

2ND ANNUAL BACKYARD BBQ RIB COOK-OFF EVENT RULES
BUTTERED CORN DAYS WEEKEND
SATURDAY, AUGUST 18TH

- All competitors' product must be cooked on site and must conform to Minnesota Department of Health food handling requirements.
- All competitors' **MUST** complete a Special Event Food License Application for the Brown-Nicollet Environmental Health (\$15 fee is covered by organizers).
- All food in this event will remain property of the Sleepy Eye Cook-Off.
- This cook-off competition is judged on Ribs only.
- Three (3) event judges will judge entry's based on taste, tenderness, texture, and appearance (tie breaker only). Teams must submit at least three (3) separated and identifiable portions of meat in a container. Meat may be presented with or without sauce but may not be pooled or puddled in the container.
- Containers cannot have any markings identifying the team.
- Scoring system is from nine (9) excellent to two (2) bad seven judges scores will be averaged.
- Appearance shall be use in a tie breaker only.
- Judges decisions are final.
- Turn-in time will be at 1pm with only a five minute allowance on either side. Any turn-in after 1:05pm WILL NOT be accepted.
- Teams can use other ingredients with their entry, but no entry can be a pre-packaged meat product.
- Contestants can cook as an individual or as a team up to five (5) persons and these persons are not to be interchanged.
- Head Cooks or team members may not enter or participate on more than one team per this event.
- All teams (competitors) enter at their own risk and must provide certificate of liability insurance (most homeowners insurance would be adequate. Check with your agent if you have questions.)
- All competitors are equal there is no status classifications.
- Ribs will be provided to the competitors the morning of the event.
- Teams must provide all their own equipment, and supplies (cookers, tents, trailers, utensils, etc.) need for preparation of their meat.
- Teams **MUST** have a canopy/awning to cover their serving table.

- No electricity will be available
- On site water source will be available to fill tanks or jugs needed.
- Teams may use wood, charcoal, pellets, electric or gas as heat source to cook their meat.
- It will be the responsibility of the contestants to see assigned cooking area is kept clean and policed following the event. All equipment must be removed from site the same day as the event.
- First aid will not be provided.
- This event shall be held rain or shine.
- **PLEASE** be aware this is Family Friendly event when choosing team member clothing & team signage.

Causes for Disqualification of a Team:

- The use of any controlled substances by a team, its members and or guest.
- Excessive use foul, abusive, or unacceptable language by a team, its members and/or guests.
- Distribution of any alcoholic beverages to the general public by a team its members/or guest.
- The loud use of an amplifying system or equipment which may be disturbing to contestants and or the general public during the event.
- Not conforming to the Minnesota Department of Health recommended guidelines.
- Entering a pre-package meat.

Rib Contest Prizes:

First Prize: \$300.00

Second Prize: \$200.00

Third Prize: \$100.00