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NATIONAL ROAD CELEBRATES BICENTENNIAL

Uniontown, PA – Fayette County organizations and individuals will turn out in full force this weekend to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the completion of the National Road.

“The National Road Festival has been part of the fabric of tourism in the region for 45 years now,” said National Road Heritage Corridor Executive Director Donna Holdorf.

This year’s festival will serve as the kick-off for a year-long celebration of America’s first federally funded highway, which runs from Cumberland, Md. to Vandalia, Ill., Holdorf added.

The historic wagon train, led by wagon master Doc Sherry and assistant wagon master Don Myers, entered Fayette County today and will continue along the National Road for the rest of the weekend.

Additionally, Mount Saint Macrina, Mt. Washington Tavern, and various county communities will host events throughout the weekend.

Hopwood will host its own daylong festival Saturday, which will feature a 1:30 p.m. parade, carnival rides, King and Queen contest, raffles, live performances, pet clinic, food and craft vendors, a plant sale and a WMBS live broadcast with Arnie Amber.

Searight Toll House will offer guided tours, children’s activities, live storytelling and other festivities 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call the Fayette County Historical Society at 724-439-4422.

Rivers of Steel Iron Pour will visit the Touchstone Center for Crafts 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday in Farmington, performing blacksmithing demonstrations. For more information, call 724-329-1370.

The Uniontown Downtown Business District Authority will host its sidewalk sale and flea market 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday in the Public Service Building parking lot and Story Square. Email emiller@statetheatre.info for more information.



Union Station Clubhouse will also host a yard sale 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at 100 Corporate Crossing in Uniontown. All proceeds will benefit the Clubhouse Member Education and Recreation Fund.

Additionally, countless organizations and residents will host yard sales and other activities along Route 40 all weekend.

Like the National Road Heritage Corridor on Facebook and visit www.nationalroadpa.org for more information.

To learn more about Fayette County, visit www.fayettecountypa.info.

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