## Thank you for your support of the 2013 American Heritage Festival!

We Make History proudly presents our 11<sup>th</sup> annual American Heritage Festival, to be held this year on November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> at Schnepf Farms of Queen Creek, Arizona. This event is the largest educational living history festival to be held in The Southwest. Expect a grand scale presentation of diverse civilian and military aspects of historic American life as portrayed by a large and experienced cast of historical interpreters. Included will be portrayals of famous men and women, musicians, craftsmen, merchants, colonists, pioneers, mountain men, soldiers and more ranging from the Colonial era through the 20th Century. Battle reenactments are planned along with a variety of civilian and military portrayals from many time periods. The two days of the event will be similar but not identical. Battles and other facets will change each day and on Sunday morning we plan to have an historic style church service based on the "field preaching" of George Whitefield during the "Great Awakening" which shook the colonies during the middle decades of the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Many each year find it a valuable experience for their families to order enough inexpensive advance passes to attend both days!

The American Heritage Festival is planned to be open to the public "rain or shine" on Saturday, November 23rd (10AM-5PM) & Sunday, November 24th (10AM-4PM). Though November is generally a cool month, consider using sunscreen or a parasol. Attendees may not bring weapons, pets, food or beverages into the event. Food and beverages will be available for purchase inside at very reasonable prices. Folding chairs may be used in the viewing area near the battlefield but not in the encampment area. Please note that the American Heritage Festival is family-focused and therefore is an alcohol and tobacco free event.

For everyone's safety and security ONLY our <u>Registered Reenactors</u> and event staff are allowed in the event in historic attire. The one exception would be children who are receiving credit as part of an educational program.

Basic Directions: From the US 60 (Superstition Freeway) go south on Ellsworth Rd. to Rittenhouse Rd. Turn left on Rittenhouse Rd., drive about 3.2 miles and you will see the entrance to Schnepf Farms on your right. (From our website at www.americanheritagefestival.com you may access directions from many locations.)

Why are we doing this?

Because the good people of We Make History have a passion for educating and reconnecting people to their heritage through portraying history in the context of a creative, interactive and family-friendly environment which inspires all to greater appreciation and a higher level of culture. To serve, educate and inspire families is at the heart of our mission. We also train people of all ages for participation in our family-oriented reenacting groups which portray soldiers and civilians of both sides of both the American Revolution and the Civil War. www.familyfriendlyreenacting.com

In addition to the American Heritage Festival, we organize historic formal balls, historic picnics, dramatic portrayals and other special activities which elevate history and the arts in creative, family-friendly environments. Please see www.wemakehistory.com

We also provide public speakers and actors booked both locally and nationally for portrayals of George Washington and many other historic personalities. These educational, instructional and motivational portrayals have been performed for special events, churches, schools, homeschool gatherings, corporations, government entities, state parks, historic sites and even the Arizona State Legislature. Please see www.GeorgeWashingtonPortrayal.com www.historicportrayals.com

Your support helps to make this laudable enterprise possible. I thank you for it and remain your friend, servant & provider of grand historic events.

Genl. George Washington

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Please - remember to fill out the backs of your passes - and tell others of this unique educational event!