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Memphis BBQ Family Appears with Paula Deen on “Paula’s Party”

Fried vs. BBQ is the question on Food Network June 1

(May 10, 2007 – Memphis, Tenn) Paula Deen, the queen of Southern cuisine says you have to pick a side, fried or barbecued, when it comes to southern cooking. Deen invited Memphis restaurateur of the year, Patrick Neely, co-owner of Neely’s Bar-B-Que and his family to her show, “*Paula’s Party*” to cook their favorite barbecue recipes. The episode called, “Fried vs. BBQ” will air on Friday, June 1 at 8 p.m., CDT on Food Network.

Patrick and his wife, Gina, Patrick’s two brothers, Anthony and Mark along with their mother, Lorine joined Deen and her two sons, Jamie and Bobby for the episode. The show features several Neely’s Bar-B-Que recipes such as barbecue spaghetti and pork ribs. “It was a big party in Savannah, when we filmed the show with Paula,” said Patrick. “She really enjoyed the different Neely’s recipes that truly reflect Memphis barbecue.”

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Last summer in Nashville, Jamie and Bobby Deen featured Neely's Bar-B-Que on their Food Network Show "*Road Tasted*" last summer in Nashville. In September 2006, Paula visited Neely's in Memphis during her appearance at the Mid-South Fair.

Neely's Bar-B-Que has two Memphis locations, 670 Jefferson Avenue and 5700 Mt. Moriah and one location in Nashville, 2292 Metro Center. They also have a large catering division and barbecue outlets in the FedEx Forum and Nashville's Gaylord Entertainment Center. In addition, you can purchase Neely's Bar-B-Que sauces and seasonings in your local grocery store or online at www.neelysbbq.com.

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