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KEEPING GEORGIA WILD FAMILY FESTIVAL RETURNS FOR A DAY OF OUTDOOR ADVENTURE AND CONSERVATION EDUCATION

Annual event offers an opportunity to try archery, tree-climbing, fishing and more

MANSFIELD, GA – The annual Keeping Georgia Wild Family Festival, a community event promoting outdoor recreation and conservation education, is back for another exciting year at the Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center in Mansfield, GA. Co-hosted by the Georgia Wildlife Federation, GA Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation, FCA Outdoors, and Georgia DNR-Wildlife Resources Division, this free public event invites families to spend the day outdoors together while discovering Georgia's vast recreational opportunities and learning about the importance of conservation.

Scheduled for Saturday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the festival promises a day of fun-filled activities for all ages. Attendees will have the chance to explore a wide range of outdoor pursuits, including fishing, archery, shooting sports, tree-climbing, birding, astronomy, and more. Experienced outdoor experts will be on hand to assist participants as they engage in these activities, ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience for all.

"We are thrilled to once again welcome families to the Keeping Georgia Wild Festival, where they can connect with nature, learn new skills, and foster a deeper appreciation for our state's natural resources," said Georgia Wildlife Federation President & CEO, Mike Worley. "With hands-on activities, live animal encounters, and informative presentations, our goal is to instill a passion for the great outdoors and empower individuals to feel more comfortable in nature."

One of the highlights of the festival is the opportunity for the first 500 kids to receive a free event t-shirt, providing a keepsake of their day spent exploring the wonders of nature. Additionally, attendees can enjoy a complimentary hotdog lunch from 11:00am to 1:00pm or while supplies last, ensuring that everyone stays energized for a day of outdoor fun.

To reach the Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center, take I-20 to Exit 98 and travel south approximately 11 miles on Highway 11. Entrance will be on the left at Marben Farms Road. Festival signs will guide visitors to the Discovery Area where the event will take place rain or shine.

For more information about the Keeping Georgia Wild Festival, visit gwf.org.

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About Georgia Wildlife Federation

Georgia Wildlife Federation was founded as a sportsman's organization in 1936 and is Georgia's oldest conservation organization. Today, members include hunters, anglers, bird watchers, hikers, educators, and all Georgians who are interested in preserving our natural resources and outdoor heritage.

