

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**Tony Holt and The Wildwood Valley Boys Headline at The Great Southern Music Festival May 6th, 7th, & 8th**

Thomas County, GA – Spring 2010 - Tony Holt and The Wildwood Valley Boys will be performing at the Great Southern Music Festival. Having become a favorite in bluegrass music, Tony and The Wildwood Valley Boys includes musicians who have shared stage with The Grascals, Alison Krauss, Blue Highway, Longview, Cherryholmes and many others. The song "The Sad Wind Sighs," recorded by The Grascals with Vince Gill was nominated for "Recorded Event of the Year" at the 2009 IBMA Awards and was written by Wildwood Valley Boy Aubrey Holt. They will take star billing Friday and Saturday along with The Andrews Family Band, Even Money, Coon Bottom Creek, Reissue String Band, Pure & Simple, and more at the Great Southern Music Festival May 6-8, 2010 at Picker's Paradise Park in Ochlocknee, GA.

Offering more than simply stellar acoustic bluegrass performances, the three-day event will feature almost non-stop music. At just about all hours of the day and into the night, many talented players of all ages form jam sessions called Pickin' Circles throughout the park. All are invited to stop and listen or even join in if you have the chops.

Pat Tillman, the festival organizer, says, "We hope you come out and spend time with us, enjoy the music and most of all, walk away with more than you came. The bluegrass world is bursting with great musical artists and our entertainment this year offers the rare chance to see truly legendary musicians up close in a down home, family-friendly atmosphere. So come join us at Pickers Paradise Park and help add to the rich bluegrass tradition we deeply cherish."

During the day at the festival, pull up a chair in front of the tin barn covered stage or sit close to the beautiful lake and listen to some great bands. Enjoy some home cooked food, such as smoked bbq pork, treat yourself to an ice cream cone, or fresh boiled peanuts. If you feel like stretching your legs, take a walk through the field, play a game of horseshoes, or bring your fishing pole and drop a line in the water to catch a big one or just share stories with the friendly guests.

At night, stroll up and down the grassy paths, past the rows of motor homes, tents, and fire pits, and stop along the way to listen to the many folks pickin' and grinnin' Feel free to bring your instrument, come and add to the musical atmosphere.

Musicians' Night kicks off the festival on Thursday. If you are into roughing it smoothly in an RV, this is your best chance to secure your pick of the 125 hookups or if you are a camper, find a great campsite under a shade tree. The evening will wind down with a fish fry, plenty of conversation, and informal jam sessions.

Friday's main stage performances begin at 4PM and Saturday's begin at 1PM. Festival T-Shirts and Bands' merchandise will be on sale near the concession window.

Whether you like the traditional Bluegrass style of music, or the more progressive Newgrass styles, we have a little bit of everything at the Great Southern Music Festival, where bluegrass music is our specialty. Picker's Paradise Park is located just outside Thomasville, GA and is just a short drive from Tallahassee, FL.

For tickets, and more information call 229-221-5467 or log onto <http://www.pickersparadisepark.com>

Great Southern Music Festival at Picker's Paradise Park

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