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Ohio Flags of Honor May 17-19 recalls soldiers' sacrifice

A traveling memorial honoring Ohio military service members who made the ultimate sacrifice will return to Rossford this spring.

This year the event will expand to three days—Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 17, 18 and 19.

Ohio Flags of Honor recognizes those who gave their lives in Afghanistan, Iraq and globally in the war on terrorism.

The impressive patriotic display of more than 800 flags again will fly on the lawn adjacent to the IBEW/NECA facility, 807 Lime City Road. To reach the site from I-75, use the Buck Road exit 197 and travel west. Turn right at the first intersection.

"Each one has their name, rank and military division, and some have photos next to them," said Sharon Belkofer of Perrysburg Township, mother of the late U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Belkofer, who was killed in Afghanistan in 2010. The public is invited to the opening ceremony at 6 p.m., Friday, May 17, and a closing ceremony at 2 p.m., Sunday, May 19.

"They also have all 50 state flags, and hundreds of flags donated by organizations who want to be part of this honor," Mrs. Belkofer explained.

"The flags are lit, and they will fly overnight. And you'll be able to view them all from I-75."

"The awesomeness of the program is to have them in the community for a longer time, and three days allows that."

She and her husband Don attended Ohio Flags of Honor ceremonies in Tiffin and Parma

Heights two years ago, and were very moved. The couple decided the memorial should come to Rossford.

She is pleased that the date of the Rossford visit again coincides with Armed Forces Day, May 18.

"It was just a coincidence when we picked the date last year, but I had a feeling it was meant to be," she noted.

Among the 300 military service members honored are local soldiers: U.S. Marine Sergeant David R. Christoff of Rossford, May 22, 2006; U.S. Army Sergeant First Class Daniel E. Miller of Rossford, August 24, 2007; U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Belkofer of Perrysburg Township, May 18, 2010; U.S. Army Sergeant Bradley C. Hart of Perrysburg, February 17, 2011, and U.S. Army Sergeant Gary A. Eckert of Toledo, May 8, 2005.

At many sites, there is not space to accommodate all 800 flags, but they all will be flying at the Rossford site, Mrs. Belkofer said.

Ohio Flags of Honor Foundation began in 2004, after Gino and Lisa Zimmer, parents of U.S. Army Specialist Nicholaus E. Zimmer, were notified on Memorial Day that their son had been killed in Kufa, Iraq.

In September 2005, the U.S. Marines from Lima Company 3rd Battalion/25th Regiment returned from Iraq, suffering heavy losses. Sixteen of 22 killed in action were Ohio Marines, and a local American Legion Post set up an "Avenue of Flags" at Rickenbacker Field near Columbus that the returning Marines could view while passing by.



With 800 flags to honor fallen soldiers from Ohio, the traveling memorial will be set up on the lawn of the IBEW/NECA hall, 807 Lime City Road. The public is invited to attend the opening ceremony at 6 p.m., Friday, May 17, where families of the soldiers will place the flags. The closing will be at 2 p.m., Sunday, May 19.

The flags were flown in honor of their comrades who were not returning with them, along with dozens of tribute flags, sponsored by Ohio veteran organizations.

The Rickenbacker display was well received and appreciated by all who saw it, with many asking how that memorial could tour Ohio for others to view.

Mr. and Mrs. Zimmer were contacted be-

cause they had started a foundation in gratitude for the overwhelming support of veterans motorcycle clubs and organizations in attendance at their son's funeral.

This summer, the traveling memorial will make 15 stops around Ohio.

The Ohio Flags of Honor Memorial is a non-partisan, non-political, non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation, based in East Galion, Ohio.



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Downtown Perrysburg Inc. to hold 1st community fun run and walk

Downtown Perrysburg, Inc. (DPI) is asking the community to save the date, which is Friday, August 2, for its new event: Zip the Burg, a community fun run sponsored by Mercy Health.

