For Service & Support: Creating an Accessible Community," Wood County: A Timeless Classic," "The Mary and Carl Bach Story," "Chasing the White Rabbit: An Historical Look at American Mental Illness" and more.

The 50-acre museum grounds, maintained by the Wood County Park District, are open to the public daily.

The center also offers a variety of special programs and events throughout the year, including historical teas, Free First Fridays, Demonstration Days, Music at the Museum presented by Visit BG June 12, July 10, Aug. 14 and Sept. 11 at 6 p.m.; the 22nd Annual Living History Day Aug. 31 and more.

Visit the website and follow on social media for hours and updates. 13660 County Home Rd., Bowling Green 419-352-0967, [woodcountyhistory.org](http://woodcountyhistory.org)

### North Coast Veterans Museum

The North Coast Veterans Museum serves as a tribute to those who have served our country, especially those who have lost their lives in combat or training.

Military displays include weapons, uniforms, pictures, memorabilia, military accessories, tents and first aid from the Civil War to present.



Schedel Arboretum & Gardens features a wide display of sculptures throughout its 17-acre estate. (Photo by Nina Steffen)

The park also includes a Veterans' Memorial and a Public Safety Services Memorial. The memorial features a 36-foot, 7,000-pound antenna that sat atop the North Tower of the World Trade Center; black granite meditation seats and a One World Trade Center Sculpture. The pentagonal design is in honor of the U.S. Pentagon, and the design on the floor represents the Pennsylvania countryside and Flight 93. (Learn more at [gibsonburgohio.org](http://gibsonburgohio.org)) Williams Park, 411 North Main St., Gibsonburg [facebook.com/Northcoast-Veterans-Museum](https://facebook.com/Northcoast-Veterans-Museum) 419-680-3217

### Hayes Presidential Library & Museums

The Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library and Museums is the home of the nation's first Presidential library, established in 1916, and includes the 19th U.S. President's Victorian mansion, the museum, presidential library, tomb, and a mile of paved walking trails through his 25-acre wooded estate, known as Spiegel Grove.

Visitors will experience the life of Hayes through guided tours of his 31-room mansion. Along the way they will learn of his experiences as a Civil War soldier, a U.S. Congressman, an Ohio governor and eventually as president. Self-guided tours of the Hayes Museums/Library are available daily. Exhibits include interactive components that better tell the story of President Hayes and First Lady Lucy Webb Hayes, and the Presidents Gallery, which has artifacts from other U.S. Presidents and a replica of the Resolute Desk that is located in the Oval Office of the White House.

A special exhibit examines the relationship between President Hayes and the press and how presidents through the years, from George Washington to Donald Trump, have interacted with the media. "The Press & The Presidency" is open in the Hayes Museum large rotating exhibit gallery.

HPLM also offers a number of special programs and events throughout the year, including genealogy classes, outdoor Verandah Concerts in the summer, a Presidential Book Club, the Hayes Train special model train display, Horse-Drawn

Sleigh Rides in Spiegel Grove during the holidays, and more.

Corner of Hayes and Buckland Avenues, Fremont 419-332-2081, [rbhayes.org](http://rbhayes.org)

### Ottawa County Museum

Visitors will enjoy historical displays about Ottawa County, including exhibits on Native Americans, early life and industries, a Ford Tri-Motor airplane, Lake Erie, military history from the Civil War through World War II, Camp Perry, and on Success, the "convict ship." ADA accessible, the museum operates from Memorial Day-Labor Day on Tuesdays-Thursdays noon-3p.m.; After Labor Day it is open Wednesdays noon-3 p.m. or by appointment. 126 W. Third St., Port Clinton 419-732-2237

### Sauder Village

Connect with the past at Ohio's largest living-history village located in Archbold. Enjoy guided tours, period craftsmen, hands-on activities like arts and crafts and several annual events, including Farm Week (June 18-21), Tractors, Tractors (June 21), Summer at the Village (July 2-5), Naturalization Ceremony (July 4), Rug Hooking Week (Aug. 12-16), Explore the Crafts (Sept. 14), Fiber Arts Retreat (Sept. 26-28), Fall on the Farm (Oct. 8-11), Woodcarvers' Show & Sale (Oct. 24-25) and more.

Families can experience the Roaring Twenties at the 1920s Main Street – part of the Walk Through Time Experience – through a theater, candy shop, fire station, soda fountain, grocery store and much more. 800-590-9755, [saudervillage.org](http://saudervillage.org)

### Green spaces

#### Metroparks Toledo

Metroparks Toledo preserves many of Lucas County's most unique natural areas, from the Oak Openings to the Lake Erie coastal zone. Among local parks are:

- **Pearson Metropark**, located at 761 Lallendorf Road, Oregon, is one of the last remaining stands of the Great Black Swamp, a notorious forest area and swampland that once blanketed much of Northwest Ohio.

