HOUSTON METRO GO TEXAN COMMITTEE
CYPRESS FAIRBANKS SUBCOMMITTEE

18th Annual
Bar-B-Que & Chili Cookoff
Friday – Sunday, January 6 – 7, 2007

Traders Village

7979 N. Eldridge Rd, 281.890-5500

RV Parking Available, No Hookups at Cookoff Site

Friday, January 5th
Cook's Party 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, January 6th
Jackpot Pinto Beans $5 – 12 noon
Junior Jackpot Chili: $10 – 1 p.m.
(Ages 14 and under)
Jackpot Chili $20 – 2:00 p.m.
Fajitas $20 – 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 7th
Chicken $25 – 12:00 noon
Pork Ribs $25 – 1:00 p.m.
Brisket $25* – 2:00 p.m.
*Plus 10lbs cooked brisket by noon Saturday – Jan 6th

•Points Awarded toward 2008 Metro Go Texan Cookoff Challenge for 7 free spaces @ the 2008 World Championship HLS&R ™ BBQ Cookoff @ the Reliant Center. Current HLS&R ™Metro Go Texan Challenge Rules apply.
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Trophies Awarded For:
1-3 Chili; 1-3 for each category - Fajitas, Chicken, Pork Ribs, Brisket;
1 Master Cook. 1 Best Pit. 1-3 Junior Chili

Registration Form

Team Name: _____
Head Cook: _____
Address: _____
City: _____State:___Zip_____
Phone: _____Email: _____

Check appropriate box (es):
☐Chili ☐ Brisket ☐ Beans
☐ Pork Ribs ☐ Chicken
☐ Fajitas ☐ Jr. Chili

Information about Cookoff: David Campbell – 281-856-9434 Email: david.campbell@pollocksummit.com
Send entry form/checks payable to: HLS&R, c/o David Campbell, 9318 Hudson Bend Circle, Houston, TX 77095

Proceeds benefit the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo

General Rules and Guidelines

This is intended to inform the cooks on the basic rules and guidelines for the Cy-Fair Go Texan Subcommittee Chili and Barbeque Cookoff. Detailed rules will be sent to the Head Cook upon pre-registration (time permitting) and will be available at the Registration/Check-In Location. HLS&R, Houston Metro Go Texan Committee and Cy-Fair Go Texan Subcommittee are not responsible for the theft of or damage to the property of a contestant or any member – or guest of a contestant. Further, HLS&R and the above Committees are not responsible for any injury to any such person resulting from the action of any person other than the HLS&R and the above Committees.

All meat and beans will be inspected beginning Friday afternoon. Tagging requirements – 3 chicken, 3 ribs, and 2 briskets will be tagged. You may be required to taste your chili/beans at turn in at the discretion of the Judging Committee.

I. Jackpot Chili:

A. All chili must be cooked on site the day of the cook-off from scratch. All chili must be prepared out in the open (No cooking in motor homes, trailers, etc.)

1. Scratch is defined as starting with raw meat. No marinating allowed. Commercial chili powder is permissible, but complete commercial chili mixes (I.e.) Wick Fowler's, etc. that contain several Premeausred spices) are not allowed.
2. No beans, macaroni, rice, hominy or other similar items are acceptable.
3. Cooks are to prepare the cooked chili as sanitary a manner as possible. Cooking conditions are subject to inspection by judging committee and local Health Department Inspectors.
4. Each head cook is responsible for preparing one pot of chili that they intend to be judged and turning in 1 (one) judging cup from that pot. No more than 1 (one) judging sample can be taken from any one pot.

II. Jackpot Beans:

A. Only pinto beans will be used in the preparation of Bean entries.

B. Beans must be cooked on site from scratch.

III. BARBECUE:

A. All fires used to prepare meat in this contest must be of wood or charcoal. No gas or electric cooking equipment will be allowed. However electrical powered accessories, such as spits, and the like will be permitted.

B. Holes, dug pits, or open fire in boxes or other containers resting on or less than one foot from the surface are not permitted. Heat shields must be provided from cookers that are capable of damaging the surface.

C. No pre-seasoning or pre-cooking of the meat is allowed until it has been inspected and approved for cook-off use by a member of the Cook-off Committee.

D. No sauces or garnishes will be allowed in the judging container. Sauces may be used during the cooking process but cannot be applied for entry presentation or judging. No wrap of any type (aluminum, plastic, paper, etc.) will be allowed.

E. This cook-off is conducted for public/family entertainment in keeping with the HLS&R image, nudity and lewdness are banned. The excessive use of alcoholic beverages shall be grounds for disqualification. Under no circumstances are alcoholic beverages to be sold, or offered in any form, to the public.

F. Each team is responsible for the maintenance and clean up of their cooking area. The Head Cook will be responsible for the conduct and behavior of team members and guests. Any team leaving their space in disarray or with loosely bundled trash and garbage will result in the disqualifying of the team from participation in this or any future sanctioned events.

G. **All amplified sound systems should be used in moderation throughout the cookoff. A "Quiet Time" period shall be in effect between 11:00 pm and 6:00 am on Friday and Saturday nights. The excessive and/or continued disturbing use of equipment during this time will result in <u>immediate removal of the team from the grounds. NO EXCEPTIONS.</u>**

H. Only points earned in the specific categories Chicken, Pork Ribs & Brisket will be tabulated for the Houston Metro Go Texan Committee Cookoff Challenge:

Participation:	4Pts./Cookoff
1st Place	3Pts./Cookoff
2nd Place	2 Pts./Cookoff
3rd Place	1Pt./Cookoff

A. Best Pit will be determined by setup, appeal and Neatness.

B. Master Cook will be determined by the total points On the above scale for all Cook-off Challenge Categories. Ties will be broken using points in Chili/Bean points as necessary.