

# Clarksburg Field Day moves to Saturday this year

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CLARKSBURG — "Same field, different day" is what local organizers have dubbed this year's Field Day celebration.

The reason being, event co-chairwoman Denise Kern said, the festival will run Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. rather than the usual Thursday.

"We just felt it was time for a change," Kern said. "We're very excited about it being on Saturday."

Since the daylong celebration has become the traditional homecoming event of the village and the area around it, more people would be able to participate in the fun on a weekend day, Kern said.

"It's more or less like a big reunion for area residents."

However, the day is not the only thing that has changed.

In addition to a cruise-in of vintage and restored cars during the afternoon, organizers have infused a heaping dose of history to the event.

A celebration to honor Ross County's bicentennial will take place at 1 p.m. with Kroger supplying cake for the countywide birthday celebration.

"We will be adding our own touch to the observance," Kern said. The



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Saturday's Clarksburg Field Day will have a historic flavor, as the village includes a celebration of Ross County's bicentennial as part of its annual summer festival. Part of Clarksburg's heritage includes the Community Band. Formed in 1909, when this photo was taken, the band performed through 1940.

local version will incorporate a period style show demonstrating what folks might have worn at the time county was established and any time thereafter.

"This is something kids will remember," Kern said of the bicentennial celebration. "I think it'll be a lot of fun."

Fifteen-minute informative talks

will also be presented on various historical topics every hour throughout the day. Subjects like Ohio fossils, the frontier movement and the World War II experiences of several local veterans will be presented to anyone interested, she said.

And, there could not be a "reunion" without a lot of food.

Kern read off the hefty grocery list of the one-day event, which included 700 pounds of perch, 300 pounds each of chicken and hamburger and 24 pounds of hot dogs.

She said food will be served starting at 11 a.m., but the main dinner will not be served until 4 p.m.

During the meal, visitors will be treated to a number of different

## Clarksburg Field Day schedule

**Saturday**  
11 a.m.-noon: Children's games  
11 a.m.: Lunch  
Noon: Flag raising  
Noon-2 p.m.: Cruise-in registration  
Noon-1 p.m.: Adena High School band  
1-1:30 p.m.: Ross County bicentennial celebration  
1 p.m.: Garden tractor pull  
1:30-3 p.m.: Grant and Sally Ministries  
3-4 p.m.: Adelphi Band  
3 p.m.: Greased pole climb  
4-5 p.m.: Steady Stomper Cloggers  
4 p.m.: Fish and chicken dinner  
5-6 p.m.: The Garrison Family (gospel)  
6-7 p.m.: The Great Seal of Ohio Band  
7-9:30 p.m.: Goosetown Astonishers

musical acts.

"It's truly a community effort," she said. "Without everyone it wouldn't be possible."

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