

Things to do...

Events

Dawes Arboretum - Ohio 13, three miles north of I-70.

Dawes Art Show - Saturday, August 11 - 26, 8am - 5pm (Mon. - Sat.), 1 - 5pm (Sun.), free admission, at the Visitors Center. This is a joint art show between The Arboretum and Licking County Arts. It highlights artists from all over central Ohio. Visitors will experience works in media such as paintings, fabric art, photographs, sculptures and more. Opening night is Saturday, August 11, 6 - 8pm. Be the first to attend the show and mingle with all of the talented artists participating.

Night Hike- Friday, August 17, 8:30 - 10:30pm, Bring the kids and leave your sunglasses in the car for this evening stroll around The Arboretum grounds. The Naturalist will lead a hike through the forests, collections and hillsides while discussing natural history, wildlife and constellations in the dark sky above our heads. Free, meet at the Visitors Center Deck.

Butterflies Abound- Saturday, August 18, 2007, noon - 2pm, Join in a walk to search, capture and inspect some butterflies in our area starting at the charming Davis Barn. The Naturalist will talk about the connection between butterflies and host plants and about The Arboretum's participation in the state-wide, long-term, butterfly monitoring project. \$8/\$5 members, reservation required, meet at the Davis Barn, located on Davis Rd. behind Maintenance Building.

The grounds are open from dawn to dusk. The Visitors Center is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and from 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays and holidays. Call 740-323-2355 or 800-44-DAWES for information or visit www.dawesarb.org.

22nd Annual Tour of Homes - Buckeye Lake. The Buckeye Lake Area Civic Association's popular Tour of Homes returns Sunday, August 12 from noon to 3 p.m. Six homes built on western shoreline of Buckeye Lake are featured this year. Guests will travel to the homes by pontoon boats. Boats will load at the Buckeye Lake State Park at Liebs Island. Last boat out at 3 p.m. \$15 donation.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day - Thornville. Residents of Fairfield, Licking and Perry counties can get rid of

hazardous and noxious chemicals collecting in their garages and basements for FREE from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, August 11 in the parking lot of the Thornville Elementary School. The collection day is sponsored by the Coshocton-Fairfield-Licking-Perry Solid Waste District and the Perry County Recycling and Litter Prevention program. Only waste from residences will be accepted. NO WASTE will be accepted from businesses.

Dan Emmett Music & Arts Festival - Mount Vernon. - The Dan Emmett Music & Arts Festival returns for its 20th year on the streets of downtown Mount Vernon August 9th - 12th. Named for Dan Emmett, the author of "Dixie", the Festival's mission is "Celebrate the Legacy" of his life and career by presenting a varied format of performing and creative artists. The Festival begins Thursday with the Home-mades & Trades Show with local merchants, vendors, and crafters displaying their wares. Thursday evening entertainment is "Dance to the Oldies" featuring The Caf-friends at 7:00 p.m. - and then the Rock 'n Roll rocks the stage when Phil Dirt and the Dozers step on at 8:30 p.m.

Friday's theme is "Stars & Stripes and Pearly Lights," featuring one of the best youth bands in the USA - The All-Ohio State Fair Band. The three day Fine Arts & Craft Fair opens Friday featuring jury-selected nationally known artisans. Saturday's Festival theme is "Art, Bluegrass, Rock, and More," featuring area bluegrass performers and the traditional fiddle and guitar contests.

An authentic civil war era parade will step off from the Square at 10:30 a.m. Saturday leading to the birthplace home of Dan Emmett on the banks of the Kokosing River. The renowned Saxton's Cornet Band will lead the parade and take part in these 19th century activities. At 9:30 p.m., Herman's Hermits starring Peter

Noone will grace the stage. On Sunday, the Festival will feature the theme "Arts, Crafts, Gospel, & More." Registration for the car and antique show is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with an awards presentation for the favorites at 4 p.m. Line Drive and The Nomads will rock the square throughout the car show. Also featured on the South Stage will be the best in praise and pure gospel music during "Gospel Sunday".

For detailed scheduling information, visit the Festival website at www.DanEmmettFestival.org <<http://www.danemmett.org/festival>

American Soldiers Homecoming Festival - Dennison, Aug. 10 through Aug. 12. This 1940s era, WWII event will surround the historic Dennison Depot. It will feature battle reenactments, Big Band music, USO Entertainment, parade, military vehicles and displays, vendors, mess tents, 1940s movies, reenactment of the Canteen, fly-bys and a memorial service.

Dennison Ohio is one of the only WWII Canteen sites still existing, and the only one that continues to serve free coffee and donuts every day to weary travelers.

This event will be one of the

final salutes to the homefront. Veterans from all over the country and their families are encouraged to come back to Dreamsville one last time...and reunite with those who served on the homefront.

Even if you did not stop at the Dennison Canteen, but at another Canteen similar to Dennison's, we invite you back as a symbolic gesture to remember volunteers who served at all canteens.

Also ongoing at the Den-

nison Railroad Depot Museum: Operation Letters. Bring your WWII letters and correspondence to be preserved at the Museum. For more information, call the museum at 740-922-6776

Baltimore Farmers' Market - Old Basil Firehouse. Buy fresh produce, baked goods, jams and jellies and crafts every Friday from 5 - 7 p.m. The old Basil Fire House is at the corner of

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