

Give youth at your school or group a chance to experience living history at the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual.....



**EDUCATION DAYS**  
**OCTOBER 6 & 7, 2011**

9:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$5.00 / Per Student – (Chaperones Free)

**Who:** Schools, Home Schools, Youth Serving Organizations

**What:** History Fest Education Days

**When:** 9:00 – 3:00 p.m. daily

**Where:** JACK MCGOWAN FARM NEAR RAPIDAN

**Cost:** \$5.00 per student / chaperones admitted FREE – **PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED!**

**Please bring** – Bag lunch & beverage – Labeled with your name and school – appropriate clothing / shoes for a fall outdoor activity. You may also bring **cash** for concessions & souvenirs if you wish.

**Still Hungry!** - Food stands will be open throughout the festival with a variety of food & beverage items for purchase!

**Here Ye! Here Ye!** Let the magic unfold before your eyes at History Fest 2011. Thousands of children have experienced living history at Jack McGowan's Farm and we want YOU to continue that tradition.

Scheduled to appear this fall are: **Swanson Cowboys, Cody The Buffalo, Abe Lincoln, Historic Games, Gypsy Camp, Civil War, Oxen, Ethnic Dancers, Viking Age Club, Underground Railroad, Indian Bow Maker, Raku Pottery, and MUCH MORE!** Each year the festival unveils new fun & educational surprises. We can't tell you all the surprises.....you will have to see to believe!

**TIPS FOR TEACHERS / CHAPERONES** – We have beautiful park style shelters & seating, but not enough for all patrons. Those facilities are available on a first come first served basis. We do have yards of lush meadow grass to kick back on. Bring blankets and create a picnic right in the midst of the activity! We do not have refrigeration. Please provide your own coolers for perishables. Thank you!

PROGRAMS EVERY ½ HOUR! The camps and exhibits will be open for you to view at your leisure. Our re-enactors will be happy to answer questions about the period of history they represent. Several of this year's exhibitors will have demonstrations or programs scheduled throughout the day. A complete schedule of events will be given to your chaperones / group leaders at the time of check in. Bench seating will make the performance / demonstration comfortable for all.

**TO SECURE YOUR GROUP'S RESERVATION** - Complete the enclosed registration form and return to address below today! We have limited occupancy, be among the first to register your group!

**PAYMENT & CHAPERONES** - Cost is \$5.00 per student (chaperones are free). We recommend a chaperone to student ratio of 1:6. Groups are responsible for the supervision of their own children. You may bring as many chaperones as you like at no charge!

**PAYMENT** – Is due on or before your arrival at the event. Once you make your group reservation, an official History Fest Invoice with detailed payment information will be mailed to your school (approximately 1-2 weeks prior to the event.) Any additional payment questions or accommodations, please direct to Melanie Schmidt at 507-387-5501 or email [mschmi3@isd77.k12.mn.us](mailto:mschmi3@isd77.k12.mn.us)

**LOST / MISPLACED / STOLEN ITEMS** – The festival is **NOT RESPONSIBLE** for any lost, misplaced or stolen items. We have a limited number of vendors selling food and souvenirs. You may bring cash if you wish to purchase these items.

COMPLETE THE ENCLOSED RESERVATION FORM & RETURN TO **MELANIE SCHMIDT** BY  
Monday, OCTOBER 3 (remember limited space is available – register early!)  
Mankato Community Education / Recreation Department  
Attention: History Fest  
110 Fulton Street  
Mankato, MN 56001  
WEBSITE: [www.historyfest.com](http://www.historyfest.com)  
Phone: 507-387-5501 (office phone – leave a message for Melanie Schmidt) Fax: 507-387-4770  
Email: [mschmi3@mail.isd77.k12.mn.us](mailto:mschmi3@mail.isd77.k12.mn.us)

