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Canoeing on the Mohican River

**2011 VISITORS GUIDE AVAILABLE**

Our 2011 Loudonville Visitor Guide is now available. This year expanded from 32 to 48 pages, the OVG provides a wealth of information and is great for planning your Loudonville getaway. It includes info on recreation, attractions, places to stay, shopping, dining, fairs and festivals, area and regional maps, campground chart, canoe livery map and lots more.

Request your **FREE** copy by calling 877-266-4422 or email to: [info@Discover-Mohican.com](mailto:info@Discover-Mohican.com).

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# The Loudonville Paddler

The Official Newsletter of the Mohican-Loudonville Visitors Bureau

## LOUDONVILLE'S GREAT OUTDOORS AWAITS

*A family favorite for years, the Loudonville brims with outdoor fun for the entire family.*

### CANOEING

Since 1961 when Ohio's first canoe livery opened in Loudonville, the area has been **THE** place for canoeing in Ohio. With 6 canoe liveries visitors can drift on the lazy Mohican River in a canoe, kayak, raft or tube. Trips range from 45 minutes, 2 hours, even 3 days! Many liveries are also campgrounds, so it's easy to spend the day on the River and the evening around a cozy campfire. Our web page [www.DiscoverMohican.com](http://www.DiscoverMohican.com) features a River Report which provides daily updates on river conditions and direct links to all area liveries.

### HIKING

With 45 miles of scenic trails, Mohican State Park and Forest is a great place to

### WHAT'S NEW IN LOUDONVILLE

*This year has seen an incredible number of new or expanded businesses in the area. Here are highlights (see page 3 for more.)*

#### HANOVER HOUSE DINER

Local home economics teacher Flo Lowe has remodeled the former Books, Baubles, and Brew into a pleasant, airy restaurant with a down home menu. Hanover House Diner, 153 W. Main downtown has a family menu with burgers, fried, grilled cheese, bologna, even peanut & jelly. Daily

explore the incredible scenery of the 60+ year old Park. The most dramatic trails are in Clear Fork Gorge, a National Natural Landmark. Park at the Park's Covered Park and enjoy Ohio's deepest gorge, 300 feet deep and in places, over 1,000 feet wide. Choose from the 2 mile long and challenging Lyons Falls Trail. And yes, there are 2 small waterfalls, depending on weather. On the other side of the Bridge, take the 1 mile long Pleasant Hill Trail that follows the river.

Both trails end at Pleasant Hill Lake Dam, great views of the Lake and Gorge. The Park brochure provides hiking trail details. A trails map is available for \$2 at local stores.

### BICYCLING

Ohio's premier mountain bike trail circles Clear Fork Gorge. The 24.5 mile trail is challenging, but exhilarating. Conceived, built, maintained, and used by area volunteers, the trail provides incredible views of the valley and river



below. It is not for the casual cyclist. A 2 mile long paved bicycle path connects downtown Loudonville with the stores, restaurants, campgrounds and canoe liveries along South Market Street. Road striping has extended the Path to the Grist Mill.

Trails Ends menu is themed around Loudonville's outdoors. Selections include: The Mt. Biker, White Water Wings, End of Trail (bologna), Paddler Cool Down, Hunters Favorite; sub & baskets too. Trails End has full bar service at 3052 SR 3, S. Market St.

#### MOHICAN TAVERN

Re-opened last year after being closed Mohican Tavern has new owners serving upscale fair in a casual atmosphere. The menu includes seafood, burgers, brats, steaks, chops, and chicken. Plus salads, sandwiches, soups, pastas, and great desserts, with a full bar. It is downtown at 267 W. Main, State Route 3.



specials and favorite desserts complete the menu.

#### TRAILS END PIZZA CO.

The former East of Chicago Pizza, Trails End Pizza is an outdoors-themed restaurant that is more than just a pizza joint,

**Adopt the pace of nature: her secret is patience.**  
**Author Ralph Waldo Emerson**



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### **NEW WAYS TO ENJOY OUR SCENERY**

As if enjoying the gorgeous area scenery aboard a canoe wasn't enough, the Loudonville area has yet another exciting way to take in the sights, **Tree Frog Canopy Tours**. Opened in August last year, northern Ohio's only zip line is also Ohio's longest, highest, fastest canopy tour. With over 4,000 feet of pure fun, a trip to Tree Frog is indeed the journey of a lifetime.

It all starts with a shuttle to ground school followed by 2 1/2 to 3 hours of pure adrenalin. Two guides escort up to 8 guests from platform to platform on zip lines, sky bridges, and a rappel. During your ride you will learn about the stunning forest canopy, forest floor and their wildlife that inhabit both. Bring your camera and sense of excitement and hang on for the ride of your life.

Tree Frog zips are time admissions, so reservations are recommended. Over 10 years of age and between 90 to 250 lbs permitted to participate.

New this year at Tree Frog is **Natural Fit Outdoor Adventures**, recreational tree climbing. Using techniques once reserved for professional arborists guests enjoy trees tops like the pros. Escape to new heights for a peaceful respite in the cool tree tops surrounded by leaves and the earthy smells of summer. *So Go Climb A Tree in Loudonville !*



*Another thrilling ride on a zip line at Tree Frog Canopy Tours*

### **A GREAT PLACE TO SPEND THE NIGHT**

Loudonville - a great place to visit! So why not spend the night? There are many options to "rest your head" after a day exploring the area. We have everything from rustic to royal.

Let's start with **CAMPING**. Rough it in a tent or bring the RV. Some campgrounds have river sites. Choose from campgrounds such as **Charles Mills Lake Park, Long Lake Park, Mohican Adventures, or Mohican Valley Camp** or stay at the always popular **Mohican State Park**. The area has 2600 camp sites !



