



*Logan County, Ohio*

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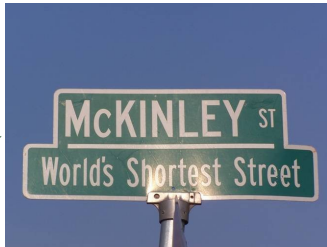


## *Nestled in the hills of West Central Ohio is Logan County,*

*an area rich with history, full of interesting businesses both industrial and home-based, and a future promising continued progress. Logan County encompasses 467 square miles, of which 8 square miles is water. The population is 46,000 plus. The county seat is Bellefontaine, which is French for beautiful fountain, and is the home to more than 14,000 residents. Several incorporated villages lie within the boundaries of the county including: Belle Center, DeGraff, East Liberty, Huntsville, Lakeview, Quincy, Rushsylvania, Russells Point, West Liberty, West Mansfield, and Zanesfield.*

### *Sites to visit...*

**MCKINLEY STREET**—at the intersection of West Columbus Avenue and Garfield Avenue is the shortest street in America at “about 15 feet”



**COURT AVENUE**—A small street in downtown Bellefontaine adjacent to the Logan County Courthouse is the oldest concrete street in the United States.

**CAMPBELL HILL**—highest point in Ohio at 1,549 feet above sea level. In 1951, the government stationed the 664th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron on the hill. This military unit was responsible for monitoring for possible aerospace attacks from the Soviet Union during the Cold War. The base in Bellefontaine was closed in 1969. The Ohio Hi-Point Joint Vocation School District opened a school atop the hill in 1974 and is now known as the Ohio Hi-Point Career Center serving students and adults from fourteen surrounding school



### *Notable Natives & Residents*

- ◆ *George Bartholomew*—inventor
- ◆ *Bethany Dillon*—singer
- ◆ *Allan W. Eckert*—author
- ◆ *Jim Flora*—artist
- ◆ *Melville J Herskovits*—anthropologist
- ◆ *Kin Hubbard*—cartoonist and journalist
- ◆ *Blue Jacket “Weyapiersenwah”*—Shawnee Chief
- ◆ *Edward D Jones*—investment banker
- ◆ *Austin E. Knowlton*—architect
- ◆ *William Lawrence*—politician (Republican) founded the American Red Cross
- ◆ *The Mills Brothers*—entertainers
- ◆ *Norman Vincent Peale*—minister and author
- ◆ *Louie Vito*—professional snowboarder, 5th place finisher in the 2010 Olympics
- ◆ *Nicole Fawcett*—professional volleyball player

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# SUGGESTED TOURS

The following pages give you an idea of a pre-selected itinerary suggestions that will capture the spirit of each themed tour to its fullest while you see the sights and sounds of Logan County.

## CANDY BANDIT TOUR

This tour drives you through some of the most beautiful rural scenery in Logan County. Upon arrival at Marmon Valley Farm be on the look out for "armed and masked" bandits who are looking for sweet treats from Marie's Candies. Enjoy a "country style" lunch served family style and a wagon wide of the historic valley. Then onto Marie's Candies in West Liberty where visitors will find out why those bandits wanted that candy. At Marie's visitors will experience candies made with traditional freshness and the highest quality ingredients. To extend your adventure choose two of the additional tour stops.

### TOUR STOPS...

- ◆ Marmon Valley Farm
- ◆ Marie's Candies

### POSSIBLE STOPS...

- ◆ Mad River Farm Market
- ◆ Swiss Haus Bakery & Café
- ◆ Canterbury Coffee
- ◆ Piatt Castles



## AMISH BACKROADS TOUR

A small enclave of Amish call Logan County home and are excited to share their heritage and traditions with you. Learn about custom cabinet making and shop in a store that offers furniture, candles, and gifts. The owner of a fabric store shares a bit about the Amish way of dress and another stop offers an inside look at jam and jelly making. A visit to an Amish schoolhouse provides an opportunity to visit with teachers and students. A highlight of the tour is lunch in an Amish home.

