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The Lands End Woodland, Inc. of St. Helena Island, SC will celebrate the **3rd Lands End Woodland River Festival** on Labor Day weekend, August 29-30, 2008 to commemorate the legacy of its ancestors and to celebrate the Gullah culture. On Friday, August 29th, there will a *good ole' fashion fish fry* and music starting at 5:00 p.m. on the riverbank. On Saturday, August 30th, from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., all-day performances by singers, dancers, musicians, and storytellers will entertain visitors. There will also be exhibits, crafts and food vendors selling a variety of hand-made goods and serving a "taste of Gullah."

The celebration will be held on the ancestral lands of the Lands End Woodland organization, formed in 1921 when 47 Gullah family members came together to purchase 328 acres of land on St. Helena Island. It is the oldest landowners association owned by a group African Americans in South Carolina.

THIS EVENT IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Parking will be available for cars (\$3), vans (\$10) and buses (\$15) on the grounds. The Woodland beachfront property is located on Lands End Road, six miles north of Penn Center on Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive on St. Helena Island. For more festival information, please call (843) 838-4503 or (843) 838-2474.