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National Junior Ranger Day Celebration at the Truman Farm Home in Grandview

INDEPENDENCE, MO—The National Park Service and Harry S Truman National Historic Site will host a special Junior Ranger Day Celebration on Saturday, April 24, 2010, at the Truman Farm Home in Grandview, Missouri. The event is offered free of charge, and will run from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. National Junior Ranger Day is part of a nation-wide effort to encourage children and families to enjoy the vast natural and cultural resources of our nation's national parks. A variety of activities for children of all ages will be offered that explore the life of President Harry S Truman. The event will also teach valuable lessons about the preservation and care of our nation's public lands.

The theme of the event is "Explore, Learn, Protect: Be a Junior Ranger." A variety of ranger-led activity stations will engage children in different aspects of Truman's early life on the farm as well as the mission of National Park Service. All children that participate will receive a 2010 Junior Ranger Day button and a certificate of achievement.

During the event, tours of the Truman Farm Home will be available free of charge. Visitors to the Farm Home can see where Truman spent fourteen years of his youth and early adulthood. They can follow in his footsteps as he learned the values of hard work, common sense and family ties. His experience on the farm forever shaped his character and prepared him for the many challenges that he faced as 33rd President of the United States. The mission of Harry S Truman National Historic Site is to interpret the broad life experiences of President Truman in Grandview and Independence, and to education present and future generations about Truman, his role as a citizen and his influence on history.

For additional information contact Ranger Kristin Gibbs at 816-461-5550, or visit the park's official website at www.nps.gov/hstr.

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