Continued on page 5



**packercreek pottery**  
Jan Fugh MAJOLICA  
BEAUTIFUL, HANDMADE POTTERY

Genoa Gallery  
Monday-Friday 10am-5:30pm,  
Saturday 10am-2pm  
103 E 8th St., Genoa, Ohio 43430  
419-855-3858 • [packercreekpottery.com](http://packercreekpottery.com)

Stop by and schedule a group tour of our studio!





**SCHEDDEL**  
ARBORETUM & GARDENS

**TAKE A STROLL  
THROW A PARTY  
MARVEL AT ART**

19255 W. Portage River South Road • Elmore, Ohio 43416  
(419) 862-3182 • [schedel-gardens.org](http://schedel-gardens.org)



Discover nature at its finest with over 10,000 annual flowers, rare plants, unique trees, and a world-class bonsai exhibit.

The perfect venue for weddings and events.

Over 25 sculptures are throughout the gardens.

The Blair Museum of Lithophanes is the largest collection in the world.



# Family Fun

Continued from page 4

The thick woods and location close to Lake Erie make Pearson a favorite stopover for a wide variety of migrating birds. Nearly 15 miles of trail in this 624-acre park provide remarkable access to the best birding anywhere. From birding to baseball to picnicking and fishing, there’s something for everyone at Pearson.

Learn what life was like for those settling the Great Black Swamp in the 1860s at the Johlin Cabin, built in 1867. The cabin is part of an addition to the park, accessible from Seaman Road or the park’s trail system. Known as Pearson North, this area includes an extensive wetland restoration.

- **Middlegrounds Metropark**, located at 111 Ottawa St. Toledo, includes a half-mile of river frontage that begins at the Anthony Wayne Bridge. The urban, 28-acre greenspace offers a 1.5-mile meandering walk/bike path and tranquil views of the Maumee River. Middlegrounds has a kayak cove with access to the river for those who bring their own boats, and a hub for the Veo Bike Share. There is also an off-leash dog area with separate fenced areas for large and small dogs.

- **Glass City Metropark**, located at 983 Front St., in downtown Toledo, connects East Toledo to the Maumee River and brings high-quality public greenspace, trails and programs to the riverfront. The Metropark is a place to gather and celebrate as a community with adventure playgrounds, water play features, a kayak cove with an interactive boardwalk, picnic and party shelters, the Glass City Pavilion with a rooftop deck, an event lawn for up to 5,000 people, The Ribbon ice skating and roller skating trail, and the Market Hall building.

- **Howard Marsh Metropark**, 611 Howard Road, in Curtice, showcases six miles of water trail for canoeing and kayaking and five miles of dike-top trails for hiking and bicycling.

The Metropark, which was previously a working farm, is adjacent to the Metzger Marsh State Wildlife Area in a region that also includes Maumee Bay State Park, Magee Marsh State Wildlife Area and the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge. Together, these local, state and federal public lands are known for their concentration of songbirds, or warblers, especially during spring migration.

The quarter-mile Madewell Trail extends into a marsh, and two overlooks provide access for fishing and viewing birds. The fishery is still being established.

For the paddler, there are two roll-off docks, kayaks available to rent by the hour using a smartphone app (Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day) and portages between marsh units.

For hours and more information, call 419-407-9700 or visit [metroparkstoledo.com](http://metroparkstoledo.com).

**Maumee Bay State Park** at Cedar Point and North Curtice roads along the Oregon-Jerusalem Township border offers not only 1,336 acres and some of the finest recreational facilities in the Midwest, but also a unique natural environment created by the convergence of the land and Lake Erie.

A resort lodge and cabins, and golf course are nestled among scenic meadows, wet woods, and lush marshes. More than 300 bird species have been observed here. Families will enjoy the campground, inland lake, nature center, accessible boardwalk



The new Birds Nest Observation Tower along Maumee Bay State Park’s boardwalk trail. (Photo courtesy of Ohio Division of Wildlife)

trail, and the Storybook Trail. Be sure to check out the new Birds Nest Observation Tower along Maumee Bay State Park’s boardwalk trail.

419-836-1466, [ohiodnr.gov/go-and-do/plan-a-visit/find-a-property/maumee-bay-state-park](http://ohiodnr.gov/go-and-do/plan-a-visit/find-a-property/maumee-bay-state-park) [maumeebaylodge.com](http://maumeebaylodge.com)

**Magee Marsh Wildlife Area** supports an abundance of wildlife but is probably best known as one of the top birding spots in North America for migrating songbirds, especially warblers. More than 300 species of birds have been recorded in the area. A forested beach ridge located on Magee provides a critical feeding and resting habitat for more than 150 species of migrating songbirds as they rest and refuel before continuing on their journey.

Birding at Magee Marsh can be done year-round, but the second and third weeks of May during the spring migration season typically provide the most diverse numbers of songbird species for bird watchers. The most popular destination is the boardwalk bird trail, located at the end of the wildlife area road.

