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The Sandusky County Rock & Awe Holiday Light Show is quickly becoming a cornerstone of new holiday traditions for families in Fremont, Ohio, and beyond. Each year, as the days grow shorter and the cold air brings the promise of winter, the light show at the historic Sandusky County Courthouse draws families together, turning ordinary nights into something magical.

For many, the Rock & Awe show offers a new way to celebrate the season. With over 33,000 lights synchronized to beloved holiday music, the event transforms the courthouse into a luminous spectacle, blending nostalgia with modern flair. Children's faces light up as they watch the brilliant display, while parents remember holidays gone by. It's more than just a light show—it's a time to pause and enjoy the beauty of the season together.

This free event, running from Thanksgiving Eve to New Year's Day, gives families an opportunity to create fresh memories. Whether you're standing outside with cocoa in hand or listening to the music from your car radio, this immersive experience adds a new layer of joy to the holiday season.

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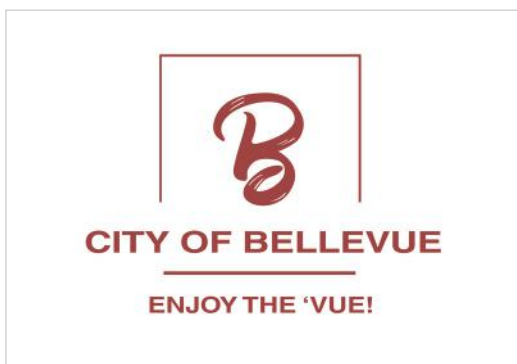


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AMERICA 250

America 250 – officially the United States Semiquincentennial – is a nationwide commemoration of the United States' 250th anniversary in 2026. Through numerous events, educational and community projects, America 250 honors the nation's founding, diverse history, and shared future. This celebration invites Americans to reflect, unite, and envision the next chapter of our great country's story.



ONE OF 7 HISTORIC BARN MURALS

Happy Birthday, America!

The America 250-Ohio Commission is leading the charge for Ohio's celebration which includes events honoring history and heritage. All 88 counties are joining in, showcasing Ohio's unique role in America's journey and inspiring future generations. There are many statewide key activities planned which include Trails and Tales Road Trips, Murals Across Ohio, Ohio's Homecoming and Picnic, and many more.

In this edition of the Sandusky County Community Guide, we will look at how Sandusky

County is adding its own creative flair to Ohio's America 250 celebration. From our vibrant Historic Barn Mural Trail featuring one of the five Ohio America 250 barns, to our rich history, creativity, exploration, and innovation, Sandusky County reflects local pride and joins the broader tapestry of America 250 celebrations across Ohio.

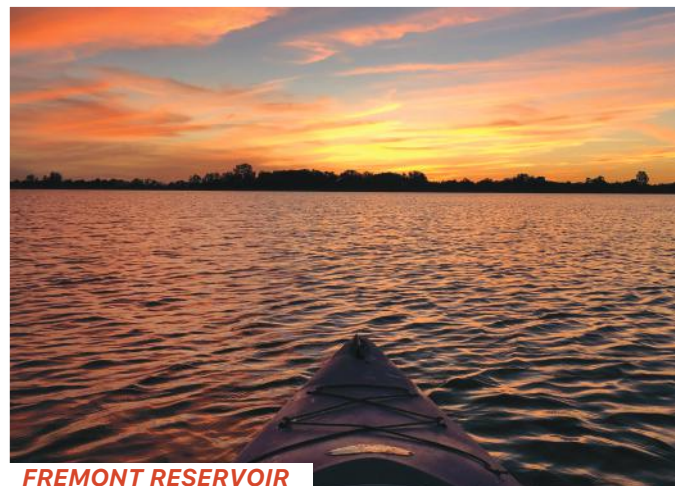
As our county and state continue to plan celebratory events, visit our website at sanduskycounty.org or america250-ohio.org for additional information.

Ohio's America 250 Trails and Tales

Ohio's America 250 "Trails & Tales" initiative showcases six immersive driving trails, inviting residents and visitors to journey through the state's rich history, innovation, and culture. These thematic routes highlight Ohio's unique contributions to the American story. Throughout this magazine, we will look at how Sandusky County has also played a unique and meaningful role with attractions that align to the statewide trails. Visit america250-ohio.org for more information and history to explore.



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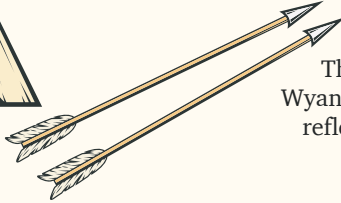
AMERICA 250

SANDUSKY COUNTY'S HISTORIC THREADS

The United States celebrates its 250th anniversary this year! It's a fitting time to reflect on the rich history of Sandusky County, Ohio, a region deeply intertwined with the nation's formative years. Here are some significant historical facts highlighting Sandusky County's contributions to American history.

PRE

1700'S



Wyandot Origins:

The name "Sandusky" is derived from the Wyandot word saandustee, meaning "water," reflecting the area's deep Indigenous roots.

Junquindundeh Village

Before European settlement, the area now known as Fremont was home to the Wyandot village of Junquindundeh, situated at the falls of the Lower Sandusky River.



1782

Revolutionary War and the Crawford Expedition

Battle of Sandusky: In 1782, Colonel William Crawford led an ill-fated expedition against Native American towns along the Sandusky River. The campaign culminated in the Battle of Sandusky, where American forces were defeated, and Crawford was captured and executed; a stark episode highlighting the complex frontier conflicts during the Revolutionary War.



War of 1812 and Fort Stephenson

Battle of Fort Stephenson: Located in present-day Fremont, Fort Stephenson was the site of a significant American victory during the War of 1812. Major George Croghan, with a small garrison of about 160 men, successfully defended the fort against a much larger British and Native American force, bolstering American morale.

1812

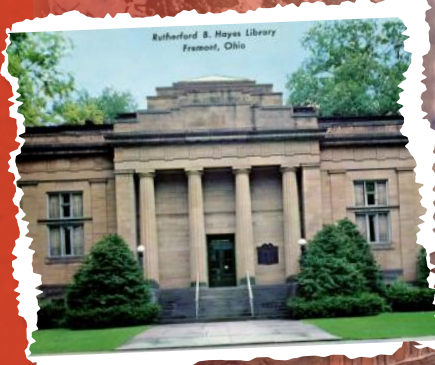
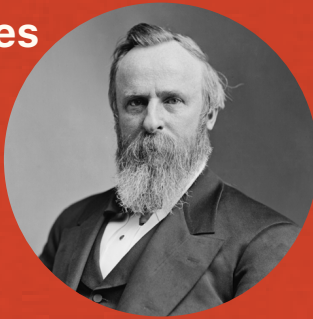


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CAN STILL BE SEEN AT THE
BIRCHARD PUBLIC LIBRARY, IN
FREMONT WHERE FORT
STEPHENSON ONCE STOOD.

PRESIDENTIAL LEGACY

Rutherford B. Hayes

Fremont is the hometown of Rutherford B. Hayes, the 19th President of the United States. His estate, Spiegel Grove, houses the first presidential library in the nation, preserving his legacy and offering insights into post-Civil War America.



Sandusky County Historical Society Founded

Established in 1874, it is one of the oldest historical societies in Ohio, dedicated to preserving the county's rich heritage and educating the public about its historical significance.

1874



The Treaty of Greenville

August 3, 1795

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FUN FACT:
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Founding of Sandusky County

Sandusky County was officially formed on February 12, 1820, from portions of Huron County. The area was originally part of land set aside for Native Americans by the Treaty of Greenville.

1820

THE GREAT BLACK SWAMP

SETTLEMENT OF THE COUNTY PROGRESSED SLOWLY BECAUSE THE MAJORITY OF THE LAND WAS COVERED BY THE GREAT BLACK SWAMP.

The Great Black Swamp





FREMONT

A Cornerstone in America's History

As America prepares to commemorate its 250th anniversary in 2026, Fremont, Ohio stands as a powerful symbol of the nation's evolving identity.

 Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums

HISTORY



COMMUNITY



HAYES LIBRARY AND MUSEUMS

The Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums offers an unforgettable look into America's story through the life and legacy of President Rutherford B. Hayes. Visitors can explore beautifully preserved artifacts, wander the stunning grounds, and experience interactive exhibits that make history feel close and personal. If you're a history enthusiast looking for a meaningful stop in Fremont, this landmark is a must-see.

JIMMY BUKKETT'S

Jimmy Bukkett's is a colorful riverside hideaway on the Sandusky River in Fremont, Ohio, blending tiki-bar vibes, live music, cold drinks, sandy beaches, and unforgettable sunset views nightly.



ATTRACTION



CELEBRATE DOWNTOWN

downtownfremontohio.org THE HEART OF FREMONT

There's nothing quite like a parade in downtown Fremont, where the streets come alive with music, local pride, and festive energy. Whether you're cheering on community groups, admiring creative floats, or simply soaking in the small-town charm, it's the perfect way to experience Fremont at its best. Bring your family, grab a great viewing spot, and join in the celebration!

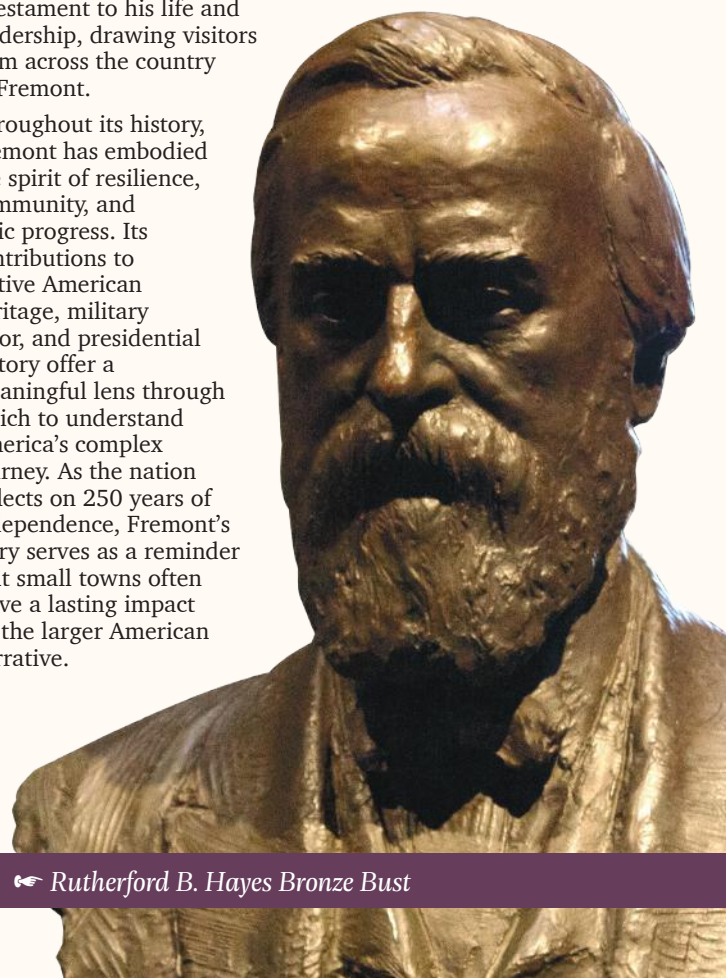
From Native Roots to a National Legacy

Situated along the Sandusky River, Fremont played a critical role long before its formal founding, serving as a vital settlement for Native American tribes, including the Wyandot and Ottawa. The region later became a strategic military site during the War of 1812, with Fort Stephenson serving as a pivotal defense post. Major George Croghan's legendary stand at the fort in 1813 not only repelled a British invasion, but also became a defining moment in early American military history.

Fremont, once known as Lower Sandusky, evolved into a hub of political and agricultural development. Its most notable resident, Rutherford B. Hayes, the 19th President of the United States, left a lasting legacy through his commitment to post-Civil War reconstruction and civil service reform. Hayes and his family lived at Spiegel Grove, now the site of The Hayes Presidential Library & Museums, which is the first presidential library in the nation. Today, the Hayes home, library, and museum stand as

a testament to his life and leadership, drawing visitors from across the country to Fremont.

Throughout its history, Fremont has embodied the spirit of resilience, community, and civic progress. Its contributions to Native American heritage, military valor, and presidential history offer a meaningful lens through which to understand America's complex journey. As the nation reflects on 250 years of independence, Fremont's story serves as a reminder that small towns often leave a lasting impact on the larger American narrative.



[Rutherford B. Hayes Bronze Bust](#)

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SCENIC FAIRWAYS

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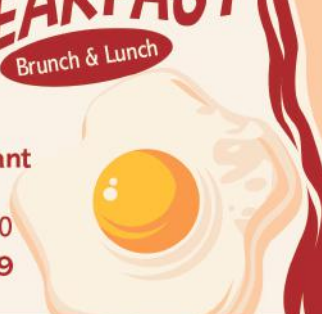
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SANDUSKY COUNTY HISTORIC JAIL & DUNGEON TOURS *ad pg. 18*
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sanduskycounty.org | 419-332-4470
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SANDUSKY COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM *ad pg. 22*
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schistoricalsociety.com | 419-332-0303
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601 Saint Joseph St., Fremont, OH 43420
Has basketball and tennis courts, playground equipment, skate park, restrooms, a soccer field, and shelter houses. Is the location of the Fremont Community Recreation Complex and an entry to the North Coast Inland Trail.

BIRCHARD PARK

1400 Birchard Ave., Fremont, OH 43420
Has basketball, tennis and shuffleboard courts, shelter houses, a bandstand, and a walking path.

CHRISTY FARM NATURE PRESERVE

ad pg. 40
2020 Old Oak Harbor Rd.,
Fremont, OH 43420
lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
The 151-acre property consists of woodlands and wetland areas that offer walks along the Muskellunge Creek and bird watching.

DON W. MILLER MEMORIAL PARK

ad pg. 40
Sandusky County Park District
Administrative Offices,
1329 Tiffin St., Fremont, OH 43420
lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
The 80-acre park, located on the Sandusky River adjacent to the Blue Banks, offers fishing, birding, and hiking trails. This portion of the River is designated as a Scenic River by the State of Ohio.

MULL COVERED BRIDGE *ad pg. 40*

1515 County Rd. 9, Fremont, OH 43420
lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
Built in 1851, the bridge is one of Northwest Ohio's remaining covered bridges. It offers bird watching and photo opportunities.

RICHARD D. MAIER PARK

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Has walking trails, playground equipment, shelter house, restrooms, a fountain, and a memorial garden. Is an entry to the North Coast Inland Trail.

RODGER W. YOUNG PARK

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Has baseball/softball fields, basketball and tennis courts, playground equipment, shelter houses, multi-purpose fields, and restrooms. Is an entry to the North Coast Inland Trail.

