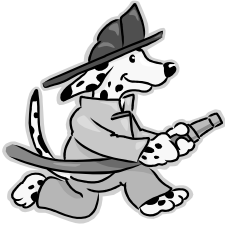


27th Annual Elgin Volunteer Fire Department Barbecue Cook-Off



April 17th & 18th, 2015

\$4,800 PRIZE MONEY GUARANTEED

IBCA Sanctioned

3 Categories of Meat

Brisket – Pork Spare Ribs – Chicken

Master Cook Based on these three categories only

IBCA Rules Apply

Prizes

1st - \$500, 2nd - \$400, 3rd - \$300, 4th - \$200, 5th - \$100 in each category

Gordon Swenson Master Cook Award \$200 Plus Cutting Board

Glenda Swenson Reserved Master Cook Award \$100 Plus Cutting Board

Trophies for 1st through 3rd in each category

Certificates for 4th through 10th

Trophy for The Buddy Meyer Showmanship Award

Trophy for Best Rig

ENTRY FEE - \$150 FOR ONE OR ALL MEAT CATEGORIES

JACKPOT BEAN & JACKPOT OPEN (MEAT ONLY)

\$10 EXTRA ENTRY FEE EACH

40-30-20 SPLIT OF ENTRIES

DRY PINTO ONLY

CHECK IN TIME 8:00 A.M. UNTIL 7:30 P.M. APRIL 17TH
SOME WATER AND ELECTRICITY ARE AVAILABLE

FOR COOK-OFF INFORMATION CONTACT

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OR

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Sponsored by the Elgin Volunteer Fire Department
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I, the undersigned, in consideration of the provisions of activities by the Elgin Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Elgin, do, for myself, my heirs, and my executors, remise, release, and forever discharge the Elgin Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Elgin of and from all manner of action or actions, cause or caused, suits, debts and sums of money, claims and demands whatsoever, in law or equity, which may arise from my participation in any activity sponsored by the Elgin Volunteer Fire Department. Further, my signature signifies I have read the rules and regulations published and agree to abide by them and any added rules that the Elgin Volunteer Fire Department may establish for the well being of those attending The Firemen's Cookoff.

Team Name: _____ Date: _____

Print

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Print: Chief Cook _____ Signed: Chief Cook _____

Print Assistants:

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

Entry Fee: \$150 for all categories except Jackpot Beans and Jackpot Open (Meat Only)
\$10 for Jackpot Beans
\$10 for Jackpot Open (Meat Only)

We plan to enter the following:

- Brisket Pork Spare Ribs Chicken
 Jackpot Beans Jackpot Open (Meat Only)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
Elgin Volunteer Fire Department

Mail payment and entry form to:
Justin Gwinn
20 N. Ave A.
Elgin, TX 78621

Location of event will be at the Elgin Memorial Park. IBCA rules apply for brisket, pork ribs, and chicken categories. Additional rules and time on Showmanship and Jackpot beans and Jackpot open (meat only) will be given to you at check-in. Meat is subject to inspection on Friday. All categories will be judged on Saturday. Awards will be approximately 5:00p.m. Saturday.

