

# ***Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Alumni***

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**November 11, 2008**

**Dear Friends and Cook-Off Teams,**

On behalf of the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Alumni Association I invite you and your Cook-Off Team to our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Bar-B-Que Cook-Off to be held Friday and Saturday, **January 09<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009**, in Robstown, which is the kick-off weekend to our Annual Livestock Show. This will be the third year in our new facilities--the Richard M. Borchard Regional Fairgrounds located northeast of the intersection of highways 44 & 77 in Robstown. Last year we were very pleased to have had a record 78 teams. Again, the proceeds from the Cook-Off will go to support our sale entries, general scholarship fund, and other Alumni charitable activities.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the Cook-Off rules, *tentative* turn-in times (**see reverse side of this letter**), and an **entry form**. Our event is IBCA sanctioned and representatives from the IBCA will be on hand to oversee the judging. If you would like to be a part of our annual Cook-Off please mail or fax the entry form to me at the address provided. As in the past, I will attempt to accommodate any special requests you might have with respect to space locations, etc. However, as the numbers of entries grow, it may be difficult to fulfill all requests. Please call me at 361-387-2600 if you have any questions or special needs.

As a reminder, the Alumni organizes the Cook-Off event, but anything having to do with alcohol sales and consumption is entirely under the direction of Fairgrounds management. As noted in the rules for the Cook-Off, alcohol may NOT be brought on site. This is a rule that will be enforcement and we would greatly appreciate your cooperation. The purpose of our BBQ event is to help support our County Livestock Show and the hardworking young people involved. Fairgrounds' concessions and catering staff will be selling any and all alcoholic beverages (beer) to contestants and the public during our event and have strict laws to follow. Enclosed you will find an order form for beer if your team wishes to pre-order. You may phone or fax the information to the Fairgrounds.

We look forward to your participation and a great Cook-Off weekend.

Thank you,

**Daniel Bluntzer**  
***BBQ Cook-Off Coordinator***  
1150 East Main  
Robstown, TX 78380  
Fax: 361-387-2603

# **8<sup>th</sup> Annual Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Cook-off**

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***++ IBCA Sanctioned ++***

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**Saturday, January 10, 2009**

***New Location: Richard M. Borchard Regional Fairgrounds  
Robstown, Texas***

(Northeast of the intersection of Hwy's 44 & 77 in Robstown, TX)

**\*\*\*\*\* *Cash Prizes* \*\*\*\*\***

**Categories:** Chicken, Pork Spare Ribs, Brisket, Beans, and Appetizers/Cook's Choice

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## **OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM \*\* Entry Fee \$150**

TEAM NAME \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

CHIEF COOK \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (S) \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Daniel Bluntzer  
c/o BBQ  
1150 East Main, Suite 290  
Robstown, Texas 78380

Or Fax to: 361-387-2603  
Phone: 361-387-2600

**Please make check payable to: NCJLS**

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# Tentative Turn In Times for Saturday

- Pick up Turn in Containers Friday Night
- Head Cook's Meeting 7:30 am

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## **\*\*Tentative Turn In Times \*\***

*Subject to change depending upon the number of teams.*

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- Cook's Choice            9:00 am
- Beans                      10:30 pm
- Chicken                  12:00 pm
- Pork Spare Ribs        1:30 pm
- Brisket                    3:15 pm

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## **Awards Immediately Following Judging**

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### *Reminders*

- Alcoholic beverages are not allowed to be brought onto the premises, but should be purchase from our vendor.
- Alcoholic beverages are not to be consumed by persons under 21 years of age.
- Teams are responsible for monitoring their cooking areas.

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## **OFFICIAL RULES**

### **Administration**

- One team per pit, maximum 5 members per team.
- **The bar-b-que contest will be located near the intersection of highways 44 & 77 in Robstown at the Richard M. Borchard Regional Fairgrounds.**
- Contestants must supply all needed equipment and supplies. The bar-b-que management will provide space only. We have moved to the back of the facilities, so there should be plenty of room this year.
- The Nueces County Junior Livestock Show and the sponsors are not responsible for any theft or damage.
- The bar-b-que chairman reserves the right to make additional rules or regulations as situations warrant.
- Decisions of the Committee Chairman and Judges are final.
- All teams must have paid their entry fee, and check in and set up their space between 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009. The Committee Chairman must be notified for earlier or later Check-in.
- Move out time will be after 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009.
- There will be trash cans and dumpsters on site, but it will be the each team's responsibility to keep their area clean and safe.
- Each team will be allocated an approximate space (at least 30 ft X 30 ft.) Props, trailers, motor vehicles, tents, etc. or any part of the contestant's equipment may not exceed the boundaries of the assigned space. **Each team is restricted to one (1) vehicle in the space.**
- The cook-off area is paved. Stakes of any kind may not be driven into the pavement.
- The chief cook will be held responsible for the conduct of their team and guests.
- **ALCOHOL will be sold on site, so contestants are prohibited from bringing alcohol onto the grounds. NOTE: State Law requires that you must be 21 years of age to consume alcohol. Anyone violating this law will be accountable for the consequences.**

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- Excessive use of alcoholic beverages may be grounds for disqualification.