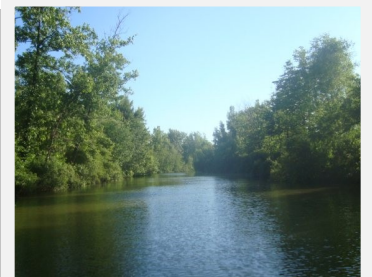
### POSSIBLE TOUR STOPS...

- ◆ Coblentz Fabric and Crafts
- ◆ Country Kettle
- ◆ Country Variety Store
- ◆ Amish School House
- ◆ Miller's Woodworking
- ◆ Lunch in an Amish Home
- ◆ Yoder's Country Furniture

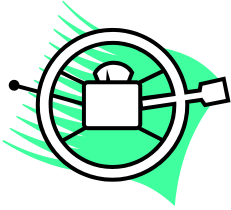


## OTHER SUGGESTED TOURS

- ◆ Indian Lake Boat and Bus Tour
- ◆ Artisan Tour
- ◆ Castles and Caverns Tour
- ◆ Downtown Bellefontaine Tour
- ◆ Cowboys and Indians Tour
- ◆ Girls Day Out
- ◆ Rustic Tour



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# BUILD-YOUR-OWN TOUR

Create the Logan County Bus Tour you want to experience by choosing morning tour stops, afternoon tour stops and dining options, including lunch and dinner.

## ★ ARTISTIC TREASURES

116 W. Columbus Ave., Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

[www.artistic-treasuresonline.com](http://www.artistic-treasuresonline.com)

While in downtown Bellefontaine explore this one-of-a-kind treasure, Artistic Treasures. A wide variety of beads, charms, specialty beads and Swarovski crystals are on display. As well as a large selection of hand-made silver jewelry and unique gifts, including rocks and minerals. Also see extraordinary original abstract artwork painted by owner Pat Rinehart-Irwin.

NEW  
STOP

## ★ BAILEY'S LANDING ICE CREAM

110 N. Main St., Lakeview, Ohio 43331

Visit Historic Bailey's Landing Ice Cream home of Indian Lake's best ice cream featuring **Homestead** Brand Hand-Dipped Ice Cream. This is a seasonal stop from Late April through Labor Day.

NEW  
STOP

## ★ BLUE JACKET DAIRY LLC.

1434 Co. Rd. 11, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

[www.bluejacketdairy.com](http://www.bluejacketdairy.com)



Blue Jacket Dairy is a family owned and operated business on the forefront of the revival of cheese making in Ohio and they are Ohio's leading producer of fresh artisan cheese including fresh cheddar curds, quark, chevre, mozzarella, and Gretna Grilling, a halloumi-style cheese. In addition, they make feta and two aged cheeses, one from cow's milk and the other from goat's milk. Taste samples and go behind the scenes as they explain their cheese-making operation. Shop in the retail store for delicious treasures to take home.

## ★ BRIARWOOD SPORTING CLUB

2001 Twp. Rd. 55, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

[www.briarwoodclub.com](http://www.briarwoodclub.com)



Offering you a beautiful and relaxing tour of a private hunt club which offers over 400 acres of land for its members and 125 acres of fully stocked ponds and lakes. A picnic lunch can be catered before or after the tour.



## ★ CABBAGE ROSE ANTIQUES

115 N Detroit St., West Liberty, Ohio 43357

[www.cabbageroseantiques.net](http://www.cabbageroseantiques.net)

Antiques, Collectables, and Home Décor. Including glass, china, furniture, pictures, prints plus more. Specializes in linens, quilts, vintage clothing and accessories. Has Boyds Bears both plush and resin bears.

NEW  
STOP

## ★ CANTERBURY COFFEE

135 W. Columbus Ave., Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

[www.canterburycoffee.com](http://www.canterburycoffee.com)

Begin your tour by experiencing the wonderful aroma of fresh ground coffee at Canterbury Coffee. Nestled in downtown Bellefontaine this shop offers a wide variety of fresh roasted coffee and delectable treats. They also feature a wide variety of loose teas. Live entertainment every Friday night. New to the shop is a unique vintage and retro clothing section.

