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## **God Save the King! Celebrate the King's Birth-day at Colonial Michilimackinac**

MACKINAW CITY, MICH. — Join the interpretive staff at Colonial Michilimackinac June 4 to celebrate King George III's 234<sup>th</sup> birthday with artillery fire, drinks and treats, and other special programs.

“Even if someone has visited in the past, there is always something new to do or see,” said Craig Wilson, Mackinac State Historic Parks’ Chief Curator. “This event provides a deeper understanding of our past and encourages the desire to explore some of the lesser-known corners of history.”

Programs will take place throughout the day. At noon, a special artillery salute will take place on the shore of Lake Michigan, with firings of the mortar, wall gun, and cannon in celebration. At 2:00 p.m., patriotic toasts and refreshments will be available at the Commanding Officer’s House. For a full schedule of events, visit <https://www.mackinacparks.com/event/the-kings-birth-day-celebration/>.

All events are included with regular admission to Colonial Michilimackinac. A downloadable version of this release can be found here. Additional pictures available upon request.

*Mackinac State Historic Parks, a family of living history museums and parks in northern Michigan’s Straits of Mackinac, is an agency within the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Its sites—which are accredited by the American Alliance of Museums—include Fort Mackinac, the Biddle House, The Richard & Jane Manoogian Mackinac Art Museum, American Fur Co. Store & Dr. Beaumont Museum, McGulpin House, and Mackinac Island State Park on Mackinac Island, and Colonial Michilimackinac, Old Mackinac Point Lighthouse, Historic Mill Creek Discovery Park and Michilimackinac State Park in Mackinaw City. Mackinac State Historic Parks is governed by the Mackinac Island State Park Commission, established in 1895*

*to protect, preserve and present the parks' rich historic and natural resources for the education and recreation of future generations. Visitor information is available at (231) 436-4100 or online at [www.mackinacparks.com](http://www.mackinacparks.com).*

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