



**Grove City Area Visitors and Convention Bureau**

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# the Visitor

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Grove City, Ohio

Get Answers to Questions Aug. 27-28

## Learn Hot Air Balloon Operations

The 2010 Hot Air Balloon Event in Grove City, 3811 Southwest Blvd., is an excellent opportunity to see balloons up close and have an opportunity to discuss their operation with the pilots and crews.

Balloons-n-Tunes, Grove City's annual hot air balloon festival runs Friday, Aug. 27, 5-10 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 28, 4-10 p.m. On Sunday, Aug. 29 between 6-7:30 a.m. there will be a balloon launch but no other activities.

All balloon activity is weather permitting.

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Friday** (5-10 p.m.) Balloon Launch, 6-7:30 a.m. and 6-7:30 p.m. Direct Energy Band, 5-8:40 p.m. "Ohio's premier horn driven classic rock band" [www.directenergyband.net](http://www.directenergyband.net). Kids area, 5-8:45 p.m. Imaginarium, 5-8:45 p.m. "Learn more about the serene sport of ballooning, see examples of the basket and envelope (the balloon) and speak with pilots and enthusiasts." Balloon glow, about 9 p.m., weather permitting.

**Saturday** (4-10 p.m.) Balloon Launch, 6-7:30 a.m. and 6-7:30 p.m. 7 Bridges Band, 5-8:40 p.m. "The Ultimate Eagles Experience band" [www.7bridgesband.com](http://www.7bridgesband.com) Kids area, 4-8:45 p.m. Imaginarium, 4-8:45 p.m. "Learn more about the serene sport of ballooning, see examples of the basket and envelope (the balloon) and speak with pilots and enthusiasts." Balloon glow, about 9 p.m., weather permitting.

**Sunday** balloon launch only weather permitting, 6-7:30 p.m.

- Tethered balloon rides \$5, weather permitting.
- Glows and ascensions
- No admission; parking \$5 each vehicle.



*Great opportunity to see balloon up close and talk with pilots and crew members.*

## Outdoor Concerts Series Continues In Town Center

The 2010 Summer Sizzle Concert Series is set to continue through August in the Grove City Town Center with lively music along with featured artists and their works of art.

Featuring a wide array of Grove City and central Ohio musicians, Summer Sizzle is sponsored by the Grove City Parks and Recreation Department and Grove City Tomorrow. *Continued next page*

Concerts are held Friday and Saturday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Town Center Plaza, Park Street and Broadway. Admission is free. Friday evening concerts will also feature free family oriented activities. On Saturday evenings, Grove City Tomorrow will support the arts on the streets of Grove City Town Center, with art and music in conjunction with the Summer Sizzle Concert Series.

The 2010 Summer Sizzle Concert Series is:

### Friday Summer Sizzle Concert Series

- July 30: Party of Nine, Classic Rock/R&B
- Aug. 6: These Guys Live, Classic Rock
- Aug. 13: Soul Kitch'n, Classic Soul/R&B/Funk
- Aug. 20: Coyote Canyon Band, Variety/Family Favorites

### Saturday Summer Sizzle Concert Series

- July 31: Voices Off Broadway, Broadway/Choral
- Aug. 7: GCCN Big Band, Big Band
- Aug. 14: Soul Annex, Rock/Dance/Blues
- Aug. 21: Agent 99, 70's

A special concert is planned for Friday, July 23 to welcome Grove City High School alumni into town for the annual Alumni Softball Tournament. This concert will feature Wally and the Beavs and will conclude at 10 p.m.

## Things to do in Grove City . . .



*Visitors to Grove City who spend a night in one of the hotels can request a discount coupon to the Big Splash at the front desk. The primary features are two 190-foot slides*

**SKATE PARK**—11,000 square feet of challenging concrete, walls 3 to 18 feet with varying degrees of slope and contours, rails, curbs, blocks and more. See our video on the skate park on our website.

**GARDENS AT GANTZ**—Ten unique herb gardens showcasing the many way herbs are used in everyday life and how early settlers used these useful plants.

**DISCOVERY FRONTIER**—This is a great park for children to unwind in after a day on the road. Creative play for children of all abilities. See our video on the skate park on our website.

## Central Ohio Events

There's lots to see in the Central Ohio area.

For the first time in many years, polar bears have returned to the **Columbus Zoo**. See them in a specially built environmentally friendly environment.

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Don't overlook the opportunity to go back in time 500 years as you climb aboard the **Santa Maria**, the world's most authentic, museum quality representation of Columbus' flagship.

The **Motts Military Museum** showcases memorabilia, personal stories and military objects.

Allow the greatest story in golf to come to life at the **Jack Nicklaus Museum** with over 2,000 personal items on public display.

Adults and children can engage their brain and amaze themselves at **COSI** (Center of Science and Industry), the number one rated science center in the United States. Opportunities are endless.

Interested in motorcycles? Visit the **Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum** with over 350 inductees including Jay Leno and Steve McQueen.



## Air Show Features Model Jet Aircraft In September

The 2010 E-Jet International model airplane air show will be four days of flying Sept. 9-12 at the Field of Dreams Airport in Grove City.

Some of these jets are as large as 8-12 feet and are built to scale of the larger jet aircraft.

Competitors from a range of foreign countries including Canada, England, Germany, Austria and Russia will be in the city to compete in a wide range of aerial maneuvers.

Many pilots will be attempting to break last year's speed record of 193 mph set by Pilot Rob Lynch.

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