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Festival, Rising Park day offer outlets for families

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LANCASTER — Downtown is an integral part of The Lancaster Festival, but it's not the only place one can find family fun. For example, there's Festival Fair Day.

Festival Fair Day takes place at the Fairfield County Fairgrounds and includes all kinds of food, music and activities, from bubble wrap stomps to wagon rides. It has been a part of the festival for about 16 years

years.
"It's a great day for families," said Eleanor Hood, one of the organizers of the event. "It's just really pleasant."

This year's schedule includes a horse and mule pull, carousel rides, a petting zoo and a photography contest and exhibit. A Civil War reenactment group will show off one of its cannons, and two replicas of drilling rigs will be on display. The Jenkins Border Collies will have two herding demonstrations throughout the day, and the "Turtle Lady" also will

throughout the day, and the "Turtle Lady" also will make an appearance.

Performing is Steve Trash, "rockin' eco hero" and "kid comedian." The show is about "being creative with being careful with nature," Hood said.

The day's music will be as diverse as its activities. Musicians performing include Evening Rose, a folk/Celtic group, the Adelphi Band, which plays traditional brass, and Standing Stone Strings & Things, a dulcimer group. In addition, there will be several hours of gospel music in the ground's church building.

Hood also pointed out the beauty of the fairgrounds and its many historic buildings.

"The fairground is such an asset to our community," she said, adding that most people visit only once a year during the county fair.

If You Go

Festival Fair Day

When: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 19
Where: Fairfield County Fairgrounds
Admission: Adults, \$5; children admitted free

Rising Park Day
When: 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Where: Rising Park
Admission: Free

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Rising Park Day Schedule

9:30 a.m.: Gates open

10:30 a.m.: Columbus Crew Soccer Tour

11:30 a.m.: Lynn Treizger, ventriloquist

1 p.m.: James Hersch, songs of humor and celebration

2:30 p.m.: Community Dance Showcase

All day; Columbus Crew Soccer Tour, children/family activities and crafts

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