## **Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary**

## GLASS CITY TOUR, WITH TONY PACKO'S & CRUISE THUR JULY 31, 2025

Departures, as applic: Beachwood/Orange, Independence, Middleburg Hts, No. Olmsted, Elyria, Sandusky.

Back in the early 1800s, 1833 to be more precise, a town was founded along the banks of the Maumee River. While we all know of Commodore Hazzard Perry's "Battle of Lake Erie", a naval action where his ships defeated the British fleet, another conflict took place a little further west. Unless you have taken our Soo Locks or Mackinac Island Tour with one of our Tour Directors "filling you in on this history", you may not be aware that Michigan and Ohio were disputing the farmland along the Maumee during "The Toledo War". It was finally resolved when the land was given to Ohio and, in exchange, Michigan received what is now its Upper Peninsula. Expansion continued as the Miami and Erie Canal opened in the mid-1800s, followed by the construction of railroads through this area.



In the latter part of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century, Edward Libbey arrived, bringing his company, New England Glass. Other glassmakers followed . . . leading to the nickname of "Glass City" being given to Toledo.

We will be visiting the Glass Pavilion at the Toledo Museum of Art to see beautiful pieces in the Glass Pavilion and a collection that holds over 5,000 works of art from ancient to contemporary times. The Pavilion is made of glass panels creating a transparent structure.

Since so much of the area's growth has been spurred by the river, we will be enjoying an afternoon cruise on the Maumee River, seeing homes, yacht clubs, businesses and the "Veterans' Glass City Skyway Bridge"!

A local Toledo resident, Jamie Farr played Corporal Maxwell Klinger, on the television series, "Mash 4077", with his iconic phrase "If you are ever in Toledo, Ohio, on the Hungarian side of town, Tony Packo's got the greatest Hungarian hot dogs." While we will be enjoying lunch here, you will not be limited to hot dogs, but rather selecting your meal from the menu presented, once seated.

## \$172 per person

We accept all major credit cards and checks or stop into our office. Tours can now be booked online, 24 hours a day with a credit card.

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