

HAY TONE'S HANGOUT
ANNUAL RIB COOK-OFF
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TO ALL INTERESTED COOKS:

We wish to extend an invitation for you to join in our 8th Annual Rib Cook-Off, which will be September 12, 2020

We are enclosing, with this letter, an entry form, statement of liability, list of prizes and rules and regulations for the cook-off. Please take a few minutes to read these forms and complete them.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

CHIEF COOK: _____

ASSISTANT COOK/NAMES ONLY:

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

PLEASE SIGN THE STATEMENT OF LIABILITY & RETURN WITH THIS FORM.

STATEMENT OF LIABILITY

As Chief Cook and a Contestant in the Hay Tone's Rib Cook Off, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Hay Tones, LLC, its employees and volunteers, from all claims made against HT, LLC, including without limitation, all costs, liabilities, judgments, expenses, damages, or reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or in connection with:

- (1) any structure erected by contestant;
- (2) any apparatus, equipment, or personal property used by contestant;
- (3) any act or omission to act of contestant, its agents, invitees, participants, representatives, employees, servants and agents; and,
- (4) any claims made on accounts of, or resulting from, contestant's participation in this contest.

I further certify that I have read and understood all the rules and regulations associated with this contest. I understand that failure to comply with these rules will result in my disqualification from the contest.

CHIEF COOK _____ DATE: _____

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- (1.) Ribs will be provided and available to you by Thursday September 5th at 6pm. Meat for the contest **may not** be purchased on your own or precooked prior to Saturday September 12th. If you are able to handle preparation and cooking of additional ribs for purchase, please let us know and it will be provided to you. Any prep work including marinades and rubs are at your own discretion. Each contestant competing shall supply all their own cooking ingredients, individual cooking utensils, preparation tables, etc. No open fires or pits will be allowed. There are no other restrictions to the means of heat except no electricity will be provided. Since this is an outdoor event, and we have no control over the weather, it is suggested that you bring suitable shelter as the weather may require. **EACH CONTESTANT MUST HAVE A FIRE EXTINGUISHER.**
- (2.) Contestants may begin setting up at 6:00 p.m. on Friday September 11th. Please secure all equipment, as we cannot be responsible for theft or loss. Also, be aware that this is a neighborhood. Please respect the community of Franklin by limiting noise levels as the evening gets later.
- (3.) All meat must be inspected before cooking by a cook-off committee member. We will be available by 6am Saturday morning, if requested. After the meat is inspected, you may begin cooking. You are responsible for observing prudent temperature and sanitary requirements.
- (4.) Each contestant must provide 10 rib bones separated into either one individual (10 pieces) or two together (5 pieces). **Please do not share the balance of ribs as they are being purchased by patrons.** The entries must be in pre-numbered Styrofoam boxes provided by the Hay Tone's staff. Garnish is optional and limited to leafy green produce. No decorations. Trays of ribs provided for sale at your station can be decorated and notated any way you see fit.
- (5.) The judging of the ribs begins at 2:00 p.m. Saturday. You will have five (5) minutes before and five (5) minutes after the turn-in time to turn in your entries to the judges.
- (6.) The team number used for judging will be assigned to you and marked on the turn-in boxes by the cook-off committee.
- (7.) There will be blind judging by qualified judges.
- (8.) **The fees are \$100 before August 12th and \$125 after and up Wednesday September 9th** and the top three will be awarded cash prizes. Fees must be turned in with forms as we are supplying the ribs and need to account for everyone prior to pick up.
- (9.) It is the responsibility of each contestant to see that the contest area is kept clean and that the area is cleaned following the contest. It is imperative that

cleanup be thorough. Any space left in disarray or with loose trash and garbage will disqualify the team from future participation.

- (10.)The chief cook will be held responsible for the conduct of his/her team and guests. Excessive use of alcoholic beverages will be grounds for disqualification. Under no circumstances are alcoholic beverages to be distributed (given away or sold) to the public by contestants. (That's our job.)
- (11.) The barbecue committee reserves the right to make additional regulations as the situation warrants.
- (12.)Decisions of the barbecue committee chairman and judges are final.
- (13.)Violation of Rules and Regulations of the contest may result in disqualification, expulsion from the grounds, and/or disqualification from future participation.
- (14.)If you have any questions, need additional information or if you cannot attend after being signed up, please let us know at 916 683 6804 or haytones@icloud.com