SANDUSKY COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

148 North Park Ave., Fremont, OH 43420
Park honoring current and former veterans.

WOLF CREEK PARK *ad pg. 40*

2409 (North Entrance) & 2701 (South Entrance)
South State Rte. 53,
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lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
This location is currently undergoing renovations and restructuring for the 2026 season with limited access. Public camping is permanently closed. Future plans include group camping by special permit. For up-to-date information, visit: lovemyparks.com.

ENTERTAINMENT**BANDS, BREWS & BRATS ON AUGUST 15, 2026 - FREMONT**

ad pg. 25
fremontrotaryclub.org
Downtown Fremont, 5 pm - 11 pm.

CYCLE SANDUSKY COUNTY BIKE SHARE PROGRAM *ad pg. 15*

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sanduskycounty.org/bikeshare
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OHIO PIRATE CON *ad pg. 19*

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● 05/13/2026	5:30 PM	Historic		6:30 PM	Flashlight
● 06/10/2026	5:30 PM	Historic		6:30 PM	Flashlight
● 09/09/2026	5:30 PM	Historic		6:30 PM	Flashlight
● 10/14/2026	5:30 PM	Historic		6:30 PM	Flashlight
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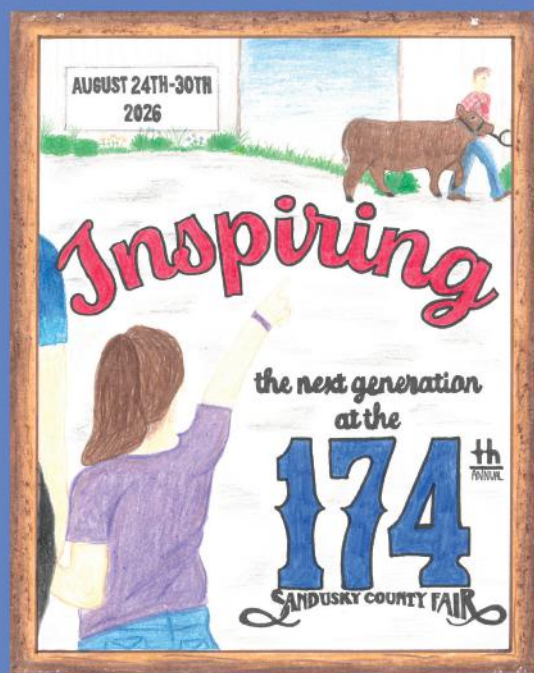


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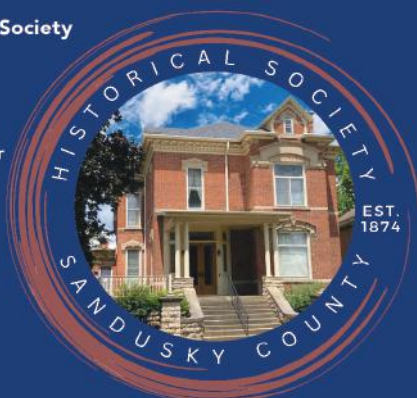
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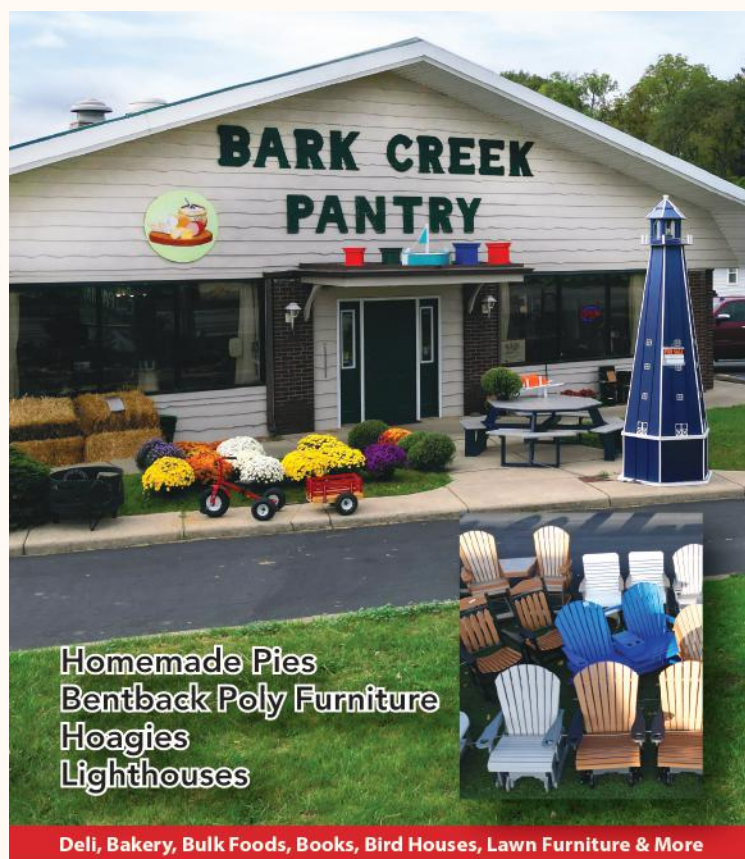
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ACTIVITY



America 250 Homecoming Picnic

The perfect way to celebrate a big event is with a picnic, and America's 250th birthday is no exception! In July, communities across the state of Ohio will honor 250 years of freedom, unity and progress by gathering for picnics, music, and family-friendly events that showcase local heritage and American pride. These America 250 Homecoming Picnics will be an opportunity for communities to come together, reflect on the past and look ahead to the next 250 years and beyond of shared promise.

On July 4, 2026, America turns 250, and the site of America's first presidential library is the perfect place to celebrate. Enjoy a day of nostalgic fun, an old-fashioned picnic, and a patriotic concert by a band featuring members of the Toledo Symphony at the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums.

Bring a picnic or purchase food on-site at Spiegel Grove, the 25-acre wooded estate of 19th U.S. President Rutherford and First Lady Lucy Hayes. From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., enjoy games from

days past, kids' activities, curator talks about American history, and speakers giving historic speeches.

The event will culminate with the annual Independence Day Concert, performed by the Toledo Concert Band from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on the veranda of the Historic Hayes Home. The concert band features members of the Toledo Symphony Orchestra.

Bring a chair or blanket for seating on the spacious Hayes Home lawn. Admission to the picnic, games, talks, and concert is free.

The museum will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and tours of the historic Hayes Home will be offered throughout the day. Discounted admission to the home and museum will be available. For updated times and a schedule of activities, visit their website.

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More Events



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- 2 LATE SUMMER** Don't miss Ohio Pirate Con on July 24-26, 2026, at the Sandusky County Fairgrounds.
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Discover More Outdoors at Sandusky County Local Parks

The Sandusky County Park District, founded in 1973, offers over 2,800 acres of natural beauty across 17 parks. From hiking scenic trails and fishing to exploring the Wilson Nature Center at Creek Bend Farm, there's something for everyone. White Star Park adds adventure with scuba diving and a scenic swimming beach.

These parks not only provide recreation but also preserve the region's natural beauty and foster community connections. Supported by public and private funding, the district ensures the outdoors remain accessible and inspiring. Discover the perfect blend of adventure and relaxation in Sandusky County's parks today!

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WHITE STAR PARK

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1. BLUE HERON RESERVE

2134 COUNTY RD. 260
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This 160-acre property was acquired by a donation from The Nature Conservancy and a federal Land and Water Conservation Fund grant. This park has unique natural features such as a calcareous fen, seasonal wetlands, grassy trails, and a mile of boardwalk trails. Blue Heron Reserve is also included in the Lake Erie Birding Trail.

2. CHRISTY FARM NATURE PRESERVE

2020 OLD OAK HARBOR RD.
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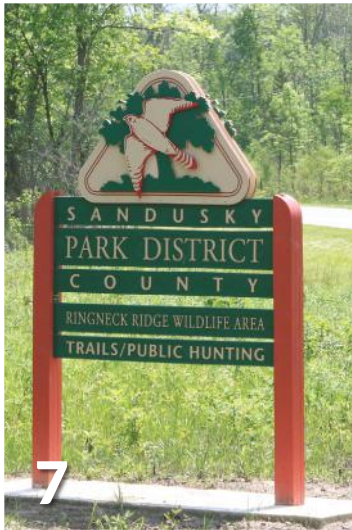
Named after the Christy Family, who established the Christy Knife Company in 1891 in Fremont, Ohio, this 147-acre property consists of woodland and wetland areas. Visitors can enjoy a walk along the Muskegon Creek or catch a glimpse of an active heron rookery. The Cabin, built in 1936 by the Christy family and the Kiwanis Club of Fremont is available for youth group overnights.

3. CREEK BEND FARM - WILSON NATURE CENTER

720 SOUTH MAIN ST.
LINDSEY, OH 43442
419-334-4495

The purchase of the Creek Bend Farm was made possible in 2002 by a generous donation from the Robert and Frances Roush Family, a grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission's Clean Ohio Conservation Fund, and Ohio Department of Natural Resources Coastal Restoration Grant Program. The facility includes a Window on Wildlife/library, educational classroom, children's activity area, and a small meeting room.





4. DON W. MILLER MEMORIAL PARK

1329 TIFFIN ST.
FREMONT, OH 43420
419-334-4495

Home to the Park District's Main office, this 80-acre property was donated by Black Swamp Conservancy. The park is located on the Sandusky River adjacent to the Blue Banks and was formerly a 9-hole golf course. This portion of the Sandusky River is designated as a Scenic River by the State of Ohio. Criteria for scenic river designation includes length, adjacent forest cover, biological characteristics, water quality, present use, and natural conditions.

5. MULL COVERED BRIDGE

1515 COUNTY RD. 9
FREMONT, OH 43420
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The Mull Covered Bridge, which is a 'town lattice' truss type, was built in 1851 by the Henry Mull Family to allow for safe access for trade to the Mull Mill. The bridge was open to traffic until 1962 when the road was diverted and a new bridge was constructed. In 1974, the Mull Covered Bridge was listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The bridge underwent a major renovation in 2016 and now has new wood and red exterior planks.

6. NORTH COAST INLAND TRAIL

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The NCIT in Sandusky County offers 28 miles of completed, paved trail. When completed, the North Coast Inland Trail will extend from Lorain to Toledo, Ohio, a 105-mile span. Best parking: Walsh Park and Biggs-Kettner Park in Fremont with other smaller lots and access points along the trail. Worth noting: The road route through Fremont includes a section on West State Street, the Route 20 business route through the city. Ride at your own risk.



7. RINGNECK RIDGE WILDLIFE AREA

2026 & 1818 COUNTY RD. 74
GIBSONBURG, OH 43431
419-334-4495

Acquired in 2008 with funding from Clean Ohio Conservation Fund, Ohio Department of Natural Resources and Sandusky County Sportsman's Club, this park opened to the public in May 2009. It was formerly a private hunt club for more than 60 years. The 360-acre site includes woodlots, open fields, wetlands, and limestone barrens. It is managed as a wildlife area with public hunting and hiking trails. The public is allowed to walk anywhere on the grounds except during hunting season.

8. TEA KAUFMAN HOMESTEAD

2091 COUNTY RD. 292
BELLEVUE, OH 44811
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This 14-acre property is directly adjacent to the North Coast Inland Trail and serves as an access point to the trail. The Tea Kaufman Homestead property has a mowed loop trail that takes visitors through a small prairie and restored wetland.

9. THE WOODS AT THE LUSCOMBE FARM

2341 COUNTY RD. 213
CLYDE, OH 43410
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This 55-acre property is the result of a generous donation by John Luscombe and Ann (Luscombe) Stine. Visitors can search for migrating birds as they walk the loop trail through the woods made up of maple, hickory, and oak trees. Programs include hikes as well as maple sugaring demonstrations.

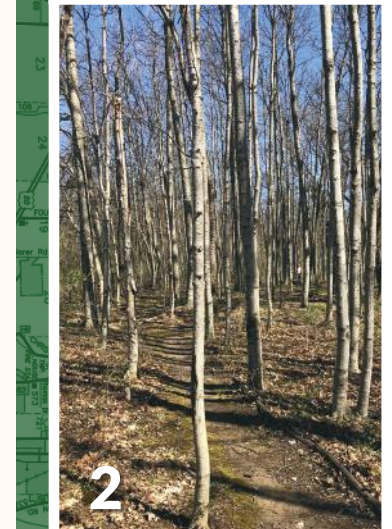
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The Sandusky County Park District has additional park locations that are not shown since they are closed to the general public and only used for special programming.

11. WOLF CREEK PARK

2409 & 2701 SOUTH STATE RTE. 53
FREMONT, OH 43420
419-334-4495

This location is currently undergoing renovations and restructuring for the 2026 season with limited access. Public camping is permanently closed. Future plans include group camping by special permit. For up-to-date information, visit: lovemyparks.com.



10. WHITE STAR PARK

925 SOUTH MAIN ST.
GIBSONBURG, OH 43431
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Park includes play equipment, tables, grills, restrooms, volleyball courts, play field, nature trails, mountain bike trails, boat ramp, shelters, day camp area, accessible fishing platform, scuba diving, and camping. Horse trails are located on County Road 66 just north of County Road 65. The public is allowed to walk anywhere on the grounds except during hunting season, when only hiking trails west of the railroad tracks are open. White Star Quarry is available for non-gas-powered boating and fishing. Waggoner's Run Mountain Bike Trail, a unique trail that is fun for riders of all skill levels, is located in White Star Park.



Sandusky County's Innovation History

INDUSTRIES THROUGH THE AGES

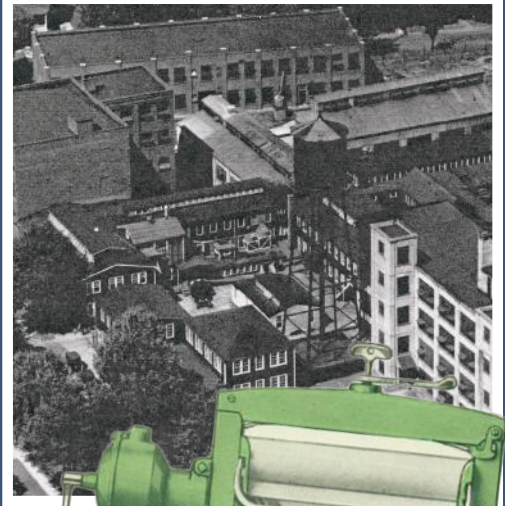
Sandusky County, Ohio has earned a prominent place in the history of America's innovation. In 1883, Fremont's Charles B. Stilwell revolutionized packaging with his paper bag machine that produced bags with pleated sides, making them easier to fold and store. Fremont also earned the title "Cutlery Capital of the World," producing quality kitchenware that found its way into homes nationwide. The county's innovative spirit

thrives today with S.C.R.A.P. (Sandusky County Restorers of Antique Power), preserving and demonstrating historic agricultural machinery that shaped rural America. In Clyde, Whirlpool Corporation operates the world's largest washing machine plant, pioneering advancements in efficiency, automation, and sustainable manufacturing. From 19th-century inventions to cutting-edge industry, Sandusky County continues to blend heritage and progress.



