



## Margarita Mix-Off returns to Island View Casino Resort this May

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GULFPORT, Miss. (April 26, 2013) – With a sprinkle of salt and a twist of lime, Island View Casino Resort is kicking off some seasonal fun with the second annual Margarita Mix-Off. The outdoor classic-cocktail competition will return to the Gulfport resort's Sunset Bar & Deck on Saturday, May 18.

From 1 to 5 p.m., more than a dozen local bar and restaurant teams will go shaker to shaker to win the coveted Margarita Mix-Off titles for best margarita and best decorations, as well as cash prizes. Returning to this year's competition are Irish Coast Pub, Lookout Steakhouse, Salute Italian Restaurant, all located in Gulfport, and Hooters, located in Biloxi.

New contenders include Bacchus Food & Drink, The Dock Bar & Grill, Lupita's Mexican Bar & Grill, Morelia's Mexican Bar & Grill and Red Sky Crab House, all located in Gulfport; Juan Tequila's Mexican Grill and Cantina, located in Long Beach; and El Rancho Bar & Grill and El Saltillo Mexican Restaurant, both located in Biloxi.

Guests will pick the perfect margarita by sampling the participants' frozen or on-the-rocks concoctions and voting via secret ballot. The winning team will be announced at 5:15 p.m.

The outdoor tasting will include chips and salsa and arroz con pollo (chicken with rice). As well, a live musical duo will provide entertainment throughout the day.

Tickets are \$10 per person at the door. Guest must be 21 years of age or older. For more information, on Island View's Margarita Mix-Off, please call 228.314.2100.

### **About Island View Casino Resort:**

Island View Casino Resort opened on Sept. 18, 2006 as the only casino in Gulfport, Miss. The land-based casino, located on 40 acres of waterfront property, currently offers an 80,000-plus-square-foot casino with approximately 2,000 slots and 46 table games. The 520,000-square-foot resort also features a 562-room hotel with a tropical pool and cabanas; Carter Green Steakhouse, the resort's signature restaurant; Beach Blvd. Steamer, a 180-seat restaurant focusing on freshly steamed seafood; C&G Grille, offering contemporary, casual dining; The Buffet, a 400-seat restaurant; The Coffee Shop, an upscale deli; and The View Showroom, a 550-seat entertainment venue. Island View Casino Resort is privately held by Rick Carter and Terry Green, two Gulfport natives and longtime casino executives committed to the post-Hurricane Katrina rebuilding efforts of

the Mississippi Gulf Coast.