NEW  
STOP

## ★ COBLENZ CRAFTS & FABRICS

5451 Co. Rd. 25, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

This Amish-owned and operated fabric and quilt shoppe has been in business for 24 years starting from a shoe string. Fabric, threads and notions are sold from this shop to make Amish clothing. The store also stocks ready made quilts, custom made quilts and offers quilt finishing services. The store owner offers a short presentation about Amish dress and how Amish clothing reflects the Amish religion.

## ★ COUNTRY HOME & HARNESS

2685 St. Rt. 274, Huntsville, Ohio 43324

[www.shanahanharness.com](http://www.shanahanharness.com)

Wind through the Indian Lake area countryside to this unique homestead. Begin with a tour hosted by the lady of the Amish-built home which houses a Bed & Breakfast. View the custom built kitchen with wood-burning stove while enjoying homemade cookies and iced tea. Walk into the harness shop and breathe in the rich aroma of leather. Listen as the master craftsmen share the art of harness making for large draft horses. Only one of a few in the world, their clients include Budweiser and Disney.

## ★ COUNTRY KETTLE

8750 Co. Rd. 39, Belle Center, Ohio 43310

This Amish-owned and operated business gives each visitor an up-close and personal view of jam and jelly making. Depending on the day of the week, tastes and smells will vary. Observe as the workers measure, cook, and package each jar by hand. Samples will be available and purchases of the many different flavors can be made at other stops.

## ★ COUNTRY VARIETY STORE

6263 US 68 N, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

The Country Variety Store is owned and operated by an Amish family. Stocked with hard to find items, the store specializes in bulk foods including chocolate, dried fruits & nuts, health foods and natural health alternatives. Amish built gazebos, swing sets and lawn furniture are displayed outside.

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★ **HISTORIC HOLLAND THEATRE**

127 E Columbus Ave., Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

[www.thehollandtheatre.org](http://www.thehollandtheatre.org)



The Holland Theatre is a one-of-a-kind atmospheric theatre with a Dutch cityscape lining its auditorium walls. The Holland offers 3 possible interactive tours: (1) a make it and take it art/craft experience or a demo/lesson presented by the Logan County Art League (there may be an additional charge for art supplies); (2) a live performance by Center Stage Productions, the Holland's resident acting troupe; or (3) a live music presentation by local talent.

★ **ICE CREAM PARLOR**

100 S Detroit St., West Liberty Ohio 43357

Enjoy the atmosphere of an old-fashioned ice cream parlor and choose from several flavors of rich hand-dipped ice cream. Benches line the outside of the corner store so you can enjoy your double-scoop waffle cone while you watch the traffic go by.

★ **INDIAN LAKE PONTOON BOAT TOUR**

(8 PEOPLE MAX. PER BOAT)

Years ago, Sandy Beach Amusement Park was known as the "Million Dollar Playground". Today, guests reminisce while taking a pontoon boat ride through the Indian Lake Game Reserve, past islands and beautiful lake front homes. Make sure to bring a light jacket. In case of rain, the group will go to an alternate stop.



★ **INDIAN LAKE OUTFITTERS**

8081 St. Rt. 366, Russells Point, Ohio 43348

[www.indianlakeoutfitters.com](http://www.indianlakeoutfitters.com)



Release your inner outdoors at Indian Lake Outfitters, a local retailer with a leading source in recreation offering top quality brands for all your hunting, fishing, camping, boating and archery needs. Speaking of archery, take your best shot in our newly expanded indoor archery range! Be the first to shoot a compound bow and arrow. With qualified staff and instructors on hand we welcome all beginner and novice archers.

