

The Scenic Scioto Heritage Trail, INC. and partners are proud to announce a new 114 mile driving trail featuring designated historic canal locks' for public viewing. The Ohio & Erie Canal "Southern Descent" trail launch features 5 stopping points along the way, starting in West Portsmouth on Sept 2nd and ending in Carroll on Oct.9th. Canal experts and guest speakers will be featured at each stop to speak about the importance of the canals in Ohio's transportation history.

The Village of Lockbourne is excited to be a featured location in the "Southern Descent" Trail launch on Sat. Sept 25th starting at 2pm. Festivities for the event will include historic games and activities, Lockbourne's Magnolia Trail walking tours, live entertainment, a Chili Cook Off and unlimited Chili tasting, Irish Whisky from Byrnes Pub and canal experts speaking every hour until 6pm.

Lockbourne is home to canal locks # 26, 27, 29,30 and the ONLY location you can see the remains of the Columbus Feeder Canal. The system of locks played a huge roll in the transportation of goods and the ability for passengers to travel throughout Ohio for about a penny a mile. The Ohio and Erie canal was completed between 1827 and 1832 and became one of the greatest man- made waterway marvels for its time.

Join us for Lockbourne's Canal kick off event and be amazed by our rich transportation history and fun facts, stay for a bowl (or 2) of delicious Chili and experience life as it was back in the canal days. This is an event for all ages. For more information please contact the Lockbourne administrative office at (614)491-3161 or email us at admin.assistant@lockbourneohio.us. You can also contact project director Cathy Nelson at cathyd.nelson@gmail.com for more information about the Ohio and Erie Canal Southern Descent Heritage Trail.