“The community asked DPI for a family fun run and we’re so excited to deliver,” said Brandi Parcel, event chair. “This fun run will have something for everyone. It also will piggyback with our annual First Friday series, sharing the entertainment from bands, bounce houses, Laurel’s Princess Parties and more.”

Start time is 7 p.m. at Second Street and

Louisiana Avenue in historic Perrysburg.

The run will include a 4.3551-mile race with chip-timing, 1-mile family run with kids dash and placement awards.

Included in race fee:

- 4.3551 mile run, chip time.
- 1 mile fun walk/free kids dash.
- Food, one beer ticket (for 21 years and older), door prizes and awards following the race.
- Early packet pick-up/ late registration is Thursday, August 1, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Dave’s Running in Perrysburg.

Fee is \$25 until July 15. Runners 12 to 17 years old can register at a discounted price of \$15. The last day to guarantee a T-shirt is July 15.

To learn more or to become a sponsor, contact Diana Kobylak at nursedi0930@yahoo.com or Brandi Parcel at bparcell@montessoritoleo.org.

Downtown Perrysburg Inc. is a community based 501(c)3 non-profit organization with a mission to provide family events that highlight the community and contribute to the quality of life.



Visit these local parks for outdoor fun



Lucas and Wood counties have a variety of local parks to enjoy.

Wood County Parks

- Arrowwood Archery Range, 11126 Linwood Road, Bowling Green
- Baldwin Woods Preserve, 14080 Range Line Road, Weston
- Beaver Creek Preserve, 23028 Long Judson Road, Grand Rapids
- Black Swamp Preserve, 1014 South Maple Street, Bowling Green
- Bradner Preserve, 11491 Fostoria Road/State Route 23, Bradner
- Carter Historic Farm, 18331 Carter Road, Bowling Green
- Cedar Creeks Preserve, 4575 Walbridge Road, Northwood
- Cricket Frog Cove Area, 14810 Freyman Road, Cygnet
- Fuller Preserve 12153 Cross Creek Road, Bowling Green
- Otsego Park, 20000 West River Road, Bowling Green
- J.C. Reuthinger Memorial Preserve, 30730 Oregon Road, Perrysburg
- Rudolph Savanna, 10330 Rudolph Road, Rudolph
- Sawyer Quarry Nature Preserve, 26940 Lime City Road, Perrysburg
- Slippery Elm Trail, 13-mile asphalt trail between Bowling Green and North Baltimore
- W.W. Knight Nature Preserve, 29530 White Road, Perrysburg
- William Henry Harrison Park, 644 Bierley Avenue, Pemberville
- Wood County Historical Center and Museum, 13660 County Home Road, Bowling Green

For more information about Wood County Parks, visit wcparks.org or call 419-353-1897.

Metroparks Toledo

- Fallen Timbers Battlefield and Fort Miamis, 4949 Jerome Road, Maumee
- Farnsworth, 8505 South River Road, Waterville
- Howard Marsh, 611 South Howard Road, Curtice
- Middlegrounds, 111 Ottawa Street, Toledo
- Side Cut, 1025 West River Road, Maumee
- Toledo Botanical Garden, 5403 Elmer Drive, Toledo.

For more information, visit metroparkstoledo.com or call 419-407-9700.

