

The OHIO GUN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION[®]

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Ribbon Cutting of the new Ross Expo Center on August 15th, 2025

Don't miss out on what is going to be a memorable Inaugural September Meeting at the Lorain County Fairgrounds!

September 27-28, 2025 (Inaugural Meeting)

•67,000 sq. ft. • Free Parking • Food Trucks • Air Conditioning
Ross Exposition Center - Lorain County Fairgrounds
23000 Fairgrounds Road, Wellington (not Wilmington), OH 44090

As announced last year, this NE Ohio facility is also the location of our March & September 2026 meetings.

Click for **DIRECTIONS** from major cities and highways

HERE IS WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING:

WACA



Whispers of a **Rare Winchester Display**... The buzz is that one of the big surprises at our upcoming meeting just might be a special Winchester display by Life Member **Andrew Lawhorn**. Rumor has it, he's bringing along an **original 1985 Chevrolet Outdoorsman truck**—a limited-edition model born out of a promotional partnership with Winchester. Each truck was paired with exclusive Winchester memorabilia and even a Special Edition Chevrolet Winchester rifle. With fewer than 200 ever produced, this unique combo has become the stuff of legend in both Winchester and American automotive history.

If the whispers are true, this is one display you won't want to miss!

More information on the Chevy Outdoorsman: <https://www.theautopian.com/four-decades-ago-chevy-would-throw-in-a-gun-with-your-truck/>

Adding to the weekend, our friends, the **Winchester Arms Collectors Association (WACA)**, will be showcasing some of the finest Winchester firearms and antique memorabilia. It's also a perfect opportunity to meet their members and learn something new.

And let's not forget **Jesi Bennett**, Firearms Records Specialist from the **Cody Firearms Records Office**. Jesi will be on-site to provide expert serial number research for Winchester, Marlin, L.C. Smith, Ithaca, Savage, and A.H. Fox firearms. With documentation available at a reduced Cody Firearms Museum member rate, this is an excellent opportunity to add historical depth and increased value to your collection.



BUFFALO BILL CENTER OF THE WEST

Last, but not least, the **2025 PAC RAFFLE PRIZES WILL BE DRAWN ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th at NOON!!!** You may

send your tickets (that were enclosed with

your Summer newsletter) mailed to the business office by September 21st to be eligible. Raffle tickets will also be sold at the meeting until 11:30 am on Sunday. Don't miss out on a chance to win one of these six fabulous prizes. They will be on display at Marty Capito, PAC Chairman's Table during the September Meeting. Winners need not be present.



Tableholder Information:

Confirmations mail from the Business Office on September 12th. Get your applications in to have the best opportunity to sit near your buddy. All requests are considered, but not guaranteed. Click the "Printable 2025 Table Application" to print and mail or reserve online by clicking the "Reserve Upcoming 2025 Trade Tables Online."

[Printable Table Application](#)

[Reserve 2025 thru May 2026 Trade Tables Online](#)

Hotel and Accommodations:

A list of hotel accommodations near the Lorain County Fairgrounds is available [here](#). Also, adjacent to the Ross Expo Center is the fairground's 600-space campground with RV hookups available for \$40/night. For more information on camping, email info@loraincountyfair.com or call (440) 647-2781.

Sponsor a New Member:

Help grow OGCA by sponsoring a friend. A \$40 application fee covers membership through December 31, 2026 for applicants in September and November 2025.

[Printable Guest Pass Forms](#)

Make the most of your Saturday, September 27th!

There's plenty to do at the Lorain County Fairgrounds!

Saturday, September 27, 2025, is Constitution Day, and there is an event going on at the fairgrounds co-chaired by **OGCA Life member Jim Dowdell**. Jim encourages you

to spend Saturday at the OGCA meeting, and then walk over to Fair Hall, Building 19, for their **"First Annual Founders Bash - Celebrating the Constitution"** with patriotic music, food, refreshments, colonial reenactors and games. It is sponsored by the Lorain County Republican Party and goes until 8:30 p.m. Flier at right. Link to website:

<https://www.loraincountygop.org/founders-bash>

It's easy to enjoy both events back-to-back. If you're planning to attend the bash, you might want to grab early bird tickets and bring a few friends or family members along—it's designed to be a celebration for all ages.

This event is not affiliated with OGCA, but will be happening just across the way. It is open to the public, and tickets can be purchased at the Building 19 door, through their website, or by scanning the QR code to pre-order. Discounted tickets are available through September 15th.

Lorain County Republican Party


Founders Bash 2025

Celebrating the Constitution

Gold Sponsor:
\$1000

Silver Sponsor:
\$500

Bronze Sponsor:
\$250



September 27, 2025
Lorain County
Fairgrounds, bldg. 19
3PM to 8:30PM

Constitution Day
is
September 17, 2025.
Celebrate
the ratification
of the
U.S. Constitution.

Family Friendly
Colonial Re-enactors
Food Trucks
Sam Adams Beer
Refreshments
Face Painting
Trump vendor
Spelling Bee
Axe throwing
Uncle Sam
Skillet throwing
Speakers


**LIFE.
LIBERTY.
FREEDOM.
PROSPERITY.**

Admission
Adults - 19 years and up - \$20.00
Youths - 10 to 18 years - \$10.00
Pre-born to 9 years - Free
Families of five or more - \$40.00

ARTICLES: 7
SIGNERS: 39
AMENDMENTS: 27

**Patriotic
Music
Bluegrass Band**

For tickets and/or
Sponsors, call
440-213-4736.
Or, scan QR code



"We the People of the United States,
in Order to form a more perfect Union,
establish Justice, insure domestic
Tranquility, provide for the common
defence, promote the general Welfare,
and secure the Blessing of Liberty to
ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain
and establish this Constitution for the
United States of America.