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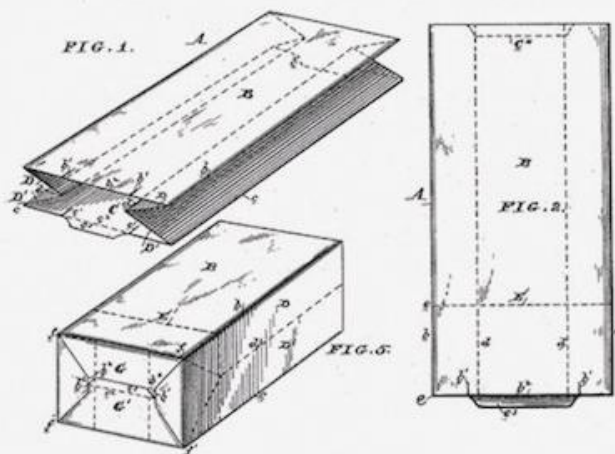
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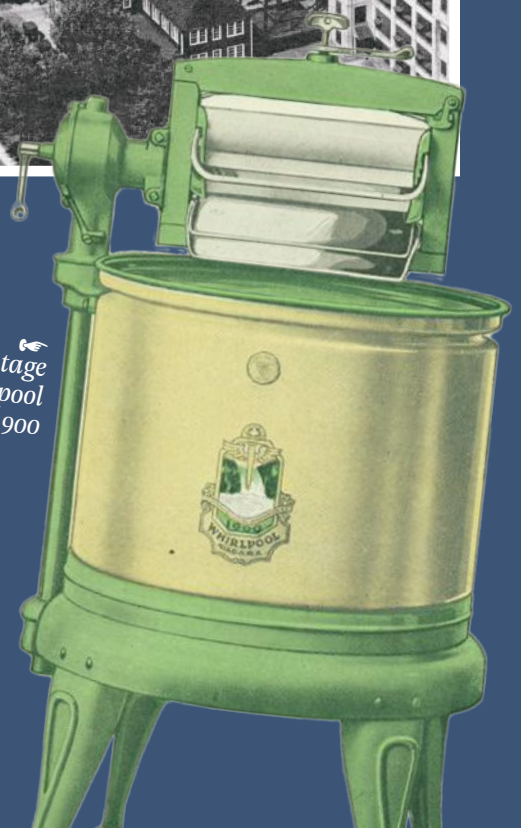
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Area Artistry

DISCOVER INSPIRING WORKS

Sandusky County brings its own vibrant creativity to Ohio's cultural landscape, aligning with the spirit of the America 250 "Trails & Tales" Creativity Trail. In Fremont, Pottery Perfection offers hands-on pottery classes, inviting visitors to create their own keepsakes, while River Bend Homestead hosts creative workshops that connect art with homesteading. The Petal Patch offers engaging potting classes that combine creativity and nature, fostering artistic expression and a love of gardening. In Clyde, the Heritage Museum honors famed author Sherwood Anderson's literary legacy, offering a deeper look at Clyde's influence on American literature.

Gibsonburg's Sculpture in the Village exhibit brings creativity and art to public spaces, featuring rotating works

that celebrate local artists and community identity. In nearby Elmore, Ohio, Schedel Arboretum and Gardens offers visitors a unique blend of natural beauty and artistic expression through its stunning sculptures nestled among 17 acres of lush gardens and water features. Also at Schedel Gardens, located in the historic Schedel Manor House, the Blair Museum of Lithophanes houses the world's largest collection of backlit, translucent porcelain lithophanes, an intricate 19th-century art form, on permanent display.

Together, these sites and experiences embody Sandusky County's commitment to celebrating creativity, past, present, and future, while inviting travelers to explore, learn, and make art of their own as part of the statewide America 250 celebration.



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RIVER BEND HOMESTEAD

Sandusky County's Famous Painted Barn Trail

Drive through the scenic countryside of Sandusky County, Ohio, and you'll discover a unique fusion of art and history on display. Historic barns, dotted across fields and farmland, have been transformed with bold, colorful murals that celebrate the county's heritage and the hardworking people who shaped it.

These remarkable murals are the creation of renowned artist Scott Hagan, brought to life in partnership with the Sandusky County Visitors Bureau. Each barn becomes more than a structure: it's a canvas telling stories of early settlers, agricultural traditions, and local heroes in vivid detail.

The Barn Trail stretches about 40 miles and features seven stunning murals to explore. In just over an hour, visitors can immerse themselves in the region's past while enjoying the natural beauty of Ohio's countryside. Ideal for art lovers, history enthusiasts, or families looking for a memorable outing, the Barn Trail offers a one-of-a-kind experience that combines culture, creativity, and small-town charm.

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1. HISTORIC BARN - 757 STEAM ENGINE BARN

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BELLEVUE, OH 44811

Painted in June of 2022, the 757 Steam Engine mural welcomes visitors to Bellevue, Ohio and The Bellevue Hospital Corridor. 757 was built in 1944 by the Lima Locomotive Works for the New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad. The engines soon became an icon of the railroad. It was retired in Bellevue, Ohio in 1958, and is now on display at the Mad River & NKP Railroad Museum in Bellevue. This barn was sponsored by The Bellevue Hospital.



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2. AMERICA 250 BARN

3888 WEST STATE ST.
FREMONT, OH 43420

Painted in June of 2024, and the inspiration for our cover of this year's community guide, the America 250 Barn was a partnership with the America 250 Ohio-Commission and the Sandusky County Visitors Bureau. This mural commemorates the 250 year anniversary of America that takes place in 2026. This barn is owned by David and Ingrid Miarer, and is located at 3888 West State Street (US 20) Fremont.



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3. HISTORIC BARN - SANDUSKY COUNTY BICENTENNIAL BARN

4246 WEST STATE RTE. 20
FREMONT, OHIO 43420

Completed in the spring of 2019, the Sandusky County Bicentennial barn mural was painted just before we officially celebrated our county's bicentennial in 2020. The barn was sponsored by Terra State Community College and the Terra College Foundation. This barn is located on State Route 20 West and can be seen from east and westbound traffic since the barn has a mural on both sides.

4. HISTORIC BARN - ASTRONAUT TOM HENRICKS BARN

770 EAST MAIN ST.
WOODVILLE, OH 43469

Completed in the spring of 2018, this barn was designed and dedicated to honor four-time NASA shuttle astronaut Colonel Tom Henricks, a Woodville, Ohio native. This barn is located on State Route 20 east of Woodville and can be seen when traveling in the westbound lane. This barn was sponsored by Martin Marietta.

5. HISTORIC BARN - 9/11 - PSSM BARN

1524 COUNTY ROAD 32
GIBSONBURG, OH 43431

Completed in September of 2017, this barn was designed and dedicated to honor two Sandusky County residents who died on 9/11. There is also an element to honor the Public Safety Service men and women who risk their lives to keep us safe. This barn is located on County Road 32 (Anderson Rd). Barn was sponsored by an anonymous donor.

6. HISTORIC BARN - BATTLE OF FORT STEPHENSON BARN

2000 CHRISTY ROAD
FREMONT, OH 43420

Completed in September of 2017, this barn was designed to commemorate and depict the historic battle that took place in what is now Fremont during the War of 1812. The battle against the invading British was won by Major George Croghan with the help of his trusty cannon "Old Betsy" that can be seen in this mural design. This barn is located on Christy Road and was sponsored by Fremont Federal Credit Union.

7. HISTORIC BARN - RUTHERFORD B. HAYES BARN

3265 FANGBONER RD.
FREMONT, OH 43420

Completed in late 2015, the Rutherford B. Hayes barn was painted to commemorate our 19th President's entrepreneurial spirit. A quote taken directly from the diary of Hayes is painted on the side of the barn, "The Bold Enterprises are the Successful Ones." The mural faces north, toward the turnpike just east of the Fangboner Road overpass and was sponsored by the Ohio History Connection and the Ohio Turnpike Commission.



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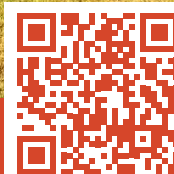


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TURN BY TURN
DIRECTIONS



Driving Directions

DRIVING TOUR DIRECTIONS START: Bellevue Hospital, use CR 302 to drive towards the barn and get the closest views of the mural.

CONTINUING TO BARN 2: The 2nd barn is located West of Fremont on US 20. Leaving the Bellevue Barn, Continue on (US 20) West, stay to the right at the split with (US 6, SR 53) South. Just past mile marker 19 and (CR 106) you will see the barn to your right. Time from previous location: 17 Minutes, 14.5 Miles.

CONTINUING TO BARN 3: The 3rd barn is located West of Fremont on US 20, Just about 1 mile from the America 250 Barn and is located on the same side of the road. Time from previous location: 2 Minutes, 1 Mile.

CONTINUING TO BARN 4: Continue on (US 20) West towards Woodville/Toledo for 8.4 miles and just past the 4 mile marker, you will see the barn to your right. Immediately after passing the barn, prepare to TURN LEFT in .6 miles on Anderson Road (CR 32). Time from previous location: 9 Minutes, 8 Miles.

CONTINUING TO BARN 5: After turning, CONTINUE on Anderson Road (CR 32) for approximately 5 miles to the stop sign at the intersection of (SR 600) and Anderson Road (CR 32). CONTINUE straight on Anderson Road (CR 32) and the barn is to your right and is visible from the OH 600 intersection. Time from previous location: 6 Minutes, 4.5 Miles.

CONTINUING TO BARN 6: CONTINUE on Anderson Road (CR 32) for approximately 2.8 miles to the stop sign at the intersection of (US 6) and Anderson Road (CR 32). TURN LEFT and follow (US 6) East 9.8 miles to the stop light at the intersection of (SR 53) and TURN LEFT continuing on (SR 53 & US 6) 1.3 miles and TURN RIGHT on Muskellunge Rd., just past the round-about. At the stop sign at the intersection of West State Street and Muskellunge, CONTINUE straight through the intersection. Muskellunge becomes Christy Road. Barn will be on the hillside to your left, just after the sharp left curve. Time from previous location: 20 minutes, 15 miles.

CONTINUING TO BARN 7: CONTINUE on Christy Road for approximately 1 mile to the stop sign at the intersection of (SR 19) and Christy Road, TURN LEFT and follow (SR 19) North 2.2 miles and TURN RIGHT on Zienta-Horn Road, just after passing under the Ohio Turnpike overpass. CONTINUE on Zienta-Horn Road for .6 miles and TURN RIGHT on Fangboner Road. Shortly after you turn, you will see the barn directly in front of you from a distance. Continue on Fangboner Road passing over the overpass over the Ohio Turnpike, barn is to your left. Time from previous location: 8 Minutes, 4.7 Miles.

END OF BARN TRAIL: TURN LEFT at the Intersection immediately past the barn, (CR 89) and this will take you back to (SR 53) and the Ohio Turnpike 80/90.

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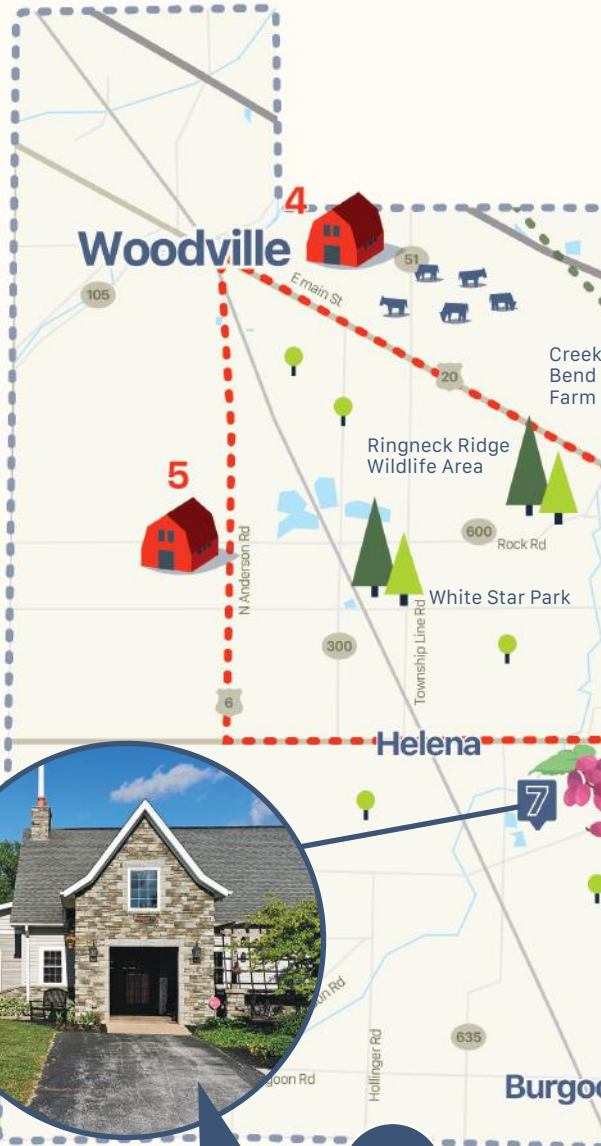
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PROMEDICA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

715 SOUTH TAFT AVE., FREMONT, OH 43420
promedica.org | 419-332-7321

ProMedica Memorial Hospital is a member of Toledo, Ohio-based ProMedica, a mission-based, not-for-profit integrated health care organization serving communities in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. To date, the organization offers acute and ambulatory care, an insurance company with a dental plan, and post-acute and academic business lines.



7.

CHATEAU WINERY & VINEYARD ad pg.56

525 STATE ROUTE 635, HELENA, OH 43435
chateauwineryandvineyard.com
419-638-5411

Bill and Michele Hollister purchased the former Chateau Tebeau Winery in 2022, and they continue to operate the business with the wines you have come to love. The winery has a well-established vineyard, a gorgeous outdoor area (including a koi pond), a spacious, but quaint tasting room, and a beautiful outdoor seating area.

5.

SANDUSKY COUNTY VISITORS BUREAU

712 NORTH ST., FREMONT, OH 43420
sanduskycounty.org | 419-332-4470

The mission of the Sandusky County Visitors Bureau is to enhance Sandusky County by marketing the area as a destination to travelers inside and outside the county. The office stocks brochures from other counties in Ohio as well as local and statewide attraction brochures. State and area maps are available. We are also available to answer tourism and travel related questions.

6.

COPPER WHALE WINERY

1734 EAST MCPHERSON HWY. CLYDE, OH 43410
copperwhalewine.com | 419-871-7009

Sandusky County's newest winery, Copper Whale Winery, was 10-years in the making! Vineyards were planted, wine perfected, and their location was built to entertain. This winery and vineyard has spacious areas with Live Music Friday and Saturday (see facebook events page). Outdoor and indoor seating areas, outdoor fire pits, event rooms, and more.