★ **LAZY H RANCH**

3399 St. Rt. 292 N, West Mansfield, Ohio 43358

A leisurely drive through scenic Logan County takes you to a very special place, The Lazy H Ranch. A real life working ranch, complete with intimidating Texas long horns and sturdy Angus Cows. One could say it's a step back in time. That is of course until they mosey inside the large indoor riding arena. The Lazy H is the perfect combination of high tech and old west ranching. Enjoy a stroll through the beautiful stone lined indoor horse stables, home to some of the finest American Quarter horses. These majestic horses are used for cutting and roping around the ranch as well as participating in their monthly horse shows. Come and experience the rugged charm of the Lazy H. Hope to see ya'all soon!

★ **MAD RIVER FARM MARKET**

7538 N. US Hwy 68, West Liberty, Ohio 43357



Located outside West Liberty, this locally owned market offers the best seasonal fruits and vegetables, specially sliced cheeses and meats and a vast wine selection including wines from Ohio vineyards. They also offer a great selection of home décor items and gifts.

★ **MARIE'S CANDIES**

311 Zanesfield Rd., West Liberty, Ohio 43357



[www.mariescandies.com](http://www.mariescandies.com)

Marie's Candies offers over 80 varieties of traditional freshness and only the highest quality ingredients. Come in for a sample made from the finest pure chocolate, real 40% cream, fresh butter and roasted nuts to give you the most delectable mouthwatering experience you can imagine—and no preservatives.



★ **MARMON VALLEY FARM**

7754 St. Rt. 292 S, Zanesfield, Ohio 43360

[www.marmonvalley.com](http://www.marmonvalley.com)



Agri-tainment Farm Park has been around for over 45 years and offers horse back riding, wagon rides, petting zoo and country lunch.

★ **MILLER'S WOODWORKING**

9220 CR 101, Belle Center, Ohio 43310

This family designs, builds and installs custom cabinetry locally and as far south as Cincinnati. Learn of the Amish craftsmanship and watch as the craftsmen demonstrate the cabinet building process.

★ **OHIO CAVERNS**

2210 St. Rt. 245 E, West Liberty, Ohio 43357

[www.ohiocaverns.com](http://www.ohiocaverns.com)



Quoted as being "America's Most Colorful Caverns", Ohio Caverns is the largest and most beautiful of all Ohio caves. The diversity of formation and coloring are all the more interesting because the formations are still in the process of development.

★ **ORR MANSION & LOGAN COUNTY MUSEUM**

521 E Columbus Ave., Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

[www.logancountymuseum.org](http://www.logancountymuseum.org)



In 1906, lumber baron William J. Orr began to build his dream home in Bellefontaine. This is now the home to the Logan County Museum dedicated to Logan County history.

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★ PEACHTREE BOOKS & GIFTS

129 W. Columbus Ave., Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

Peach Tree Books & Gifts is a well established book and gift store that has been successfully serving clients for 20 years. Whether you are looking to treat yourself or looking for a special gift for a special someone. Shop three store fronts full of the countries hottest gift lines. Shop jewelry lines: TrollBeads, Brighton, Pick-Up-Sticks; handbangs: Vera Brandey; Candles: Yankee and Woodwick. They also offer personally engraved gifts, books, gourmet foods, Maries Candies, and Hallmark cards.



★ PIATT CASTLES

10051 Rd. 47, West Liberty, Ohio 43357

www.piattcastles.org



In the 1820's Judge Benjamin and Elizabeth Piatt moved their family from Cincinnati to the rolling hills of Logan County. Two of their children, Abram and Donn, later built their homes, Mac-A-Cheek and Mac-O-Chee, in the countryside they knew as youths. These unique structures have become a private, family-owned museum that is still run by the Piatt family. The castles interpret over 200 years of history of the Ohio land and its people.



★ STINSON ORGAN COMPANY

4691 Co. Rd. 91, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

www.stinsonbandorgan.com

Stinson Band Organs are uniquely designed, manufactured and sent all over the world. Since 1965, Don Stinson has provided high quality, mechanical music instruments featuring wooden pipes that perform "The Happiest Music on Earth". These band, carousel and fairground organs are masterfully hand-crafted with object d'art facades and animated characters.

