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Taste of Suffolk 2011 Tickles the Taste Buds

SUFFOLK, VA (September 10, 2011) – The 2011 Taste of Suffolk is a huge success. This year's festivities are taking place in Suffolk's Historic District on North Main Street. The food and fun continue until 5:00 p.m.

The heart of the festival is the food. There is plenty of variety, at a price that can't be beat. Suffolk's finest restaurants, eateries, and "mom and pop" shops are on site, ready to serve up delicious items to tease your taste buds. Exhibitors and vendors also line the street, offering great deals and valuable information. The air is filled with the smell of good food, and the sounds of your favorite tunes, performed by your favorite local bands. Don't forget the jalapeno eating contest, cornhole tournament, and new for 2011, a live interactive cooking demonstration.

We didn't forget the kids. An enhanced children's area, located in the First Baptist Church parking lot, features a rock-climbing wall, miniature train rides, bounce houses, special performers and more. There is even a contest just for the little ones.

A special ceremony this morning commemorated the 10-year anniversary of September 11th. Guest speakers included United States Coast Guard Commanding Officer of Sector Hampton Roads Captain Mark Ogle, Mayor Linda T. Johnson, City Manager Selena Cuffee-Glenn, Chief of Fire & Rescue Mark

Outlaw, and Chief of Police Thomas Bennett. Suffolk's Police and Fire Departments performed a special public safety demonstration, which highlighted Suffolk's enhanced public safety preparedness, response and recovery, as well as new equipment and capabilities.

For more information, please visit <http://www.suffolkva.us/TasteofSuffolk/>, or contact Lori Jessee-Carter at 757-514-7267.

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