

8<sup>th</sup> Annual Battle of the Paddles benefit for Pine Island Little League  
May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
Woody's Waterside Restaurant & Monroe Canal Marina  
St. James City Pine Island

**\$1000 in Prize Money** and a chance to help out Pine Island Little League at the 8<sup>th</sup>  
Annual Battle of the Paddles  
Cheap Beer, Good Food and Lots of Fun...

On Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup>, Woody's Waterside Restaurant & Monroe Canal Marina will host the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Battle of the Paddles boat challenge to benefit Pine Island Little League Baseball. Every year island residents and neighbors from all over gather for a fun filled day to raise money for a great cause. And this year's event will see some changes in an effort to make it bigger, better and more exciting than ever. Like years past, each contestant will have 1-4x8 sheet of 1/4 inch plywood, 2-8 foot 2x4's, 1 pound of fasteners (nails, screws, staples, etc) and 1 roll of duct tape and a couple of weeks of blood, sweat and tears to utilize in an effort to assemble the fastest 1 man, woman, or child powered kayak. However this years event will add a couple of exciting twists...the adult challenge (18 & over) will consist of a bracketed 32 boat regatta with the winning paddler receiving \$1000 in prize money. In addition for those that come just to have a couple of beers and witness the fun & excitement, you will also have a chance at winning some money...\$500 for the one that most accurately picks the winners of the adult challenge bracket. This years event will also feature the kids challenge bracket with the paddlers competing for trophies in various age groups and the shot at having their winning boat and name hung from the ceiling of Woody's for all to see. For all the kids challenge participants there will be opportunities for everyone to go home with a certificate of participation and a little prize! In addition, there will be a host of other fun prizes awarded throughout the day in various categories.

The cost of entry into the adult challenge is \$50 and includes lunch and an event shirt. In addition, all adult challenge paddlers who register and pay by April 30<sup>th</sup> will receive a \$25 Lowe's gift card to cover the costs of building materials.

The kids challenge is free for those 17 and under and also includes lunch and a shirt. A limited number of gift cards to cover expenses may be available based on the number of local business sponsors and will be on a first come, first served basis. All kids who wish to participate but are unable to build their own boat will be allowed to either reuse/borrow an adult challenge boat, use an already built boat from previous years or are encouraged to seek out their own sponsorship for building materials and help.

All entrants must be registered and paid no later than Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Registration forms and event rules/details will be available at Woody's & Monroe Canal Marina and any questions can be directed to Eric @ Woody's (283-5555).

If you or your business would like to sponsor a boater or the event in a larger way, please call Eric to discuss details/opportunities for sponsorship and advertising.