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## HERITAGE DAY CELEBRATED WITH CULTURE

**Pretoria, 12 September 2013.** The popular antique and collectors' fair at the Voortrekker Monument will be combined with a cultural festival on Heritage Day, 24 September. As always, the market will take place on the roof of the large amphitheatre while the cultural festival will take place on the picnic site. Both will run from 09:00 until 15:00.

It is the last antique market of the year and as always, the 169 stalls will be chock full with something for everyone such as coins, medals, fine porcelain, semi-precious stones, jewellery, old records, dolls, second hand and new books, old toys, radios, cameras etc.

The cultural festival will host a variety – there will be music by the *Boeremusiek* guild, Adam Tas and the ATKV singers. There will also be demonstrations of bread baking, cooking soap, candle making, whip plaiting and many more traditional activities.

There will be demonstrations of crochet, knitting, quilting, lace and embroidery for the ladies and lots of interesting knick-knacks for sale as well as traditional food. At 12:00 the 200 year old ship's canon Susanna, will be fired to commemorate the 175 Great Trek.

Another highlight of the day will be the auction of old carriages organised by Prof. Erik Holm. Currently, there is a Berliner carriage, a half tent *bok* wagon, an open landau, a Victoria with a collapsible hood and a double seat cart. These carriages are all authentic and beautifully restored.

Lieb Bester, alias Prof. Fritz Retief will be the master of ceremonies and will also entertain with his music.

There are food stalls and a restaurant at the antique market as well as some great deli foods. Safe parking is available at only R20 per vehicle. Children may run around and play in a safe environment on the site.

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