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**OHIO RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL CELEBRATES THIRTY YEARS OF MAGIC**

**HARVEYSBURG, Ohio (August 15, 2019).** . . Each year thousands journey to Harveysburg in Warren County to experience the old, new, and unique that bring the Ohio Renaissance Festival to life. This year marks the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary and festival organizers are excited to celebrate with hundreds of thousands during the season.

The Ohio Renaissance Festival has had two owners in its 30-year history. Peter Carroll, an Indian Hill resident, owned and operated the event for 25 years. In 2015 three investors came together to purchase the festival with a vision to continue the growth of the event for many years to come. As festival owner Chuck Biehn stated, “When Peter Carroll started our festival 30 years ago, we're certain he couldn't have envisioned what it would be today. We took the foundation he created and built on it, again with our patron experience in mind. We are committed to offering the best entertainment experience we can.”

And, that’s just what these three have done. . .

The festival has seen many improvements since 2015. Most who visit after a long time away say they don’t recognize the festival grounds. Large gardens and landscaping projects, new structures such as the 1572 Roadhouse Bar-B-Q and seating arbors, flushing toilets (That may not sound like a big deal, but trust us, to an outdoor festival site, it is!) and the list goes on and on. The addition of events to utilize the property for a longer timeframe each year – Celtic Fest Ohio in June, the 1572 Roadhouse Bar-B-Q, Bellwether Music Festival and Brimstone Haunt – continue to grow the property.

A special commemorative book has been published available for sale at the festival souvenir booths. *Thirty Years of Magic at the Ohio Renaissance Festival* gives a timeline history of the festival, highlighting special moments and trials and tribulations along the way. The book also includes a fun history of the festival’s village, Willy Nilly on-the-Wash and the cast behind bringing it to life.

The 30<sup>th</sup> annual Ohio Renaissance Festival runs Saturdays, Sundays, and Labor Day Monday for nine weekends, August 31 through October 27. Located on State Route 73 in Warren County, just 2 miles west of I-71 or 15 miles east of I-75, the festival is within an hour’s drive from Cincinnati, Dayton and Columbus. Tickets and more information can be found at [www.renfestival.com](http://www.renfestival.com).

The Ohio Renaissance Festival is produced by Brimstone & Fire, LLC and held at Renaissance Park Event Center. For more information, please visit [www.renparkusa.com](http://www.renparkusa.com).

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