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FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY AT THE 28TH ANNUAL PENSACOLA CRAWFISH FESTIVAL

Pensacola, Fla. (April 11, 2012) Crawfish lovers rejoice, it's finally Crawfish season. The 28th annual Pensacola Crawfish Festival, presented by Coastal Bank and Trust will be held May 4, 5 and 6 in Bartram Park, downtown Pensacola.

Times: Friday, May 4	Noon to 11 p.m.
Saturday, May 5	10 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Sunday, May 6	11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Join us for lunch on Friday, May 4 for a sneak peak of the festival and get in FREE before 3 p.m. Active duty military with ID get in free on Friday, May 4. Bring the family and come for the day or the weekend. Admission is \$5 daily or \$10 for a weekend pass. Children 12 and under get in free.

The festival features 16,000 pounds of boiled crawfish provided by Mike's Crawfish Boils from Duson, La. Cajun dishes such as red beans and rice, boudin balls, seafood gumbo, etouffee, jambalaya, and Cajun pasta will be available as well as traditional fare such as hot dogs, chicken tenders, and funnel cakes. Local favorite, Cajun Specialty Meats will be preparing their Cajun menu for the festival.

New and returning artists will perform traditional Louisiana swamp pop, Cajun, blues, and zydeco music. Enjoy entertainment provided by Master of Ceremonies Rex Broussard, Dwayne Dopsie, Honey Island Swamp Band, Wayne Toups, Hadley Castille, Bayou Boys, Adam Holt, Wes Loper and more.

The 2012 Pensacola Crawfish Festival entertainment lineup:

Friday, May 4

3 to 5:30 p.m.	Practical Factors
6 to 8 p.m.	Wes Loper
8:30 to 10:30 p.m.	Dwayne Dopsie

Saturday, May 5

10 to 12 p.m.	Season Ammons
12:15 to 2 p.m.	Wes Baylis and Ricochet Creek
2:15 to 4:15 p.m.	Bayou Boys
4:30 to 6:15 p.m.	Adam Holt
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.	Hadley Castille

9 to 10:30 p.m. [Honey Island Swamp Band](#)

Sunday, May 6

11 to 12:15 p.m. [Ryan Balthrop and Brooks Hubbert](#)

12:30 to 2 p.m. [Hadley Castille](#)

3 to 5 p.m. [Wayne Toups](#)

Come take part in the 7th annual Cat Country 98.7 Crawfish Eating Contest. Contestants may participate in the kids, adults, or CrawDADDY division. Kids entry is free, adult entry is \$5 and CrawDADDY entry is \$10. Registration starts 30 minutes prior to the competition. Prizes are given in each competition.

Friday, May 4:	5:30 p.m.	Adult Contest
	8 p.m.	CrawDADDY Contest
Saturday, May 5:	2 p.m.	Kids Contest
	6:15 p.m.	Adult Contest
	8:30 p.m.	CrawDADDY Contest
Sunday, May 6:	12:15 p.m.	Kids Contest
	2 p.m.	CrawDADDY Contest

On Saturday and Sunday, the children's area, sponsored by COX, will be open until 5 p.m. and offers cost friendly arts and crafts, face painting, wands, balloons, games, and the popular NASCRAW crawfish races.

Handicapped parking will be available Friday through Sunday, across the street from Bartram Park at Fountain Park. Additional handicapped parking for Saturday and Sunday will be available behind the Florida Public Archaeology Network Building on Barracks Street.

Take part in the 38th annual Fiesta 5K and 10K Run/Walk, sponsored by the Pensacola Runners Association. The race will be held Saturday, May 5 at 7:30 a.m. The 10K participants will begin at Pensacola State College, while the 5K runners will start from Scott Street and 12th Avenue. Both races will finish at Seville Square. For more information, please visit www.pensacolarunners.com.

The festival is presented by Fiesta of Five Flags and Coastal Bank and Trust. Supporting Sponsors include COX, Miller Lite, Pepsi, WEAR ABC 3, Huka Entertainment, Independent News, Bonfire Jam, Cat Country 98.7, Soft Rock 94.1, News Radio 1620, WXBW, Pensacola News Journal, and Publix Super Markets.

For more information about the Pensacola Crawfish Festival or other Fiesta events, call (850) 433-6512, visit www.fiestaoffiveflags.org or www.Facebook.com/PensacolaCrawfishFestival.

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About Fiesta of Five Flags

The mission of the Fiesta of Five Flags is to celebrate our heritage, promote tourism, and build pride in Pensacola through festive activities which enhance the quality of life in our community.