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MUSEUM OF APPALACHIA PREPARES FOR SENSATIONAL ANTIQUE SHOW

NORRIS, Tennessee. On Friday and Saturday, September 11-12, 2015, the Museum of Appalachia will celebrate its fourth annual "Days of the Pioneer" Antique Show, a premier antique show, which continues to be an irresistible draw for thousands of antique enthusiasts from all over the country.

An extensive collection of some of the finest dealers hail from across the United States, including as far away as Vermont, Connecticut, Texas, Illinois, and Nebraska, have waited a full year to participate in this first class event, and will feature some of their finest 18th and 19th century American antiques; they are included by invitation only, from the show's host, Jill Peterson, primitive antique aficionado. According to one dealer, Lynn Oppenheimer, Langhorne, Pennsylvania, "I just can't say enough about the show and the Museum. From the bottom of my heart, I can say that the whole experience is truly wonderful in every way....there's no other show like it. Needless to say, the setting is beyond compare, the dealers are like one big family, the customers are excited and eager, and the music makes you want to dance all day!"

During the show, many historic demonstrations take place in select locations throughout the village, where tradesman operate some of the Museum's antique facilities; pounding away on the iron forge in the blacksmith shop, slicing logs on the antique tractor-driven sawmill, and grinding cane with a mule-driven mill, for guests to experience up close.

While investigating the fine antiques, fans can also enjoy background entertainment as musicians pick away on some of the historic cabin porches, playing traditional Appalachian tunes; or a visit with either Civil or Revolutionary War re-enactors, dressed in full garb, as they stroll the grounds.

The Museum's quaint restaurant serves a hot, Southern style, farm-to-table lunch, with fresh-from-the-garden vegetables, and mouth-watering home-made desserts. Guests can also enjoy local food vendors with choices such as country ham & biscuits, southern BBQ, chuck wagon cooking, homemade ice cream and Dutch oven cobbler.

Discounted tickets may be purchased through August 24th; either online at www.museumofappalachia.org or at the Museum, itself. Admission to the Antique Show includes a tour of the entire Museum complex which encompasses 30 plus log cabins, exhibit halls, farm animals, and heirloom gardens, surrounded by hand-split, cedar rail fences and open, rolling meadows.

Peruse the Shop at the Museum with crafts and handiwork from heritage artisans, books authored by regional writers, one-of-a-kind gifts, as well as unusual and repurposed "Made in America" items.

The Museum of Appalachia, a Smithsonian Affiliate Museum, is a non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve Appalachian history through the artifacts our ancestors left behind. Memberships are available, providing a year of visits, admission to special museum events (including the Days of the Pioneer Antique Show) as well as membership in the Smithsonian Institution.

The Museum is situated 16 miles north of Knoxville, one mile east of I-75 at Exit 122. For more information call (865) 494-7680 or visit the website at www.museumofappalachia.org.

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