

All ready for Field Day

Clarksburg's annual 'simple affair' draws thousands

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CLARKSBURG — The village, in preparation for Thursday's Field Day, has become a vortex of activity, a coordinator said.

"Everybody is doing their thing," said Lucille McDonald. "Everything is going well and falling in place."

The dinner stands are up and the stoves have been tested, said Willard Wood, another coordinator. The pole, the most significant part

of the greased pole contest, awaits a bath of oil, he said.

Field Day, an all-day event similar to a family reunion, takes place in a grove about a quarter-mile east of the village on Ohio 138. The Clarksburg United Methodist Church sponsors the annual event.

Admission is 50 cents for adults; children age 12 and younger are admitted free.

Sweltering temperatures may keep some regular visitors away from the 73rd Field Day celebra-

tion, McDonald predicted. Field Day usually attracts 3,000 to 5,000 people.

"I'm always a little amazed that we get that many people because it's such a simple affair," she said. "I guess they come back because they really seem to enjoy themselves."

"We'd like to urge everyone to come out and enjoy the day," she added.

Scheduled events:

■ Adelphi band concert — 1 to

2:15 p.m.

■ Adena twirlers — 2:30 to 3 p.m.

■ Children's games and a greased pole climb — 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.

■ The Spencers, a gospel music group — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

■ Tad Free, a country band — 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

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