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Florence's historic Pope's Tavern Museum presents the 28th annual Frontier Day Celebration on Saturday, June 4 and Sunday, June 5. Relive the frontier heritage of Florence with crafts, music, period costumes, and food. Celebration hours are 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free.

This family-friendly event is entertaining as well as educational. Walk the premises of the tavern and watch engaging demonstrations by artisans in period costumes. Taste one of Grandma Saint's fried pies. Listen to heirloom dulcimer music from the Shoals Dulcimer and Folk Music Association. Watch members of the David Crockett Association present a living history reenactment in their improvised campsite. Purchase your favorite piece of pottery, basket weaving, quilting, weaving, wood carving, chair caning, or broom making from a skilled craftsperson. Finally, complete the frontier experience with a tour through Pope's Tavern Museum free of charge.

Local author Robert Walker will be on site Saturday to sign his book, <u>The Old Blue Coat</u>. Walker's nonfiction account of Molly, a young Irish woman forced into life as an indentured servant in the New World, is based on family folklore as well as archived journals and documents found in Alabama State Archives, the U.S. archives, and official state records.

Pope's Tavern Museum is located at the corner of Hermitage Drive and Seminary Street. For more information call 256-760-6379. This event is sponsored by the Florence Department of Arts and Museums.

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