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Adelphi Bologna Festival Opens 5-Day Run Thursday

The Adelphi Bologna Festival, an old-time street carnival, will be held May 25-29 in the Ross County village.

The festival, which grew from an annual Memorial Day fish fry sponsored by the Adelphi Volunteer Fire Department, is now in its eighth year.

The Adelphi Volunteer Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary have been busily preparing for this year's event and expect it to be the biggest and best yet.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will open the festival at 5 p.m. Thursday with the present queen, Marilyn McNichols, doing the honors.

The fire department will have their usual fish stand, country store and the little log cabin which sells the Adelphi Bologna, processed and packaged by the Laurelville Meat Packing Company of Laurelville.

Contests will include a queen contest, Little Miss and Little Mister contests, a talent contest, baking contest, pet judging, best decorated bicycle, queen of queens contest and a pinewood derby.

Thursday's parade begins at 6 p.m. and will feature queen contestants, pets and decorated bicycles. Pet and bicycle judging will be held at 7 p.m. The Adelphi Bologna Queen contest and the Little Miss and Little Mister contests will follow at 7:30 p.m.

Anyone wishing to participate in the parade should call Marlene Van Fossan, 655-2719, or Ann Carter, 655-2822.

The Saturday parade begins at 5 p.m. Parade chairmen are Leona Barnes and Jane Stevens. Anyone wishing to participate in this parade should call 655-2863 or 332-2563.

Awards for the best floats and the queen of queens contests will be held immediately following the parade at the main stage. The grand marshal of Saturday's parade will be Terre Blair of WTVN-TV Channel 6 News, Columbus.

Square dancing will take place Friday and Saturday nights from 8 p.m. to midnight with the Rhythm Drifters providing the music.

Other entertainment will include

country music by the Kustoms, 9 to 11 p.m. Thursday; The Country Knights from Washington Court House, 2 p.m. Saturday; the Adelphi Community Band, 4 p.m. Saturday; The Crusaders, a gospel group, 4:30 p.m. Sunday; and Bill McKnight and the Nitehawks, a rock group, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Monday. All entertainment will take place on the main stage.

A cake and hand-made ripple afghan will be auctioned at 10 p.m. Saturday.

Games, rides and some of the concessions will be provided by Pugh Concessions. Ride tickets are now on sale. Chances for money are also being sold with the prizes being \$200, \$100 and \$50. The price is a set-amount donation to the fire department.

Tickets and chances are being sold by the fire department and ladies auxiliary members. Ride ticket stubs should be saved as a 10-speed bicycle will be given away on Memorial day to the holder of the winning stub. Prize money will also be given away at this time. Drawings for both will be held at 9 p.m.

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