ELGIN VFD BARBECUE COOK-OFF RULES AND REGULATIONS

April 17th & 18th, 2015

- 1. ENTRY FEE:** A \$150 entry fee is required for the three meat categories (beef brisket, pork ribs, and chicken). The entry fee for Jackpot pinto beans and Jackpot open is \$10.00 "each". Each team may turn in as many jackpot entries as desired.
- 2. CHECK-IN:** Contestants may check in between 8am-7:30pm Friday. Contestants will be required to pay at time of registration.
- 3. COOK'S MEETING:** All team Chief Cooks must attend Cooks meeting held at 8pm Friday at park pavilion.
- 4. JUDGING:** Judging will follow International Barbecue Cookers Association (IBCA) rules and procedures. Chief Cook will have barbecue entry at judging area on time. One container of each category will be judged unless otherwise instructed by the head judge. All entries must be in containers supplied by head judge. Any containers marked or tampered with will disqualify entry. Barbecue will be judged on texture, moisture, tenderness, aroma and taste. The decisions of the head judge is final.
- 5. REQUIRED EQUIPMENT & COOKING METHODS:** A current certified or new fire extinguisher is required and should be placed in a readily available location. No open fires allowed. Only enclosed pits are allowed. Fires must be of wood, wood substance or charcoal. No electric or gas grills can be used for cooking. Contestants must supply all needed equipment and supplies. Each team must clean up their assigned area. **Pits cannot leave grounds until coals are totally extinguished.** Please do not dump coals on grounds, trash or dumpster.
- 6. GARNISHES:** All garnishes and condiments are prohibited, as they do not reflect the true quality of the cooked meat. Per IBCA rules. Exception: Jackpot Open
- 7. MEAT INSPECTION:** No contest meat can be seasoned or put on pit before inspection on Friday. No pre-cooked, pre-boiled, pre-seasoned or marinated meats will be allowed.
- 8. COOK'S SITE AND SANITATION:** Electricity and water is limited, generators are allowed if needed. All teams are expected to use good sanitary practices during the preparation, cooking and judging process. Teams are responsible for cleanup of their site once the competition has ended.
- 9. VEHICLE PARKING:** Each team will be issued a **one vehicle permit pass per site, and must fit within your assigned space.** If more than one team share a site only one vehicle will be allowed. No vehicles will be allowed in the cooking area after set-up without a permit pass. There will be ample parking areas. All unpermitted vehicles will be asked to be moved to the designated parking areas. Please make arrangements at gate for additional loading and unloading of vehicles. Chief cook will be held responsible for any violations.
- 10. BEHAVIOR:** Every team, including members and guests, are expected and required to exhibit proper and courteous behavior at all times. Chief cook will be held responsible for the conduct of the team. Excessive use of alcoholic beverages will be

grounds for disqualification. Quiet time is from midnight to 7:00 a.m. Please play your music loud enough for your space so not to bother your neighbors and so you will be able to hear announcements from the Pavilion.

11. SAFETY/SECURITY: Due to safety and insurance liability reasons, no UTVs, ATVs, golf carts or motorcycles will be allowed, with exception of host.

12. MEAT CATEGORIES:

A. Chicken- ½ fully jointed chicken (to include a breast, wing with full tip, thigh, and drumstick, with skin on (NO Cornish game hens).

B. Pork Spare Ribs- Individual cut ribs (bone-in) **St. Louis style cut accepted, NO baby backs or country style pork ribs will be accepted.**

C. Beef Brisket- full slices approximately ¼" to 3/8" thick.

Quantities will be announced at head cooks meeting.

13. JACKPOT CATEGORIES: \$10.00 Entry fee per jackpot category.

Jackpot Pinto Beans- Only dry pinto beans cooked on site. No ingredients larger than beans will be allowed in turn-in cup. Multiple entries are accepted. Each entry must be from a different pot. Please supply a judge from your team. All general rules listed under the BBQ Cook-off Rules apply to bean cookers.

Jackpot Open: May be any type of meat product, fish or seafood. Entry cannot be soup or stew. No desserts are allowed as Open Category entry. Multiple entries are accepted. Each entry must be a different meat product other than contest meats listed above, fish or seafood. All general rules listed under BBQ Cook-off Rules apply to Open Category. One "show piece" and approximately 20 bite-sized pieces will be turned in.

- ❖ **Points awarded to jackpot categories do not count for master cook points.**
- ❖ **Turn in times will be available at registration and head cook's meeting.**
- ❖ **Winners will be announced at park pavilion at approximately 5pm on Saturday. (Time is subject to change).**

14. ICE WILL BE SOLD AT THE PARK PAVILION.

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