Labor Day Open House at Homestead Heritage Traditional Craft Village

Traditional Craft Village showcases a community of craftsmen that exemplify the enduring values of hand-craftsmanship

HOMESTEAD HERITAGE will host an annual Labor Day Festival on Labor Day (Monday, Sept. 5, 2011). This year's special features include:

- Make-Your-Own Activities New this year!
- Free Sustainable Living Seminars New this YEAR!
- Craft Demonstrations
- Horse-Drawn Hayrides to the Brazos River Valley overlook
- Music Presentation at 12 noon

Craft Demonstrations

Visit Homestead Heritage Traditional Craft Village just north of Waco for a fun-filled day for the whole family. Watch the craftsmen demonstrate traditional crafts including pottery, blacksmithing, spinning, weaving, quilting, basketry and more. Craftsmen will demonstrate their crafts in their shops as well as at The Barn gift shop all day, so allow time to visit each one.

Make-Your-Own Activities • Music • Hayrides

This year, you can choose from over a dozen make-your-own activities for kids and the young at heart. Try your hand at making a spatula in the wood shop or stop by The Potter's House to fashion a clay pot; make a sailboat and much more!

A special music presentation will begin at 12 noon in the center of the Craft Village. Horse-drawn hayrides to the Brazos River Valley overlook will run all day long.

Outdoor Grill • Brick Oven Pizza • Fresh Ice Cream • Cafe Homestead

Try a delicious grass-fed beef burger hot off the grill, fresh brick oven pizza or real, homemade ice cream. Or enjoy lunch at CAFE HOMESTEAD all day, which features freshly prepared food made with locally sourced ingredients. (Call ahead for Labor Day cafe reservations: 254-754-9604.)

Homestead Gristmill

Tour several restored eighteenth- and nineteenth-century timber-frame buildings in the craft village. At the 1760's Gristmill you can watch the water-powered stones grind whole grains. Taste samples of cornbread, gingerbread, muffins, cookies and more at the mill store, all made with freshly ground, whole-grain flour.

Free Sustainability Seminars

Allow time to stroll through the grounds and gardens including the campus of Ploughshare Institute for Sustainable Culture. During the Open House, Ploughshare will offer a variety of free seminars throughout the day on up-to-date topics regarding sustainable living. See SustainLife.org for further information.

Information & Location ■

Open House Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission and parking are free. For more information contact Homestead Heritage at Brazos de Dios at 254-754-9600 or visit SustainLife.org.

Brazos de Dios is located 5 miles north of Waco. Take I-35 to Elm Mott Exit 343; go west on FM 308 for 3 miles, then north on FM 933 for 1 1/2 miles. Turn west onto Halbert Lane and proceed a half mile straight ahead to the entrance.

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Open year-round, Monday through Saturday
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