

# A village homecoming

# Clarksburg's annual Field Day this Thursday

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CLARKSBURG — Villagers will re-acquaint themselves with past residents and their neighbors Thursday when they celebrate Field Day. "You just mist."

"You just might call it a homecoming of sorts and maybe a small town's reunion," said Lucille McDonald, the event's en-tertainment coordinator. "People who live in other states that are from here plan their vacations around the day."

Whatever its purpose or name, most of the residents call it simple and down-home fun, she said. "People just bring their lawn chairs and sit and talk. We catch up with all

the news."
This is the village's 73rd anniversary of the event that returns those who have left the area, she said. "It's tradition. They always know it's the first Thursday in

August."

Field Day, an all-day event, is in a grove about a quarter-mile east of the village on Ohio 138. Thus, the name. It is sprosored the Clarksburg United Methodist Church.

Cost is 50 cents; children age 12 and

younger are admitted free.

The celebration began in the early 1900s as a chautauqua, a religious assembly, said Nelle Hughes, the event's publicity coor-

- Adelphi band concert 1 to 2:15
- p.m.
- Adena twirlers 2:30 to 3 p.m.
- Children's games and a greased pole imb 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Chicken and fish dinners 4:30 p.m.
- Adelphi Band concert 5:30 to 6:30
- p.m.  $\blacksquare$  The Spencers 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- Tad Free, a country band 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

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