

STOCKDALE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Smokin' Spring BBQ Cook-Off Friday, March 20, 2009 & Saturday, March 21, 2009 Stockdale City Park, Stockdale, Texas

*****Major changes for 2009:**

(A) We will begin selling beer (all major brands), ice, sodas, powerade & water at 8am on Friday morning (3/20). Therefore, YOU ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED to purchase drinks from us for the discounted price available to cooks. There will be an additional discount from the price mentioned below if you buy by the case.

(B) All jackpot events, EXCEPT MARGARITAS, (beans, chili & salsa) will be judged beginning at 6pm on Friday night.

(C) The margarita contest will be judged on Saturday afternoon.

(D) We will have a concert/dance featuring Billy Mata on Friday night (3/20). Each team will receive five (5) complimentary passes. Additional passes can be purchased for \$10 each upon check-in.

Rules:

1. Categories to be judged:
 - a. Beef brisket – must turn in seven (7) full slices approximately ¼” to 3/8” thick.
 - b. Chicken – must turn in one half of a whole fully-jointed chicken; half must include leg, thigh, wing and breast portion. NO Cornish game hens. Must be fully cooked or entry will be disqualified.
 - c. Pork spare ribs – must turn in seven (7) full ribs, cut apart. NO Country Style, Baby Back or Loin Back entries allowed.
 - d. Beans – must turn in a 20 oz. cup. Note there is a separate entry fee for the beans contest, and 50% of this jackpot of entry fees will be awarded to the winners of the beans contest.
 - e. Chili – must turn in a 20 oz. cup. NO BEANS. Note there is a separate entry fee for the chili contest, and 50% of this jackpot of entry fees will be awarded to the winners of the chili contest.
 - f. Salsa – must turn in a 20 oz. cup. Note there is a separate entry fee for the salsa contest, and 50% of this jackpot of entry fees will be awarded to the winners of the salsa contest.
 - g. Margaritas – must turn in a 20 oz. cup. Note there is a separate entry fee for the margarita contest. 50% of this jackpot of entry fees will be awarded to the winners of the margarita contest.
 - h. Stockdale Chamber of Commerce Showmanship Award.
 - i. Stockdale Chamber of Commerce Most Elaborate Rig Award.
 - j. Stockdale Chamber of Commerce Crowd Favorite Award. Cook-off guests will be allowed to purchase tickets from the Stockdale Chamber of Commerce; these tickets can be used by the

guests to “vote” for their favorite cook-off team. Each team should bring a jar or other receptacle to collect votes in.

2. Cash prizes will be awarded to the 1st through 3rd place winners in the brisket, chicken, and pork spare ribs categories, and ribbons will be awarded to the 4th through 10th place winners. In addition, trophies will be awarded to the first place winner in the brisket, chicken, and pork spare ribs categories. Trophies will also be presented to the Grand Champion entry and for the Showmanship, Most Elaborate Rig, and Crowd Favorite awards.
3. Each space will be issued 5 admission passes, which will also allow for admission into the BILLY MATA concert on Friday night, as well as all Saturday events. Additional passes for the Friday night concert may be purchased for \$10 per person.
4. There will be limited access to the cooking area. **NO MORE THAN ONE VEHICLE** will be allowed within the assigned cooking space. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
5. Vehicle gates will close and be locked from 8pm Friday until 7am on Saturday (3/21). Gates will lock again at 9am on Saturday (3/21). **No vehicles will be allowed inside the cooking gates after 9am on Saturday.** For safety’s sake, please try to limit unnecessary traffic within the gates.
6. NO beer may be brought in or out of the cook-off grounds after check-in. Cook-off team members may purchase beer from the Stockdale Chamber of Commerce for the discounted price of \$2 per beer. All glass containers are prohibited in the grounds by an ordinance of the City of Stockdale. **Anyone caught bringing beer or other glass containers into the grounds after check-in will be disqualified.**
7. Registration will be limited to **100 teams**. If you wish to be assigned to a space next to another team, indicate on your entry form that you want adjoining spaces. There are **NO GUARANTEES**, but we will do our best to accommodate these requests.
8. Teams will consist of a Head Cook and 4 team members. Only one team per pit.
9. Cook’s meeting will be held at 8am Saturday, March 21st in the judging area – Head Cooks must attend.
10. NO pre-seasoning or pre-cooking of entries is allowed. Marinating and cooking is to be done only after meat inspection. **All entries will be subject to inspection.**
11. Cooks are to prepare and cook in as sanitary manner as possible. Cooking conditions are subject to inspection by judging committee. Infractions identified by the judging committee shall be immediately corrected or the cook will be subject to disqualification.
12. Multiple entries in the same category by the same cook and multiple entries from the same piece of meat **SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED.**
13. Contestants will NOT be allowed to sell BBQ.
14. Contestants must supply all needed equipment and supplies. NO gas or electric BBQ cookers allowed. Gas or electricity MAY be used to start the combustion of wood, wood products, or charcoal, but NOT to complete cooking. All fires must be contained and NONE are allowed on the ground. Each team should have a fire extinguisher on hand.
15. Spaces will be approximately 30’ by 30’. Many are in the shade, but some are not, so plan accordingly. If you do NOT think your entry can fit in a 30’ by 30’ space, please contact us, and we can try to make an alternate arrangement for your space. **NO ELECTRICITY AVAILABLE – BRING YOUR OWN GENERATORS.**
16. **ABSOLUTELY NO FIREARMS OR EXPLOSIVES WILL BE ALLOWED.**
17. Amplification should be used in moderation during the entire cook-off and must be turned down between the hours of 1am and 6am on Saturday (3/21). You will be given a warning and will be subject to disqualification upon a second complaint.
18. NO pets are allowed to roam free within the cooking grounds. No skateboards, tricycles, bicycles, motorcycles, mopeds, three-wheelers, or four-wheelers will be permitted within the cooking grounds, with the exception of those used by the directors of the Stockdale Chamber of Commerce.
19. **Turn-in times for beans, chili & salsa will begin at 6pm on Friday (3/20). A full schedule of judging and turn-in times for these categories will be handed out at check-in.**
20. **Showmanship and Most Elaborate Rig judging will be from 12 noon until 2pm on Saturday (3/21).**
21. **Turn-in times for meats and margaritas will begin at 12 noon on Saturday (3/21). A full schedule of judging and turn-in times for each category will be handed out at check-in.**

