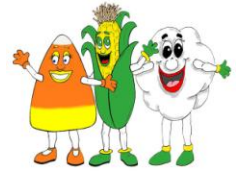


## NORTH RIDGEVILLE CORN FESTIVAL OPENING CEREMONIES



The North Ridgeville Corn Festival Committee invites you to the opening ceremonies for the 2010 Corn Festival, Friday August 13, 7:00 p.m., at the Gazebo on Bainbridge Road. Corn Festival President Tom Dake II will open the event, followed by the flag raising ceremony, by North Ridgeville VFW Post #9871 Color Guard.

The prestigious Golden Kernel Award for volunteer contributions to the community by a local resident will be presented, followed by recognition of the Corn Festival scholarship recipients, Margaret Collier and Brittany Schneider.

North Ridgeville Historical Society President Jeff Sigsworth will address the audience concerning events celebrating North Ridgeville's Bicentennial. Bicentennial Committee member and re-enactor Alan Willoughby, as pioneer David "Grandpa" Beebe Sr., one of the original 15 pioneers, will welcome North Ridgeville "newcomers."

A special surprise will conclude the opening ceremony. Entertainment by the Gas Pump Jockeys, will start at 8:30 p.m. Fireworks at 10:30 p.m. will conclude the Festival's evening activities.

More information about the schedule of events is available at [www.nrcornfest.org](http://www.nrcornfest.org). Don't miss Saturday's Bed Races, Car Show, Children's Games and Corn Eating Contest and Sunday's Grande Parade, plus weekend long free entertainment.