RUTHERFORD B. HAYES PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY & MUSEUMS

SPIEGEL GROVE, FREMONT, OH 43420
rbhayes.org | 419-332-2081

The Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums is located at Spiegel Grove, the 25-acre wooded estate of 19th U.S. President Rutherford B. Hayes. Tour the president's 31-room Victorian mansion, see his tomb, visit the newly renovated museum with educational and interactive exhibits, explore the presidential library, and walk the mile of paved trails. Open daily, with featured exhibits changing often.

8.

SANDUSKY COUNTY LINE

HISTORIC BARN MURAL TRAIL

NORTH COAST INLAND TRAIL

SANDUSKY COUNTY PARK DISTRICT PUBLIC PARKS

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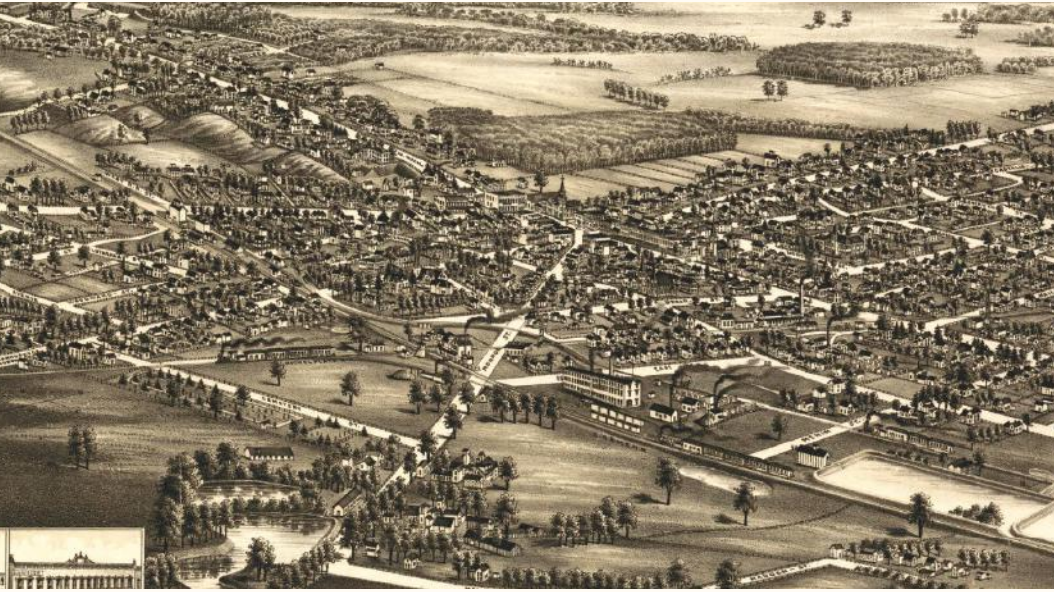




BELLEVUE

A Key in America's 250-Year Story

This year more than ever, the story of America is being retold through the lens of communities that helped shape its past. Bellevue, Ohio, though modest in size, holds a proud place in that story — one rooted in transportation, industry, and entrepreneurship.



The Critical Link

FOR RAIL TRANSPORTATION

Nestled in northern Ohio, Bellevue grew rapidly in the 19th and early 20th centuries, becoming a major railroad town and transportation hub. Its location at the crossroads of multiple rail lines, including the influential Nickel Plate Road, made it a critical link in moving people and products across a growing nation. This made Bellevue an engine of progress during America's industrial expansion, helping fuel commerce and communication in ways still felt today.

The Firelands Frontier



Historic Lyme Village tells the story of Ohio's Firelands, a region established in 1792 for Connecticut residents displaced by Revolutionary War-era British raids. As America approaches its Semiquincentennial in 2026, the village invites visitors to explore how national ideals took shape through everyday life on the Ohio frontier. Its preserved 19th-century structures and Underground Railroad ties, including the John Seymour House, stand as lasting symbols of resilience and the quest for freedom.

LANDMARK

MAD RIVER & NKP RAILROAD MUSEUM

Today, Bellevue preserves its proud history at the Mad River & NKP Railroad Museum, which proudly celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2026. As the nation prepares to celebrate America 250, Bellevue stands as a testament to how small towns have powered big change, helping write the story of a nation built on movement, vision, and opportunity.

madrivermuseum.org

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DINING

AMSDEN HOUSE RESTAURANT

116 East Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-5650
Breakfast and lunch American-style dining.

BALANCE NUTRITION

108 East Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
567-214-4005
Breakfast, lunch, and early evening health food dining.

BONE BOYS BBQ & CATERING

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109 W Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
boneboysbbq.com | 419-706-6251
Barbeque-style catering company.

CASA MEXICANA

1120 East Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
567-214-4173
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1196 West Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-2374
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567-214-4200
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567-267-9003
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GILBERTS PLACE

130 East Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
567-214-4439
Lunch and dinner sandwich and coffee shop dining.

HAPPY GARDEN

118 East Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-0306
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MILLER'S DRIVE-IN

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419-483-7020
Lunch and dinner American-style dining and ice cream shop.

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103 North Buckeye St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-7452
Pizza and subs dinner dining and delivery.

RAYZ ROUTE 20

106 East Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-6557
Lunch and dinner American-style dining.

TRACK'S END RESTAURANT

1112 Castalia St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-8052
Breakfast, lunch, and dinner dining. Open 24-hours daily.

ATTRACTIONS

BELLEVUE COMMUNITY RECREATION & FITNESS CENTER - MAGDALYN AIGLER RECREATION COMPLEX

110 Cherry Blvd., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-5555
Has fitness equipment and programs, skateboard park, playground, pool, athletic fields, and more.

HISTORIC LYME VILLAGE

ad pg. 41
5001 State Rte. 4, Bellevue, OH 44811
lymevillage.org | 419-483-4949
Represents life in the Firelands from the early 1800's to the early 1900's. Includes a restored mansion, log homes, schoolhouse, and various museums. Open June through August.

MAD RIVER & NKP RAILROAD MUSEUM

ad pg. 40
253 Southwest St., Bellevue, OH 44811
madriverrailmuseum.org | 419-483-2222
Ohio's largest railroad museum which includes life-sized vintage trains and exhibits. Open daily Memorial Day through Labor Day and weekends only September and October.

NORTH COAST INLAND TRAIL

ad pg. 40
lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
The 28-mile multi-use trail travels east and west between Bellevue and Elmore. Bellevue Entry: Tea Kauffman Homestead, 2091 County Road 292, Bellevue.

SENECA CAVERNS

ad pg. 41
15248 East Township Rd. 178, Bellevue, OH 44811
senecacavernsohio.com | 419-483-6711
A natural underground attraction, offering a 1-hour guided tour as deep as 110 feet below ground, gem mining, and more. Open May through mid-October.

SORROWFUL MOTHER SHRINE

ad pg. 41
4106 State Rte. 269, Bellevue, OH 44811
sorrowfulmothershrine.org | 419-483-3435
A historic holy site set on 120 acres, offering daily mass, a cafeteria, a gift shop, and more.

SHOPPING

ART @106: BELLEVUE ARTIST GUILD

ad pg. 40
106 South Sandusky St., Bellevue, OH 44811
facebook.com/artat106 | 419-483-3244
Art gallery with art classes and retail art sales.

BASSETT'S MARKET

228 West Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-3151
Grocery Store.

BELLEVUE SHOPPE 191

1796 West Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
Antique, vintage, and new home décor retail store.

BETSEY'S BOUTIQUE SHOP

ad pg. 41
120 East Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
shopbetseys.com | 567-267-9009
Women's clothing retail store.

BRANCO'S PRODUCE

121 Sampson St., Bellevue, OH 44811
567-228-9046
Farm Market.

BUBBAROCK MEAT CO

1606 West Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-5649
Fresh meat and sandwich retail store.

CHERRY CITY HONEY FARMS

ad pg. 40
1000 County Rd. 312, Bellevue, OH 44811
cherrycityhoney.com | 419-271-2720
Honey and hive products retail and gift store.

CLOTHES HANGER

141 East Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-5612
Clothing retail store.

FORGET-ME-NOT FLOWERS & GIFTS

221 East Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-5522
Floral and gift retail store.

HOGUE'S IGA

855 Kilbourne St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-2310
Grocery Store.

HUNTER'S NEEDS

ad pg. 41
1831 West Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
huntersneeds.net | 419-483-5789
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LAUGHLIN LANDSCAPE & DESIGN

114 West Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-217-0006
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125 Bellevue Way, Bellevue, OH 44811
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419-217-0876
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9910 State Rte. 269, Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-5957
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PARKS

BUCKINGHAM PARK

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ROBERT PETERS ATHLETIC FIELD

400 Greenwood Hts., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-7827
Has ball fields, basketball and tennis courts, a shelter house, and playground equipment. Includes Bellevue Community Bark Park.

ENTERTAINMENT

BELLEVUE SOCIETY FOR THE ARTS

ad pg. 40
205 Maple St., Bellevue, OH 44811
bellevuearts.net | 419-484-2787
Promotes the arts through appreciation, education, and participation. Includes community theater productions at the Hirt Theater and vocal and instrumental lessons at the School of Arts.

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419-484-5532
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419-483-2842
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OTHER

BELLEVUE AREA TOURISM & VISITORS BUREAU

ad pg. 41
bellevuetourism.org
Provides information about attractions, accommodations, and amenities in the Bellevue area.

FIRELANDS HEALTH THE BELLEVUE HOSPITAL

1400 West Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-4040
Hospital.

BELLEVUE PUBLIC LIBRARY

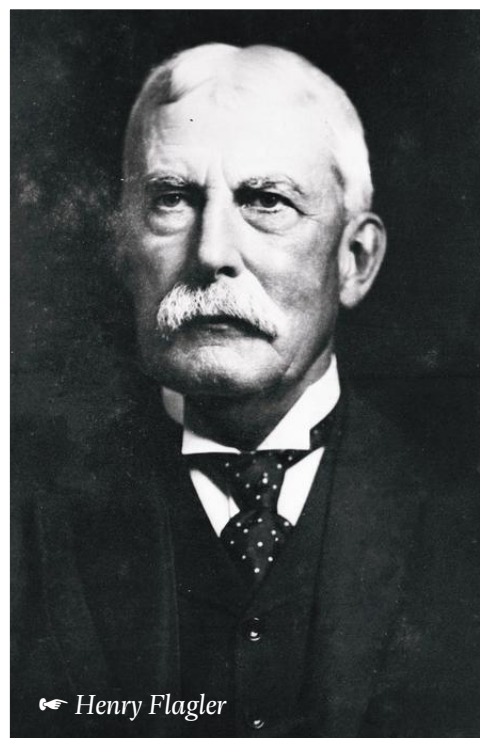
224 East Main St., Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-4769
Public Library.

CROGHAN COLONIAL BANK

ad pg. 20
One Union Sq., Bellevue, OH 44811
croghan.bank | 419-483-2541
Bank and ATM.

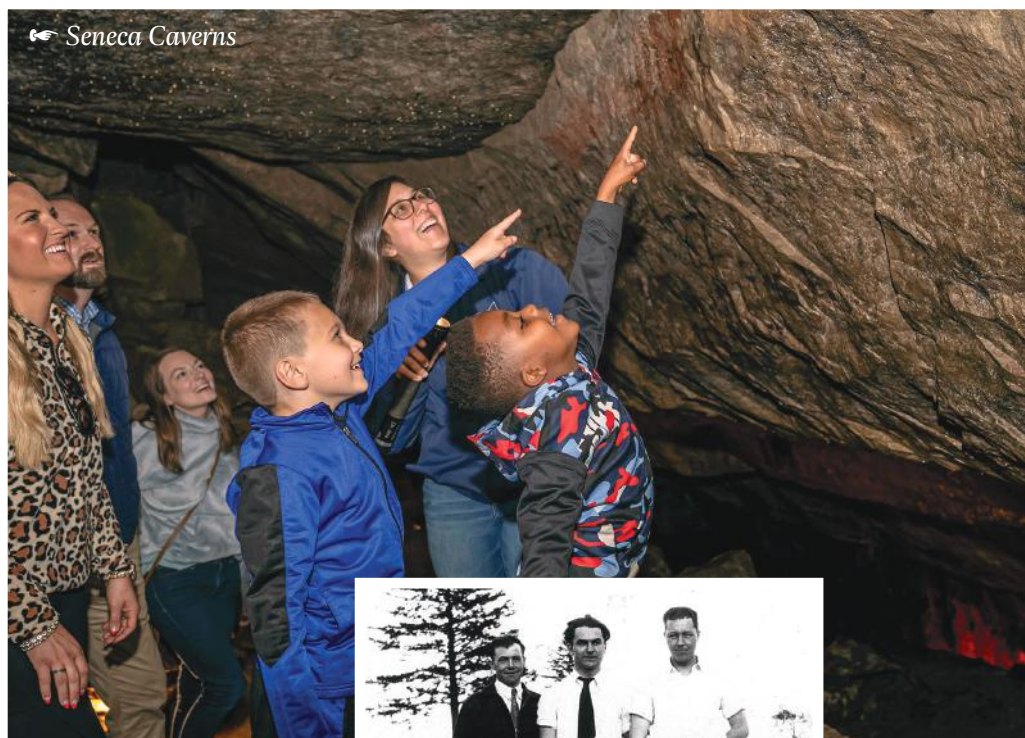
FIRST NATIONAL BANK

ad pg. 24
120 North St., Bellevue, OH 44811
fnblifetime.com | 419-483-7340
Bank and ATM.



Henry Flagler

Bellevue's influence extends beyond the rails. It was the boyhood home of Henry Flagler, a name now synonymous with industrial ambition and the development of Florida's east coast. As a co-founder of Standard Oil alongside John D. Rockefeller, Flagler's early roots in Bellevue reflect the entrepreneurial spirit that drove America's rise as an economic powerhouse. His later achievements in transportation and real estate reshaped entire regions, but his journey began in the quiet streets of this Ohio town.



Seneca Caverns

Seneca Caverns

Step into a hidden world beneath Bellevue at Seneca Caverns, one of Ohio's most fascinating natural attractions. Explore winding passageways, sparkling rock formations, and mysterious underground chambers on a guided tour that brings the caverns' history to life. Perfect for families, adventurers, and geology enthusiasts, each step reveals the stunning beauty and unique stories of this subterranean wonder.

Beyond the awe-inspiring formations, Seneca Caverns offers a fun, educational experience for visitors of all ages. Learn about the geology, history, and local legends that make this site so special, and take home memories of an unforgettable adventure. A visit to Seneca Caverns is a must-see for anyone curious about the natural world beneath our feet, perfect as a day trip or part of a larger Ohio journey.

senecacavernsohio.com

Cavern Tour
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Community Events

- 1 **EARLY SUMMER** Take part in the Bellevue Community Days in late July.
- 2 **FIRST OF FALL** Travel back in time at the Historic Lyme Village's Pioneer Days in early September.
- 3 **HOLIDAYS** All aboard the caboose for hot cocoa and cookies at the Mad River & NKP Railroad Holiday Train in November and December.

