

15th Annual Beaver Creek Festival
Historic Downtown Montezuma, Georgia

Sponsored by the Montezuma Downtown Development Authority
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Dear Vendor:

The Montezuma Downtown Development Authority is excited to announce the 2009 Beaver Creek Festival and Duck Race which will be held on Saturday, October 31. The festival begins at 9 am and ends at 4 pm. It is with great pleasure that we invite you to reserve booth space for this family-oriented event which generally draws around 4,000 patrons.

You may remember that Montezuma deluged by the Flood of the Century which brought disaster to Central and Southwest Georgia in the Summer of 1994. The Beaver Creek Festival was first celebrated when the flood waters went down to memorialize the spirit of revival required to dry out and restore the historic buildings in the heart of the picturesque downtown area. Each year Montezuma commemorates the heritage of courage that has revived downtown from flooding disasters dating back to the 1920s.

The 2009 Festival will recognize the importance of preserving the cultural resources and heritage that makes our community strong. The festival includes food, vendors, an art show, crafts, a costume parade, a pet parade, a cake walk, a duck doodle contest, and live entertainment, along with lots of other fun-filled activities for adults and children alike. The Grand Finale is the Great Beaver Creek Duck Race sponsored by the Macon County Chamber of Commerce.

Each space rents for the bargain price of \$25 without electricity and \$30 with electricity. Space preferences will be honored in the order in which payment is received, so please use the enclosed vendor application to reserve the best spots early. Expanded electric services have been added to our park to give vendors and patrons more visible and comfortable spaces.

- Each booth space is 10' x 10' and does not include tables, chairs or tent. **Vendors with tents larger than the booth space will need to reserve additional space.**
- Electrical Booths are limited to 3,000 watts, which is the equivalent of one medium microwave and three crock pots. **Food vendors needing more appliances will need to reserve additional spaces.**
- Applications are subject to availability and approval by the Beaver Creek Festival Committee and must be submitted by October 9, 2009. Application fees are non-refundable after October 16, 2009.
- Vendors may set up Friday October 30 between 6 and 8 pm or Saturday October 31 between 7 and 8:30 am. **All booths must be set up and vehicles moved to the parking areas by 8:30 am on October 31.**
- Complimentary spaces for civic organizations are only available for informational and educational exhibits, based on availability and at the discretion of the Festival Committee. Organizations selling goods or raising funds must reserve a paid space.

Please join us for this fun annual celebration of the spirit of historic preservation and restoration!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Camille Bielby". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Camille Bielby
Montezuma Downtown Development Authority