

Memorial Day weekend offers choice of festivals

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The long Memorial Day weekend comes with a choice of festivals that range from serving strawberries to celebrating independence.

New Stratfield, a small Perry County community south of Zanesville, has the only festival in the state honoring something illegal.

The Ohio Department of Liquor Control which frowns on manufacturers of the illicit whisky, lends confiscated stills for display at the festival.

The seventh annual moonshine event will feature a grand parade at 1 p.m. May 30. The festival extends Friday through the holiday.

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MEDINA County Fairgrounds will see a lot of huffing and puffing Saturday and Sunday.

The Medina County Antique Power Association will have its second annual show, drawing steam and gas engines and old farm equipment from all over the state. It is the first power show of the season. Admissions will be 50 over 12 years old. A flea market will be an added attraction.

Gas engines and antique cars will be displayed at the Old Pavilion for Cream Festival near Vinton, Ohio, on May 13 in Utopia south of Mount Vernon in Licking County on the holiday weekend. Activities will start at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sun-

day and 10 a.m. May 30.

Dayton will have a River Festival May 28 at Riverfront Park, near Erie and Helena streets.

Chillicothe Area Festival, originally scheduled for the Memorial weekend, will be June 2-5.

NORWALK, on Ohio 18 in Huron County, will have its third annual Strawberry Festival Saturday through Memorial Day. An antique and classic car show will be held from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday. A parade of cars will go through downtown at 5:30.

Robertson Air Force Base near Columbus will have its 1977 Total Force Open House from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

The USAR Thunderbirds will give a show, including aerobatics, at 11 a.m. The Logistics Command Band from Wright Patterson Air Base in Dayton will give a concert.

At 1 p.m. the Navy sailing team, Chasing Stars, will add to a flag jump and at 2:30 exhibit football and one-point landing techniques. Other demonstrations will include canoe drop and air-boat relaying.

BALE PAINE and Village in health Township will celebrate its month of cherry in short activities next weekend. Upcoming events will include cherry displays, June 1-2; demonstration by a Crawford Village painter, June 3; and strawberry social, June 11, 12, and 13.

State Street will feature the Garden Forum's May Meet from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday. Garden supplies and plants will be sold.

Seven Metropolitan Parks will have a nature walk at 3 p.m. next Sunday at Virginia Kendall Park. Cleveland Hiking Club will have Emerald Necklace Hikes next Sunday. A 10-mile hike will start at 10 a.m. from Kerner's Plaza, Lorain Avenue and Rocky River Drive, and a five-mile hike at 2:30 p.m. from the same place.

Stack County Wilderness Center near Wilcox will show movies on mountain climbing and Scouting at 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

OHIO'S nature preserves will have their last wildflower hikes next weekend.

Nature walks will be at Tinkers Creek Park on Davis Road, four miles southeast of Aurora, starting at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Other walks Sunday will start at 2 p.m. at Blackhawk George, eight miles east of Newburg near Tabor; Gall Woods, three miles northwest of Archbold along the Tiffin River; and Hardscrabble Dunes along Lake Erie near Fairport Harbor, and Shaker Berger Preserve on Iker's Knob Road, three miles northwest of Lancaster.

Travel notes

The Beacon Summer Festival will feature a woodworker, baker and chicken choker at Barnes Mills, Pa., July 1-11. From Kermanshah, Germany, to demonstrate his skills with apple and plum strawdell.

There also will be a German clock maker from Karpuz, No. 1 manufacturer. And Hans Eiche, also from Oberammergau, will return to demonstrate his woodcarving skills.

Barnesville is two miles east of east 27 E. of I-81, on Rt. 34.

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The "Hunted Tomorrow Fair", three-day "exposition of alternate zones for the future" will be June 24-26 at the University of Mass. chemists in Ankara with common advocate Ralph Nader and folk singer Five Saver among the guests.

Holiday Inn is now in its 500 country with the opening of a 475 room, 15-story inn in Lagos, the capital city of Nigeria.

Central America's biggest party this summer will be a three-month celebration given by its smallest country, El Salvador—"Marimba Fiesta", in honor of the national instrument, runs June 1 through Aug. 31. For a booklet on Marimba Fiesta, write El Salvador Tourist Commission, Box 720, Rocky City Station, New York, N. Y., 10019.

Passengers flying Japan Air Lines can now book reservations for Japan National Railways' famous "Shinku Train" between Tokyo and Hakata, with stops at Nagoya, Kyoto, Osaka, Okazawa and Hiroshima.

For a copy of "Guide to Norfolk's Lodging", describing hotels and motels offering 4,500 rooms ranging from \$14 to \$44 a night, double occupancy, write to Norfolk Visitors Bureau, Box 28, Norfolk, Va. 23501.

The Mass Rehabilitation Hospital in Philadelphia operates a free in-home service to help disabled people plan trips in the United States and abroad. The hospital's travel information center has assembled an extensive library of facts for handicapped travelers, including a list of hotels and motels with wheelchair ramps, cruise ships and airlines that make an extra effort to accommodate the disabled.

Historical sites, national monuments, public facilities and tourist attractions that are architecturally accessible. Inquiries may be made by writing or calling the Traveler Information Center, Mass Rehabilitation Hospital, 12th Street and Taylor Road, Philadelphia, Pa. 19141 (215-262-5715).

A new restaurant is about to open in the former Care of City, the railroad station on Park Left Bank that served as a departure point for southwest France. The French Tourist Office says the restaurant will seat 400 in a décor evoking the luxury of the century with red velvet walls and carpets and 20-foot-high ceilings. Prices will be "moderate."

The 1977 edition of the Mobil City Vacation & Business Guide is now available. The 351-page volume contains in-depth information on the nation's 55 leading cities. Published by Reed McNeely, the guide costs \$4.95.

The Grand Midwest Ballroom Ballroom is with 35 dancing hot air craft. It is a nationally known ballroom. It will get of the ground June 4-5 at the Wisconsin Delta.

London soon will host two great antique shows. The Antiques Book Fair June 15-17 and the Grosvenor House Antiques Fair June 8-18.

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