55th ANNUAL OHIO SAUERKRAUT FESTIVAL

THE OFFICIAL PROGRAM



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Information Booth: Located at the corner of Main and North Street (in front of the Entertainment Stage).

Medical Attention: Minor injuries can be treated at the Fire Station on Miami St., or contact any festival staff member or Waynesville police officer

Festival Staff Members can be identified by their official lime green staff shirts and will be carrying two-way radios.

Lost children/parents should proceed to the Entertainment Stage at Main and North Street. Other persons are encouraged to use the LCNB clock tower as a pre-arranged meeting place should you get separated from your party.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 11th 9AM - 8PM

SUNDAY OCTOBER 12th 9AM - 6 PM



Area Chamber of Commerce
"The Antiques Capital of the Midwest"

Foin us for the

55th Annual Ohio Sauerkraut Festival

400 Juried Craft Exhibitors, Entertainment and Sauerkraut... Served in Many Traditional and Non-Traditional Ways!

513-897-8855 www.sauerkrautfestival.com The 55th Annual Ohio Sauerkraut Festival would like to kindly thank our Sponsors! Without their sponsorship, we would not be able to provide a quality, regional festival that is ranked 29th Best Arts & Crafts Festival in the Nation, according to the Sunshine Artist Magazine. Please support them throughout our festival!

MEET OUR SPONSORS



























PARKING INFORMATION





Shuttle Bus Parking is provided by the Waynesville Athletic Boosters at Wayne Local High School at 735 Dayton Rd. Cost for parking is \$5.00/per car. Follow shuttle parking signs. Shuttle buses will run during the festival hours between the High School and the corner of North and 3rd Street (the intersection nearest the main stage)

Private Parking is available at various locations surrounding the festival, but is not operated by, sanctioned, or recommended by the Waynesville Area Chamber of Commerce or the Ohio Sauerkraut Festival. Parking will be at your own risk.

To ensure uninterrupted police, fire, and emergency response during the festival, parking regulations will be strictly enforced. If your car has been towed, call the Waynesville Police Department at 513-897-8010

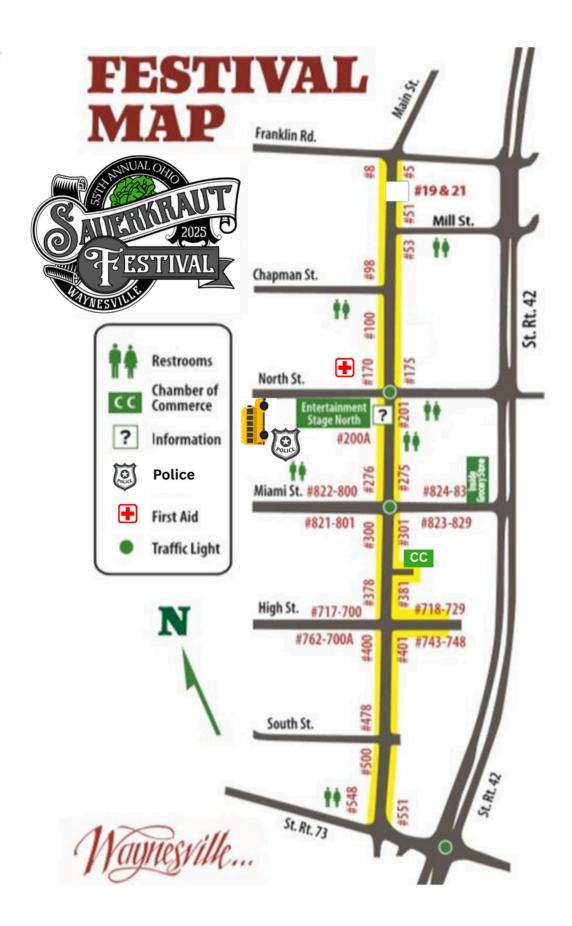
OHIO SAUERKRAUT FESTIVAL RULES

- 1. No banners or posters may be carried in the festival area.
- 2. No distribution of pamphlets/flyers or any other written material without written permission.
- 3. No bullhorns or any other device that project sound.
- 4. Selling anything in the festival area in strictly prohibited unless you are an approved vendor.
- 5. No solicitation of any kind including, but not limited to, distribution of samples, promotional items, flyers, pamphlets, or business cards.
- 6. There is a designated area for petitioning, preaching, and distribution of flyers. All of those wishing to conduct such activities must register at the Chamber office, and stay within the boundaries of the designated areas
- 7. No pets please, unless service animals. Failure to follow these rules may result in expulsion from the festival area. For a complete list of the rules, visit the chamber office at 174 S. Main St. The Ohio Sauerkraut Festival is hosted by the Waynesville Area Chamber of Commerce.

For a list of Vendors, Food Items, and Sponsor booths, please use this QR code.

2025 VENDOR LIST





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SATURDAY ENTERTAINMENT

10AM - OPENING CEREMONY
10:15AM- WAYNESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR
10:30 - 11:00 ELLIE LITTLE
11:15AM-12:45PM - TESA MARIE
1:30PM-3PM - RYAN ADAMS AND THE SOBS
3:30PM-5PM - SMITHVILLESOUTH BAND
5:45PM-7:30PM - TWO FOR THE ROAD

SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENT

9AM-10:00 CROSSVIEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH SERVICE 10:30AM- WAYNESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND 11AM-12:30PM – FINTAN 1PM-2:30PM – SAUERKRAUT GERMAN BAND 3PM-3:30PM – SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION CEREMONY 4PM-5:30PM – STREETWISE BAND

OHIO SAUERKRAUT FESTIVAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Ohio Sauerkraut Festival is proud to recognize the recipients of the annual Ohio Sauerkraut Festival Scholarships. In 2024, students from Waynesville High School and the Warren County Career Center applied for this special opportunity.