*A getaway to Loudonville is close by and most affordable.*

How about a cozy **BED N BREAKFAST**? **Blackfork Inn** is a splendid Victorian lovingly restored to the grandeur of ages past. It's just three blocks from downtown.

**HOTEL** The locally owned **Mohican Little Brown Inn** provides the amenities guests expect at reasonable rates. The 20-room motel is on S. Market, State Route 3, and is near the canoe liveries, Mohican State Park & the Tree Frog Canopy Tours.

**CABINS** From basic to deluxe screen tv's, whirlpools, with flat screen tv's, whirlpools, some with river or water

water views, decks and more, sleeping from 6 to 16. Cabins available at **Black-Fork Cabins (new), Kandlelight, Long Lake Park, Mohican Adventures, Mohican State Park, and Mohican Valley Camp & Cabins**.

**COTTAGES** Former family residences fixed up for guests to spend a fun weekend, week, even a month. They include **Honeycreek Hideaway** north of town and **Red Brush Cottage**, on the south side of town.

**STATE PARK LODGE** Nestled in the scenic river valley surrounded by 6,000 acres of pristine forest, **Mohican State Park Lodge** treats guests to deluxe accommodations and Award Winning Service. The **Lodge** features 96 luxury rooms, full-service restaurant and cocktail lounge, two heated swimming pools, conference center and more. Guests enjoy great views of Pleasant Hill Lake.

For a royal getaway consider **Landoll's Mohican Castle**. On 1,100 secluded acres of forest, the Castle boast 16 rooms truly fit for royalty. Each is unique filled with antiques and imported building materials. Guests can enjoy great dining in the Stepping Stone Restaurant. The Event Center is very popular for weddings.



**Mohican State Park Resort**  
Photo by David Fitzsimmons

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### IN THE NEWS

- Long-time local business, **Kim's Bike** has moved across the street allowing Kim & husband Kent lots of room to expand. Located next to Loudonville Motor at 310 W. Main, Kim's is a retail bicycle shop. In addition to selling bicycles, parts, accessories, repair service, and supplies, they also rent bikes for cruising the Loudonville Bicycle Path & mountain bike trail.
- Local favorite **Four Seasons** in downtown has greatly expanded. The respected local florist also has unique gifts, antiques, collectibles, & more at affordable prices. It's easy to spend an hour just browsing. Christmas decorations available all year.
- The **Mohican Regional Trail Guide** is available mail order. Featuring

maps of the hiking, mountain biking, bridle and snowmobile trails in Mohican State Park. Order a map by sending a \$3 check payable to the Loudonville-Mohican CVB.



*Newly opened Blackford Cabin near Perrysville*

- **Blackfork Cabin**, the area's newest lodging is located near Perrysville, west of Loudonville. The cozy fully equipped 1 room cabin sleeps up to 6

with an outdoor deck. Easy access to Loudonville, Pleasant Hill and Charles Mill Lake, and Malabar Farm State Park.

- The old Hollinger's store downtown has reopened as **Resellable Thrift Shop**. The store sells antiques, everyday items, glassware, dishes, furniture, gifts, collectables, crystal, hand tools & more. It features both quality and everyday priced items.
- Loudonville's own internet provider has moved down W. Main Street and expanded. **Your Digital Partner** specializes in electronics; computers, computer repair, software, & computer supplies; plus appliances such as flat screen televisions. Their Internet Café has free wireless access and a small selection of beverages and snacks to purchase.
- **Mohican Adventures** received an award from the Mansfield CVB for the 50th anniversary of canoeing.

### Area Calendar of Events

July 8-10	Great Mohican Pow-Wow
July 12-16	Ashland Chautauqua
July 15-17	Girls Fastpitch Softball Tournament
July 22-24	AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days
July 23	Christmas in July Craft Show
July 24-26	Vintage Grand Prix of Mid-Ohio
August 4-6	Lincoln Highway Buy-Way Yard Sale
August 5-7	Mid-Ohio Sport Car Challenge/Honda Indy 200, Mansfield
August 6	Sidewalk Sale, Downtown Loudonville
Sept 3	Mohican Traditions Arts & Crafts
Sept 9-11	NASA Championships, Mansfield
Sept 10	Apple Festival, Appleseed Center
Sept 10-11	Colonial Soldiers Weekend, Grist Mill
Sept 15-17	Bluegrass Festival, Mohican Reservation
Sept 16-17	Log Cabin Days, Hochstetler Mill
Sept 16-18	Great Mohican Pow-Wow
Sept 17 & 24	Fall Festival, Scenic Ridge Farm
Sept 19-25	158th Ashland County Fair, Ashland
Sept 24-25	35th Ohio Heritage Days Festival
Oct 1	OctoberFest, Grist Mill
Oct 1	Fall Festival, Scenic Ridge Farm
Oct 1-2 & 8-9	Prairie Peddler Festival, Butler
Oct 5-9	123rd Loudonville Free Street Fair



### Check Out River Report On Line

Is the river opened or closed today? Updated daily, the Mohican River Report is available on-line at our website.

### WEB PAGE UPDATED, EASIER TO USE

We are always updating our web page. The home page now has a cleaner, more appealing look. A series of scrolling photos are a great way to get some incredible views of what the area has to offer. A **What's New** section highlights new or little known attractions & events. The **Calendar of Events** is updated annually & revised as new events are developed.

Need more info or a Visitors Guide, planning a banquet or family reunion, sign-up to receive our e-newsletter: Email to:

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