The welcome center is fully accessible with impressive dioramas focusing on wetland conservation, bird identification, and migration. 13229 W. SR 2, Oak Harbor

**Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge** provides valuable habitat for a diversity of waterfowl and other migratory birds, resident wildlife, and endangered and threatened species.

During migration seasons, the refuge is the place to find birds and other wildlife. Many rare birds are sighted every year. The shrubs along the boardwalk and trails directly behind the visitors center provide excellent views of a variety of warblers and other migratory birds.

The visitors center welcomes guests and tells the refuge story. Friends of Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge, the nonprofit that supports the refuge, operates a Nature Store in the visitors center. Proceeds from the store help to support the refuge with education and restoration initiatives.

The refuge features hiking trails and a Wildlife Drive to explore. Check the website or call ahead for updates on safety restrictions in place and other info. 14000 W. SR 2, Oak Harbor

419-898-0014, [fws.gov/refuge/ottawa](http://fws.gov/refuge/ottawa)

**The Wood County Park District** oversees 20 parks and nature preserves covering more than 1,125 acres. Locally, visit Cedar Creeks Preserve, a 42-acre tract located at 4575 Walbridge Road, Northwood. The park features hiking trails, allowing visitors to see a remnant of the Great Black Swamp woods, as well as a playground and picnic area.

419-353-1897, [wcparks.org](http://wcparks.org)

**The Sandusky County Park District** oversees 16 parks and more than 2,500 acres, including Wolf Creek Park, Blue Heron Reserve, Creek Bend Farm and others. White Star Park, located south of Gibsonburg on SR 300, has a quarry up to 40 feet deep that is used by scuba divers as well as for nonpower boating and fishing, a beach and a campground located across from the park’s main entrance. The park also offers two 1870s-era historical log cabins, an extensive trail system and a constructed wetland area which is excellent for birding, especially in the spring and fall.

1-888-200-5577, [lovemyparks.com](http://lovemyparks.com)

**East Harbor State Park**, 1169 N. Buck Road off SR 269 in Marblehead on the shores of Lake Erie. has unlimited opportunities for outdoor recreation, including boating, fishing, swimming, picnicking and camping. Nature enthusiasts will enjoy the abundance of waterfowl, shorebirds and other species of wildlife found in the park’s scenic wetlands.

419-734-4424, 1-866-664-6727, [odnr.gov](http://odnr.gov)

**Marblehead Lighthouse State Park**, 110 Lighthouse Drive off SR 163 in Marblehead. is the oldest lighthouse in continuous operation on Lake Erie and of that lake’s best-known and most-photographed lighthouses. The grounds surrounding the lighthouse offer excellent views of Lake Erie, Sandusky Bay, Kelleys Island and South Bass Island. Visitors can climb to the top of the lighthouse during the summer season for spectacular views of the lake and its islands in the distance. History buffs will enjoy stopping by the replica lifesaving station with museum of US Coast Guard activities and visiting the gift shop. The area also offers picnic areas and restrooms.

419-734-4424 ext. 2, [odnr.gov](http://odnr.gov)

## Religious sites

**The Grotto at Our Lady of Lourdes Church** in Genoa features a replica of the Lourdes grotto constructed of “tufa,” fossilized vegetation found in the “blue hole” at Castalia, Ohio, along with a statue of a praying Saint Bernadette Soubirous looking admiringly at Our Lady. The grounds also include a small altar, an adjoining bell tower of tufa, arches and outdoor Stations of the Cross in hand-carved Italian bronze. 204 S. Main St., Genoa, 419-855-8501

**Our Lady of Toledo Shrine** is a place of prayer, quiet reflection and healing. All faiths are welcome. The garden and well are open during daylight hours. 655 S. Coy Rd., Oregon 419-697-7742

**Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral**, the primary church of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Toledo, is Spanish Plateresque architectural design – the only one of its kind in North America. Visitors have been inspired by the graceful beauty of its piers and arches, the richly decorated nave ceiling with scenes from the Old Testament and by one of its most striking gems, the Rose Window. 2535 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo 419-244-9575, [rosarycathedral.org](http://rosarycathedral.org)

**Sorrowful Mother Shrine** is a Catholic shrine located on 120 acres in Bellevue. The shrine features more than 40 points of interest, including outdoor Stations of the Cross with walking paths through the woods, shrine, and grottos. 4106 SR 269, Bellevue 419-483-3435, [sorrowfulmothershrine.org](http://sorrowfulmothershrine.org)

## African Safari Wildlife Park

African Safari Wildlife Park is home to giraffes, zebras, and much more. Get ready for a wild time as you drive through and feed exotic animals from your vehicle. Stop by the Walk-Thru Safari to learn about the animals during daily educational animal programs, included with admission. Other activities include camel rides, Aviary Adventure, Rabbit Row, Hog-wild Experience, and more.

Back by popular demand, visitors can enjoy Dinosaur Takeover, which features more than 20 moving, roaring, life-sized prehistoric creatures. Arepa and Torta, the park’s capybaras, are outside and ready to eat.

