

# Clarksburg set for its big day

## Annual festival to be Thursday

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CLARKSBURG — The biggest event in Clarksburg will return Thursday for its 76th year.

The traditional Clarksburg Methodist Church Field Day is expected to draw about 3,000 people to the 11-acre field a quarter-mile east of Clarksburg on Ohio 138, according to Publicity Director Debbie Zurmehly.

"It's a homecoming for the whole community," Zurmehly said. "The weather is the biggest determining factor. . . . It's supposed to be hot and humid and we don't appreciate it."

Last year, a historical display proved popular enough to continue this year, she said. This will include old photos of the church, vintage clothes, and past and present service uniforms.

New this year will be a two-man volleyball exhibition, which is expected to draw the interest of the younger people, she said.

It takes not only the church, which averages 40 people each Sunday, but backing from the village's 500 residents to make the festival a success, Zurmehly said.

About 750 pounds of fish and 200 pounds of chicken will hit the fryers early Thursday. The general food stand will be open all day and offer items such as hamburgers, chips

### Schedule

■ **All day:** Historic exhibition, trap shooting, horseshoe pitching, flea markets

■ **1-1:30 p.m.:** Adena High School Band

■ **1:30-2:30 p.m.:** Adelphi Band  
■ **2:30-3:30 p.m.:** Adelphi Twirlers

■ **3:30-4:30 p.m.:** Children's games and greased pole climb

■ **4:30 p.m.:** Begin serving fish and chicken dinners

■ **5 p.m.:** Two-man volleyball exhibition

■ **5:30-6:30 p.m.:** The Adelphi Band

■ **6:30 p.m.:** The Kellys

■ **8 p.m.:** Gospel singing group  
■ **8:30-10 p.m.:** Paint Valley Jamboree

and candy. The lunch booth opens at 11 a.m. with fish sandwiches and pies. Dinner will begin at 4:30 p.m. with chicken and fish dinners, accompanied by vegetables, bread, pie and drink, she said.

Not much food is left over, but cleaning up takes plenty of time the day after, Zurmehly said. But visiting with friends makes it well worth it for many, she added.

Admission is 50 cents and parking is free. More information is available by calling 993-4792.

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