

Fishing For a Cause

New Bedford's first annual recreational fishing tournament, set for Father's Day Weekend, June 17-18, out of Pope's Island Marina, promises more than just two great days of fishing. 'Fishing for a Cause', as it charity tournament is known, will include a **Seaside Dinner with live music at Pope's Island on Friday, June 17 from 6-10p.m.** and a day of family fun 1-4 p.m. (free to the public) on Saturday afternoon, June 18 with a BBQ awards dinner (ticketed event) to follow at 5 p.m.



To purchase tickets to the Seaside Dinner and the Family Fun Awards Day BBQ, or to register your boat for the tournament, which includes an all access pass for each angler to all Fishing for a Cause events, please visit at: www.schwartzcenter.org/fish-on,

or email the Schwartz Center at ffac@schwartzcenter.org.

Fishing for a Cause is a tournament for catching bluefish, striped bass, and fluke. There will be awards for the anglers bringing in the highest weight total for each species, including custom-made glass trophies and high-end fishing gear. Prizes will be awarded to all junior anglers participating. The event is open to all size recreational fishing boats. Lines are allowed in the water at 12:01 a.m., and the weigh stations will be open 1-4 p.m. on both days of the tournament. Participants are encouraged to register early to take advantage of the free slips that will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Fuel discounts will be offered by Sea Fuels.

The Fishing for a Cause tournament organizers deeply respect the tenants of marine conservation and the management of

natural resources; every effort has been made to maximize the use and preclude the waste associated with catch. Fish brought to scale can be donated to be processed by a local fish processing plant and delivered to Catholic Social Services, which provides shelter and meals for those that are in need.

Donations are still being accepted for the silent and live auctions, and sponsors can still participate. Interested parties can contact Fishing for a Cause at ffac@schwartzcenter.org. For more information the Schwartz Center website, or find Fishing for a Cause on Facebook.

The Schwartz Center for Children is a 501c3 non-profit organization. The Center is Southeastern Massachusetts' only independent, community-based provider of diagnostic, therapeutic, educational and social services to children and young adults with complex medical and developmental needs. Founded in 1947, the Schwartz Center for Children is a recognized leader in addressing the diverse needs of families dealing with wide range of special needs including autism spectrum disorders, and other sensory and social limitations. The Center provides individualized support tailored to meet the unique needs of each child and family. The Schwartz Center is located at One Posa Place, Dartmouth, MA 02747. Telephone: 508-996-3391.

Fishing For A Cause Schedule of Events:

Thursday, June 16

6:00PM – Captains' Dinner at the Seaport Inn (free for registered boat captains)



The collage includes a 'SCHEDULE OF EVENTS' for the '2011 Cape Fear River Fishing Tournament'. The schedule lists: Thursday, June 16, 6:00 PM Captains' Dinner at Seaport Inn; Friday, June 17, 12:01 AM Lines allowed in the water; Friday, June 17, 1:00-4:00 PM Weigh-in station open at Pope's Island Marina; Friday, June 17, 6:00-10 PM Seaside Dinner under tent at Pope's Island; Saturday, June 18, 12:01 AM Lines allowed in the water; Saturday, June 18, 1-4:00 PM Weigh-in station open at Pope's Island Marina; Saturday, June 18, 1-4:00 PM Free family-fun activities at Pope's Island Park; Saturday, June 18, 5-8:00 PM Awards ceremony and BBQ dinner. The 'Official Entry Form' on the right contains fields for Boat Name, Registration #, Home Port, Captain's name, address, phone, email, and angler information. It also includes an 'Entry Fee' of \$750 per boat, a 'Deadline' of 06/01/2011, and a 'Prizes' section. A disclaimer at the bottom states that the tournament is not responsible for lost or damaged gear.

Friday, June 17

12:01 a.m. – lines allowed in the water

1:00-4:00 p.m. – weigh-in station open at Pope's Island Marina

6:00-10 p.m. – Seaside Dinner under tent at Pope's Island, catered by Russell Morin Fine Catering, featuring: live music by Marc White & Co. and The Buzzard Blue Band; silent and live auctions. Tickets are \$75/person (free for registered anglers).

Saturday, June 18

12:01 a.m. – lines allowed in the water

1-4:00 p.m. – weigh-in station open at Pope's Island Marina

1-4:00 p.m. – free family-fun activities at Pope's Island Park and in the harbor; rowing, face-painting, arts & crafts, field games, demonstrations, trolley rides to downtown.

5-8:00 p.m. – awards ceremony and BBQ dinner. Tickets are \$25/person (free for registered anglers)