Recently, African Safari was named one of the 10 best safari parks in the country by readers of USA Today 10Best, a lifestyle and travel website.

Open through Nov. 30 (subject to change). Check the website for hours. 267 S. Lightner Rd., Port Clinton 800-521-2660, [africansafariwildlifepark.com](http://africansafariwildlifepark.com)

## Fremont Speedway

Since 1951, Fremont Speedway has been a center for dirt racing in Ohio. The 2025 season will continue to provide the entertainment that has led Fremont Speedway to be known as “The Track That Action Built.”

From April through October, the speedway hosts exciting open-wheel racing that keeps fans on the edge of their seats, as 410 and 305 sprint cars and trucks battle wheel to wheel, sliding around the one-third mile, semi-banked clay oval. 901 Rawson Ave., Fremont 419-333-0478, [fremontohspeedway.com](http://fremontohspeedway.com)

## Cedar Point

For more than 150 years, families have

Continued on page 6



Relax and Enjoy Your Time with Us!



**The Perfect Blend of Great Wine & Good Times**

- Tasting Flights
- Wines by the Glass & Bottle
- Craft Beer, Meads & Ciders
- Foods, Breads & Crackers from scratch
- Indoor & Patio Seating
- Live Music

Open Year Round! Thurs., Fri., & Sat. 4pm-10pm



Explore Spring 2025



**Outstanding Features in an Ideal Setting!**

Overnight, Weekly, Monthly & Seasonal Camping

**Open May 1 - Mid-October**

RV Sites with full or partial hookups 30-50 amp



Good Sam & Military Discounts!

- 30 Acres of Wooded Trails
- Wide Variety of Bird Habitat, Trees & Ponds
- Laundry
- LP gas
- Internet Access
- Dump Station & Sewer
- Huge Licensed Camp Store
- Restaurants nearby
- Shaded Tent Camping
- Cabin & RV Rentals

**6955 N. SR. 101, Clyde, Ohio 43410**  
in **SENECA COUNTY**  
**567-230-6499**





# Family Fun

Continued from page 5

chosen Cedar Point resort along Lake Erie as their destination to create new memories. Cedar Point is home to 67 amusement rides, including the new Siren's Curse, record-breaking Top Thrill 2, Millennium Force and 16 other coasters. The park also features three children areas, overnight accommodations, live shows, a mile-long beach, special events for the whole family and more.

Visit the website for updates on hours and special events, including Hallo Weekends on select nights September-November.  
1 Cedar Point Dr. (off U.S. 6), Sandusky  
419-627-2350, cedarpoint.com

## Cedar Point Shores

The Cedar Point Shores Waterpark features 18 acres of splash-splashing family fun. Kids will love Lakeside Landing, where pint-sized slides, geysers, and fountains are fun to play around. The mythical Lake Erie monster, Lemmy, is ready to play at Lemmy's Lagoon. Test your courage on the four-capsule drop slide, Point Plummet; fill up on refreshing treats at Beaches & Cream; lounge in redesigned cabanas, and much more. Open May 24-Labor Day. Visit the website for dates and hours.  
1 Cedar Point Dr., (off U.S. 6) Sandusky  
419-627-2350, cedarpoint.com

## Merry-Go-Round Museum

The Merry-Go-Round Museum in Sandusky, located in a former post office, celebrates the history of carousels, the carvers who made the intricate horses and other animals, and enthusiasts who enjoy them.

The stone structure, which has a half-rotunda at the front, is listed with the National Register of Historic Places.

Enjoy the sights and sounds of yesterday, take a carousel ride, and see over 200 carousel creations from lions, camels, giraffes to horses.

Call, visit the website or follow on social media for hours, updates and more info.  
301 Jackson St., Sandusky  
419-626-6111, merrygoroundmuseum.org

## Seneca Caverns

Visitors to Seneca Caverns can walk natural stone steps and pathways through "The Earth Crack" and view the Ole Mistry River, the crystal-clear flowing stream that is part of the vast groundwater system which underlies the region. Seneca Caverns offers guided tours, gem mining, a shaded picnic area and gift shop. Open seven days a week from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. (last tour departs at 6 p.m.). Off-season hours are September through the second weekend

of October, Saturday and Sunday only, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (the last tour departs at 4 p.m.). Closed November-April. Reservations are not required.  
15248 E. TR 178, Bellevue  
419-483-6711, senecacavernsohio.com

## Lakeside Chautauqua

Located on the Marblehead Peninsula, this Chautauqua community has been nurturing mind, body, and spirit for more than 150 years. The Lakeside experience offers something for all ages — swimming, sailing, relaxing on the beach, miniature golf, shuffleboard, movies, arts and crafts, cultural events, and a summer season of entertainment in the 3,000-seat Hoover Auditorium.

