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HIGHLY ANTICIPATED 3RD ANNUAL “SHRIMP & GRITS: THE WILD GEORGIA SHRIMP FESTIVAL” KICKS OFF SEPT. 19

Sept. 10, 2008 -- Jekyll Island, Ga. -- Join the Jekyll Island Authority, the Georgia Shrimp Association, and the Georgia Tourism Foundation for the only event in the Southeast dedicated to celebrating two southern favorites – *shrimp* and *grits*!

Set amid Jekyll Island’s picturesque Jekyll Island Club National Landmark Historic District, “*Shrimp & Grits: The Wild Georgia Shrimp Festival*,” will kick off on Friday, Sept. 19, at 5:30 p.m. Festivities will continue throughout the weekend, beginning Saturday at 10:00 a.m. and Sunday at noon.

The popular annual festival features delicious food, exciting shrimp & grits cooking competitions, great music, and a vendor area complete with arts, crafts, antiques, and collectables. “Uncle Bubba,” the brother of southern celebrity-chef Paula Deen, will even make a special guest appearance on Saturday from 10:00 AM-12:00 noon. And to add to the excitement, guests can participate in the 3rd Annual Wild Georgia Golf Tournament, take fun-filled shrimp boat excursions, and play in the “Family Fun Zone” created just for kids. The winner of the 2006 and 2007 World Frisbee Dog Championship will showcase his skills, and area bands will perform throughout the weekend.

All entertainment is free and open to the public.

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For more information about Shrimp & Grits: The Wild Georgia Shrimp & Grits Festival, contact the Jekyll Island Welcome Center at 1-877-4-JEKYLL, or visit www.jekyllisland.com/shrimbandgrits.

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