22. **Each chief cook is responsible for having his/her entry at the judging area at the proper time. The judging area will be under the large covered stage area in the park.**
23. **Showmanship and Most Elaborate Rig judging will be done by 2 separate judges; these awards will be judged on site.**
24. Judging will be conducted under the IBCA secret, double number system.
25. NO sauce or garnishes may be added to entries at judging time. Sauce may be used as “sop” during cooking, but not poured on for presentation. Everyone will be issued aluminum foil to be put on the bottom of the trays to be turned in for judging.
26. Beans – NOTHING BIGGER THAN A BEAN – NO GARNISHES.
27. Chili – NO BEANS.
28. Salsa & Margaritas – BE CREATIVE.
29. Each team will be responsible for clean up of their space. The chief cook will be responsible for the conduct of his/her team and guests. Excessive use of alcoholic beverages or destruction/vandalism of the park facilities will be grounds for disqualification.
30. The Stockdale Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to make additional regulations as situations warrant; all regulations will be in accordance with the International Barbeque Cookers Association. *Decisions of the judges and the Stockdale Chamber of Commerce are final.*
31. This is a family-oriented event, so please act accordingly.

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March 20-21, 2009
Stockdale City Park, Stockdale, Texas**

Entry Form – Deadline to Enter is Thursday, March 19th

- ❖ Entry fee is \$100 per team (make checks payable to the Stockdale Chamber of Commerce). 75% PAYBACK TO WINNERS.
- ❖ Each team must also supply ONE FULLY COOKED & SLICED BRISKET, to be donated to the Stockdale Chamber of Commerce and presented either upon check-in or before 10am on Saturday (3/21).
- ❖ Please check the categories you wish to enter:

- _____ Beef Brisket
- _____ Ribs (pork spare ribs only)
- _____ Chicken (fully jointed split chicken with breast, wing, thigh & drumstick)
- _____ Beans (**separate entry fee of \$20**; jackpot of entry fees will be awarded to winners – 50%)
- _____ Chili (**separate entry fee of \$20**; jackpot of entry fees will be awarded to winners – 50%)
- _____ Salsa (**separate entry fee of \$20**; jackpot of entry fees will be awarded to winners – 50%)
- _____ Margaritas (**separate entry fee of \$20**; jackpot of entry fees will be awarded to winners – 50%)

- ❖ Teams should plan to provide for their own electricity (bring generators).
- ❖ The Stockdale Chamber of Commerce has established a minimum participation level of 10 teams. In the event there are fewer than 10 teams entered by Thursday, March 12th, the cook-off will be cancelled and entry fees will be refunded.

Name (Head Cook) _____
Address _____

Phone Number _____

❖ Please return entry form and entry fees to:

Stockdale Chamber of Commerce
Attn: Sherry D. Lambeck, President
PO Box 578
Stockdale, Texas 78160

❖ For more information, call (210) 771-1719 or send an email to slambeck@kpmg.com.