A variety of accommodations are offered year-round.  
236 Walnut Ave., Lakeside  
419-798-4461, lakesideohio.com

## Marblehead

**Wolcott Keeper's House** – The oldest surviving home in Ottawa County offers visitors the chance to experience the history of lighthouse keepers. The 1822 home was the residence of the first three keepers of the oldest continually operated lighthouse on the Great Lakes.  
9999 E. Bayshore Road, Marblehead

**Johnson's Island Confederate Officers Prison Cemetery** – The historic cemetery is the final resting place of more than 200 of the 9,000 Confederate soldiers once imprisoned here. A fee is required to visit the cemetery. Open year-round, daily dawn-dusk.  
Gaydos Road, Marblehead  
johnsonsisland.org

## Put-In-Bay/South Bass Island

Visitors have been flocking to the village of Put-In-Bay on South Bass Island for more than 150 years. Hundreds of thousands travel here annually to enjoy family-friendly activities, outdoor recreation and a large variety of special events. Many start their visit with a narrated tram tour. Others choose to explore on their own, renting a golf cart, scooter or bike, or bringing their own vehicles to the island via Millers Ferries.

Families will find plenty to keep the kids entertained, including a butterfly house, miniature golf, gem mining, cave tours, arcades, a carousel and go-kart racing.  
visitputinbay.org

## Perry's Victory & International Peace Memorial

Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial was established to honor those who fought in the Battle of Lake Erie, a major turning point during the War of 1812, and to celebrate the long-lasting peace among Great Britain, Canada and the U.S. The memorial, a Doric column rising 352 feet over Lake Erie is situated 5 miles

from the longest undefended border in the world.

Visit the website for visitor info and updates.

419-285-2184, nps.gov/pevi

## Heineman Winery

The oldest family-owned and operated winery in Ohio, Heineman's was founded in 1888 by Gustav Heineman, an immigrant from Baden-Baden, Germany. Visit the tasting room and wine garden, sample award-winning wines and tour Crystal Cave, the world's largest Celestine geode. Hours vary.

978 Catawba Ave., Put-in-Bay  
419-285-2811, heinemanswinery.com

## Kelleys Island

Kelleys Island is the second largest of the Lake Erie Islands, an archipelago shared between the United States and Canada.

The island is dominated by natural areas. It appeals to nature and bird lovers as well as those looking for a relaxing, quiet getaway. Its rocky shorelines, pristine beach, lush forests, fragrant vineyards, historical homes and friendly hospitality are inviting. Rent a golf cart or bicycle and find the world's largest glacial scoring, find Native American pictographs carved into a limestone boulder, hike miles of trails at the state park or build sandcastles at the beach. Downtown is the heart of the island where clothing and gift stores, miniature golf, karaoke, restaurants, and live entertainment bring rhythm to the island pace.  
kelleysislandchamber.com

## Glacial Grooves State Memorial

The world's largest accessible glacial grooves, embedded with fossils that are 350-400 million years old, are located on

the north side of Kelleys Island, and can be viewed from a walkway and stairs. Open year-round during daylight hours.  
739 Division Street, Kelleys Island  
kelleysislandchamber.com/place/glacial-grooves/

## Jet Express

The Jet Express offers high-speed passenger ferries to Put-in-Bay, Kelleys Island and Cedar Point. Docks are located in Port Clinton and Sandusky.

Late-night service, group discounts and children's rates available. Operations are available May through October, weather permitting.  
800-245-1538, jet-express.com

## Miller Ferries

Miller Ferries offer passenger and vehicle service to Put-in-Bay or Middle Bass Island from Port Clinton (Catawba). Ferries operate year-round, weather permitting. Limited free parking available. ADA accessible.

5174 E. Water St. (SR 53 North), Port Clinton  
800-500-2421, millerferry.com

## Historic Lyme Village

A 19th-century village featuring 16 buildings, including an 1880s Victorian mansion, an 1836 farm home, log homes, barns, a one-room school, a general store, and more.  
5001 SR 4, Bellevue  
419-483-4949, lymevillage.org

# EXPERIENCE LIFE IN THE 19<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY



## 2025 SPECIAL EVENTS

*\*Reservations Required*

Kids Pioneer Camp\*, June 23rd – 27th  
Civil War Weekend, July 26th & 27th  
Pioneer Days, September 6th & 7th  
Victorian Christmas Dinners\*,  
December 5th, 6th & 7th

# HISTORIC LYME VILLAGE

5001 State Route 4, Bellevue, OH 44811  
(4 miles south of Ohio Turnpike exit 110)  
419-483-4949 • www.lymevillage.org



June, July & August Wed.- Sat. 11am-5pm - Last tour 4pm  
Please check our website for details.

# EXPLORE

## 2025 Dining guide

Place your restaurant in the Dining Guide for Summer Explore today!

