Charleston Recreation Board

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PRESS RELEASE

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Charleston Recreation Board Hosts First Annual Founder's Day Event

Charleston, Tennessee – June 10th, 2023 - The City of Charleston Recreation Board will be hosting the first annual Founder's Day event at Hoyt Berry Park, located on Market Street Northeast in Charleston on June 10th, 2023, from 10am to 8pm. The purpose of the event is to celebrate the history and founding of the City of Charleston. The event opens to the public at 10am, and the schedule includes the following events:

- Opening speech from Mayor Donna McDermott
- Historical speech from Historical Society member Darlene Goins
- Moon Pie eating contest
- Kids cookie baking contest
- Skillet Toss contest
- Watermelon eating contest
- Dunking booth
- Kids games, including hula hooping, jump rope, sack races, 3-legged races
- Greased Pig Run
- Singing duet from the Calfee Girls
- Live music from Wade Sims
- Local food vendors
- Prizes, certificates, ribbons, and other giveaways

All proceeds from the events will directly benefit the Charleston Recreation Board for the purpose of conducting future recreation events in the city. Visitors of all ages are encouraged to attend, and the event venue is fully handicapped accessible. The event is seeking additional volunteers, and interested parties should contact Melissa Kersey at (423) 486-6731 or via email to charlestonrecboard@gmail.com. The Recreation Board is requesting media presence at the event to help publicize and document the event.