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Events will be ongoing throughout the day, with ranger-led boat tours and big canoe excursions. Visitors should check out the North Carolina State Parks booth when they arrive and fill out the sign-up sheet. In addition to scheduled activities, there will be craft tables set up for take-home kids' crafts throughout the day.



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Wild Water

RiverFest to provide fun activities, conservation education

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS HERALD

Lake James State Park is gearing up for another day of family fun with its 16th Catawba RiverFest from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday in the Paddy's Creek Area.

The celebration will highlight conservation through educational activities and showcase the community and local businesses. Information and interactive booths about local conservation,

outdoor recreation and historic organizations will allow visitors to learn and appreciate the story of the river, how it has shaped the region and the many challenges it faces today.

There will be opportunities to demo kayaks, canoes and paddleboards, free of charge. The all-day raffle will feature prizes that include park posters, T-shirts, framed art and the much-anticipated 9-foot kayak package. Raffle tickets will be available during the event. Attending the festival will earn visitors an entry into a raffle for Lake James State Park merchandise giveaways.

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Visitors enjoy the Catawba RiverFest last year.

Catawba RiverFest will include environmentally focused educational presentations and fun activities for kids.

For information, visit "Friends of Lake James State Park" on Facebook or call the park office at 828-584-7728.

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