



*Beasley Community Committee*  
*P.O. Box 195*  
*Beasley, Texas 77417*

March 5, 2010

Fellow Cookers,

The *"15<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL BEASLEY BASH"* will be held this year on **May 14 & 15, 2010**.

The Beasley Bash Cook Off has over the last 14 years expanded to approximately 65 teams. In continued expansion we hope to generate public support and host an event where everyone is welcome to have an enjoyable and safe time. We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to this special event and ask for your support.

Friday's focus will be on setting up for the Cook Off. Due to popular request, we will have a **mixed (beef & chicken) fajitas** category with a turn in time of 8:30 p.m. that will not count toward the overall score. Please see Cook Off Rules for details on our new Friday Night Jackpot.

General admission to the Cook Off is free Friday night due to continued support by our community and our Cook Off teams. Entertainment Friday night includes our local band, **Let It Ride**, performing live for our street dance. The carnival will also be open for the children.

Saturday's events will include a parade, queen's coronation, craft booths, raffle drawings, talent show, and all day entertainment. The Beasley Bash & Cook Off will end with a dance on Saturday night featuring **Rhythm of the Road**.

As always, it is the support of the people and businesses in Fort Bend County that help these events take place. If you would like more information on our town or would like to help with any donation, please call anyone of the persons listed below. Any time that could be volunteered is also valuable. We appreciate the opportunity to meet with you, as well as do business with you. Please take some time on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of May to come see what "the talk of Beasley" is all about.

BBQ Chairmen

*Clint Meyer*                      281-684-0998

J amie Lenard                      281-242-1717 or 281-541-1581

*Please provide your email address on the entry form. We can email your confirmation of receipt.*

***Beasley Bash Cook Off***  
***MAY 14 & 15, 2010***

TEAM NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Chief Cook \_\_\_\_\_

Street / PO Box \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Phone (cell, work, pager) \_\_\_\_\_

Assistant Cooks

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

The entry fee includes your 40 x 40 space and one entry for each category.

The categories are: Mixed (Beef & Chicken) Fajitas (Friday only), Beans, Chicken, Pork Ribs, & Beef Brisket.

**Entry Fee: \$140.00.** Pre-sale armbands are available for \$3.00 each. Pre-sale ice tickets are available for \$4.00/40lbs of ice, in increments of \$20 only.

Entry Fee:	\$140
Friday Night Jackpot:	_____
Standard Port-a-Can:	# _____ x \$85 = _____
Presale Armbands:	# _____ x \$3 = _____
Presale Ice	# _____ x \$20 = _____
<b>Total</b>	<b>= _____</b>

Will you be having a  *live band* or  *amplified music*? If yes, please circle.

I have read, understand and will comply with the rules listed herein.

**X** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO: Beasley Community Committee**

Mail fees to:                      Clint Meyer, BBQ Chairman  
     PO BOX 237  
     Beasley, Texas 77417-0237

You Have Agreed to Indemnify and Hold Harmless the Beasley Bash Committee and The City of Beasley against any and all Claims for Loss, Liability and Damage, Injury or Death to Persons, Caused by or in any way Arising out of or in Connection with the Services Rendered and the Work to be Performed by YOU, and in connection with or arising out of the Acts or Negligent Omissions of Your Agents.

*15<sup>th</sup> Annual Beasley Bash & Cook Off*  
*May 14 & 15, 2010*

TEAM NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CHIEF COOK \_\_\_\_\_

You have agreed to indemnify and hold harmless **THE TOWN OF BEASLEY, THE BEASLEY BASH COMMITTEE, AND THE BEASLEY FARMERS GIN** against any and all claims for loss, liability or damage, or injury or death to persons, caused by or in any way arising out of or in connection with (i) the services to be rendered and the work to be performed by you, and in connection with or arising out of the acts or negligent omissions of your agents, servants, employees, and licensees however caused; (ii) in connection with or arising out of the use of **THE TOWN OF BEASLEY, THE BEASLEY BASH COMMITTEE, AND THE BEASLEY FARMERS GIN** premises or material; and/or (iii) in connection with or arising out of your activities or presence as participants or contestants. In the event **THE TOWN OF BEASLEY, THE BEASLEY BASH COMMITTEE, AND THE BEASLEY FARMERS GIN** incurs liability for such claims, you agree to reimburse **THE TOWN OF BEASLEY, THE BEASLEY BASH COMMITTEE, AND THE BEASLEY FARMERS GIN** for any and all amounts paid by it in settlement thereof, plus the amount of attorney's fees incurred by it in connection with any such claim.

