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From Thursday, July 2 to Saturday, July 11, Carlisle celebrates the United States Day of Independence with a week of events, many free.

Summerfair, the annual Fourth of July community celebration includes events and activities supported by organizations from

the greater Carlisle area.

Some of the free events for families include:

*Opening Ceremonies/Parade, July 2, 6:30 p.m. at Veterans Square, corner of High and Hanover Streets

*Fireworks Show on Friday, July 3, 9:30 p.m. at the Carlisle Fairgrounds, off Spring Road and K Street

*Harrisburg Symphony performance, Sunday, July 5, 7:30 p.m., at Dickinson College's Rush Campus, off West High Street between Mooreland Avenue and College Street--bring your lawn chairs

*Old Carlisle Prison Tours, July 6, 1 to 3 p.m., East High Street between Bedford and Hanover Streets

*Historic Carlisle Candlelight Walking Tour, Monday, July 6, 6:30 p.m. at the Army Heritage and Education Center's Army Heritage Trail off Army Heritage Drive

This tour will feature up to eight Historic Carlisle, Inc. narrators who will be at various sites on the Army Heritage Trail, telling the stories of those who lived through the eras: Jeff Hawks' personal experience in Desert Storm at the Current Operations exhibit; Vietnam veteran Terry Hegglin at the Vietnam firebase; Mark Scheneman about the Revolutionary War era at the Yorktown Redoubt; Jim Flower about Gen. Armstrong's French & Indian War experience; and three interconnected stories about the Civil War: Mary Faller Duxbury's story of John and Leo Faller, Skip and Annie Ebert's story of James Colwell, and Al Masland's story of the Masland family.

The candlelight tour of the trail was coordinated by Army Heritage Foundation educator Lorraine Luciano. Tour guides will be on site. Rain date is July 7.

*Children's Fishing Derby (ages 4-12), Saturday, July 11, 8 a.m. at LeTort Park, off of East Pomfret Street

Find the events and schedule: www.carlislesummerfair.com/content/events

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