

# FLORIDA SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

Dear Future Florida Seafood Festival Commodore,

The Florida Seafood Festival in Apalachicola, the oldest maritime event in the State of Florida, is celebrating its 55th anniversary on November 2nd & 3rd 2018. We would like you to help celebrate with us. We are inviting you to join us in this historic milestone by becoming a Florida Seafood Festival Commodore. The Florida Seafood Festival is a Non-Profit 501(c)3 organization. The all-volunteer Board of Directors for the Florida Seafood Festival has planned a celebration worthy of this occasion. Not only are we having the events you have come to love over the years, such as the Oyster Eating Contest, the Oyster Shucking Contest (which we are proud to be the home of the National Oyster Shucking Champion), the Blue Crab Races, the Redfish Run, Blessing of the Fleet, Parade and Carnival. Our Friday night concert is Christian Music headlined by LaRue Ministries, LaRue is a Dove Award Winning Recording Artist and has been leading thousands in experiencing the Presence of God for nearly 2 decades. Our Headline Musical Entertainment for Saturday night is Country Stars Maddie & Tae, They bring to the Stage such hits as "Girl in a Country Song", "Shut up and Fish", "Fly" and the new single from their upcoming album "Friends Don't".

Because of sponsors like you, the Festival has been able to survive these past 55 years and grow accordingly by never forgetting where we came from. For the past 25 years the price of admission has gone unchanged and this year is no exception. The admission price to the Florida Seafood Festival is still free on Friday and only \$5.00 on Saturday. Over the past 3 years the Florida Seafood Festival has been ranked the #6 Oyster Festival in the world as well as listed as one of the top 15 small towns festivals in America. The Festival values its sponsors like no other event and we honor those who become members of our Commodore program with a substantial amount of advertising through the Internet, Facebook, Newspaper, Redfish Run Tshirts, a 16x16 Sponsor Board located near the entrance of the park and gate material that will be handed out to every visitor entering the park. Depending on level of sponsorship, Commodores will receive Entrance Tickets, T-Shirts, Koozies, Hats, Tervis Tumblers, Back Packs, Coolers, Flashlights, Outdoor Blankets, Beach Bags, Duffle Bags and many other Promotional Items

Your sponsorship also helps us provide four scholarships to graduating High School Seniors in Franklin County each year as well as one for each Miss Florida Seafood. Over the past ten years, the Florida Seafood Festival has awarded 55 Scholarships to graduating seniors.

Last year's Festival had over 98 Arts and Craft Booths, 24 Commercial Booths, 40 Non-Profit Booths and 35 food booths many benefitting local non-profit groups, who were exclusively selling our local seafood. None of the non-profit groups had to pay anything to be part of the Festival.

We thank you in advance for considering your support our esteemed event, the oldest maritime event in Florida, by joining us during our 55th Anniversary celebration. And we look forward to seeing you at the Florida Seafood Festival November 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Sincerely,

The 2018 Florida Seafood Festival Board of Director's

## Florida Seafood Festival Commodore Application

**\$ 100** - Advertising on gate materials, 2-Free Admission Tickets, Koozie, 2-pen's, 1-Tote bag, 1-Back Scratcher.

**\$250** - Advertising on gate materials, Sponsor Signage placed near front gate location on 16x16 Sponsor Board, 1-Tshirt, 1-Hat, 4-free admission tickets, 2-Back Scratchers, 4-pens, 2-koozie, 1-Tote Bag, 1- Beach Bag, 1-Tervis Tumbler, 1-Back Pack Back & Ice Chest Combo, 1-Flashlight.

**\$500** -Advertising on gate materials, Bronze signage placed near Front Gate location on 16x16 Sponsor Board, 6-Free Admission Tickets, 2-Tshirts, 2-Hats, 2-Koozies, 8-pen's, 1-tote bag, 2- Flashlights, 1- Lunch Bag, 3- Back Scratchers, 2-Tervis Tumblers, 1-Commodore Outdoor Blanket, 1- Back Pack & Ice Chest Combo & Sponsor name on Redfish Run Shirts

**\$1,000** - Advertising on gate materials, Silver sponsor signage placed near Front Gate location, 5-Tshirts, 5 Hats, 10-Free Admission Tickets, 3-Koozies, 10-Pen's, 2-Tote's, 3-Back Scratchers, 1-Lunch Bag, 1-Beach Tote, 4-Tervis Tumblers, 1-Desk and Portable Phone Power Boosters, 2-Back Pack & Ice Chest Combos, 2-Commodore Outdoor Blankets, 4-Back Scratchers, 4-Flashlights, 1-Duffel Bag, 2-Commodore Back Packs, Sponsor name on Redfish Run Shirts.

**\$2,000** - Advertising on gate materials, Gold sponsor signage placed near front gate location on 16x16 Sponsor Board, 10-Tshirts, 10- hats, 20-free admission tickets, 6-koozies, 20-pen's, 2-tote's, 1-Lunch Bags, 1-Beach Totes, 2-Beach Cup Holders, 6-Tervis Tumblers, 1-Desk and Portable Phone Power Booster, 2-Back Pack & Ice Chest Combos, 1-Duffel Bags, 6-Flashlights, 6-Back Scratchers, 4-Commodore Outdoor Blankets, 4-Commodore Back Packs, Sponsor name on Redfish Run Shirts Premium spot.

**\$5,000** - Advertising on gate materials, Platinum sponsor signage placed near Front Gate location on 16x16 Sponsor Board, Listed as Sponsor of Specific Event Such as History of Festival Exhibit, Entertainment, Etc. Please Contact Florida Seafood Festival President to discuss options, John Solomon at 850-370-6602, 15-tee shirts, 15-hats, 10-Tervis Tumblers, 4- Beach Cup Holders, 2-Lunch Bags, 2-Beach Totes, 2-Desk & Portable Phone Power Boosters, 4-Back Pack & Ice Chest Combos, 2-Duffel Bags, 8-Flashlights, 8-Back Scratchers, 6-Commodore Outdoor Blankets, 6-Commodore Back Packs, Sponsor name on Redfish Run Shirts in top location. Large (Approx. 20 x 2) Signage on the Event you Sponsor such as Entertainment Stage or Maritime Events, Food Row etc.....

Please take a moment to review the package options and fill out the Commodore Membership Registration form. If you have any questions about the commodore program please email us at [Food@floridaseafoodfestival.com](mailto:Food@floridaseafoodfestival.com) or John Solomon 850-370-6602

Please mail your application, along with appropriate payment to:

Florida Seafood Festival,  
P.O. Box 758 Apalachicola, FL 32329

# FLORIDA SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

2018 Commodore Registration Form

**(Please Return with Payment)**

Sponsoring Company \_\_\_\_\_

(Name you want listed on the Signage)

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Check Enclosed for Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Package Size : **(please check or circle)**

\_\_\_ \$100

\_\_\_ \$250

\_\_\_ \$500

\_\_\_ \$1,000

\_\_\_ \$2,000

\_\_\_ \$5,000

Sizes: T-shirts \_\_\_\_\_

Please make Payment to:

**Florida Seafood Festival**

**P.O. Box 758**

**Apalachicola, FL 32329**