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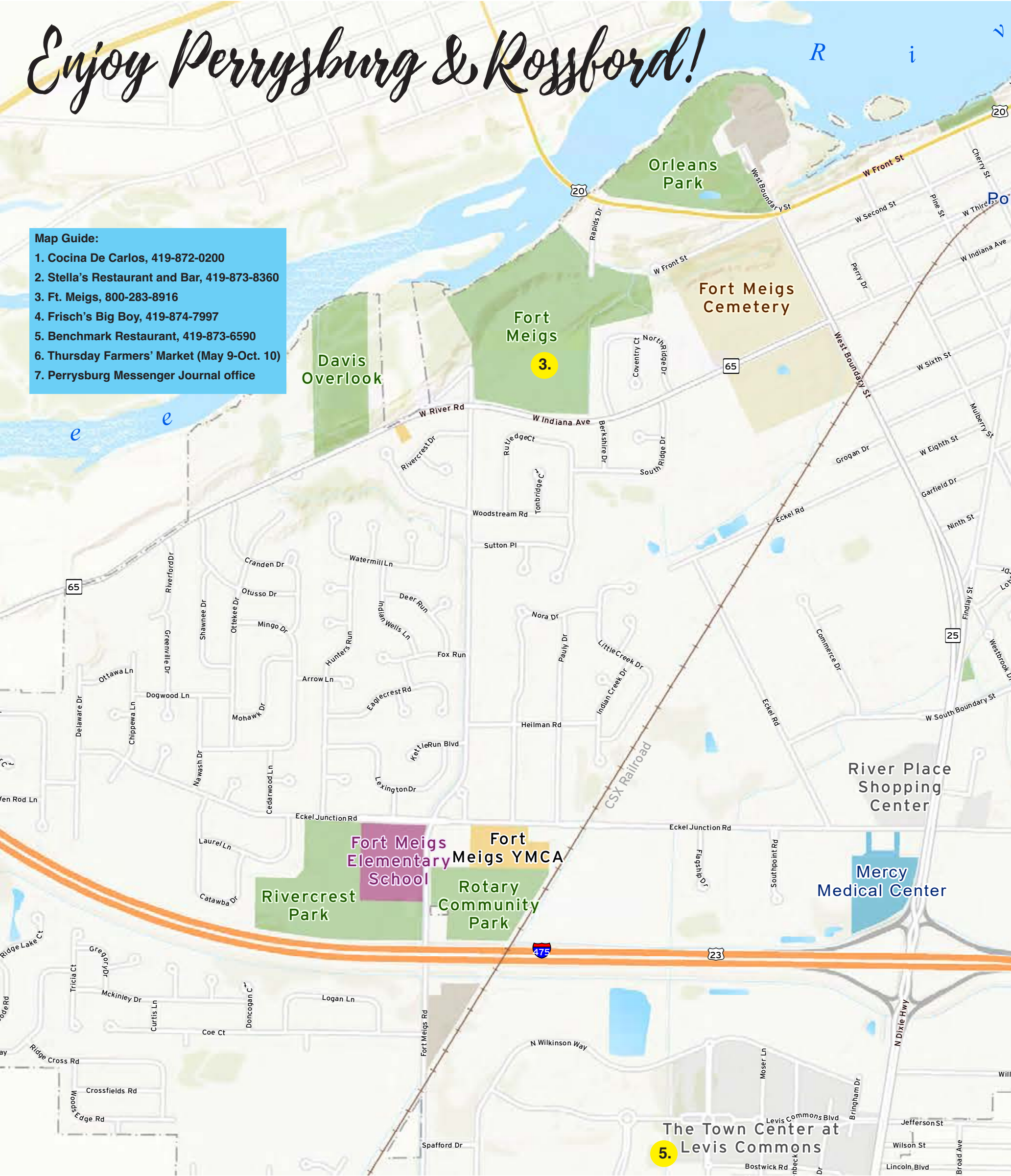
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