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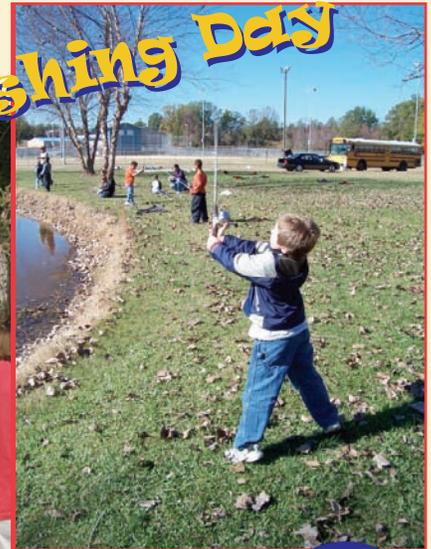
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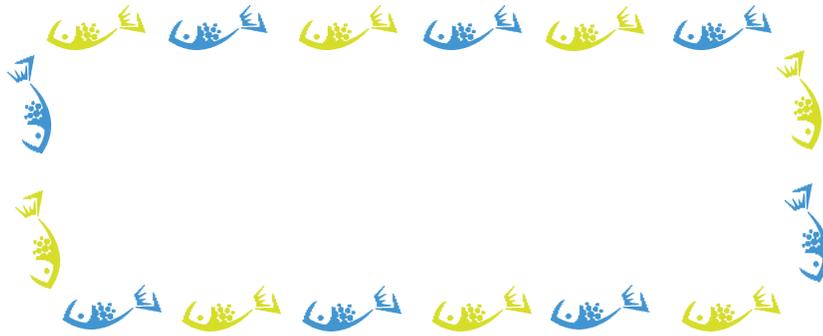
Back to School...

Hey everyone! I hope you caught some fish this summer! Don't forget to keep fishing in the fall as it cools off outside. As school begins, remember to send in your goals so that I can mail your wonderful prizes. We sent out around 150 prizes in May including rods, reels, tackle boxes, bait buckets, and more! Don't forget to show your friends all of your prizes and let them know how to sign up! It is fun and easy-you can tell them! They can visit www.screelkids.com to download an application. So take your friends along when you go fishing on the weekends and have a great time on the water. Happy fishing from the big SC Reel Kid!

National Hunting and Fishing Day



Come join us on Saturday, September 24th from 9am-4pm for a great day in the outdoors. Celebrate National Hunting and Fishing Day with us! You can try your hand at fishing, shotguns, cleaning a fish, BB guns, fly fishing, and even see some neat animals! You don't need to bring anything but your family because all equipment will be provided! This event will be held on September 24 from 9:00-4:00 at Cohen Campbell Fisheries Center near West Columbia. For more information, call (803)-734-3886.



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Fall Fishing Fun

Just because summer is gone doesn't mean you can't enjoy the outdoors! Why not drive to the mountains and see all the changing colors of the leaves. When you get there take a hike, have a picnic, or go fishing! There are plenty of things to do, especially now that the weather is cooler. Lake Jocassee, one of the most popular lakes to visit in the upstate of South Carolina, is a perfect place to go! The majority of the lake is located in Oconee



and Pickens counties. The lake has 7,500 acres of surface water and 75 miles of shoreline, plenty of room for your family and friends! There are several state records the lake has produced, brown trout 17 lbs 9.5 oz, 1987, rainbow trout 11.5 lbs, 1993, redeye bass 5 lbs 2.5 oz, 2001, smallmouth bass 9.7 lbs, 2001 and spotted bass 8.2 lbs, 1996. See if you can catch a big one while you are there! When looking up information on Lake Jocassee, take a minute to

search for the rare wildflower that French Botanist Andre Michaux discovered in 1788. The flower has white or pinkish blossoms, blooms from mid-March to mid-April, and is native to only a few counties in the Blue Ridge Area. What is the name of this flower? The first person to send the correct answer in will receive a \$25 gift certificate from the SC Wildlife Shop. You can e-mail the answer to harrisonn@dnr.sc.gov or mail it to SC Reel Kids, PO Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202.