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CHIEF COOK SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE



# *15<sup>th</sup> Annual Beasley Bash*

## Cook Off Rules

### Introduction

1. Each entry fee paid of \$140 will receive one assigned cooking space and one entry to each category. **All returning participants are eligible to keep their prior year's spot if entry and fees are received by April 15, 2010.** All others are first come first served.
2. One wristband per team member will be issued at check-in. Limit of five wristbands per team. These wristbands are for gate entry for the duration of the Cook Off. Admittance into the gates (Pavilion/Carnival area) will be limited to those that have a wristband on Saturday May 15, 2010. Any additional attendees will need to pay the \$4.00 admittance (children under 5 are free). Presale armbands are available when included with Cook Off application for \$3.00 each.
3. Teams are encouraged to enter the Friday Night Jackpot event by contributing \$15 per team; \$10 of each entry is put into the pot, and the remaining \$5 is donated to the Beasley Community Committee to keep Fridays free. The Friday Night Jackpot will be based solely on the Mixed Fajita category. Winning teams will receive 50%, 30%, and 20% of the pot, respectively. Teams must have entered the Friday Night Jackpot to be eligible for payout.

### Administration and Check-In

4. All teams must have the Chief Cook or a representative present at the two mandatory cooks meetings: Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00pm and at 9:00am on Saturday morning, May 15<sup>th</sup> both located at the Beasley Fire Station.
5. Check-in will be Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am to 5:00pm at the Fire Station. At check-in you must submit your Food Source sheet, and all meat for inspection. At that time you will also receive the wristbands for your team.
6. No vehicular traffic will be allowed after 5pm in the Cook Off area. If you need a vehicle to transport anything to your spot, you must ask for assistance from a committee member at the Fire Station.
7. If not already received, please bring your Food Source and Hold Harmless Agreement to check-in. **A FOOD SOURCE SHEET listing the store where perishable foods were purchased is required by the Fort Bend County Health Department for products cooked during the contest.**
8. You **MUST** bring all meat to be cooked with you to check-in for inspection. **Contest meats must be uncooked and may not be salted, seasoned, or marinated prior to inspection.** Use of precooked or pre-seasoned foods will disqualify your entry from the contest. You may start preparing contest meat/product any time after perishables have been inspected by a committee member at the Fire Station.

9. The Cook Off will be over Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, after the awards have been presented. We encourage teams to stay overnight and enjoy our Saturday night band, Rhythm of the Road. Cook Off camps may tear-down and exit the premises following the awards presentation Saturday. If you choose to leave after the award ceremony, please be courteous to your fellow teams when leaving.