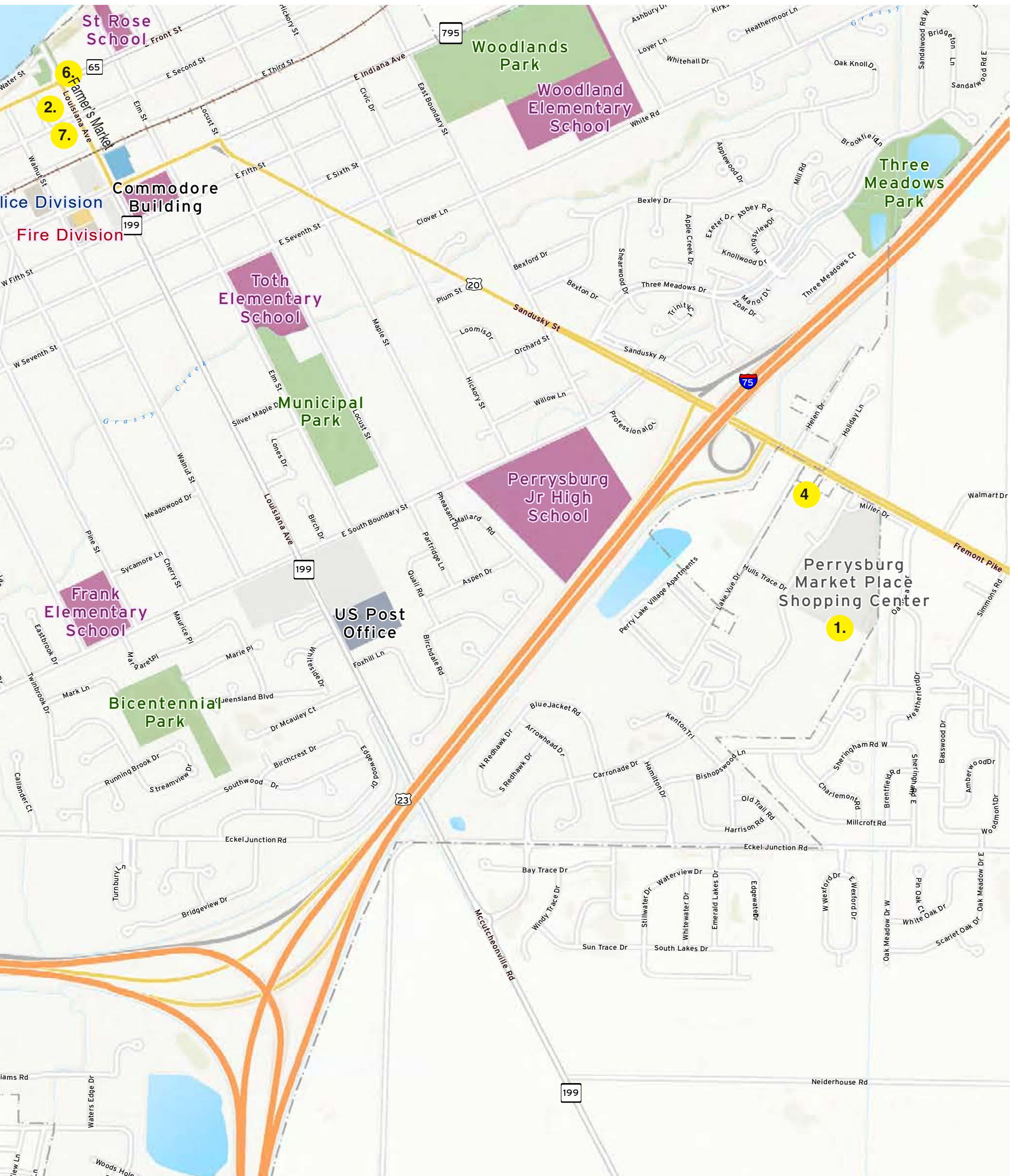
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Enjoy Perrysburg & Rossford!