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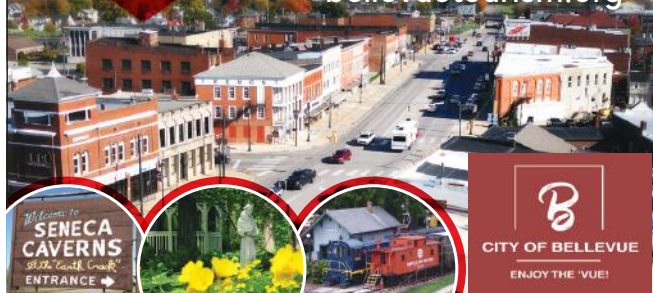
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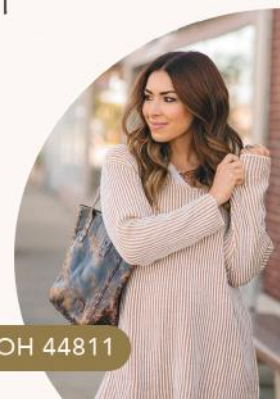
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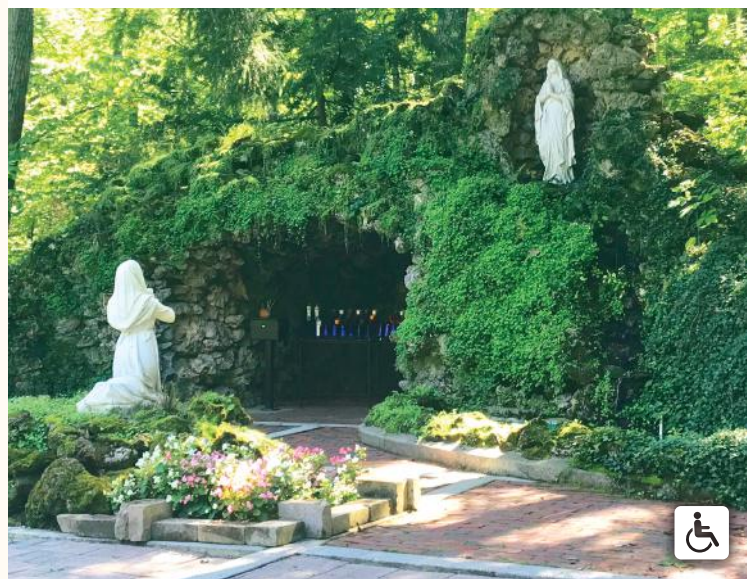
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LOCAL PICKS

BEST SPOTS TO FISH IN SANDUSKY COUNTY

For the best fishing experience, check out the Clyde Reservoir for quiet electric-boat fishing, Fremont's Sandusky River for top walleye and white bass action, and White Star Park in Gibsonburg for a mix of fishing, boating, and seasonal swimming. These spots offer easy access, beautiful surroundings, and plenty of opportunities to reel in a big catch.

Please check our county's rules and regulations before going fishing! wildlife.ohiodnr.gov

CLYDE

CLYDE RESERVOIR – RACON CREEK RESERVOIR
State Rte. 101, Clyde, OH 43410
36 acres of water which offers public fishing and a boat ramp. Only allows boats with electric motors.

COMMUNITY PARK
246 South St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-8455
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ELMORE

ALDRICH POND
County Rd. 149, Elmore, OH 43416
Pond owned and managed by the state of Ohio. State fishing rules apply.

FREMONT

DARR-ROOT FISHING ACCESS
201 Walnut St., Fremont, OH 43420
This access to the Sandusky River offers fishing, a public boat ramp, and parking.

DON W. MILLER MEMORIAL PARK *ad pg. 40*
1329 Tiffin St., Fremont, OH 43420
lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
The 80-acre park is located on the Sandusky River and it offers public fishing access. All Ohio fishing rules and regulations apply.

FREMONT RESERVOIR
South River Rd., Fremont, OH 43420
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MEMORY MARINA
2815 North Sandusky County Rd. 198, Fremont, OH 43420
419-334-3313
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4257 North State Rte. 53, Fremont, OH 43420
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SAND DOCKS
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TACKLE BOX 2 *ad pg. 14*
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GIBSONBURG

SILVEROCK PARK
Township Rd. 42, Gibsonburg, OH 43431
Open for fishing and boating throughout the year. It has a public boat dock and launch. A permit is required.

WHITE STAR PARK *ad pg. 40*
925 South Main St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
The quarry offers seasonal swimming, scuba diving, fishing, and a boat launch. All Ohio fishing rules and regulations apply.

LINDSEY

CREEK BEND FARM PARK *ad pg. 40*
720 South Main St., Lindsey, OH 43442
lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
Fishing is allowed at this public park. All Ohio fishing rules and regulations apply.

VICKERY

PICKEREL CREEK WILDLIFE AREA
3451 County Rd. 256, Vickery, OH 43464
419-547-6007
Offers various fishing opportunities including seasonal ice fishing.



SANDUSKY RIVER - KAYAKING NEAR THE BLUE BANKS

Rivers That Connect Us

WHERE HISTORY FLOWS WITH ADVENTURE

America 250's Lake Erie to Ohio River Trail, part of Ohio's Trails & Tales initiative, traces a historic north-south route across the state, highlighting stories of settlement, transportation, and the cultural growth that helped shape Ohio and the nation. The Sandusky River in Sandusky County is a natural corridor that supported Native American travel, early settlement, transportation and industry, linking inland communities to Lake Erie and reinforcing the river's role in Ohio's historic journey from lake to river.

Known for world-class walleye and white bass fishing, it attracts

anglers each spring from across the U.S., while boating along its scenic waters showcases wildlife, eagles, and charming river homes and businesses.

Ghoul Runnings Kayak provides opportunities for paddlers to explore the river's beauty up close. Nearby, the Portage River Water Trail flows through Woodville, OH, offering a historic and nature-filled route for kayakers and canoeists.

Today, the Sandusky River and surrounding waterways unite past and present, making them a vital part of the America 250 celebration.



FREMONT

Clyde, OH
Prohibition
Whiskey



During Prohibition, Ohio's quiet towns and rivers hid a lively underworld of secret distilleries and smuggling routes. Locals and travelers alike would risk raids and arrests to move illegal liquor, turning everyday spots into clandestine meeting places. Though the era ended nearly a century ago, stories of hidden barrels, daring runs, and lawmen on the trail still color the region's history, giving the area a mischievous charm that contrasts with its peaceful river landscapes today. Clyde, OH, known as "Little Chicago", was one of those small towns with a big bootlegging history that fascinates people today all these years after Prohibition ended.

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CLYDE

A Small Town with Lasting Impact

From brick and back roads to community gatherings and manufacturing shifts, Clyde's past shows how a small town grew through perseverance and practical innovation. It also carries stories that linger - Prohibition-era bootlegging lore and the literary legacy of Sherwood Anderson, whose *Winesburg, Ohio* stirred controversy with its thinly fictionalized glimpse at small-town secrets.

Local Roots Meet National Legacy

Clyde, Ohio, though small in size, has played a vast role in shaping America. Perhaps most famously, Clyde was the hometown of author Sherwood Anderson, who's groundbreaking 1919 novel *Winesburg, Ohio* was inspired by his experiences growing up here. The book, a cornerstone of American literature, revolutionized the short story form.

Clyde is also well known as the boyhood home of Union General James B. McPherson, the highest-ranking Ohioan killed in the Civil War. A trusted commander under General Ulysses S. Grant, McPherson played a key role in several major military campaigns. Today, his childhood home and memorial in McPherson Cemetery stand as a lasting tribute to his legacy and the town's connection to national service.

But the city's history also has a colorful Prohibition-era past. During the 1920s, Clyde earned the nickname "Little Chicago" for its bootlegging activity that came from Lake Erie. The town was a hotspot for illicit

liquor trade, mirroring the larger struggles and resilience of small-town America during that turbulent time.

In 1990, the city earned national attention on the cinematic stage with the movie "Welcome Home, Roxy Carmichael" whose movie star main character leaves the glitz and glamour of Hollywood to return to her hometown of Clyde.

Beyond literary, film, and military history, Clyde has been shaped by American industry. Home to the Whirlpool Corporation's largest washing machine plant in the world, Clyde continues to represent the strength of American manufacturing. Generations of workers have contributed to innovations that touch households across the country.

Clyde stands as an example of how a small town can reflect the nation's military, literary, cinematic, industrial, and rebellious spirit—all woven into the American story.



LOCAL INDUSTRY MEETS CLASSIC HOUSEHOLD BRAND

Clyde is home to Whirlpool's largest washing machine manufacturing plant in the world, a facility that has pioneered advancements in appliance design, automation, and high-efficiency technology. Since opening in the 1950s, the plant has continuously evolved its processes, embracing robotics, smart appliance innovation, and sustainable manufacturing practices that reduce energy and water usage. Whirlpool's work in Clyde doesn't just produce millions of washing machines each year; it represents decades of American manufacturing leadership, workforce development, and technological progress. Whirlpool Corporation highlights how Sandusky County's modern industry continues to shape daily life across the country, complementing the area's historical inventions and cementing its place in America's story.



EXPLORE LIKE A LOCAL

Beyond its history, Clyde is a hub for outdoor fun and family activities. Parks, trails, and nearby reservoirs offer opportunities for fishing, boating, and leisurely strolls, while local shops and eateries provide a welcoming atmosphere for residents and visitors alike. With its mix of history, recreation, and community spirit, Clyde is a hidden gem worth discovering in Ohio's heartland.

clydeohio.org



DINING

BLUE COLLAR BISTRO

111 North Main St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-1313
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CLYDE DRIVE THRU & CLOUD NINE CAFÉ & BAKERY

834 North Woodland Ave., Clyde, OH 43410
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507 North Main St., Clyde, OH 43410
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419-547-8666
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808 North Main St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-1444
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1430 West McPherson Hwy., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-4255
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THE PIZZA HOUSE

120 West McPherson Hwy., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-8375
Lunch and dinner pizza and Italian-style dining.

ROUTE 20 DINER

222 West McPherson Hwy., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-9947
Breakfast and lunch American-style dining.

THE TWIST - CLYDE

320 West McPherson Hwy., Clyde, OH 43410
567-280-0589
Lunch and dinner ice cream shop with sandwiches.

WILD BREW

100 South Main St., Clyde, OH 43410
567-855-5083
Morning and afternoon coffee, tea, and pastries shop.

ATTRACTIONS

CLYDE AQUATIC CENTER

330 Fair St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-9985
Located at the west end of Community Park is an outdoor public swimming pool with slides, diving board, and a concession stand. Open summer months.

CLYDE HISTORICAL MUSEUM *ad pg. 47*

124 West Buckeye St., Clyde, OH 43410
clydemuseum.org | 419-547-7946
Features a unique historical collection of transportation items, Native American artifacts, church history, pioneer to industrial era objects, war heroes, and other famous people from the Clyde area including author Sherwood Anderson. Open March through November.

THE MCPHERSON HOME & MONUMENT *ad pg. 47*

300 West McPherson Hwy., Clyde, OH 43410 | clydemuseum.org 419-547-7946
Built in 1833, Civil War General James B. McPherson's family home is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Limited open-to-the-public dates, but tours may be available by appointment.

NORTH COAST INLAND TRAIL *ad pg. 40*

lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
The 28-mile multi-use trail travels east and west between Bellevue and Elmore. Clyde Entry: 222 Main Street (Maple Street Intersection), Downtown Clyde.

SHOPPING

ANSTEAD'S FARM MARKET

2635 County Rd. 185, Clyde, OH 43410
419-307-8606
Farm Market.

ANTIQUES IN CLYDE

109 West Buckeye St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-618-8876
Antique and collectible retail store.

BURRIS COFFEE ROASTERS, LLC

316 South Church St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-490-4121
Coffee retail store.

CORNER FEED & SEED

141 East McPherson Hwy., Clyde, OH 43410
567-342-4848
Drive-through feed and seed retail store.

COSI BELLA BOUTIQUE

121 South Main St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-1937
Home décor, gift items, and clothing retail store.

DOEBEL'S FLOWERS

401 West McPherson Hwy., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-9538
Floral and plant nursery with gift retail store.

DROWN'S FARM MARKET

2562 County Rd. 185, Clyde, OH 43410
419-639-3789
Farm Market.

HAT TRICK RECORDS

117 South Main St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-557-8579
New and used vinyl records, CD's, and cassettes retail store.

HIDDEN PINES CHRISTMAS TREE FARM

3829 Limerick Rd., Clyde, OH 43410
419-355-3650
Christmas tree farm with retail gift store. Open November and December.

JDM STRUCTURES OUTDOORS OF CLYDE

1859 West McPherson Hwy., Clyde, OH 43410
419-341-9497
Outdoor sheds, furniture, and other structures retail store.

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3356 Limerick Rd., Clyde, OH 43410
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505 West Maple St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-0338
Grocery store.

THE ROOKIE'S DEN

112 South Main St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-650-8496
Hobby retail store.

SANDCO'S SWEETIES

127 South Main St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-765-9212
Candy and ice cream retail store and training center.

THAYER FAMILY GARDENS

753 East Maple St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-202-6131
Fruit and vegetable Farm Market.

PARKS

CHERRY STREET PARK

135 East Cherry St., Clyde, OH 43410
Has basketball courts and playground equipment. Parking is available on East Cherry Street and a walk-in entrance is located on East Forest Street.

CLYDE DOG PARK

233 South St., Clyde, OH 43410
Has a large open space and includes a doggy water fountain and benches.

COMMUNITY PARK

246 South St., Clyde, OH 43410
Has playground equipment, baseball/softball diamonds, volleyball and tennis courts, shelter houses, fishing, and restrooms.

GUS WOLF PARK

Vine St., Clyde, OH 43410
Has a basketball hoop, playground equipment, and open grassy areas along Raccoon Creek. The Lions Club Skate Park is located here. Park at the Vine Street entrance.

HENDRICKS PARK

1101 South Main St., Clyde, OH 43410
Located at the base of the reservoir, the park has walking trails, playground equipment, and tennis and pickleball courts.

THE WOODS AT THE LUSCOMBE FARM *ad pg. 40*

2341 County Rd. 213, Clyde, OH 43410
lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
Donated by the Luscombe family, the park includes a 1-mile loop trail where visitors can hike while looking for migrating birds.

ENTERTAINMENT

COPPER WHALE WINERY & PUB

1734 East McPherson Hwy., Clyde, OH 43410
419-871-7009
Winery with beer, food trucks, and live entertainment on Fridays and Saturdays.

GREEN HILLS GOLF COURSE

1959 South Main St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-7947
18 hole/par 71 and 9 hole/par 27 public golf course with lunch and dinner dining.