- No rude or obnoxious behavior will be tolerated. We ask that you not blare your music and respect others' requests to turn it down. Music volume should be kept to a minimum after 10:00 p.m.
- Vehicles must fit in you assigned spot. For safety reasons, no vehicles should move within the BBQ cooking area after 8:30 a.m. Saturday morning.
- Please park vehicles in an orderly manner outside of the cooking areas to allow for the flow of traffic. Violators may be towed.
- We ask that trash be placed in the provided cans and dumpsters.
- No pets or other animals will be allowed in the contest area. (Seeing eye dogs are the only exception.)
- For safety reasons, no golf carts, bicycles, scooters, skateboards, water balloons, water guns, sling shots, firearms, etc. will be allowed in the contest area.
- Failure to comply with the above measures may lead to disqualification and requests to leave the premises.

### **Cooking/Judging**

- IBCA rules apply.
- Teams must enter a minimum brisket of at least seven (7) pounds uncooked and turn in seven (7) full slices. All teams entering the rib category will turn in seven (7) full spare ribs. All teams entering the chicken category will turn in one (1) full half. All teams entering beans will turn in 1 (one) 16-ounce cup of beans—cups will be provided. All teams entering appetizers/cook's choice must turn in seven (7) full portions/servings. Appetizers/cook's choice must contain a meat or seafood product (wild game is okay) and must be cooked on the pit.
- **Overall Grand and Reserve winners will be based on only four (3) categories: chicken, ribs, brisket. In the event of a tie for overall Grand and Reserve, the brisket will be used as the tie-breaker.**
- **NO GARNISH or SAUCE** is allowed in the tray at turn-in. Meats may be cooked with sauce and/or other liquids, but once the cooking is complete, sauces and/or liquids cannot be added after the meat is placed in the judging tray. No puddling in bottom of tray.
- Contest meat may not be salted, seasoned, marinated, or started cooking before 6:00 p.m. Friday, January 09<sup>th</sup>, 2009.
- Random inspection of all meats will occur before 6:00 p.m. on Friday, January 09<sup>th</sup> by the BBQ committee. If the committee has not inspected your brisket before 6:00 p.m. you may begin cooking.
- All entries except beans must be cooked over wood or wood substance fires.
- Teams may not share cooking equipment. Each space must have a separate cook and equipment.
- Turn-in times will be announced at check-in.
- More details at the **Chief Cooks Meeting at 7:30 a.m. Saturday morning.**
- Samples for the public are appreciated.

### **General Information**

- Beer and sodas will be sold during the Cook-off. No alcoholic beverages are to be brought onto site.
- The Nueces County Jr. Livestock Show Cook-off will go on rain or shine!!
- For additional information, contact Daniel Bluntzer @ (361) 387-2600 or (361) 813-9819.

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**BEVERAGE ORDER FORM**  
PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

BBQ Team Name \_\_\_\_\_ Booth# \_\_\_\_\_

Time of Delivery \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

	# of cases	Price p/case	Amount
Bud Light *		x 42.00 = case	
Budweiser *		x 42.00 = case	
Coors Light *		x 42.00 = case	
Miller *		x 42.00 = case	
Miller Lite*		X42.00=case	
Other:		x 42.00 = case	
Soda: Coke, Sprite, Diet Coke Dr. Pepper		x 36.00 = case	
Water:		X36.00=case	
10# bag Ice		X1.50=bag	
20# bag Ice		X3.00=bag	
<b>TOTAL:</b>			

Cases are 16 oz.  
plastic bottles.

Beer Pricing  
\$1.75 each 16 oz. plastic bottle

Soda & Water Pricing  
\$1.50 each 20 oz. bottle

(\* Note: All alcoholic beverages must be purchased from the Fairgrounds catering department, and may not be brought in from outside sources.)

To pay by Credit Card please fill in the information below:

COMPANY/CUSTOMER/GROUP NAME \_\_\_\_\_

FUNCTION DAY/DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CREDIT CARD HOLDER \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT CARD ACCOUNT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

AUTHORIZATION CODE (3 OR 4 DIGIT NUMBER ON BACK OF CARD): \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT CARD EXPIRATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE AS IT APPEARS ON THE CARD \_\_\_\_\_

Return Forms to: RMB Regional Fairgrounds 1213 Terry Shamsie Blvd., Robstown, Texas 78380.  
Phone: 361-387-9000 Fax: 361-387-9077.  
Fax Attn: Katrina Vela E-mail: [kvela@rmbfairgrounds.com](mailto:kvela@rmbfairgrounds.com)