Call The Press to speak with a sales representative  
**419-836-2221**

Inside Dining & Carry Out

**CURTICE HY-FLASH**  
Breakfast & Bar

Weekend Breakfast Specials

Open 7 Days a Week • 419-836-9747  
Corner of St. Rt. 2 & N. Curtice

• Tasting Flights  
• Wines by the Glass & Bottle  
• Craft Beer, Meads & Ciders  
• Foods, Breads & Crackers from scratch  
• Indoor & Patio Seating  
• Live Music

4408 N. Elliston-Trowbridge Rd., Graytown  
Open Thursday, Friday & Saturday 4pm-10pm

## Blackberry Corner Tavern

Good Drinks,  
Good Food,  
Good Times!

Pizza made to Order

- Beer
- Wine
- Sandwiches • Soups • Pies

5975 N. Elliston Rd. Martin, OH  
419-836-8377 www.bbctavern.com

Just Minutes From  
**Maumee Bay State Park**  
You can even take the  
campground bike path!

**OREGON INN**  
ON GRAY SHORE

- Prime Rib • Steaks
- Lake Erie Walleye
- Seafood • Salad

6067 Bayshore Road  
419-697-1000

**water's edge**  
RESTAURANT

**BREAKFAST 8am-11am**  
**LUNCH 11am-2pm**  
**DINNER 5pm-8pm (Sun.-Thurs.)**  
**5pm-9pm (Fri.-Sat.)**

Find It All At:  
**Maumee Bay**  
LODGE & CONFERENCE CENTER  
419-836-1466 Ext. 2 ~ MaumeeBayLodge.com

## THE BILGE BAR & GRILL ON LAKE ERIE

Mon-Thur 12p to 9p  
Fri-Sat 12p to 12a  
Sun 12p to 8p

**Lunch Specials  
Happy Hour**

A view like no other  
whether you choose to sit  
inside or out. A place to sit  
and enjoy the company  
of friends and family  
while watching the  
boats come and go  
or a beautiful sunset.

1086 Anchor Point Rd., Curtice, OH  
419-836-2728  
6.3 miles from Maumee State Park, 2.8 miles from Howard Marsh



# EXPLORE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Verandah concert series features ragtime, bluegrass, and more

Bring a lawn chair and relax to the sounds of ragtime, bluegrass, Irish music and other genres this summer during the Verandah Concert series at the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums located at Spiegel Grove on Buckland Ave., Fremont.

The popular concerts take place twice a month on Wednesdays on the verandah of the historic home of the 19th U.S. president and First Lady Lucy Hayes. Admission is free.

Each event begins with an ice cream social at 6:30 p.m. Donations will be accepted for the ice cream, but are not required. Performances start at 7 p.m.

The 2025 Verandah Concert schedule is:

- June 11 – Matthew Ball, The Boogie Woogie Kid, playing boogie piano music.
- June 25 – Bridge County Bluegrass Band.
- July 9 – Toraigh, playing Irish music.
- July 23 – Ragtime Rick & The Chefs of Dixieland.
- Aug. 6 – Terra Brass Choir.
- Aug. 20 – North Coast Big Band, performing toe-tapping tunes of the World War II era.

**Ongoing:**  
**Mondays through Oct. 13: Monday Night Cruise-ins,** Applebee's, 3007 Curtice Road., Northwood, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Music by Cruisin Zeake. [cruisinzeake.com](https://cruisinzeake.com).  
**Second Wednesdays of the Month May-Sept: Oregon Rollin' Food & Farm Market,** Dustin Road, between Isaac StreetsDrive and East Harbor, Oregon. Farmers market, food trucks, vendors and more, from 5-8 p.m.. [facebook.com/rollinfoodandfarm](https://facebook.com/rollinfoodandfarm).  
**Saturdays May-November, Toledo Farmers Market,** 525 Market St., Toledo, 8 a.m.-2

p.m. [toledofarmersmarket.com](https://toledofarmersmarket.com).

### June

**June 1: 26th Annual British Return to Fort Meigs,** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Fort Meigs Memorial, 29100 W. River Road, Perrysburg. Hosted by the Lake Erie British Car Club. Spectators will see MGs, Triumphs, Jaguars, Austin Healeys, Lotuses, and other British marquee cars dating from the mid-20th century to the present. [lebcc.org](https://lebcc.org).

**June 6: Palooza in the Park,** Central Park, Northwood. Food trucks, live music, fireworks and more. [northwoodoh.gov](https://northwoodoh.gov).

**June 6-7: Annual Village-Wide Garage Sales,** downtown Oak Harbor. 419-898-0479, [oakharborohio.net](https://oakharborohio.net).

**June 7-8: 52nd Historic Old West End Festival,** Toledo's Historic Old West End, (Robinwood/Bancroft/Collingwood/Monroe). A two-day event celebrating one of the largest historic districts in the country with live music, multiple food markets, a beer garden, house tours, shopping and much more, all kicked off with a King Wamba Carnival Parade on Saturday morning. [toleodoldwestend.com/festival](https://toleodoldwestend.com/festival).

**June 12: Cruisin' Night,** from 6-8 p.m. in downtown Pemberville. Food, music, and more. 419-287-3274.

**June 14.15: Crossbow to Cartridge,** Fort Meigs, Perrysburg. Behold the great revolution in military technology, the adoption of gunpowder. A living history event for the 15th-17th centuries. [fortmeigs.org](https://fortmeigs.org).