- Map Guide:**
1. Cocina De Carlos, 419-872-0200
 2. Stella's Restaurant and Bar, 419-873-8360
 3. Ft. Meigs, 800-283-8916
 4. Frisch's Big Boy, 419-874-7997
 5. Benchmark Restaurant, 419-873-6590
 6. Thursday Farmers' Market (May 9-Oct. 10)
 7. Perrysburg Messenger Journal office



The Town Center at
Levis Commons



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Woodland Elementary School

Three Meadows Park

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Perryburg Jr High School

Perryburg Market Place Shopping Center

Frank Elementary School

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Music at the Market begins June 6

Perrysburg Farmers Market opens May 9, for the season



The Perrysburg Farmers Market, sponsored by the Perrysburg Convention and Visitors Bureau (PCVB) and City of Perrysburg, will open for the season, Thursday, May 9.

In its 21st year, the downtown market—Louisiana Avenue from Indiana Avenue to Front Street—will be in operation from 3 to 8 p.m., rain or shine, on Thursdays through October 10.

More than 50 vendors will offer seasonal fruits and vegetables, annuals, perennials, cut flowers, herbs, baked goods, meats, eggs, honey, cheese, prepared foods, jewelry, crafts and unique items for the home and garden.

A variety of food trucks will join the market each week from 5 to 8 p.m.

For additional information on the market, visit the website www.perrysburg-farmers-market.com or like the market on Facebook.

For additional information on the food truck association, visit the website at www.toledofoodtrucks.com.

Music at the Market

The Music at the Market series will begin on Thursday, June 6, at 7 p.m., at the Commodore Schoolyard.

Concerts include:

- June 6: 6th Edition
- June 13: Athens Wheeler
- June 20: Tim Oehlers Trio
- June 27: 56 Daze
- July 11: Up the River
- July 18: Quartet Bernadette
- July 25: Cindy Slee & the Rhythm Method

- August 1: Night Sessions
- August 8: The Grape Smugglers
- August 15: Suburban Legend
- August 22: The Cake Walkin' Jass Band
- August 29: Madison Avenue Band

The Commodore Schoolyard is located at 140 East Indiana Avenue. Attendees may bring a chair or blanket.

In case of inclement weather, concerts will be held in the Juliet Beck Auditorium.

The Music at the Market series is presented by Mercy Health with additional support from the Perrysburg Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Visit a National Historic Landmark Fort Meigs Historic Site

Fort Meigs Historic Site is the country's largest, wooden-walled reconstructed fortification. A National Historic Landmark, the fort sits on 65 acres overlooking the Maumee River, and hosts more than 20,000 annual visitors.

An American army commanded by William Henry Harrison built Fort Meigs during the War of 1812 to defend Ohio and as a base to invade present-day Canada. At its height, more than 3,500 American soldiers and their American Indian allies occupied Fort Meigs. An army of British soldiers and allied American Indian warriors, including the famous Shawnee leader Tecumseh, attacked Fort Meigs twice in the spring and summer of 1813. Harrison's army suffered over 800 casualties, but Fort Meigs held. After Oliver Hazard Perry destroyed the British naval fleet on Lake Erie, the army moved north to invade Canada. After the war, Fort Meigs was abandoned.

An unknown number of people remain buried in and around Fort Meigs.

The site of Fort Meigs could have been lost history, but its owners chose not to level its earthworks to farm the land. In 1908, local citizens erected a granite monument honoring Harrison and his army. Today, the granite

obelisk stands as a monument to all those who fought and died at Fort Meigs.

The Ohio Historical Society acquired the land and completed a reconstruction of Fort Meigs in 1974. Today, two non-profit organizations, the Ohio History Connection and the Fort Meigs Association, maintain and operate the site. Fort Meigs hosts numerous events each year that transport visitors back in time with costumed historians, weapons demonstrations and battle reenactments.

First Siege, 1813 (May 25-26) recreates the War of 1812 and the battles that took place at Fort Meigs. Muster on the Maumee (June 15-16) brings together ten centuries of warfare with reenactors portraying soldiers from the Roman Empire through the late 20th century. Revolution on the Ohio Frontier (August 24-25) tells the story of American Revolution, and Life in Early Ohio (September 29) lets visitors experience frontier life with hands-on activities and crafts. For those who love a good ghost story, the Garrison Ghost Walk (October 18-19, 25-26) leads visitors through Fort Meigs by lantern light to hear spooky stories based on events from the past.

More information is available at formeigs.org, by email at info@fortmeigs.org, or by calling 419-874-4121.

Join DPI for First Friday Series



Join Downtown Perrysburg, Inc. (DPI) for the 13th annual First Friday series—a family-fun free evening of activities.

All activities take place on Louisiana Avenue and Second Street in downtown historic Perrysburg from 5 to 8 p.m.

June 7

Summer In The City

June First Friday will include summer activities up and down the streets of Louisiana Avenue and Second Street.

Kick start the summer with yard games, water play, live music, sunset yoga, Laurel's Princess Parties, train rides, inflatables, sand sculptures and more.

