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Festival of Leaves to open Friday

Displays and demonstrations, trinkets and tours will be part of the second annual Festival of Leaves which opens here Friday.

General chairman James Krug said the event, which runs through next Sunday, is expected to attract several thousand persons.

In outlining a schedule of events, Krug noted highlights will include:

- A homecoming football game Friday night.
- Bill Boatman trade day next Saturday.
- A fly-in breakfast, parade and baton exhibition next Sunday.

The football game, beginning at 8, will pit Paint Valley's Bearcats against the Unioto SHERMANS at the Paint Valley field.

The trade day, an annual October event, offers sportsmen an opportunity to trade dogs and guns and to meet hunters and dog breeders from all over the country. The grade day activities will be held at the trading lot beside the Bill Boatman Co.

Erv Bauer and George Laycock, authors of many outdoor books, will be at the event from 24 p.m. to autograph books.

The fly-in breakfast is also an annual event. Pilots are expected to fly in from many parts of Ohio and other states. The Bainbridge Lions Club will prepare breakfasts of ham and eggs, beginning at 7:30.

The parade will begin at 2 p.m. with numerous floats, marching units, various high school bands and Festival of Leaves Queen Sue Granger and her attendants — Fay Shoemaker and Alice Rapp. Among the bands will be Adena, Paint Valley, Huntington, Unioto, High Schools and the Adelphi Band.

The Adelphi band will give a performance following the parade at 5 p.m. At 7:30 p.m., a demonstration will be given by fire-baton twirlers from Kimberlin Baton Studio.

Although some activities will get under way Thursday — such as Gooding Amusement Co. rides for children and display booths — the official festival opening will be after school Friday. Krug said Supt. Arthur Shumate has agreed that Paint Valley School District classes should be dismissed a little earlier Friday in observance of the event.

Krug said displays will include antiques, Indian relics, demonstrations in apple butter making, quilt making and bonnet making. Country music programs by the Chet and the Country Boys are scheduled each evening.

The program also includes a log sawing contest at 2 p.m. Saturday; a performance by dulcimer player Anne Grimes of Granville; an exhibition in shoe-making; a tractor pull Saturday afternoon, sponsored by the Buckeye Garden Tractor Club; and a square dance exhibition is scheduled in the city park at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.



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