OTHER

CLYDE PUBLIC LIBRARY

222 West Buckeye St., Clyde, OH 43410
419-547-7174
Public Library.

CROGHAN COLONIAL BANK *ad pg. 20*

100 North Main St., Clyde, OH 43410
croghan.bank | 419-547-9525
Bank with ATM.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK *ad pg. 24*

122 East McPherson Hwy., Clyde, OH 43410
fnblifetime.com | 419-547-0259
Bank with ATM.

HALO TEAM DENDINGER *ad pg. 47*

2530 County Rd. 218, Clyde, OH 43410
halo.com/teamdendinger | 419-603-8464
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SANDUSKY COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT *ad pg. 47*

1500 County Rd. 220, Clyde, OH 43410
sanduskycountyairport.com | 419-547-0131
Airport.

LODGING

LEAFY OAKS CAMPGROUND *ad pg. 47*

6955 North State Rte. 101, Clyde, OH 43410
leafyoaks.com | 567-230-6499
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RED ROOF INN

1363 West McPherson Hwy., Clyde, OH 43410
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BUSTLING RAILROADS AND HISTORIC HIGHWAYS

Sandusky County has a long history as a hub of movement and connectivity. Long before European settlements, Native Americans first traveled the Harrison Trail through the region, establishing important trade and communication routes. Part of this trail still exists at the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums at Spiegel Grove in Fremont. In the 19th century, the Mad River Railroad, Ohio's first railroad, brought industry and commerce, linking Sandusky County to Ohio's growing economy. Today, the city of Bellevue is home to the largest railroad museum in Ohio, The Mad River & NKP Railroad Museum. The museum preserves this rich rail history, showcasing locomotives,

artifacts, and stories that celebrate the county's pivotal role in early American rail transportation.

Historic U.S. Route 6 and U.S. Route 20, two of the longest highways in the United States, provided critical east-west transportation corridors that connected communities and facilitated trade. These routes continue to highlight the county's strategic location and transportation legacy. From ancient trails to major highways, Sandusky County's role in moving people, goods, and ideas underscores its importance on the Ohio Transportation Trail, celebrating both history and modern connectivity during this year of national celebration.



Inside the Dining Car
The Mad River & NKP
Railroad Museum



THE MAD RIVER & NKP
RAILROAD MUSEUM
253 SOUTHWEST ST.,
BELLEVUE, OH 44811

From **America's**
darkest days came our
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Public Safety Service Memorial Williams Park, Gibsonburg, Ohio

Some say pride in America isn't what it used to be. In Gibsonburg, Ohio, we beg to differ. This summer, visit the Public Safety Service Memorial, made from over 7000 pounds of steel recovered from the North World Trade Center and dedicated to our Nation's First Responders. Plan your visit at GibsonburgOhio.org and leave **PROUD** to be an **AMERICAN**.

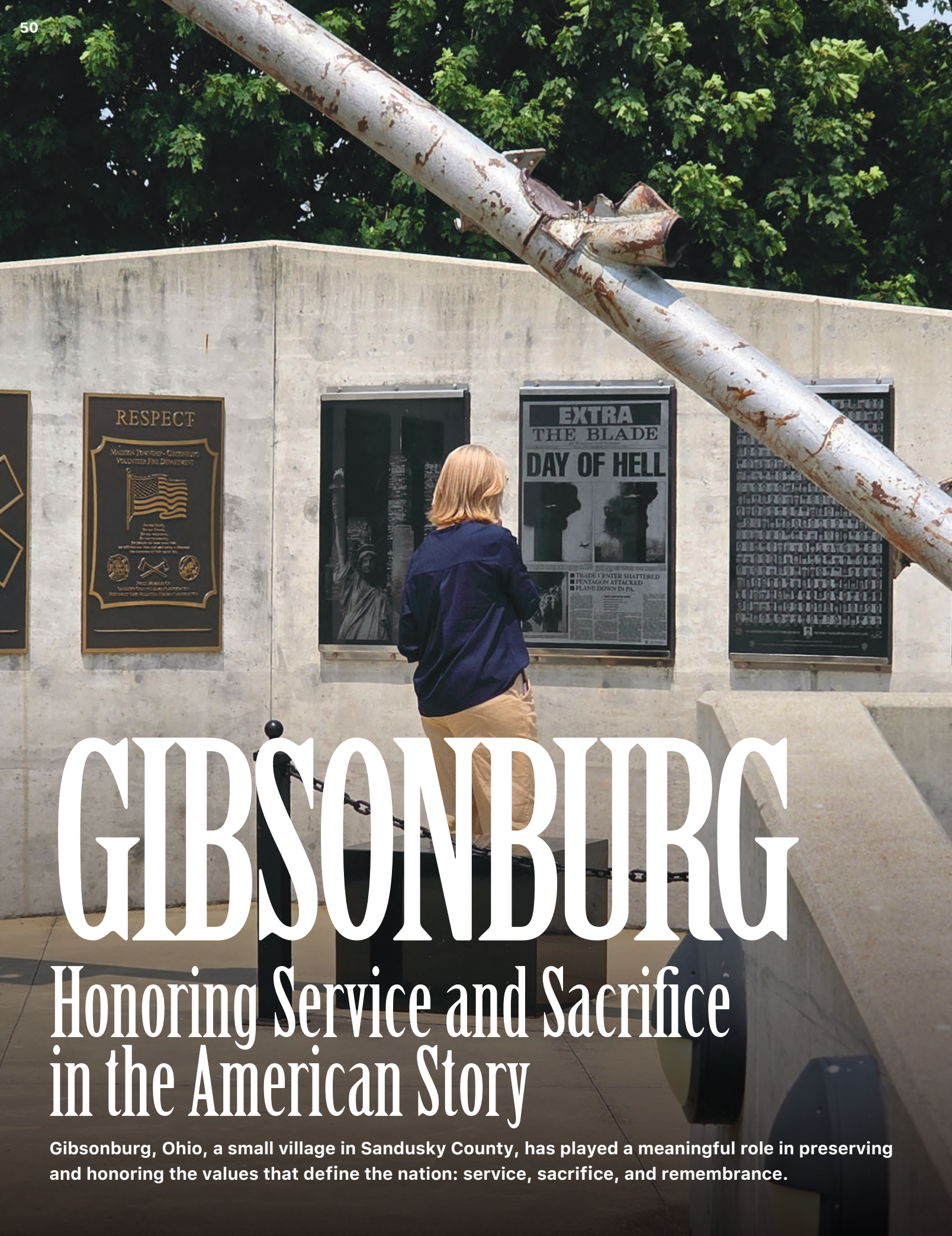
North Coast Veterans Museum, 411 North Main Street Gibsonburg, Ohio

A tribute to those who have served in the United States Military. Displays include weapons, uniforms, pictures, memorabilia, military accessories, tents and first aid from the Civil War to the present. Open on Mondays from 5:30pm - 8:00pm. Call for special tours 419-332-5912 or 419-332-4812.



GibsonburgOhio.org





GIBSONBURG

Honoring Service and Sacrifice in the American Story

Gibsonburg, Ohio, a small village in Sandusky County, has played a meaningful role in preserving and honoring the values that define the nation: service, sacrifice, and remembrance.

HISTORY



Never Forget

A PIECE TO REMEMBER
AND HONOR

At the heart of Gibsonburg in Williams Park is the remarkable 9/11 Public Safety Service Memorial, one of the few memorials of its kind in the Midwest. Dedicated in September 2016, the memorial features a 7,000-pound section of sacred steel from the North Tower antenna of the World Trade Center. It honors the victims of September 11 and the sacrifices of first responders, firefighters, police, EMS, and public safety personnel from across the nation. Nearby is the 9/11 Public Safety Service Memorial Barn, a stop on the Sandusky County Historic Barn Mural Trail.

Adjacent within Williams Park is the Northcoast Veterans Museum, which preserves and shares the stories of local men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Through uniforms, artifacts, and personal accounts, the museum connects generations and offers an intimate look at the human cost and courage behind American freedom.



VETERANS MEMORIAL

REMEMBRANCE WALL

Gibsonburg is also home to a striking Veterans Memorial, which honors those from the community who served in every branch of the military, across all eras of conflict. Together, these sacred spaces make Gibsonburg a place where America's deepest values are not only remembered, they are kept alive for future generations.

gibsonburgohio.org

ARTS & CULTURE



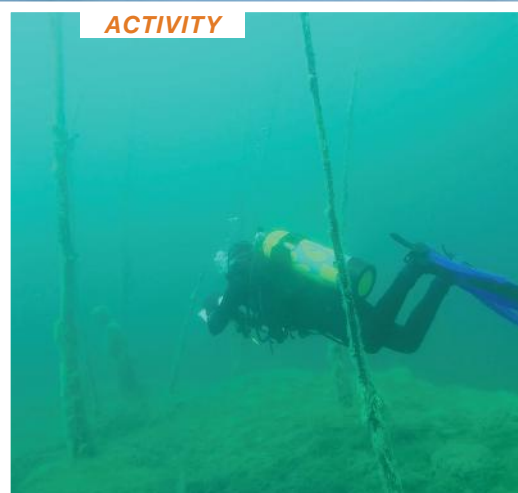
WILLIAMS PARK SCULPTURES

WALK AMONGST THE ART

Perfect for families, art enthusiasts, or anyone looking for a leisurely walk with a creative twist, Williams Park combines outdoor recreation with cultural enrichment. Enjoy this outdoor gallery showcasing an impressive collection of sculptures that bring art to the community. Each sculpture is thoughtfully placed to complement the park's natural beauty, creating a peaceful and inspiring environment for visitors of all ages.



ACTIVITY



Explore the Deep

White Star Quarry

White Star Quarry has a rich history as a working limestone quarry before becoming the recreational destination it is today. Once a hub of industry, the site played an important role in the local economy, supplying stone for construction and other projects throughout the region. Over time, its deep, clear waters, and surrounding natural beauty transformed it into a popular spot for fishing, boating, and seasonal swimming, attracting visitors from across Sandusky County and beyond.

Today, White Star Quarry offers more than just outdoor fun: it's also a place to connect with the area's history.

Scuba diving enthusiasts can explore the underwater landscape, while families and friends enjoy picnicking, hiking, and soaking in the scenic views.



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KATE & AL'S BAR & GRILL

105 South Main St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
419-637-7326

Breakfast, lunch, and dinner American-style dining.

MADISON STREET TAVERN

124 West Madison St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
419-637-2788

Lunch and dinner dining.

OLE ZIM'S WAGON SHED *ad pg. 53*

1375 North State Rte. 590, Gibsonburg, OH 43431
olezims.com | 419-665-2577

Restaurant and event venue. Open on Sundays for lunch dining.

OOGIE'S PIZZA 'N' SUBS

143 West Main St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
419-637-7535

Afternoon and dinner dining and delivery.

ATTRACTIONS

9/11 PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICE MEMORIAL *ad pg. 49*

Williams Park, East Stone St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
gibsonburgohio.org | 419-637-2634

Honors all of those who serve and ensure the safety of the public. A section of the antenna from the North Tower of the World Trade Center is in the park and it acts as a memorial to those who died and served during the 9/11 tragedy.

NORTHCOAST VETERANS MUSEUM *ad pg. 49*

411 North Main St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
facebook.com/Northcoast-Veterans-Museum
419-680-3217

Displays military history of the north coast area, from the Civil War to the present, including a reference library, military memorabilia, and artifacts. Located at Williams Park.

WETSU WATER SPORTS

1917 Township Rd. 42, Gibsonburg, OH 43431
419-552-1858

Rents kayaks and paddle boards from May through September. Located at Silverrock Quarry.

SHOPPING

AVERS ACRES STRAWBERRIES

3419 County Rd. 70, Gibsonburg, OH 43431
419-360-2263

Fruit and vegetable retail store.

HASLINGER ORCHARDS LLC

7404 West US Rte. 6, Gibsonburg, OH 43431
419-288-2567

Fruit and vegetable farm store and cider mill, including homemade products.

IDEAL BAKERY

101 West Madison St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
419-637-2639

Donut, cake, and sweet treat bakery.

KIRWEN'S SUPERMARKET

104 West Madison St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
419-637-2601

Grocery store.

RANDOLPH'S TV & APPLIANCES

119 West Madison St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
419-637-2024

Appliance and television retail store and service center.

SWAIS FLOWERS

210 North Main St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
419-575-4035

Floral retail store.

VEH & SON FURNITURE

132 West Madison St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
419-637-7292

Furniture store.

PARKS

CENTRAL PARK

218 West Yeasting St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431

Has a baseball/T-ball field, shelter house, basketball and pickleball courts, playground, and picnic areas.

RINGNECK RIDGE WILDLIFE AREA *ad pg. 40*

1818 & 2026 Township Rd. 74, Gibsonburg, OH 43431
lovemparks.com | 419-334-4495

Previously a private hunt club, the park is now a managed wild life area, offering hiking (except during hunting season), an archery range, and public hunting (by permit only during hunting season).

SILVEROCK PARK

Township Rd. 42, Gibsonburg, OH 43431

Allows fishing (must have a valid Ohio Fishing License) and boating throughout the year. Has a boat dock and launch, picnic area, walking trails, and a winter sled run.

WHITE STAR PARK AND CAMPGROUND *ad pg. 40*

910 & 925 South Main St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
lovemparks.com | 419-334-4495

The Park and Quarry are located at 925 South Main Street. The Quarry offers swimming, scuba diving, fishing and a boat launch. The Park provides picnic facilities, historic log cabins, and several nature trails. The Campground is located at 910 South Main Street, has 48 camp sites with water and electricity, and is open April 1st - November 1st.

WILLIAMS PARK *ad pg. 49*

410 East Stone St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
gibsonburgohio.org

Is home to the 9/11 Public Safety Service Memorial, Northcoast Veterans Museum and Remembrance Wall and the "Sculpture in the Village" event. Has baseball/softball fields, volleyball courts, walking path, picnic area, fishing platform, and quarry lake.

ENTERTAINMENT

SCULPTURE IN THE VILLAGE ARTS & WINE FEST *ad pg. 52*

410 East Stone St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
artsandwinefest.com

July 25th, 2026 at Williams Park 3:00 pm-9:00 pm.

