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Friends of Pine Grove Furnace State Park Hosting Fall Furnace Festival at Pine Grove Furnace State Park Gardners, PA-

The 7th Annual Fall Furnace Festival is coming to Pine Grove Furnace State Park Saturday, October 17th and Sunday, October 18th. This two-day event features over 70 food and craft vendors, live entertainment, environmental education programs, historical demonstrations, hayrides, pumpkin carving, scarecrow making, tours of the Iron Masters Mansion, pedal cars, kids crafts and campsite decorating. Saturday night's main event is the Hairy Hand Pumpkin Float Program at Fuller Beach at 7pm. This year the Friends of Pine Grove Furnace have brought back the traditional pumpkin parade. The parade will begin at 6:15 pm at the Furnace Stack Pavilion. Participants will carry their lit pumpkins down to Fuller Lake, once at Fuller Lake the pumpkins will be floated out on a raft. Event hours are 11am-7pm on Saturday and 12pm-5pm on Sunday. Parking, admission and most activities are FREE.

Entertainment schedule:

Saturday, 10/17

11:00am Misty Mountain (Bluegrass)

2:30pm Wild Hymns (Modern Folk)

5:00pm Acoustic Juice (Classic Rock)

Sunday, 10/18

12:00 Tall in the Saddle (Country)

2:30pm Rough Edges String Band (Folk)

A silent auction to benefit the Friends of Pine Grove Furnace State Park will also be taking place on both days.

For more information, contact the park office at <u>717-486-7174</u>.