July 5

Recycle City USA

July First Friday will have a patriotic and recycling theme.

Vendors will offer patriotic crafts, games and giveaways.

Families are invited to enjoy live music and a special tribute to U.S. troops.

Children of all ages will enjoy train rides, visiting service vehicles up close, inflatables, face painting and more.

August 2

Summer Send Off

Join DPI in celebrating all things "end of summer" including strolling sidewalk entertainment, live music, inflatables, live character appearances, yard games, food, vendors with free crafts and activities, train rides and more.

Are you smarter than a Perrysburger? Test your knowledge at the August First Friday.

Local school teachers, administrators and support staff will challenge the youth of Perrysburg in a trivia showdown.

Interested in being a contestant during this live show?

Email DPI for more details at downtownperrysburg@gmail.com.

Information

For additional sponsorship and volunteer opportunities, contact DPI at downtownperrysburg@gmail.com

This event is coordinated by Downtown Perrysburg, Inc. a community-based, non-profit 501(c)(3) with a mission to provide family and adult events that showcase the community and contribute to the quality of life that makes Perrysburg the "Best Suburban Downtown."

For additional information about DPI, visit downtownperrysburg.org.



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First Siege 1813
May 25 - 26

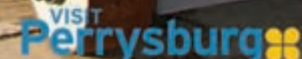
Muster on the Maumee
June 15 - 16

Independence Day 1813
July 4

Revolution on the Ohio Frontier
August 24 - 25

Garrison Ghost Walk
October 18 - 19 & 25 - 26

800.283.8916 fortmeigs.org
29100 W River Rd, Perrysburg, Ohio



Mark your calendars: Hot air balloon races take flight September 27-28

The fourth annual Glass City Balloon Race will take place September 27 and 28 in the Crossroads area, and feature hot air balloon flights, food, music, fun and family-friendly activities.

More than a dozen hot air balloons will take to the skies from Rossford between U.S. Route 20 and State Route 795.

The two-day flight schedule has balloons launching Friday and Saturday mornings with evening "glows" and fireworks to follow.

On Friday night, the band Mustang Sally will take the stage.

The band has performed alongside high profile names such as Montgomery Gentry, Gretchen Wilson, Big & Rich and Blake Shelton, in addition to being demanded worldwide as fair and festival headliners.

The Menu will entertain the crowd on Saturday.

The Cincinnati-based band features flair, popular tunes and plenty of laughs, punctuated by their crazy costumes and hilarious antics.

Other activities include food trucks, a beer garden, kids zone and more.

The event is free including parking at designated areas throughout the Crossroads with shuttle service provided. For more information, visit www.glasscityballoonrace.com.



Free outdoor movies! Saturday Night at the Movies begins June 1

Saturday Night at the Movies offers free outdoor movies each Saturday, beginning June 1, at 8 p.m., in the Commodore Schoolyard, 140 East Indiana Avenue.

Please bring a chair or blanket.

For more information, call O-Deer Diner at 419-874-7070.

Scheduled movies are:

June

June 1—Peter Rabbit—PG • June 8—Darkest Hour—PG 13

June 15—Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation—PG

June 22—How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World—PG

June 29—Mary Poppins Returns—PG

July

July 6—Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again • July 13—Incredibles 2—PG

July 20—Goosebumps 2: Haunted Halloween—PG

July 27—The Grinch—PG

August

August 3—A Dog's Way Home—PG • August 10—Avengers: Infinity War—PG-13

July 17—Zoo—PG • August 24—Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom—PG-13

August 31—Dumbo—PG



Friday cruise-ins are a local favorite

O-Deer Diner's Cruise-Ins are offered on Fridays, May 3 through October 11, from 5 to 8 p.m., at the corner of Louisiana and Fifth Street, Perrysburg. The free event features many different makes and models of vehicles.

There will be a 50-50 drawing, driver's pool, music and prizes.

Registration is free for participants.

Call Rick Ruffner 419-810-3877 for more information.



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