**June 18-21: Farm Week,** Sauder Village, Archbold, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Explore life on the farm; learn about crop farming, animal husbandry and more. [saudervillage.org](https://saudervillage.org).

**June 22: Elmore Portage River Festival,** 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at Depot Park, presented by Elmore Historical Society. Entertainment, vendors, hands-on exhibits, car show, Garden Tractor Pull, bicycle tour, food trucks, and more. [facebook.com/ElmoreHistoricalSociety](https://facebook.com/ElmoreHistoricalSociety).

**June 24: Cruise-in Car Show,** 5-8 p.m., downtown Genoa. Featuring music by DJ Cruisin Zeake. Cash prizes and gas cards

awarded. [genoaareachamber.com](https://genoaareachamber.com).

**June 25-28: Gibsonburg Homecoming Festival,** Williams Park Playground & Quarry. Hosted by the Gibsonburg Volunteer Fire Department, the festival will include food, rides, music and more. [gibsonburgohio.org](https://gibsonburgohio.org).

**July 26, Sept. 27: Fort Meigs After Dark Lantern Tours,** Fort Meigs State Memorial, Perrysburg. Call for times. Tour the fort by lantern light. [fortmeigs.org/lantern](https://fortmeigs.org/lantern).

**June 26-28: Village Wide Garage Sales,** Gibsonburg. [gibsonburgohio.org](https://gibsonburgohio.org).

**June 28-29: Crosby Festival of the Arts,** Toledo Botanical Garden, Toledo. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sat. and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sun. Featuring artisans, live entertainment, a selection of edibles, children's activities and more. Tickets and other info at [crosbyfest.com](https://crosbyfest.com).

### July

**July 2-5: Summer at the Village,** Sauder Village, Archbold, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Enjoy classic outdoor games, cooking demonstrations featuring traditional summer dishes and more at this family-oriented celebration. [saudervillage.org](https://saudervillage.org).

**July 3: Independence Day Celebration,** downtown Oak Harbor. Small-town Fourth of July fun beginning at 5 p.m. Food, entertainment, giant inflatables, Royal Duck Race, kids' games, a beer garden and fireworks. [oakharborohio.net](https://oakharborohio.net).

**July 3-5: Woodville's 83rd 4th of July Celebration,** Trailmarker Park, Woodville. Parade, 5K race, car show, amusements, and fireworks. [woodville4th.com](https://woodville4th.com).

**July 4: Independence Day Concert,** Hayes Presidential Library & Museums at Spiegel Grove, Fremont, 2-3:30 p.m. Free. Featuring music by the Toledo Concert Band featuring members of the Toledo Symphony. [rbhayes.org](https://rbhayes.org).

**July 6-Aug. 10: Music Under the Stars,** Toledo Zoo, Sunday evenings at 7:30 p.m. A Toledo summer tradition. For info on who's performing and more, visit [toledozoo.org/events/music-under-the-stars](https://toledozoo.org/events/music-under-the-stars).

**July 7-13: Lucas County Fair,** Lucas Co.

Fairgrounds, 2901 Key St., Maumee. Agricultural displays, entertainment, rides, food, demonstrations and more. [lucascountyfair.com](https://lucascountyfair.com).

**July 14-20: 61st Ottawa County Fair,** Ottawa County Fairgrounds, 7870 W. SR 163, Oak Harbor. King and Queen crowning, livestock exhibits, entertainment, demolition derby, tractor pulls, rides, games, food, and more. [ottawacountyfair.org](https://ottawacountyfair.org).

**July 19: Community Garage Sales,** village of Pemberville. [pemberville.org](https://pemberville.org).

**July 25-27: 41st Northwest Ohio Rib-Off,** Lucas County Fairgrounds, Maumee. Local and national BBQ ribbers, national entertainment acts, amusement rides, vendors and more.

For more events, be sure to visit [presspublications.com](https://presspublications.com), [visittoledo.org](https://visittoledo.org), [shoresandislands.com](https://shoresandislands.com) or [sanduskycounty.org](https://sanduskycounty.org). Submit event information to [twalro@presspublications.com](mailto:twalro@presspublications.com).

