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Parade

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eign nations. He has been a White House guest 14 times under nine presidents, and has appeared with many notable politicians, world leaders, and entertainers.

Helt was a seven-term mayor of Napoleon, Ohio. He retired after 30 years as a high school and college teacher, and 25 years as a real estate broker. He returned to Saginaw, Mich., where he is the Education Manager for Saginaw County Junior Achievement.

The holiday parade is one of the largest and most attended parade in Lancaster. Fran Miller, parade chairwoman, said the way registrations are pouring in, this parade is shaping up to be one of the largest holiday parades.

"Everyone seems to be excited about the parade, and wants to be a part of it. There will be a lot of red, white and blue, with a lot of ho-hos thrown in," Miller said. "We have a lot of fun entries that people should enjoy. Fred and Wilma, Barney and Betty will be on a float. Reiter's Dairy from Springfield will have Rosy and Roscoe (mascot cow and calf). Animals from the Columbus Zoo will be in the parade. We have lots of llamas. There will also be the commodity queens of 4-H and the Fairfield County fair. We'll even



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The percussion ensemble of the Lancaster Band of Gold perform at last year's parade.

have a pet potbelly pig that will ham it up, dressed as a beauty queen and will ride on the hood of a car."

There will be six parade units which will include eight professional floats, homemade floats, walking units, horse-drawn vehicles, and antique and classic cars.

"We are pleased there will be a lot of music throughout the parade this year," Miller said. "An area bands participating include St. Mary's, Fisher Catholic, Fairfield Union, and

unit, Lancaster High School Band of Gold will head up the beginning of the parade. Other area bands participating include St. Mary's, Fisher Catholic, Fairfield Union, and

for the first time, Millersport High School, the Circleville Pumpkin Show Band, Olivedale Kitchen Band."

The parade will begin at the Fairfield County Fairgrounds. All vehicles and floats are to be in place at the fairgrounds by 9 a.m., and riders and other participants by 9:30 a.m. Miller requested that line-up will go smoother if participants would park their cars first, and then ask volunteers where their unit is located.

The parade will depart from the fairgrounds, go south on Columbus Street, east on Main Street, north on Broad Street, and ends back at the fairgrounds.

Dr. Marc Miller and Stan Robinson will emcee the event. Varga Communications will tape the parade for later broadcast to be announced at a later time.

For more information about the parade, call Miller at 653-3585 ext. 39 or Bougher at 654-5138.

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