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NEW TO THE REALM 50 FREE FAMILY ACTIVITIES!

SHAKOPEE, Minn., (Jun. 22, 2013) –Just when you thought the Festival couldn't add anything else...we did! The Renaissance Festival is introducing 50 new family activities that will bring everyone together. Activities and games will be available daily and FREE for everyone during Festival weekends.

Trust us you'll find something to do that interests every member of the family. Come to one of our 16 stages to be amazed and laugh as you watch Tuey walk on a tightrope or the Wacky Chickens comedy show. Need something more interactive stop by our fairy wand making station or come join us and make a pirate hat out of newspaper because we all know no pirate is complete without one! We also offer a children's Knighting ceremony. Led by King Henry himself, your child can receive the highest badge of honor by becoming a Knight of the realm. There's only one place where you can find all the magical characters in the realm and that's during our Daily Parade. Come watch the Royal Court and other fun festival entertainers in the parade! Don't have enough time for all 50 activities? Don't worry; the activities are available all season long! Take a look below and see what other fun and entertaining activities we have to offer.

NEW Activities to the Realm include:

- Learn how to make paper at the Paper Mill
- Hopefully the chemistry experiment goes off without a bang
- Turn into the knight you always wanted to be at the knighting ceremony
- Find the hidden treasure during the Scavenger Hunt
- Get sprinkled by fairy dust when you visit Twig the Fairy
- Take a walk through Fairy Wing Forest
- Visit the Mermaids in Mermaid Cove
- Say "Cheese" with the Royal court
- Come find your inner fairy at the wand making station
- Tic Tac Toe, you'll need thee in a row with the Princess Court.
- Slither your way through the reptile petting zoo
- Learn how to be a juggling master at the Juggling School

- King Me! Big checkers board
- Strike a pose with the Princess court
- Play dress up at one of the craft shops
- Arm yourself at the Royal Guard combat training
- Watch Will Bradshaw a Minnesota Magician
- Make your dreams come true at the Wishing Well

The Minnesota Renaissance Festival is a first-class experience whose 44th season begins on Saturday, August 16 and ends on September 28, 2014. The Festival is open weekends, Labor Day and a special day for schools and seniors on Festival Friday, September 26, 2014 open from 9 a.m. – 7 p.m., rain or shine. The Festival is located seven miles south of Shakopee on Hwy 169. Admission at the gate: Adults \$22.95; Children 5 – 12 \$13.95; seniors \$20.95; four and under are free! Discount tickets are sold at participating Walgreens, Menards, Whole Foods Market and Super America stores. Discount coupons are available at participating Subway and Papa Murphy's locations. For more information, visit www.renaissancefest.com or call 952-445-7361.