



For Love or Money: Inspiration for YOUR Rags to Riches Story --- Two-Day Gahanna, Ohio Sample Itinerary

Are you **in the money** or looking for some inspiration to create a little “**greenery?**” You can **bet your bottom dollar** that Gahanna Convention & Visitors Bureau’s “For Love or Money” sample itinerary will deliver a variety of ideas that are **worth their weight in gold**. Whether you’re looking for ways to make a little extra money, stretch your **shoestring budget** or fatten up your **piggy bank**—these activities will have you **cashing in** on plenty of fun and great memories! To book this itinerary, contact Mary Szymkowiak (mszymko@visitgahanna.com / 614/418-9114) at Gahanna Ohio Convention & Visitors Bureau!

Day 1 - Morning

10-11:30 am Kitchen & Garden Riches: Making/Saving Money at Home. During this Product-to-Market Seminar, you’ll Visit the Ohio Herb Education Center and discover how to make and save money from your garden/kitchen. Do you have an idea for a home-produced product that you think could be a great money-maker? Meet Dawn Combs, owner and master farmer at Mockingbird Meadows. Dawn has created successful lines of honey, body care products and tea that she sells at Farmers Markets and stores including Whole Foods. Additionally, she is the author of two books about farming and marketing. She’ll share some of the secrets to her success and inspire your homegrown dream! Whether you are interested in creating herbal/flower products or homemade cleaning products, blending your own teas or kitchen cosmetics, or bottling your secret sauces and other culinary creations—Dawn will answer your questions. \$15/pp includes a Mockingbird Meadow product.

Lunch & afternoon

12-4 pm Scioto Downs. Do you have the Midas touch? Visit Scioto Downs Racino and see if you can Strike It Rich! Take part in the excitement of the gaming floor, where groups are offered a healthy incentive package of free play and dining credits to enjoy! Scioto Downs offers 55 years of traditional live harness racing (May-September), where visitors can bet on the horses and dine in the newly renovated Clubhouse. Group dinners are accommodated. (20 people or more).

4:30 pm Check into the **SpringHill Suites Gahanna/Columbus Airport Hotel** – where you’ll find a complimentary welcome bag with special offers from the Gahanna Convention & Visitors Bureau and a free gift for everyone in your party. (*This hotel also offers COMPLIMENTARY welcome reception for groups working with the Gahanna CVB.) Special Group Rates apply to Gahanna CVB groups

Dinner

5:30-7:30 pm BBQ on a Budget. Enjoy some (affordable) award-winning BBQ with all the fixings, catered from one of Central Ohio's most popular restaurants—at a private venue overlooking Gahanna's scenic Creekside District and Golf course. Pricing depends on dinner choices. (*Add a musical performance by one of the area's most popular ensembles for an additional \$100.)

Day 2

10-12 noon Soap-making for Gifting, Saving or Selling! Homemade soap is not only good for us and good for the environment, but it makes a wonderful gift for any occasion (and it's pretty easy to make)! Visit a state-of-the-art licensed cannery/farm and learn to make your own homemade soap from natural ingredients such as poppy seed, oatmeal, cocoa and coffee! In this workshop, you'll learn the ins and outs of making moisturizing hand soap, an exfoliating work soap, or a scented bath soap. Create your own custom bar of soap to take home along with the recipe and more great ideas. \$35/per person. Allow 2 hours.

LUNCH.

12:30-2 pm 94th Aero Squadron

Located near the Port Columbus International Airport and offering dramatic views of air traffic, The 94th Aero Squadron Restaurant features the finest in American cuisine, including hand-cut steaks, chicken, seafood and pastas. The old country 1917 French farmhouse décor offers stone fireplaces, wood paneling, beamed ceilings and military memorabilia. Enjoy a buffet meal with many delicious options. Pricing varies depending on choices.

2:30-4:30 pm DIY Vintner: Secrets for Success. Do you love wine? Ever consider trying to make your own wine at home? Meet the owner of a local winery and listen to an inspiring journey to professional winemaker! Sample premium wines and tour a traditional working winery. After the tour, you will never look at a glass of wine the same way again. A variety of tour and tasting packages are available, including tour and samples. Allow 2 hours.

To book this tour or learn about other money-saving ideas (and experiences), contact Mary Szymkowiak (mszymko@visitgahanna.com / 614/418-9114) at Gahanna Ohio Convention & Visitors Bureau!