OTHER

BIRCHARD PUBLIC LIBRARY - GIBSONBURG BRANCH

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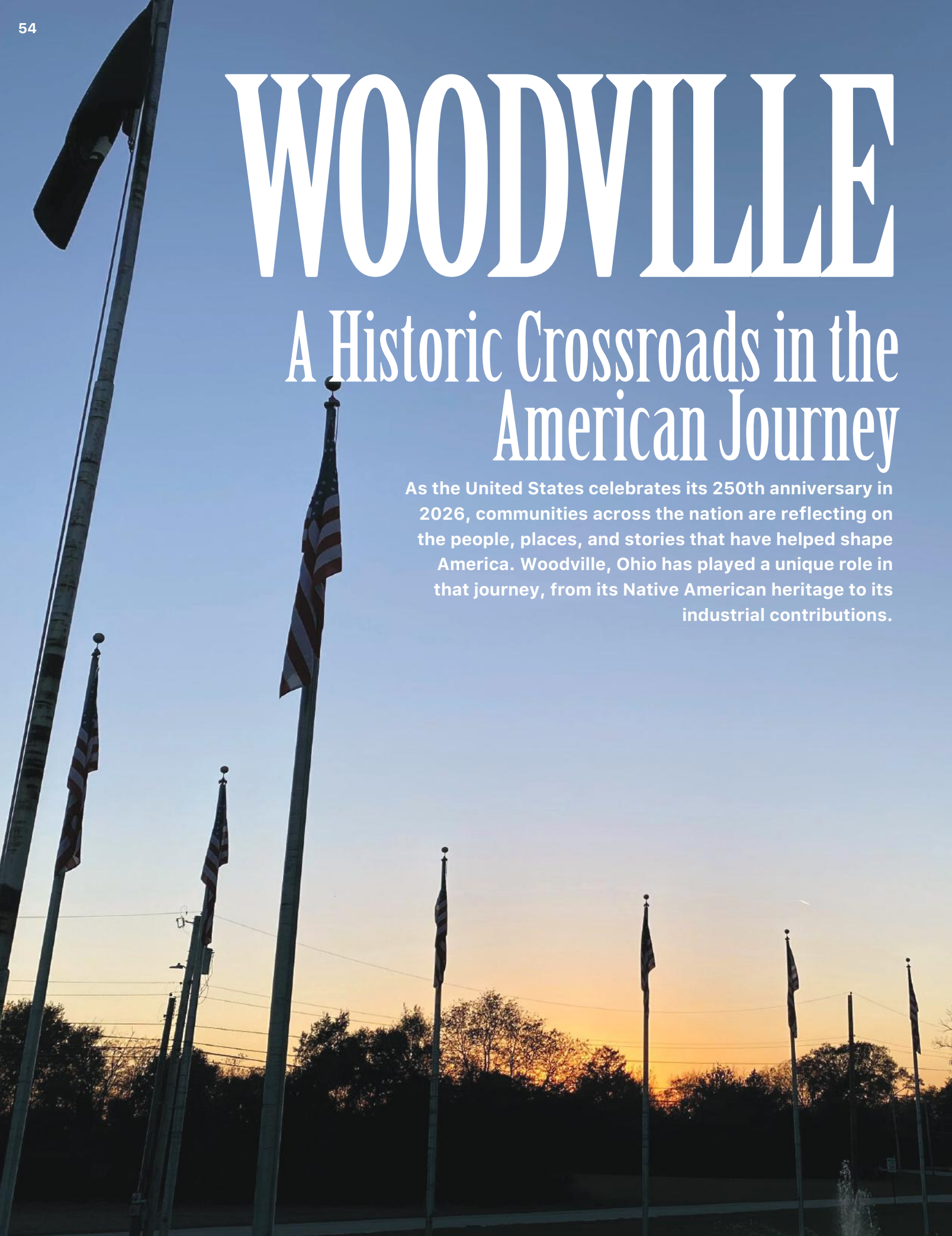
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WOODVILLE

A Historic Crossroads in the American Journey

As the United States celebrates its 250th anniversary in 2026, communities across the nation are reflecting on the people, places, and stories that have helped shape America. Woodville, Ohio has played a unique role in that journey, from its Native American heritage to its industrial contributions.



Limestone, Legacy, and a Road of History

HOW WOODVILLE WAS SHAPED BY ITS PAST

Long before the founding of the nation, the area around Woodville was home to Indigenous peoples who traveled and traded along what would become major regional paths. One of Woodville's most historically significant landmarks is Trailmarker Park, once home to a hackberry tree that is believed to have been bent in an I-shape by Native Americans to mark a trail, indicating a shallow crossing in the Portage River. The 200-year-old tree that once stood near the riverbank in Trailmarker Park was toppled by damaging winds in 2013. The fallen tree was believed to have been the last remaining trail marker tree in northwest Ohio. Those trail marker trees that dotted the landscape in Ohio offered a powerful connection to the pre-colonial history of North America. Today, Trailmarker Park serves as a reminder that America's story began long before 1776.

In the 19th and 20th centuries, Woodville became a vital part of America's industrial and transportation expansion. Its rich limestone deposits earned it the title "Limestone Capital of the World." Stone quarried in Woodville helped build roads, railways, and cities across the Midwest, fueling national growth and progress. The village's position along the historic U.S. Route 20, one of the country's earliest transcontinental highways once known as the Maumee and Western Reserve Road that ran through the Great Black Swamp, further cemented its role as a connector of communities and commerce.

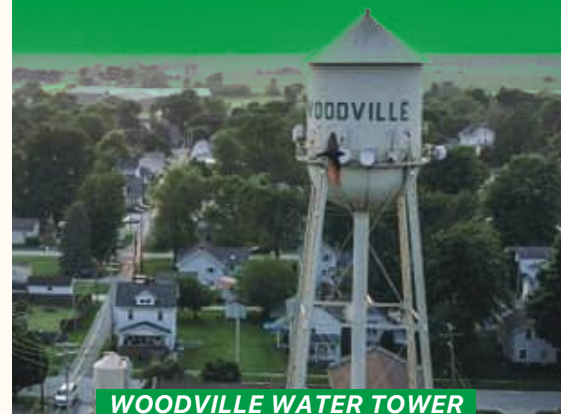
As we celebrate America 250, Woodville stands as a testament to how even the smallest towns have contributed to the nation's story, from Indigenous heritage to industrial strength, helping to build, shape, and preserve the legacy of the United States.



SPEEDTRAP DINER

Enjoy hearty, classic American meals in a friendly, welcoming atmosphere. Known for its breakfast favorites, comfort food, and hometown charm, it's the perfect spot to grab a bite and catch up with friends. Check out their mural, highlighted on page 63!

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WOODVILLE WATER TOWER

DINING

GRANNY'S KITCHEN
1105 West Main St., Woodville, OH 43469
419-849-2203
Breakfast, lunch, and dinner
American-style dining.

JOJO'S NITE CLUB
115 East Main St., Woodville, OH 43469
419-849-3257
Morning, lunch, and dinner dining.

SPEEDTRAP DINER
310 East Main St., Woodville, OH 43469
419-849-3665
Breakfast, lunch, and dinner
American-style dining and carry-out.

WILD BREW
100 East Main St., Woodville, OH 43469
419-333-1520
Breakfast and lunch coffee and tea shop with pastries and paninis.

ATTRACTIONS

WOODVILLE HISTORICAL MUSEUM
107 East Main St., Woodville, OH 43469
419-849-2349
Houses a collection of artifacts, photographs, and documents that reflect the history of the area.

SHOPPING

COUNTRY CREEK GREENHOUSE
1283 East Main St., Woodville, OH 43469
419-410-5830
Floral and plant greenhouse, which also offers in-person classes.

MORGANITE & MOONSTONE
110 East Main St., Woodville, OH 43469
419-407-6397
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135 East Main St., Woodville, OH 43469
419-699-0918
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PARKS

H. W. BUSDIECKER PARK (FLAG PARK)
Intersection of Fort Findlay Rd. and Main St., Woodville, OH 43469
Has a pond and walking path, and features 14 flagpoles, honoring the first 14 NASA astronauts who perished in the line of duty.

LIMELITE EAGLE PARK
129 East Main St., Woodville, OH 43469
Downtown park with seating, patio area, and picnic benches.

TRAIL MARKER PARK AND COMMUNITY POOL
308 South Cherry St., Woodville, OH 43469
419-849-2005 (Pool)
Has a shelter house, The Orchard Gazebo, basketball and tennis courts, hiking/walking trails, and a boat ramp. The outdoor Community Pool is located at 205 Erie Street.

VETERANS PARK (WATERWORKS PARK)
West First St. (between Walnut and Perry St.), Woodville, OH 43469
Features playground equipment and a memorial to soldiers.

ENTERTAINMENT

HIDDEN HILLS GOLF CLUB
4900 County Rd. 16, Woodville, OH 43469
419-849-3693
18 hole/par 72 public golf course.

OTHER

BIRCHARD PUBLIC LIBRARY - WOODVILLE BRANCH
101 East Main St., Woodville, OH 43469
419-849-2744
Public Library.

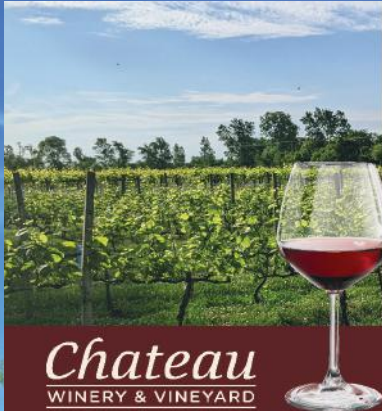


Smaller Communities: Discover Tucked-Away Treasures

Even the smallest communities are reflections on how towns have helped shape the American story. In Sandusky County, the villages of Green Springs, Helena, Lindsey, and Vickery represent the heart of rural America—built on agriculture, service, and enduring community spirit.

Sandusky County's charming villages offer a delightful mix of dining, drinks, and local attractions. In Green Springs, visitors can grab a slice at the beloved **Pizza-Rama**, or enjoy other cozy cafes while exploring the village's historic architecture and scenic parks. Helena is home to **Chateau Winery & Vineyard**, where guests can savor local wines and small plates in a picturesque setting. Lindsey is a town of quiet rural charm, featuring scenic surroundings,

community events like the **Sunflower Festival**, and the **Wilson Nature Center** which offers walking trails and wildlife exhibits for a peaceful, nature-filled visit. Over in Vickery, enjoy a casual meal before exploring the **Blue Heron Reserve**, perfect for fishing, birdwatching, and seasonal outdoor activities. Together, these towns provide a mix of small-town warmth, delicious bites, and memorable experiences for a day trip or weekend getaway.



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Hidden Gems of Small-Town USA

GREEN SPRINGS

Home to the largest natural sulfur spring in the world, Green Springs became a 19th-century destination for health and healing. The town's sulfur springs drew visitors from across the country, helping to boost early American health tourism and supporting local economic growth. Its deep-rooted agricultural heritage and small-town pride continue to thrive today.

**HELENA
1890**

HELENA

Once a bustling station along the Toledo, Tiffin & Eastern Railroad, it played a key role in connecting Ohio's agricultural economy to larger markets during America's period of rapid expansion. Its farms helped feed the growing nation, while the rail lines linked rural Ohio to regional markets, strengthening the country's infrastructure and economy.

LINDSEY

Long recognized for its community pride and commitment to conservation, Lindsey showcases these values through the Wilson Nature Center and Farm Homestead. These sites preserve the area's natural and cultural heritage, offering education, recreation, and a tribute to the farming families who built the region.

VICKERY

As an unincorporated village with a proud rural identity, Vickery has also contributed through its agricultural backbone and commitment to service. With a local fire department serving surrounding townships, Vickery stands as a symbol of grassroots public safety, where neighbors still protect and support one another.

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VICKERY PUB & GRUB

1573 County Rd. 268, Vickery, OH 43464
419-765-4038
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ATTRACTIONS

NORTH COAST INLAND TRAIL *ad pg. 40*

lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
The 28-mile multi-use trail travels east and west between Bellevue and Elmore. Lindsey Entry: Wendelle Miller Park, 240 South Main Street (State Route 590), Lindsey.

STEMTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

111 South Kansas St., Green Springs, OH 44836
419-639-0319
The Museum was founded to preserve the heritage of Green Springs through photos and memorabilia. Open limited hours weekly, April through December.

SHOPPING

THE HELENA MARKET

248 Main St., Helena, OH 43435
419-638-1169
Grocery and convenience store, specializing in coffee and ice cream.

KUNY'S MARKET

4122 County Rd. 177, Green Springs, OH 44836
419-547-7373
Farm Market and specialty grocery store.

LINDSEY VILLAGE MARKET

217 South Main St., Lindsey, OH 43442
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PARKS

BLUE HERON RESERVE *ad pg. 40*

2134 County Rd. 260, Vickery, OH 43464
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The 160-acre reserve offers bird watching along the boardwalk and is part of the Lake Erie Birding Trail.

CREEK BEND FARM PARK &

WILSON NATURE CENTER *ad pg. 40*

720 South Main St., Lindsey, OH 43442
lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495
The Wilson Nature Center is located on Creek Bend Farm and consists of animal displays, a nature library, hands-on activities, and a Window on Wildlife area. Creek Bend Farm includes the Homestead House and various walking trails which offer birding opportunities, especially in the spring and fall.

WENDELLE MILLER PARK

240 South Main St., Lindsey, OH 43442
Has shelter houses and a play area. Is an entry to the North Coast Inland Trail and home of the Lindsey Sunflower and Homecoming Festival.

ENTERTAINMENT

CHATEAU WINERY & VINEYARD *ad pg. 56*

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OTHER

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NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES

ATTRACTIONS

JET EXPRESS *ad pg. 52*

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101 West Shoreline Dr., Sandusky, OH 44870
jet-express.com
800-245-1538 or 419-245-1538
Ferry service to Put-in-Bay and Kelleys Island. Runs weekends in early May, daily mid-May through September and weekends in October.

ODIN'S PARADISE *ad pg. 59*

56 Saint Mary's St., Norwalk, OH 44857
odinsparadise.com | 567-424-6280
Indoor airsoft field and airsoft retail shop.

SCHEDER ARBORETUM &

GARDENS *ad pg. 52*
19255 West Portage River South Rd., Elmore, OH 43416
scheder-gardens.org | 419-862-3182
The 17-acre garden estate offers opportunities for the study and appreciation of nature and the arts. The Gardens and the Blair Museum of Lithophanes are open April 1st through October 31st.

OTHER

DESTINATION SENECA COUNTY

ad pg. 53
96 South Washington St., Suite B, Tiffin, OH 44883
destinationsebecacounty.org
419-447-4141
Connects visitors to Seneca County and also local residents to attractions, events, and unique opportunities around the community.

DESTINATION TOLEDO *ad pg. 47*

401 Jefferson Ave., Suite 201, Toledo, OH 43604
visittoledo.org | 419-321-6404
Provides information on attractions, events, and things to do in the Toledo area.

SANDUSKY RIVER VALLEY POWER

WASHING LLC *ad pg. 11*
95 Sycamore St., Tiffin, OH 44883
srp.powerwashing.com | 419-619-9012
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SHORES & ISLANDS OHIO *ad pg. 58*

Welcome Center East - 125 East Water St., Sandusky, OH 44870
shoresandislands.com
419-625-2984 or 800-255-3743

Welcome Center West - 770 Southeast

Catawba Rd., Port Clinton, OH 43452
shoresandislands.com
419-734-4386 or 800-441-1271
Provides information on attractions, events, and things to do in Erie and Ottawa Counties.

