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The Historic Daniel Boone Home & Heritage Center at Lindenwood University has received a \$5,000 grant from Maritz. Grant funding will support educational programming at the Boone Home, which includes individual tours, hands-on activities for school and homeschool groups, educational presentations, educational events, summer camps, and youth opportunities.

The Boone Home is essential to educating the community about Daniel Boone and American frontier life. The site draws people from the local community in the state of Missouri, while also providing a regional and national reach. Last year, over 20,000 people participated in programs at the Boone Home.

The hands-on activities for schools and homeschool groups represented over 26 percent of educational programming. In the 2013-2014 school year, 80 schools participated in the school tour program, providing 90 tours to 5,268 students, teachers, and represented volunteers.

"Without financial support from our corporate sponsors like Maritz, educational programming would not be possible," said Dr. David Knotts, Lindenwood University's Dean of the Boone Home. "Educational opportunities at the Boone Home bring the legacy of Daniel Boone to life. Within the thick limestone walls, stories of a daring man offer a glimpse into family matters, risky adventures, and hard-fought battles."

The Historic Daniel Boone Home & Heritage Center is owned and operated by Lindenwood University. In 1998, the Randall Andrae Family donated the property to Lindenwood to develop the site for educational programs. Today, the property is comprised of more than 1,000 acres and provides educational opportunities in many areas of study. The Boone Home site emphasizes frontier life through Daniel Boone, his life, and the lives of his contemporaries. At the age of 65, Boone moved to Missouri in 1799 with several family members. The home is believed to have been constructed from 1803-1810, and the famous frontiersman lived there until his death. The site also includes 27 other historic buildings that portray 19th century trades and professions and other examples of 19th century housing.

Lindenwood University, founded in 1827, is an independent liberal arts university offering more than 200 undergraduate and graduate degree programs in diverse areas of study and traditional and accelerated formats, including online. Lindenwood operates residential campuses in St. Charles, Mo., and Belleville, Ill., as well 11 regional centers, and 25 extension sites throughout Missouri.

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