Plans for Blue Ridge Fest are announced

STAFF REPORT

Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative and Blue Ridge Security Solutions have announced plans for the 19th annual Blue Ridge Fest, to be held from 6-10:30 p.m. May 6 at the cooperative's outdoor facility, 734 W. Main St., Pickens.

The popular spring event will feature the state's largest classic car cruise-in, with more than 500 vehicles, along with a Beach Night concert and dance.

Last year's event attracted more than 6,000 people and raised $185,000. This year's Blue Ridge Fest will benefit 12 different nonprofits in Greenville, Anderson, Oconee and Pickens counties.

Admission will be $20 in advance, or $25 at the gate; for children ages 7-12, admission will be $12 in advance or $15 at the gate. Ages 6 and younger will be admitted free. Those who arrive in classic cars (1979 models or older) with up to four occupants will be admitted for $30. The classic car line-up begins at 2 p.m., and gates open at 3 p.m.

Beneficiaries this year include the Cancer Association of Anderson, Collins Children's Home & Ministries, The Center for Developmental Services, Dot's Kitchen, Emerson Rose Heart Foundation, Feed a Hungry Child, Foothills Alliance, North Greenville Food Crisis Ministry, Rosa Clark Medical Center, Samaritan Health Clinic of Pickens County, The Dream Center of Pickens County, and Wilderness Way Camp School.

Learn more or buy advance tickets at www.blue ridge.coop/blueridgefest, or call 1-800-240-3400.