

Sunday, Oct. 1, 2006

THE DICKENS CRIER

Hear ye, hear ye, welcome to *The Dickens Crier!*

This space will be devoted to weekly announcements regarding the Dickens Victorian Village project.

This exciting downtown Cambridge project continues to grow in amazing ways. Each week new activities are added to complement the Dickens Victorian Village display theme. Check out our website, www.dickensvictorianvillage.com, for a complete overview of the project.

Through the efforts of the Cambridge/Guernsey County Visitors & Convention Bureau and many local participants, there are already a dozen tour buses scheduled to visit and enjoy our community's unique creation!

Sponsorship Opportunities

This week we want to tell you about the many sponsorship opportunities available for you to become a supporting partner, and be recognized, in this project that will be enjoyed by visitors from around the nation.

We have options for all budget sizes!

Carolers Club: In-kind professional services, volunteer services, or monetary donation \$1 to \$199.

Lamplighters Club: \$200 to \$999, including scene sponsors.

Tiny Tim Club: \$1,000 to \$4,999.

Bob Cratchit Club: \$5,000 to \$9,999.

Father Christmas Club: \$10,000 or more.

Scene Sponsorship

Each of the 40 Dickens Victorian Village scenes is available for sponsorship, providing many valuable and high profile recognition opportunities for businesses, individuals, families, and organizations.

Sponsorship costs include an initial donation of \$200 per figure in the sponsored scene, and an annual maintenance fee of one half of the original sponsorship fee.

For example, if the scene you wish to sponsor includes two figures, your initial sponsorship fee would be \$400, with an annual maintenance fee of \$200 to continue your sponsorship recognition every year.

Monetary Donations

Monetary donations of all sizes (minimum \$1.00) will be accepted – so even kids and youth groups can get involved. All donations are tax-deductible!

Recognition Benefits

We offer excellent recognition benefits in return for your support.

Scene sponsorship includes your name on a plaque displayed at the scene throughout the season; your name listed with a sketch of the scene on the Dickens Scenes page of the website; and your name and website link on the Sponsorship page of the website. Wow!

All monetary or in-kind donations include your name and website link listed on the Sponsorship page of the website! A

donation of \$1,000 or more will include your logo.

An invitation-only VIP reception will be held for all sponsors at 7 p.m. Nov. 20, 2006, inside US Bank on Wheeling Avenue in downtown Cambridge. The Dickens Victorian Village exhibit will be installed for this special preview event.

Current Sponsors

The Dickens Victorian Village committee would like to thank the following groups, businesses, and individuals for their sponsorships that have helped ensure the success of this project. We hope you will consider joining them!

Father Christmas Club: Grant Hafley; Eastern Ohio Art Guild.

Bob Cratchit Club: The Ohio Arts Council; The Cambridge Kiwanis Club.

Tiny Tim Club: Eagle Club of Cambridge.

Lamplighter's Club: Old Cambridge Conservation Association; Regis Woods and Family; Speedy Print; Now & Forever Formal Wear; Mid-East Career and Technology Centers; Theo's Restaurant; Cindy Arent and Lindy Thaxton; Bob Dix and The Daily Jeffersonian; The Guernsey County Historical Society; WesBanco Bank; Presbyterian Women of Unity Church; Rotary Club of Cambridge; Chuck and Gloria Knott; COPAC; Jolene Sigman; National Museum of Cambridge Glass.

Carolers Club: Cambridge Main Street; Cambridge/Guernsey County Visitors & Convention Bureau; Colonel Taylor Inn Bed & Breakfast; Cindy Arent; Sharon Bachna; Linda Adkins; Cooki Connell; Kathy Eubanks; Sarah Carpenter; COPAC; Judy Momirov; Pam Donnelly; Ann Jones; Kathy Harper; Jan Bennett; Nena Green; Doris Fordyce; Carl Beynon; Debbie and Bill Gilmore; Marian Gorrell; Patti Hanna; Sara Natale; Kari Hitzel; Nellie Maslowski; Walt and Shelia Taylor; Connie Humphrey; Maralyn O'Connell; Lynn Grimm; Gail Grabow; Joan Boyd; Suzie Hamlin; Lorraine Weinman; Melissa Essex; Tom Davey; Kiyoe Howald; Janet Sowers; Marjorie Johnson; Norma Jean Ziers; Pauli Cornish; Patricia Irvin; Chris Modig; Brett Peach; Debbie Robinson; Pam McCauley; Bob Ley; John and Martha Jamail; Schubert Video Productions; Jeanette Greenwood; A Taste Of Ohio; Toni Kellar; and Orme Hardware.

How Can You Become A Sponsor?

Contact the Dickens Victorian Village committee treasurer Pam McCauley at 740-439-7601 or sponsorships@dickensvictorianvillage.com.