### HISTORY FEST GROUP REGISTRATION

- Register for the day you wish for your group to attend the festival. Every effort will be made to accommodate your group on the day / date you desire, however registration is first come, first served.
- There is much to see & do at the festival. Once you arrive, your group will receive a map & description of the festival grounds. You will be able to select the exhibits that most interest you. Wander freely and enjoy the day! Programs scheduled every ½ hour! Bench style seating will make viewing demos and shows comfortable for all!
- Thank you for making this festival an essential part of learning at your home or school
- **WANT TO SEE MORE? On Saturday, October 8, the festival is open to the public. Visit our website for more information on Saturday hours and attractions. Website is [www.historyfest.com](http://www.historyfest.com)**

#### HISTORY FEST – 2011

#### Jack McGowan Farm

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person Phone – Day \_\_\_\_\_ Evening \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

School Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

School Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

My school will be attending History Fest On: (check all that apply)  Thursday October 6  
 Friday October 7

(On Saturday, the event is open to the general public. Tickets are sold at the gate on Saturday. No pre-registration necessary to attend on Saturday.)

We wish to make a reservation for \_\_\_\_\_ students \_\_\_\_\_ adults / chaperones = \_\_\_\_\_ Total Attendees

Estimated Time Of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_ a.m / p.m. Estimated Departure Time \_\_\_\_\_ a.m. / p.m.

**IMPORTANT PARKING INFO:** Our group will be parking \_\_\_\_\_ buses & \_\_\_\_\_ cars / vans on History Fest Grounds

(Please indicate the # of vehicles you will be parking so we may plan accordingly)

Do you know others that would like to attend HISTORY FEST 2011? Visit our website and print additional registration forms!

[www.historyfest.com](http://www.historyfest.com)

**PARKING CONSIDERATIONS – INSTRUCTIONS**

**Special Request** – Parking is limited as we want to use as much of the available space for history as possible! We thoughtfully request / encourage

- Car pooling
- Buses going off site & picking up later

We will be flexible to fit your group's needs, but ask that you remain flexible to these ideas!

**WATCH YOUR MAIL-** An invoice, parking instructions, and directions to the farm will be emailed to your address 1 week prior to the event.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO **“Little People Inc.”**

Call Melanie at 507-387-5501 if you have any additional questions or concerns

**IMPORTANT PAYMENT & REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

To make your **GROUP RESERVATION**, please call, fax, or mail this reservation form to:

Melanie Schmidt  
Community Education / Recreation  
110 Fulton Street  
Mankato, MN 56001  
Phone – 507-387-5501  
Fax – 507-387-4770  
Email – [mschmi3@mail.isd77.k12.mn.us](mailto:mschmi3@mail.isd77.k12.mn.us)

Please mail **PAYMENT** to:

Little People Inc.  
C/O History Fest  
PO Box 31  
Mankato, MN 56002 – 31

Payment due on or before the event.

Please make checks payable to Little People Inc.

# Important Photo Release Information (Please Read Carefully)



Photos will be taken of the children & groups actively enjoying living history as part of History Fest 2009. Those photos or video clips will be used for media promotion on our website as well as for promotion at civic events and company presentations. Images may also appear on television news or print media. If you do not wish to have your student(s) photographed, please request wrist bands to put on your student(s) at the time of check in.

The colored wrist band (we provide) tells our photographers and other members of the media which individuals are “off limits” in terms of photographing.

Thank you for your cooperation!

I wish to reserve \_\_\_\_\_wristbands for our group. I will pick up at check in from main check in desk. Thank you!

School / Group Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_No need for wristbands, History Fest has our permission to photograph our student(s) for History Fest promotional purposes. Thank you!

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Of Parent Or Authorized School Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# INVOICE



Welcome to History Fest 2011. Please print this invoice and forward it and your payment to address provided.

**-Please Print Or Type-**

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person Name \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of Student Attendees \_\_\_\_\_ X \$5.00 / Each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (amount enclosed)

Adult Chaperones FREE ADMISSION

**FORWARD PAYMENT TO:**

Little People Inc.  
C / O History Fest 2008  
PO Box 31  
Mankato, MN 56002 – 31

Thank you!