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HANOVER DAY - Potpourri of fun: 2,500 enjoy full day of artists, events

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HANOVER - More than 2,500 people got a chance to hear some storytelling, watch a beekeeper in action and enjoy an assortment of foods during the second annual **Hanover Day**.

“Ninety-nine percent of what was being offered was free,” said **Katie Duff**, chairwoman of the **Hanover** Cultural Council, which sponsored Saturday’s event.

Some of the organizations that put on exhibitions, classes and activities included the Walnut Hill Garden Club, Lions Club, YMCA, Toybox, Pick a Party, Friends of the John Curtis Library and Friends of the Stetson House. Wallace Kemp, a member of the cultural council, demonstrated wood turning, in which wood is shaved into shapes.

“It’s kind of a lost art,” **Duff** said.

Cory Chrisman, a beekeeper, showed off a double-sided hive and the art of beekeeping, before selling almost all of his honey.

Valery Tutson performed two storytelling sessions at John Curtis Library. At the Stetson House, which was built in 1710, each room had a performer who represented someone who actually lived there during earlier **days**.

Aria **Duff**, 8, the daughter of Kim **Duff**, was, like other children, leery of paying the Stetson House a visit, but once inside she said, “this is actually really neat, this is really interesting.”

Thirty antique cars at the festival ranged from a 1919 fire truck owned by Roger Leslie to a 1979 Lincoln Mark V brought by the Canton Club.

One event that required a fee was the Taste of **Hanover**. For \$5, people could sample food from vendors, including Crossroads Cafe and Deli, Go Go’s Sub Shop and Moe’s Southwest Grill.

A concert in the evening capped off the **day**. More than 300 people listened to the Southeastern Philharmonic Orchestra.

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