

Music Is Still Popular Ross County Fair Item

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CHILLICOTHE, Ohio — Band music is a staple of the program at the Ross County Fair in progress near here this week, and one band is a fixture.

The 101-year-old Adelphi Community Band will perform as it has for every one of the 36 annual fairs which have been held at the present fairgrounds — and some fairs before that.

TWO OF THE members of the band, Herman Hinton and David Pontious, have been with it for 56 years and recall some of the early fairs.

The band was given a plaque by the fair board at the opening ceremony for the fair Monday morning. It will perform at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday through Friday.

Also providing music during the fair will be bands from Scioto, Southeastern, Zane Trace, Paint Valley and Adena high schools, each appearing for several performances on a different day.

THE FIRST EVENT in the fair was the selection of the queen Sunday night. She is Vicki Francis, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Francis of near Chillicothe.

Members of her court are, in order, Cathy Davis of near Chillicothe, Karla Eklene of near Richmondale, Debbie Flannery of near Richmondale and Terri Hirsch of near Chillicothe.

Grandstand entertainment featured gospel music Monday and a horse show is scheduled at 6 p.m. Tuesday. Demolition derbies are set for 8 p.m. Thursday and Saturday.

A country music show featuring

Ernest Tubb will be held Friday night with performances at 7 and 9:30 p.m. There will be harness horse races starting at 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday.