

*** SANCTIONED *** IBCA

Annual Festival of Lights Gobbler Cook-off

Location:

MacLean Park, Lake Jackson, TX

Date:

Friday, Nov. 14, Saturday, Nov. 15 and Sunday, Nov. 16, 2014

Entry Fees:

\$125.00 Includes fee for spot, Brisket, Chicken and Pork Spare Ribs

(Entry fee & entry form must be received prior to event)

Jackpot: \$10.00 each - Fajitas, Chili, Exotic, Seafood and Turkey

(Payable at the cook-off, before category begins)

Additional space \$50.00, if placing a pit on additional space, full entry fee must be paid.

1 pit per space. Extra space does NOT include another vehicle.

Awards:

Cooking 1st through 3rd Place, Cookers Choice (team that best represents the overall

items and best attitude).

Rules and Regulations

- Check in time will be from Noon till 6 p.m. on Friday, November 14, 2014. All contestants must be set up before 7 p.m.
- Contestants may not enter contest area before Noon on Friday, November 14, 2014 unless you have a preassigned space. The Head Cooks meeting will be at 6:00 p.m., Friday, November 14, 2014.
- 3. Due to the fact that this is a family event, the cook-off area will be secured at 7:00 p.m., Friday, November 14, 2014. There will be no further vehicle traffic in contest area until 7 a.m. Sunday, November 16, 2013. For teams choosing an early departure, the barricades will be removed immediately following the award ceremony and re-secured at 9:00 p.m. Saturday, November 15, 2013. Please DO NOT move any barricades prior to the awards ceremony ending or after barricades have been put back in place.
- 4. The cook-off committee will provide an approximate size of 30' x 30' space for this cook-off. Props, trailers, motor homes, tents, coverings or any other part of the team's equipment must not exceed boundaries of space assigned. Only one vehicle per team will be allowed in the contest area. Additional vehicles used for unloading supplies/equipment, MUST be unloaded immediately and then REMOVED from contest area and parked OUTSIDE barricades. One warning will be given, 2nd warning will result in 10 points being deducted from overall score, 3nd warning will result in offending team being disqualified. Entry fee is non-refundable. Please be considerate of other teams by not leaving non-essential vehicles in contest area during set up. Extra space does NOT include additional vehicle. There will be no exceptions. In order to secure your previous year space, entry payment and all forms must be received by Friday, October 31, 2014. If payment and forms are not received by due date, space will become open for all entered teams. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

 This will give us enough time to notify a team that is on the waiting list that a space has come available.
- A team will consist of a chief cook and four assistants. If entering multiple teams, each team must have different members.

6. Sanctioned category entries will be as follows:

Brisket – seven (7) full slices, ¼ to 3/8 of an inch thick. Chicken – ½ fully jointed chicken (to include breast, wing, thigh and drumstick.) Pork Spare Ribs – seven (7) individual cut ribs (bone-in).

- 7. Jackpot category entries will be as follows:
 - A. Fajitas Beef only, no garnishing (which includes bell pepper and onions, etc.). No pre-marinated allowed.
 - B. Chili Fine ground beef hamburger meat only, no venison. No fillers, including beans.
 - C. Exotic NO SEAFOOD ALLOWED. This entry may be garnished.
 - D. Seafood This entry may be garnished.
 - E. Turkey May be cooked in any manner you like. May be sliced, include dark and white meat. (No garnishing includes stuffing.)
- All meat may be inspected at check-in or until 10 p.m., Friday, November 14, 2014. Meat may be put on to cook anytime after inspection. Special arrangements may be made for late arrivals.
- 9. No pre-cooked or salted meat is allowed.
- 10. All meat and pits may be inspected by the contest committee persons at any time, and foods may be sampled.
- 11. No gas or electric cooking will be allowed. Exception: Turkey and Chili may be cooked any way or any how you please; as long as it is cooked on site. Remember there is NO garnishing (this includes stuffing in the Turkey and beans in the chili).
- 12. Holes or dug pits are not permitted.
- 13. Contestants must supply all needed equipment and supplies. Cook-off committee will provide space only.
- 14. Judging of all meat will be on the following criteria: color, texture/tenderness, over taste and aftertaste. Trophies will be for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place with overall trophy points awarded for first place through tenth place. Total points will determine the winner of the overall.
- Decision of the chairpersons and/or committee is final.
- 16. Any protest of any team or their equipment must be turned into cook-off chairpersons one hour prior to judging.
- 17. Cookers choice award will be announced along with the rest of the awards.
- 18. No loud music will be tolerated. Any speaker systems will be arranged so that the speakers point out the back of the campsite. Two warnings will be given. After that 10 points will be deducted from the overall score.
- 19. All pits must have a drip bucket. Any and all oil used must be placed in the oil dump container provided by the committee.
- 20. Due to shortage of manpower, we are asking each team to dispose of all trash into the provided roll off dumpster.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR

Festival of Lights Gobbler Cook-Off Teams

<u>All</u> Teams will be **REQUIRED** to have one (1) 5 lb. 3A-40BC fire extinguisher. Any team using oil for cooking (deep fryers) will be required to have a 5 lb. 3A-40BC fire extinguisher <u>AND</u> K-Class fire extinguisher which is specifically used on oil/grease cooking fires. <u>Deep frying under a tent or canopy is not allowed.</u> You may cook outside the tent or canopy and within your rented space.

All cook-off teams will be inspected this year. You must be in compliance.

PARKING

We are very excited that our event has grown over the past years, but with growth come other issues. This year our participating teams will be given a parking pass to be able to park in the Lake Jackson Recreation Center parking lot. All other guests will need to park across the street in the school parking lot. Please help spread the word to your guests.

Festival of Lights Gobbler Cook-Off

Location: MacLean Park

 $\label{eq:Date:November, 14-16, 2014}$ Set up on Friday, Judge Friday & Saturday, cleared out Sunday

Sanctioned Entries: Brisket, Chicken and Pork Spare Ribs Jackpot Entries: Fajita, Chili, Seafood, Exotic and Turkey - \$10.00 each

Cooks meeting ------6:00 PM Friday Turn-in Schedule

Fajita	8:00 PM Friday
Exotic	8:00 PM Friday
Chili	8:00 PM Friday
Seafood	9:00 AM Saturday
Turkey	10:30 AM Saturday
Ribs	12:30 PM Saturday
Chicken	2:30 PM Saturday
Brisket	4:30 PM Saturday
Award Ceremony	7:00 PM Saturday

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

CITY OF LAKE JACKSON

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

This agreement made and entered into thisday	
of the State of Texas, and its' Festival of Lights Celebra	e City of Lake Jackson, a municipal corporation ation Committee (lessor)
WITNESSETH:	
The lessor agrees for the purposes herein specified, to I property: In consideration of the mutual promises contaconsideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is he for its displays, operations, functions, games, activities which is the subject of this lease in conjunction with the Jackson Texas on November 14-16, 2014. It is expressly defend, save and hold harmless the City of Lake Jackson claims, suits, actions, losses, expenses, liability, damage accidental death or property damage) arising out of or rewith the Festival of Lights Celebration activities on or a all responsibility for injuries or damages to any persons this end the lessee shall save and hold harmless the City Celebration committee from any and all expenses and a lease or use of the aforesaid property by the lessee. The accept such property in its present condition and to retuit to suffer no waste. Lessee further agrees that any important permission is granted by the city and that such improve Lessor. Is further agreed that said lease is not assignable.	ained herein, and other good and valuable breby acknowledged, lessee shall be responsible and other uses it shall make of the property be Festival of Lights Gobbler Cook-off in Lake by understood that lessee shall indemnify, on and the Festival of Lights Committee from all es, (including claim from personal injury, esulting from the lease herein in conjunction about November 14, 2014. The lessee assumes or property arising out of its use thereof, and to of Lake Jackson, and the Festival of Lights attorney's fees arising out of or connected with lessee further covenants and agrees to accept to the root of the property of the property of
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed the written.	is AGREEMENT the day and year first above
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Security / Barricade Rules

Barricades are to remain in place from 7:00 PM Friday, November 14, 2014 until 7:00 AM Sunday, November 16, 2014. There will be NO vehicle traffic in the cookoff area during the secured times. One vehicle is allowed to remain inside barricades per site and must have a car tag. This vehicle is to remain parked once barricades are in place. If any barricade is found down or removed from proper position during the secured times, it was NOT done by the committee. A committee member should be notified immediately and barricade put back in proper position. If barricades are found out of proper position, this DOES NOT mean vehicles are allowed in or out of premises.

Additional vehicles used for set-up/tear down must be unloaded/loaded and removed from cook-off area immediately and parked OUTSIDE the barricaded area.

If an unauthorized vehicle belonging to a cook-off team member or a guest of a cook-off team is found inside the barricades during secured hours, the following will apply:

1st warning is free.

 2^{nd} warning will result in 10 points being deducted from the offending teams overall score.

3rd warning will result in disqualification of offending team. Entry fee is non-refundable. Offending team will not be invited back.

Each team captain is responsible for all team members and visiting guests.

Team Captain	Date
Team Member	Date

2013 Annual Festival of Lights Gobbler Cook-Off Entry Form IBCA Sanctioned

	PAID IN FULL
Team Name:	Space Number:
Chief Cook:	Entry Fee Paid: \$
Mailing Address:	
	Additional Spaces:
	Add. Spaces paid: \$
E-mail:	
Phone Number:	Jackpot Entries Paid:
	Fajitas.\$
Print Team Members Names:	Chili \$
	Seafood \$
	Exotics \$
	Turkey\$
We have read the rules of the cook-off and will conform to them.	
Signature of Chief Cook:	Cash:
	Check #:
Signatures of Team Members:	
	Deposit Date:
	Total Payment: \$
Sanctioned Entries: (INCLUDES 1 SPOT)	
BrisketChicken Pork Spare Ribs	Hold Harmless
	Barracade Agmnt
Jackpot Entries - \$10.00 Each	
Fajitas Chili Seafood	
Exotics Turkey	

If you are planning to join the fun, please mail your entry form and signed agreements by November 3, 2014. Space **can not** be guaranteed without prior notification of your arrival.

Returning teams must have entry form and signed agreements in by October 31, 2014. If not received, space becomes available to all paid entries. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Return all completed entry forms and fee to:

Festival of Lights Committee C/O Staci Walden

2121 Zapata Street

Freeport, TX 77541

CHECKS OR CASH ONLY

Please make checks out to: Staci Walden FOL

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NO CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED

Committee Use Only

DECISION OF JUDGES IS FINAL! FOR INFORMATION, SITE SPOT AND CONFIRMATION, CONTACT STACI WALDEN (979) 997-2100