

Saturday, October 9th, 2021

Stew Cook-Off....

\$1750 Prize Money

1 st Place Chicken Stew	\$500	1 st Place Beef Stew	\$500
2 nd Place Chicken Stew	\$250	2 nd Place Beef Stew	\$250
3 rd Place Chicken Stew	\$100	3 rd Place Beef Stew	\$100
Best Campsite (optional) \$50.00			

Entry fee is \$50.00. Contestants are responsible for getting their own sponsors. You will begin set-up for the stew at 6:00 a.m. at Houston St. A Chamber representative will greet you with your **Contestant Site Number**. Contestants must use propane for their cooking. You will be cooking on the street pavement. Please follow our "Burn Ban" policy. Wood fires and fire rings will not be allowed. A large Cast Iron Pot should be used for uniformity. Each contestant must bring their own small fire extinguisher. Each contestant is responsible for furnishing a sign with cookers name(s) and Sponsor Name. Your Sign should be at least 12 x 18 inches.

Chicken & Beef may be pre-cooked and de-boned. **Contestants must use USDA approved meat.** Ingredients may be washed and cut prior to set up, but all cooking must be done on site. Contestants **must have at least ten (10) gallons of finished stew** to sell to the public. Contestants having **less than ten (10) gallons will be disqualified**. All proceeds go to the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce a 501-C-6 Corporation.

Contestants must have a **numbered filled Cup & 2 Jars at the Judges stand by 9:35 a.m.** All numbered cups & jars will be provided FREE for double blind judging, quart public sale & sponsorship auction. Chamber **staff will return for 8 or more quarts for sale to the public & as needed**. The public will pay for "All You Can Eat" bowls at Main Tent. You should **NOT** collect money or serve public in any other container except the supplied bowls.

- 6:00 a.m. Check in, set up camp sites and start cooking.
- 9:35 a.m. Stew collected and turned over to the Judges stand.
- 9:50 a.m. Double Blind Judging of stew at Judges tables.
- 10:00 Stew jars filled up and Bowls of Stew will be dished out to paid customers.
- 11:00 a.m. Prize awards will be announced after judging
(due to COVID suggestions, winners stay at their station until photo shoot & media has information)
- 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Stew served by contestants until gone. Bring funnel and jar ladle for serving.

Entries must be received and paid by 2 pm October 7, 2020

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If you have questions please contact Bonnie McAllister at the Chamber (cell 903-305-3040)

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