★ SWISS HAUS BAKERY AND CAFE

1726 S. Main St., Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

www.swiss-haus.com

Step through the door and be transported to Switzerland by the décor and the smells of fresh baked goods. The owner of this quaint bakery will share some of the Swiss traditions with guests and provide a wonderful pastry with a refreshing drink as an afternoon break or mid-morning snack. Pick up some delectable treats to take home.

★ YODER'S COUNTRY FURNITURE

9164 Rd. 101, Belle Center, Ohio 43310

Yoder's offer handcrafted Amish furniture from Holmes County. In business for 15 years, their retail store specializes in bedroom suites and dining sets. This high quality, solid oak furniture lasts for generations. Stop here after touring Miller's Woodworking (within walking distance).

NOT FAR FROM ANYWHERE...

These unique attractions are within an easy 2-3 hour drive from most anywhere in Ohio, eastern Indiana, or northern Kentucky. A short drive and a small price to pay to visit one of the most interesting counties in Ohio. Gather your friends, jump on the bus and enjoy a leisurely day!



MILEAGE AND DRIVE TIMES TO BELLEFONTAINE, OH\*

CITY.....	TIME.....	MILES
Cincinnati, OH.....	2 hours.....	110
Cleveland, OH.....	3 hours.....	170
Columbus, OH.....	1 hour, 15 min.....	60
Dayton, OH.....	1 hour, 30 min.....	60
Fort Wayne, IN.....	2 hours, 15 min.....	100
Mansfield, OH.....	3 hours.....	90
Marietta, OH.....	3 hours.....	195
Massillon, OH.....	2 hours, 40 min.....	145
Toledo, OH.....	2 hours.....	100

\*times and mileage are approximate

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# DINING STOPS

You won't go hungry when you Visit Logan County. Dining options abound that are sure to please any palate. From picnics to fine dining, one of our dining stops is bound to be perfect for your group!!

## ★ AMISH IN-HOME MEALS

Experience the hospitality of an Amish Family as they welcome visitors to their home for a meal that will satisfy the hungry visitor. Choose two meats, a salad, potatoes or homemade noodles, a vegetable, dinner rolls (freshly made), all served family-style, and iced tea, lemonade or coffee. Of course, dessert is included and ranges from fresh made fruit or cream pies, cobblers and other sweet treats.

## ★ BLACK TIE CAFÉ

116 N. Main St., Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

A familiar stop returns to our tour book this year. Enjoy Black Tie Café's warm elegant Tuscan atmosphere, with savory home cooked meals with great service.



## ★ CRANBERRY RESORT

9967 St. Rt. 368, Huntsville, Ohio 43324

[www.cranberryresort.net](http://www.cranberryresort.net)



Cranberry Resort is a quaint restaurant nestled on a string of islands in the middle of Indian Lake. Offering a wide variety of entertainment, great food and a fabulous deck on the water, Cranberry provides a great venue for dining during or after a pontoon tour of the lake.

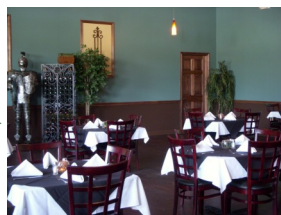
## ★ CHATTAN LOCH BISTRO & PUBLIC HOUSE

212 E Columbus Ave., Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

[www.chattanloch.com](http://www.chattanloch.com)



"The Loch" was established to create employment opportunities for adults with disabilities and to offer an opportunity to those on public assistance the ability to develop new skills. "The Loch" features casual dining with a flair! Enjoy freshly prepared dishes utilizing local ingredients paired with a craft beer or select wine.



## ★ THE GREEN BEAN COFFEE & TEA CAFÉ

129 N Detroit St., West Liberty, Ohio



This café is located in downtown West Liberty. They offer a wide variety of made from scratch food with artisan breads and specialty salads. There is also a daily homemade soup selection. Enjoy breakfast or lunch at this beautiful café. Serving happiness, one cup at a time.