## Explore Maumee Bay & NW Ohio

### Published by The Press Newspapers

**Publisher:** Harold Ken Douthit III

**Editor:** Tammy Walro

**Photographer:** Ken Grosjean

**Sales Representatives:** Lesley Willmeth,  
Leeanne LaForme, Angie Tierney

**Staff Artists:**

Ken Grosjean, Peggy Partin

**General Business, Advertising  
and Editorial Offices**  
P.O. Box 169

1550 Woodville, Millbury, OH 43447  
419-836-2221 Fax 419-836-1319

Visit us at [www.presspublications.com](https://www.presspublications.com)

*Serving 22 communities in Lucas, Ottawa,  
Sandusky and Wood Counties including Oregon,  
Northwood, Genoa, Elmore, Woodville, Pemberville,  
Gibsonburg, Walbridge, Oak Harbor & East Toledo.*

Perennials • Succulents • Rare Herbs

Natives • Unique Plants

Unusual Salvias - Hummingbird "Magnets"

## Bench Farms St. Rt. 2

### FARM MARKET & GREENHOUSE

Owners: David & Cindy Bench

Open Daily 10am-6pm



**BENCH FARMS**  
GREENHOUSE & FARM MARKET

**Where gardening friends gather**  
9151 Jerusalem Rd. (St. Rt. 2) Curtice, Ohio 43412  
(2 miles east of N. Curtice Rd.)  
 **419-836-9443**  
[www.benchfarms.com](https://www.benchfarms.com)

Great Vegetable Selection

## The Fun Starts Here!

### Dock Rental at Competitive Prices! All Your Boating Needs

- Dock Rentals (annual or guest)
- Outside Winter Storage • Boat Lifts • Public Ramp
- Charter Service • Emergency Towing • Fishing Supplies • Licenses
- Souvenirs • Bait • Beverages • Snacks • Gas • Diesel (west only)
- Showers (west only) • Campsites • Boat Painting Service • Shrink Wrap

Open May-Oct. 7 Days a Week  
Jan.-April Mon., Wed., Fri., & Sat. 9-5 Closed in December



Family owned & operated since 1979

**MEINKE MARINA**  
419-836-7774

**WEST Marina & Office**  
10955 Corduroy Rd.  
Curtice, OH

**EAST SIDE -**  
12805 Bono Rd.  
Curtice, OH

# MILLBURY

## Classic CARS & TRUCKS MUSEUM

Over 85 Cars & so Much More





Watch Video

**OPEN THURS - SUN 10A - 5P**  
**26929 CUMMINGS RD. MILLBURY, OH**  
**CALL FOR QUESTIONS 419-340-2355**



**Follow us on Facebook**  
**Millbury Classics**



# Welcome to Oregon

Oregon on the Bay offers visitors access to the shoreline of Lake Erie, Maumee Bay State Park, Pearson Metropark, shopping, dining and lodging. Oregon is conveniently located as a gateway to and from Lake Erie, the Lake Erie Islands, Cedar Point and all of the attractions along the way.

The City of Oregon is a great place to visit, but an even better place to live!



Sincerely,  
Mayor Michael Seferian

Pearson Metropark

Walking, running and biking paths, paddle boats, fishing, childrens playgrounds, tennis courts, picnic areas, “Window on Wildlife” Exhibit, and Historic Johlin Cabin.

Howard Marsh Metropark

Water trail for canoeing and kayaking and dike-top trails for hiking.

Maumee Bay State Park

Beaches, Boardwalk, picnic areas, bike paths, view of Lake Erie and Toledo Harbor Lighthouse, indoor/outdoor pools and play areas, Nature Center, Storybook Interactive Nature Trail (1/2 mile), lodge, cabins and restaurant. Toledo Harbor Lighthouse Waterfront Festival Sept. 13 & 14, 2025.

Oregon Recreation Complex

Baseball, softball, soccer, skate park, basketball, volleyball, pickleball and fitness courts, (3) playgrounds, childrens water splash pad and bike trails. Honey Festival -Sat. Sept 20th (10am-5pm) featuring fun activities for families, friends and everyone in BEE-tween!

Oak Shade Grove

Home of this year’s 58th annual German American Festival held August 22-23-24, 2025.

Oregon Rollin’ Market 2025

Second Wednesday of the month from May-Sept. (5:00pm-8:00pm) at Dustin Rd.



German American Festival,  
Oak Shade Grove



Storybook Interactive Nature Trail



Johlin Cabin, Pearson Metropark



Oregon Rollin’ Market

See additional events and updates at [www.oregonohio.org](http://www.oregonohio.org)  
City of Oregon, 5330 Seaman Road, Oregon, Ohio 43616, 419-698-7045

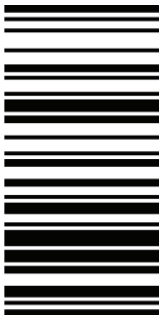


3/25 EZ

**267 S. LIGHTNER RD  
PORT CLINTON, OH 43452  
17 MILES WEST FROM CEDAR POINT  
1-800-521-2660**

**\$3.00**

**OFF**

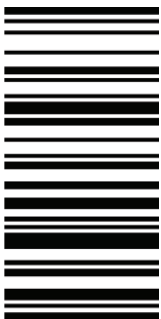


Regular Admission  
(Ages 7 years+)

EMB3

**\$2.00**

**OFF**



Children's Admission  
(3-6 years)

EMB2

Valid for up to 6 people with coupon. May not be used in combination with any other offer. Expires 11/30/2025.

**AFRICANSAFARIWILDLIFEPARK.COM**  
**The Midwest's Original Drive-Thru Safari!**