Fun Fundraiser for Lorain County Republican Party, 2025

Have you made your plans yet for SPOOKY NOOK?

November 22-23, 2025 Hamilton, Ohio

We can hardly wait for **November 22–23, 2025**, when we set up for our inaugural meeting at this spectacular venue! A great turnout is expected, as the response from tableholders has been very positive. This is a wonderful, family-friendly facility—so make a weekend out of it!

This meeting will have something for everyone. OGCA will host the **German Gun Collectors Association (GGCA)** as they hold their show within ours, along with the **Antique and Black Powder Association's Invitational**. From German Schutzens to Muzzleloaders, you're sure to find something of interest. It's also a perfect opportunity to meet their members and soak up their wealth of knowledge.

There are plenty of hotel rooms available at excellent rates (see below). Spooky Nook is conveniently located north of Cincinnati and south of Dayton. Please note that outside food and beverages are not permitted in the hall, but you won't go hungry: onsite

food and beverages are not permitted in the hall, but you won't go hungry, since concessions are available, and there are two restaurants located right across the street in the hotel. One of them is a family-friendly, upscale, casual restaurant called Forklift and Palate that opens at 4 pm on Saturday.

Table applications are available now by clicking the buttons below. You may print and mail your application, or apply online and pay securely by credit card.

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Reserve a Room at
The Warehouse Hotel
(Headquarters Hotel) for the
November 22-23, 2025, meeting.
The Warehouse Hotel is located at 600
North B St., Hamilton, OH 45013
(directly across the street from the
Spooky Nook venue.)
Rate: \$129+tax per night.
The fastest way to access this rate is to
visit their website:
www.warehousehotel.com/Hamilton.
Type 1757 into the Promo Code or call
513-273-8300 and mention OGCA for the
discounted rate.

Mark Your Calendars – Reserve Your Tables Now!
**It's not too early to secure your tables for February 7–8, 2026, at the
Ohio Expo Center, State Fairgrounds, Columbus, OH!**

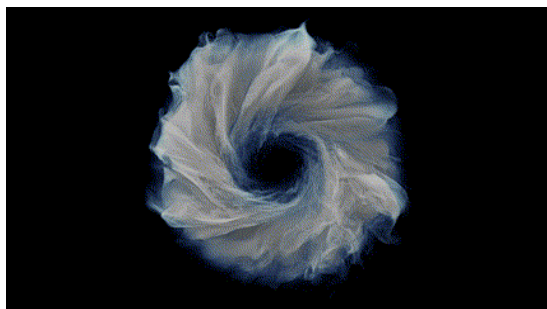
Join us in **Kasich Hall**, a 75,000 sq. ft. modern, state-of-the-art facility, as we launch another exciting chapter for OGCA in Central Ohio. With your support, we're hoping to establish this Columbus location as a prime meeting location for years to come.

Our next date is already set for **May 30 & 31, 2026**, where we will host the **OGCA Annual Display Show** at this facility. Don't miss the opportunity to be part of this new tradition from the very beginning!

For more information: [Click HERE for Details and Hotels](#)

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Upcoming 2025–2026 Meeting Schedule

- Sept. 27–28, 2025 – [Ross Expo Center, Wellington, OH](#)
- Nov. 22–23, 2025 – [Spooky Nook at Champion Mill, Hamilton, OH](#)
- Feb. 7–8, 2026 – [Kasich Hall, Ohio Expo Center, Columbus, OH](#)
- Mar. 7–8, 2026 – [Ross Expo Center, Wellington, OH](#)
- May 30–31, 2026 – [Kasich Hall, Ohio Expo Center, Columbus, OH](#)
- Aug. 8–9, 2026* – [Spooky Nook at Champion Mill, Hamilton, OH](#)
- Sept. 26–27, 2026 – [Ross Expo Center, Wellington, OH](#)
- Nov. 21–22, 2026* – [Spooky Nook at Champion Mill, Hamilton, OH](#)

* Tentative Dates

Click on the location for map directions

Hotels and Accommodations can be found at:

<https://ogca.com/ogca-events/>, then click details under the event in which you are interested.

Venue Highlights

- Kasich Hall – Columbus, OH: 75,000 sq. ft., centrally located with great highway access
- Ross Expo Center – Wellington, OH: 67,000 sq. ft., new build, RV hookups, free parking
- Spooky Nook – Hamilton, OH: 95,000 sq. ft., onsite hotel, restaurant, family-friendly amenities

Printable Dates
Through 2026

New Safety Rules

New firearm safety rules are in effect as of March. Key updates include:

1. Possession of a loaded firearm at a meeting will result in immediate expulsion and lifetime ban.
2. All firearms must be tied open per OGCA guidelines. Revolvers must have hammers secured.

3. Dark plastic ties are not allowed. Use approved ties for visibility.
4. Ties on displayed firearms must be easily visible from the aisle.

Please review the full rules in your newsletter or request a printed Rule Book.



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