



# Welcome To The 105th Clay County Fair

For the past century, the Clay County Fair has been the heart of the summer with a carnival, cattle, and cotton candy.

Along with a way to promote agriculture and bring farm families together, the fair was a showcase for domestic art, home cooking and home-grown fruits and vegetables..

A century later, the bragging rights for the best item shown at the fair are still prized today. The county 4-H and FFA groups come together to compete for ribbons and a trip to the state fair.

You don't have to work in agriculture to join the fun and exhibit your produce or hand crafted item. Anyone can enter in the open class divisions.

The exciting four-day event offers wholesome, family entertainment - there's truly something for everyone to enjoy.

The Clay County Fair is a great place to reconnect with neighbors and friends, while extending an avenue for exhibitors to express interests. Come see what a great time is to be had at the fair in July.

There is fun entertainment like the tractor pull, the talent show, music from the legendary Sherwin Linton, Stoneridge Road, and the Red Letter Band. Fun can be had just in visiting with friends at the fair or watching a magic show.

A all-time favorite event that made its spectacular return in 2017 is the demolition derby, where fenders meet in metal crunching competition. The 2018 demolition derby, with \$5,000 in payouts in four classes, will be held Saturday, July 14, at 6:30 p.m.

The Clay County Fair has a long tradition of providing an enjoyable place for people to exchange ideas, demonstrate skills and exhibit products. It is also a great source for entertainment, visiting and learning.

The board of directors are excited to host another great year of fair activities. July 12, 13, 14, and 15 marks the 105th time exhibitors will come together in Barnesville to showcase their talents and compete for prizes.

There's a lot to see, do and enjoy while at the fair. View the exhibits that showcase efforts of 4-H, FFA and community members. Watch a variety of musicians performing on the free band shelter stage. The entertainment in front of the grandstand will delight men, women and children.



Try the rides and games of the carnival. Stroll through the livestock barns. Check out the vendors promoting services and products. Participate in kid-friendly competitions.

Attend the 4-H Livestock Market Auction that represents the commitment and hard work of the 4-H members. Relive history at the former District #47 one-room schoolhouse. Sample the many selections of food offered around the venue.

The Clay County Fair dates back to 1914 when the first event was held. The stage for the fair was downtown Barnesville. Most of those first years events centered around agriculture, the mainstay for people in the region.

The heritage and traditions from its humble beginnings to the event it is today, represent over a century of county-wide pride, support and commitment in making the Clay County Fair a summer festival where the whole family can just have fun.

It is through the collaboration of numerous sponsors, countless community volunteers, and the many 4-H and FFA members who work along side board of directors that the Clay County Fair is able to continue its time-honored

tradition.

The Clay County Fair board of directors welcome you and hope each moment you are at the fair

will be filled with amazement at all the skill and talent shared by county residents.

The sites and sounds of the fair

are waiting for you to enjoy. The Clay County Fair is a tradition and an event that you certainly don't want to miss!

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