LODGING

CRYSTAL ROCK CAMPGROUND

ad pg. 61
710 Crystal Rock Ave., Sandusky, OH 44870
crystalrockcampground.com
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Birding

FEATHERED FINDS IN SANDUSKY COUNTY

From wetlands and river corridors to protected woodlands and wide-open fields, Sandusky County's diverse landscapes attract a remarkable variety of birds throughout the year. Spring and fall migrations bring flashes of color and chorus-like calls as warblers, orioles, and waterfowl make their seasonal journey. In the summer, you'll spot great blue herons stalking the shoreline, red-tailed hawks circling overhead, and songbirds nesting among the trees. Even winter has its wonders, with snowy owls occasionally gracing open fields and bald eagles soaring along the Sandusky River.



Birding Community Event Highlight

As part of the "Biggest Week" celebration (May 8th-17th), the Wilson Nature Center will serve as a welcoming hub for the birding community. Special hours are designed with birders in mind, offering a place to gather, refuel, and connect. Coffee and light snacks will be available throughout the day.

Camping

STAY UNDER THE STARS IN SANDUSKY COUNTY

If you're craving fresh air, starry skies, and a peaceful escape, Sandusky County, Ohio offers some of the region's most inviting places to pitch a tent or park a camper. With its mix of wooded trails, calm lakes, and wide-open rural landscapes, this Northwest Ohio gem is the ideal destination for campers of all styles, from seasoned adventurers to families looking for a fun weekend away.

Whether you're planning a weekend getaway or a longer stay, camping in Sandusky County brings a chance to slow down, reconnect with nature, and soak in the simple beauty of Ohio's outdoors. Pack your gear, gather your friends or family, and discover why so many visitors return year after year to their favorite campsite under the Ohio sky.



Top Spots in Sandusky County



Local favorites like White Star Park offer a serene setting with clear quarry waters perfect for swimming, kayaking, or just relaxing along the shoreline. Meanwhile, Leafy Oaks provides a quieter, tucked-away option where visitors can enjoy fishing and birdwatching.

👉 sanduskycounty.org/camping

BELLEVUE

GOTTA GETAWAY RV PARK
4888 US Rte. 20 East, Bellevue, OH 44811
419-483-3177

Family and pet friendly tent camping and RV park (with water and electric hookups) and rental cottages. Amenities include a swimming pool, playground, fishing pond and game room. Open late-April through late-October.

CLYDE

BUCKEYE ACRES CAMPGROUND LLC
972 South County Rd. 278, Clyde, OH 43410
419-765-0048

Family and pet friendly campgrounds, requiring a reservation. Open March to October.

LEAFY OAKS CAMPGROUND *ad pg. 47*
6955 North State Rte. 101, Clyde, OH 43410
leafyoaks.com | 567-230-6499

Campground with tent (no water and electricity) and RV (with water and electricity) sites and cabins. Amenities include a swimming pond, fishing pond, trails and other recreational facilities and activities. Open May through mid-October.

FREMONT

SANDUSKY COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS CAMPGROUNDS
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712 North St., Fremont, OH 43420
sanduskycountyfair.com | 419-332-5604

Camping site. Must call ahead to see if camping is available and make a reservation. Paid camping permit is required.

WOLF CREEK PARK & CAMPGROUNDS *ad pg. 40*
2701 South State Rte. 53, Fremont, OH 43420
lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495

This location is currently undergoing renovations and restructuring for the 2026 season with limited access. Public camping is permanently closed. Future plans include group camping by special permit. For up-to-date information, visit: lovemyparks.com.

GIBSONBURG

WHITE STAR PARK & CAMPGROUND *ad pg. 40*
910 South Main St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431
lovemyparks.com | 419-334-4495

Located across from the entrance to White Star Park, the campground is open from April 15 through November 1. Reservations are required to be made online. All campsites have water and electricity hookups. The Park offers swimming, fishing and other recreational activities.

HELENA

CACTUS FLATS CAMPGROUND
637 Sandusky County Rd. 26, Helena, OH 43435
419-638-1015

Campground with tent and RV sites. Open April to October.

LINDSEY

WOODED ACRES CAMPGROUND
2232 County Rd. 106, Lindsey, OH 43442
419-665-2414

Family and pet friendly campground. Open April through mid-October.

SANDUSKY

CRYSTAL ROCK CAMPGROUND *ad pg. 61*
710 Crystal Rock Ave., Sandusky, OH 44870
crystalrockcampground.com
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Offers large and small campsites and rental cabins. Amenities include a pavilion, firepit, playground, recreation hall, basketball, volleyball and pickleball courts and more. Open May through October.

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1. BELLEVUE, OH: A new military-inspired mural containing history from the Civil War through WWII features silhouettes of several local heroes. Painted by a professional graffiti artist, this mural used spray paint only to complete. The mural also contains images of the American flag, a submarine, tank, and aircraft carrier.

ARTIST: Paul Woronecki. Located at 106 S. Sandusky Street, Bellevue, Ohio 44811 (Art @106 building).

Murals Across Sandusky County

Murals bring color, creativity, and pride to a community, transforming ordinary walls into meaningful works of art. The cities, villages, and scenic byways of Sandusky County contain beautiful and unique works of art that canvas barns, alley ways and the sides of buildings. With our nation's anniversary upon us, the America 250-Ohio Commission has put together a "Murals Across Ohio" experience. Included in this state-wide program are The Gibsonburg Way mural in Gibsonburg, Ohio and the American 250-Ohio Historic Barn Mural in Fremont, Ohio.

Sandusky County has plenty of other murals that create inviting destinations for residents and visitors alike! Discover these vibrant murals of Sandusky County where history, art, and creativity come alive!



2. SANDUSKY COUNTY HISTORIC BARN MURAL TRAIL: Journey through Sandusky County along scenic rural roads, where rolling countryside and breathtaking views accompany you as you explore this trail. **ARTIST:** Scott Hagan. See pg. 32 for details and locations.



3. PADEN LANE MURAL: This 75-foot mural in the Paden Lane Alley features both historical and current scenes, representing life in Clyde, Ohio and contains an "eye spy" element. **ARTIST:** Beth Sage. Located between Heritage Hall and Sanco Sweeties in Downtown Clyde, Ohio, 43410.

Other murals can be found throughout alleyways and buildings across Sandusky County.

DOWNTOWN FREMONT MURALS

4. FREMONT RIVER WALL MURAL:

This continuous mural wall features paintings from several artists. Located on the flood wall at the corner of State Street and Front Street in Fremont, Ohio 43420.



5. TRIBUTE TO BERNADINE STETZEL MURAL:

This tribute mural draws on the primitive art style of local artist/instructor Bernadine Stetzel and incorporates "hidden objects" within the painting. **ARTIST:** Bradley Scherzer. Located on the Brady Mercantile Building in Downtown Fremont, Ohio 43420.



KUNS NORTHCOAST SECURITY MURALS

6. The first mural celebrates the city's sports legacy and hometown hero Charles Woodson, featuring athletes and bold imagery inside the word "Fremont." Fremont is the hometown of Pro Football Hall of Famer Charles Woodson. **ARTIST:** Matt Ritter. Located at Kuns Northcoast Security, 2378 W. State St., Fremont, Ohio 43420.

7. The second mural is a bold mural of the American flag with the U.S. Marine Corp Eagle, globe and anchor emblem spanning the side of the building, symbolizing patriotism and military pride. **ARTIST:** Matt Ritter. Located at Kuns Northcoast Security, 2378 W. State St., Fremont, OH 43420.



WOODVILLE MURALS

8. SPEEDTRAP DINER MURAL:

This mural is a throwback to the 1950s era and fits well with the retro theme of the diner, a nostalgic restaurant frozen in time, with a popular ice cream counter outside. **ARTIST:** Tony Touch. Located at 310 E. Main St., Woodville, OH 43469.



9. MILITARY MURAL AT VETERAN'S PARK:

This mural stands as a tribute to fallen soldiers – brothers and sisters in arms who fought and fell together. Created as a companion to the Doughboy Statue in the park, it serves as a lasting reminder of courage, sacrifice, and unity with heartfelt thanks to all who have served in the U.S. military. **ARTIST:** Dean Davis. Located on W. First Street between Walnut and S. Perry Streets, Woodville, OH 43420.



THE GIBSONBURG WAY

11. This expansive mural incorporates the rippling American flag and the motto "The Gibsonburg Way" painted on the side of the Gibsonburg Police Department in the heart of the downtown area. **ARTIST:** Scott Hagan. Located at 214 W. Madison Street, Gibsonburg, OH 43431.



LINDSEY SUNFLOWER MURALS

10. The town of Lindsey, Ohio hosts an annual Sunflower & Homecoming Festival each July. The Luckey Farmers building in Wendelle C. Miller Village Park features two murals on the east and west ends that celebrate the festival and community spirit. **ARTIST:** Jill Weigman. Located in Wendelle C. Miller Village Park on the Northcoast Inland Trail, 240 S. Main St., Lindsey, Ohio 43442.



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The Ohio Air & Space Trail, part of America 250 Ohio, celebrates the state's rich aviation and aerospace history, connecting historic sites, museums, and landmarks that honor Ohio's contributions to flight and space exploration. Sandusky County's nod to this trail includes a tribute to hometown astronaut Tom Henricks. Raised in Woodville, Ohio, Henricks is a NASA veteran whose career reflects the country's lasting connection to space exploration.

General James B. McPherson, a Union Army general during the American Civil War, was one of the highest-ranking officers killed in action. Serving with distinction under General William Tecumseh Sherman, he led forces in the Vicksburg and Atlanta Campaigns. His childhood home and grave site are in Clyde, Ohio.

President Rutherford B. Hayes, an Ohio native, also served with distinction in the Union Army, earning a reputation for bravery and leadership. Later becoming the 19th President of the United States, he guided the nation through Reconstruction with integrity and was most proud of his Civil War service.

Ohio's courage extends to World War II hero Rodger Young, who earned the Medal of Honor for his selfless actions in the Pacific Theater, sacrificing his life to save his unit. A park in Fremont named after him features athletic fields, courts, and the Fremont Kiwanis Inclusive Play Park, continuing his legacy of service and sacrifice.

Henry Flagler, who moved to Bellevue, Ohio during his formative years, became a nationally influential industrialist. As co-founder of Standard Oil, his later fame came from developing Florida's east coast, though his early entrepreneurial roots were in Ohio. Today, the Mad River Railroad & NKP Museum stands on part of the former site of Flagler's "Gingerbread House."

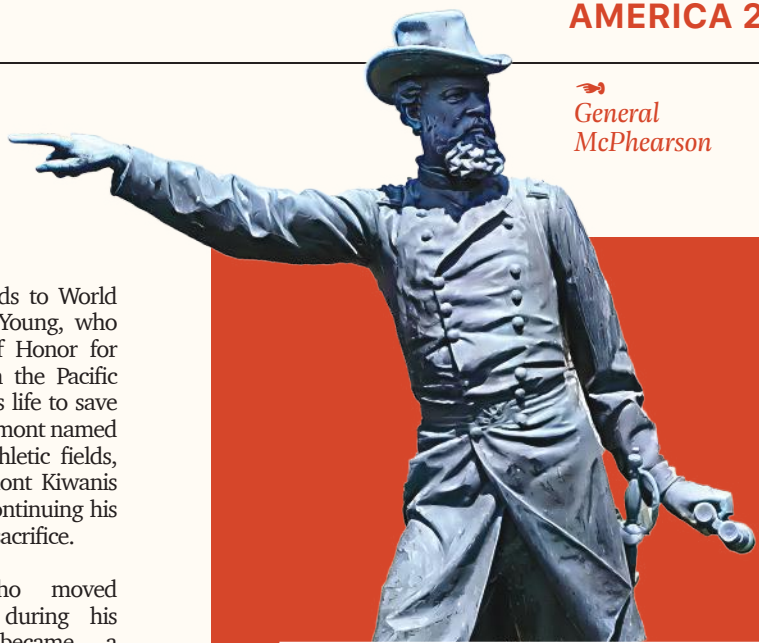
Modern aviation and military leadership are represented by Colonel Tom Henricks, an accomplished astronaut and pilot. A barn mural in Woodville dedicated to Henricks is part of the Sandusky County Historic Barn Mural Trail. Together, these leaders exemplify Ohio's enduring impact on American history and innovation, spanning military service, industry, and exploration.

From Woodville to Orbit

A HOMETOWN
ASTRONAUT AND A
HISTORIC JET

Sandusky County plays a proud role in Ohio's America 250 "Trails & Tales" Air and Space Trail through a tribute to hometown astronaut Tom Henricks. Raised in Woodville, Ohio, and a NASA veteran of four space shuttle missions, Henricks is honored with his portrait on the striking Sandusky County Historic Barn Mural in Woodville, celebrating his career. Nearby, at Williams

Park in Gibsonburg, a restored Lockheed T-33 Shooting Star jet stands as a testament to aviation history and local pride. Together, these landmarks invite visitors to explore how Sandusky County's people and places have helped shape America's legacy in flight and space exploration, linking small-town heritage to the nation's larger story.



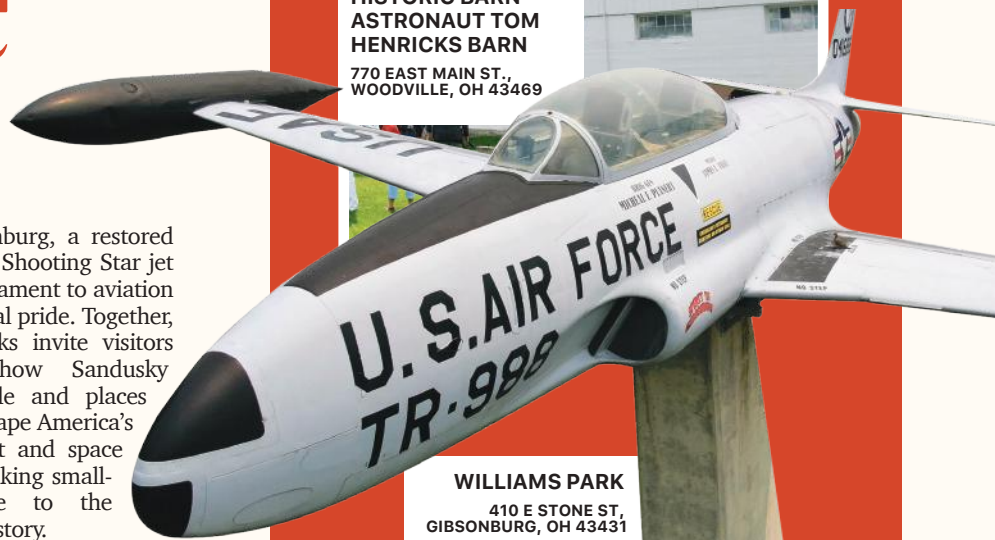
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