

Pell City packs Saturday with fun events

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Saturday is a day packed with fun events—a cardboard boat regatta, a chili cook-off and a charity fishing tournament.

The 7th Annual “Float Yer Boat” Regatta is Saturday at Lakeside Park in Pell City. Boat check-in is at 8 a.m. with races starting at 9 a.m.

This year’s regatta will feature live music, hot-

dogs, drinks, ice pops and much more.

Participants this year include WKW Erbsloch North America, Inc., Huffstutler Furniture, CenturyLink of AL, Curtis White Co., St. Clair County Civil Air Patrol, The Daily Home, Randolph Co. Animal Shelter, Wier Grading and Paving, Haley Pursell, Charles Roper, Duran Junior High School, Sr.

Simon Peter Episcopal Church (two entries), Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church and Pell City First United Methodist Church.

Proceeds benefit the Pell City Toys for Children Program, which helps provide toys, clothing, shoes and diapers to needy children at Christmas.

The Second Annual Riverside Volunteer Fire Department Chili Cook-off is also on Saturday.

The chili cook-off is held behind City Hall in the Riverside Storm Shelter parking lot area.

Participants from Sylacauga, Anniston, Childersburg and Kennesaw, Georgia are signed up to test their culinary skills.

Stoves light off at 11 a.m. the day of the event, with chili judging at 3 p.m. and the winners announcement shortly after.

The event will feature live music. The Riverside Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary will sell concessions such as hotdogs, chips and drinks as a fundraiser. Chili will be available after the official judging and the winners are announced.

Riverside resident Dave Redmon, who has appeared on several episodes of Ice Road Truckers, is a special guest judge for the event.

The Second Annual Riverside Volunteer Fire

Department Charity Fishing Tournament is also Aug. 27. The fishing tournament will begin at daylight with weigh-in at 2 p.m. at Riverside Landing.

The entry fee is \$100, and there is a \$1,000 guaranteed first prize for the tournament. There are door prizes and other prizes as well.

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