

## **BEACH PARTY FLAVORS SPICE UP BOAT SHOW**

The new Akron Boat & Water Sports Show will be tempting show visitors with more than just the latest in boats and equipment when it opens for 3-days, March 3-5 in the John S. Knight Center.

“If we’re going to have a beach party atmosphere,” says show manager Bryan Ralston, “we’re going to carry it right down to the food and music. We want everyone who attends to have as much fun being at the show as they’ll have to see all the products the exhibitors will have on display.”

A typical convention center menu? Forget it. How about trading in hot dogs for Roasted Shrimp and Corn Chowder, or Lake Erie Perch Tacos, or Short Rib Sliders? Want more? Go with the Artichoke and Goat Cheese Balls in Marinara Sauce. And, wash it down with a Tonga Mai Tai or a Sea Breeze Cocktail.

The sound of islands music will heighten the party feeling when the “Found Sounds Steelpan Duo” adds their unique steel drum sound. Meanwhile, dealers from Akron to Sandusky will converge on the Knight Center to show off their hottest boat models.

The show fleet will include a variety of fishing boats, family runabouts and the latest boats that have been specially designed for skiing, tubing, wakeboarding, and wave surfing. In addition, pontoon boats, which are currently leading the boating industry in sales nationally, will certainly be on display in a variety of sizes.

Show hours will be: Opening Friday (3/3) 12 Noon to 9:00 pm; Saturday (3/4) 10:00 am to 9:00 pm; Sunday (3/5) 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. Admission: \$5.00 Adults; Children 12 & under. Produced by the Lake Erie Marine Trades Association.

For the latest show schedules, go to [www.akronboatshow.com](http://www.akronboatshow.com)