The Joe Coons Community Service Scholarship in the amount of \$2000 to Amanda Tudella.

The Al "Capp" Stubbs Scholarship in the amount of \$1800 to Olivia Crumbach.

Two Ohio Sauerkraut Festival Scholarships, both in the amount of \$1500 to Belle Dimbath and Aleigha Post.

The Jane Jones Scholarship in the amount of \$1250 to Owen Malcolm.

These scholarships are made possible through the generous donations of festival sponsors, local retailers, and many supportive citizens of the Waynesville community. Thank you for helping invest in the future of our local students.

Join us as we announce the 2025 Ohio Sauerkraut Festival Scholarship winners at 3:00 PM on Sunday, October 12.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

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OHIO SAUERKRAUT FESTIVAL HISTORY

The beginning in 1970...As the Waynesville Retail Merchants were planning to hold a sidewalk sale, it was suggested that a sauerkraut dinner be served as part of the event. With this decision, the Ohio Sauerkraut Festival wa born.

That fall, on October 3, 1970, Waynesville hosted its first Sauerkraut Festival, serving 528 pounds of sauerkraut to approximately 1,500 visitors. Entertainment included an antique car parade, German bands and folk dancers, checkers and spelling bee contests, and of course, prizes for the largest head of cabbage and the best homemade sauerkraut. Booths were set up on Main Street to sell krautcontaining foods (including sauerkraut ice cream), fall harvest, produce, and display the antiques, arts, and crafts of a few vendors. Word of the high-quality food, entertainment, and crafts spread quickly and the Festival attracted crowds of approximately 4,000 in 1971 and 10,000 in 1972, the size of the Sauerkaut Festival brought it under the management of the Waynesville Area Chamber of Commerce. The Festival continued to attract even larger numbers of visitors, surpassing 40,000 in 1976. In the early 1980's, the numbers of arts and crafts booths steadily increased, and the number of festival goers increased to an estimated 100,000 in 1982.

Today. the Ohio Sauerkraut Fesitval serves 11,000 tons of sauerkraut and attracts approximately 350,000-400,000 visitors each year to browse among the over 450 craft booths and sample the offerings from more than 40 different food booths. It continues to be one of the top-quality festivals in the United States, attracting visitors from every state across the nation!

Thank you to our 2025 Festival Chairman *Curt Day*

PAST CHAIRMAN

1968 - Don Hawke

1969 - Albert Stubbs

1970-1973 - William Stubbs

1974–1975 – Don Dunkin

1976 - Dan Becker

1977 - Jack Estes

1978 – Lee Snyder

1979 - Kay Emmons

1980 – Paul Heffner

1981 – Bill Brannock

1982 - Reed Madden

1983 - John Lamm

1984 – Clyde Hale

1985 - Phil Myers

1986 - Fred Konen

1987 - Richard Hoppe

1988 - Lonnie Schear

1989 - Bob Jones

1990 - Fred Konen

1991 – Don Dunkin

1992 - Roger Fenner

1993 – Clyde Hale

1994 - Jeff Richards

1995 – Dave Allen

1000 Dave Atten

1996–1997 – Sally Smith

1998–1999 – Barb Brannock & Nancy Mowery

2000-2001 - Linda Jones

2002 - Bob Jones

2003–2006 – Ron Kronenberger

2007 - Linda Jones & Kim Branson

2008-2009 - Linda Jones, Kim Branson & Ron

Kronenberger

2010-2012 - Gus Edwards & Ron

Kronenberger

2013-2015 - Gus Edwards

2016 - Linda Jones & Lonnie Schear

2017–2019 – Lonnie Schear

2020-2024 - Curt Day



OFFICIAL FESTIVAL CLOTHING FOR

Unisex Crew Neck T-shirts \$15 V-Neck T-shirt \$20 Unisex Long Sleeve \$20 Hooded Sweatshirt \$30 Crew Neck Sweatshirt \$25 (Addt'l charge for 2XL+) Insulated 20 oz. Tumbler \$25 Tote \$25 Baseball Hat \$15 Toboggan \$15

Items are on sale during the festival in Booth #202 in front of the Entertainment Stage.





Downtown Waynesville November 7–9 Fri & Sat: 11–8 | Sun: 12–5 Admission: FREE

Discover that unique gift... Shop for fabulous decorating ideas...Join us for the festivities in over 50 shops, galleries, and restaurant!





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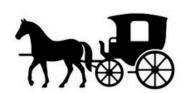
Waynesville's CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE

DECEMBER 5th 6PM - 9PM DECEMBER 6th 12PM - 8PM DECEMBER 7th 11AM - 4PM



- Heated Entertainment Tent
- 1300 Luminaries on Friday & Saturday evenings
- Strolling Characters & Entertainment
- · Carriage Rides Friday & Saturday
- · Santa Claus visits Friday & Saturday
- · Enticing Restaurants
- The BEST SHOPPING in the area to fill your sleigh!
- We guarantee that you will walk away with the Christmas Spirit!







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Wayne Township Road Department

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Waynesville United Methodist Church

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Konen Landscaping

R & L Carriers

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Dayton Daily News

and the many volunteers that MAKE IT HAPPEN!!!



The Waynesville Area Chamber of Commerce and The Ohio Saverkraut Festival Committee