NEW  
STOP

## ★ LEE'S FAMOUS RECIPE CHICKEN

101 TR 217, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

[www.leeschicken.net](http://www.leeschicken.net)



For a faster option, consider Lee's Famous Recipe Chicken. Located at the corner of US Route 33 and State Route 68, Lee's is a dining option that provides a great tasting meal that is also quick and inexpensive.

## ★ MARMON VALLEY FARM

7754 St. Rt. 292 S, Zanesfield, Ohio 43360

[www.marmonvalley.com](http://www.marmonvalley.com)



Enjoy a "country style" lunch in the cozy dining room and reminisce by viewing the antique items adorning the walls and rafters. Weather permitting meals will be served in the picnic/shelter house.



## ★ WHITMORE HOUSE

3985 SR 47 W, Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

[www.whitmorehouse.com](http://www.whitmorehouse.com)

Whitmore House takes pleasure in making your adventure to discover Logan County a delightful one. While you are there you can experience a tour and history of the house and gardens, as well as a wonderful meal, which will delight your guests.

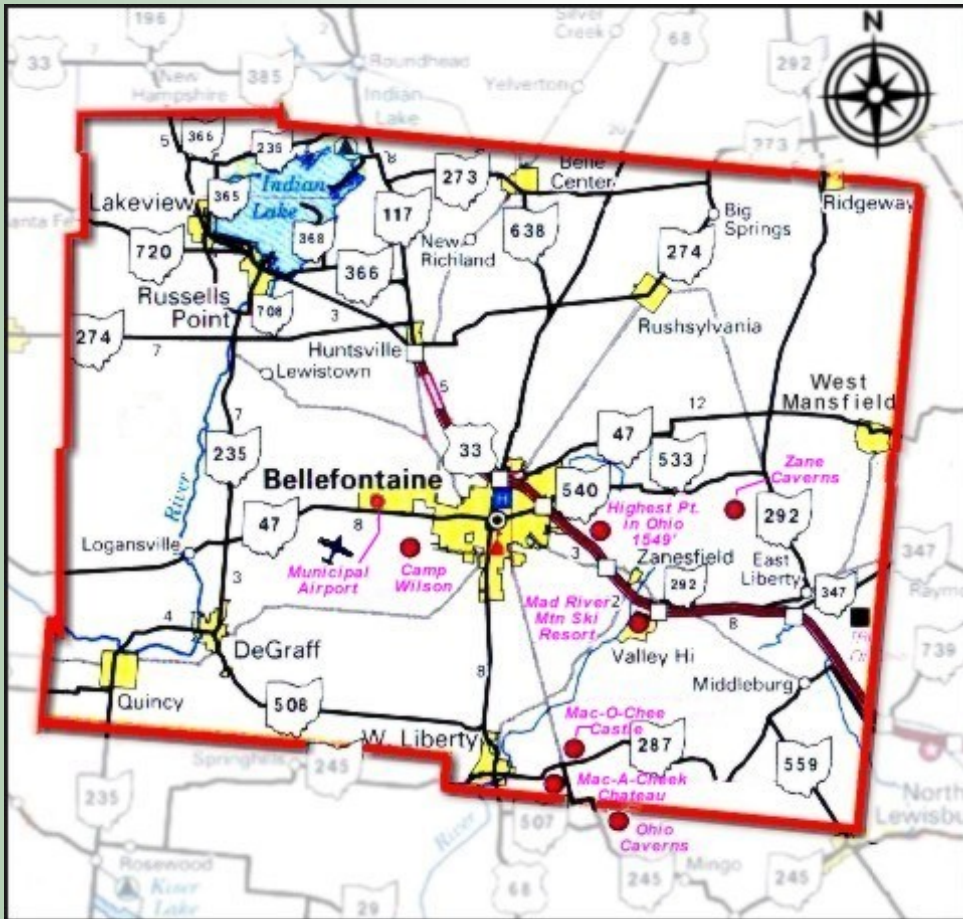


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