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Sutter's Fort to Present "Hands on History: *Fun on the Frontier*" on August 20

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Continuing a popular series of fun and interactive "Hands on History" activities offered each month, Sutter's Fort State Historic Park (SHP) will present a special "Hands on History: *Fun on the Frontier*" event on Saturday, August 20, 2016 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fort visitors will be delighted to see the recently completed restoration of the historic walls and gates plus have the opportunity to step back in time to enjoy some hard-earned frivolous fun, pioneer-style.

Without question, the daily life of pioneer families was filled with hard work, but they certainly found time to have fun and connect with each other as a community. The special "Hands on History: *Fun on the Frontier*" event will showcase some of the pioneer games and activities popular during the early days at the Fort including: Game of Graces, bean bag toss, sack and barrel hoop races, and water-related games such as bucket races to help keep kids cool on a hot day. Also, Fort guests will learn to tie knots and participate in fun hands-on craft making for those interested in creating special keepsakes to take home. And, of course, demonstrations of black powder weaponry in action will take place including the crowd-favorite firing of Sutter's cannon.

All "Hands on History" activities are included in the cost of admission. Sutter's Fort SHP admission costs are as follows: \$7 per adult (18 and older), \$5 per youth (ages 6 to 17) and free for children 5 and under. For more information, call 916-445-4422 or visit <u>www.suttersfort.org</u>

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