### Team Cooking Area

10. Each cooking space will be approximately 40' x 40' and is limited to one pit and one self-contained motor home, camper, vehicle or motorcycle.
11. Props, trailers, tents, motor homes, fencing, or any other part of contestant or team equipment must not exceed the boundaries of the assigned space.
12. Cooking spaces must remain clean at all times and all trash must be placed in closed trash bags and set out in front of your space for pickup.
13. Music, bands, and/or sound equipment within your team area is allowed. Excessively loud music and/or sounds which interfere with announcements, scheduled live bands and entertainment on stage, or which intrude upon or interfere with the comfort of fellow contestants will NOT BE ALLOWED NOR TOLERATED. Decibel meters will be used when noise level is in question for verification.
14. The Cook Off area's drive-thru traffic will be limited on Friday and prohibited on Saturday. Once you have unloaded your vehicle, you must move your vehicle outside of the Cook Off area. Vehicles will be limited to a 1.5 hour time limit in the Cook Off area.
15. Precautions must be made to prevent uncontrolled fires and accidents. Each pit must be equipped with at least a 10lb multi-purpose and/or ABC fire extinguisher mounted in full view.
16. Port-a-Cans will be available for rent at a rate of \$85.00 per unit for the weekend (includes servicing on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>). All Port-a-Cans MUST be rented through the Beasley Bash - no outside service is allowed.
17. Tickets for ice will be available for purchase throughout the Cook Off for \$5.00/40lbs of ice. Teams can purchase pre-sale ice tickets for \$4.00/40lbs of ice in increments of \$20. No commercial ice boxes are allowed in team spaces. Proceeds go to the Beasley Community Committee.
18. QUIET TIME is 1:00AM and will be strictly enforced.
19. Upon departure, please make sure ALL your trash is picked up and placed in trash bags that have been tied. All trash including and not limited to cooled ashes and leftover food must be placed into bags for pick up. Do not leave ashes in your spot or leftover food in the ditches. If you leave your area and it is not as you found it upon arrival, you may not be allowed to participate in future Beasley Bash Cook Offs. Please respect the property and its owners.

## Cooking

20. Cooks are to prepare and cook all food in as sanitary manner as possible. Cooking conditions are subject to inspection by the Beasley Community Cook Off Committee. Conditions found to be unsanitary will be grounds for disqualification from the Cook Off.
21. Fire must be wood or wood substance. NO gas or electric fires are allowed for BBQ meat entries. Beans are exempt. **No holes, open fires, or dug pits will be allowed.** A fire box will be allowed and must have a safety barrier placed across the top and around the sides of the box.
22. The Cook Off is a double-blind judging event. The process is as follows:
- Each team will receive foam trays and containers with lids for food entries at the Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup> mandatory cooks meeting. Any damage to any container will be considered to be “marked.” Contact a member of the Cook Off committee if you need a replacement container.
  - Each tray/container will have a double matched theater ticket affixed to the bottom of the tray/container with tape. The matching-number ticket will be inside the container.
  - The chief cook will keep the un-taped tickets found inside the containers and is responsible for keeping them in a safe place.
  - The ticket-half taped to the container in the sealed envelope will remain with the food entry at all times.
  - You must present the matching ticket to claim any prize when the winning tickets are announced at the award ceremony.
23. Cook Off entries must be submitted as follows:
- Mixed Fajitas** – Slices enough for 10 judges. No garnish or foil. Strictly meat.
- Beans** – Fill cup  $\frac{3}{4}$  full with beans only – strain out any meats or large pieces of vegetables used to season. Put lid on all the way. No marks on lids or containers.
- Chicken** - Half chicken for viewing color and aroma. Other half in bite-size pieces including white and dark meat. No marks on containers.
- Ribs** – At least 8 but no more than 12. No marks on containers.
- Brisket** – Slices enough for 12 judges. No marks on containers.
- Note:** NO foil or sauce in or on containers of any and all entries. This will be considered “marking” the entry and cause disqualification.
24. Judging Times are:
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|------------------------|--------|--|
| Mixed Fajitas(JackPot) | 8:30pm | <b>Friday Night (does not count towards overall score)</b> |
| Beans                  | 2:00pm | Saturday   |
| Chicken                | 3:00pm | Saturday   |
| Ribs                   | 4:00pm | Saturday   |
| Beef                   | 5:00pm | Saturday   |
25. Turn-in begins 10 minutes before judging and up to judging time. Please turn your entries in at the designated table at the Fire Station. **Late entries will not be accepted. Determination of “late” is the sole discretion of committee members.** No “marking” entries.

26. Each team must present one team member for judging. Judging assignments will be included with your confirmation packet. **Failure to present a team member for judging at least 15 minutes prior to turn-in time will result in ineligibility for the Showmanship award.**

### General

27. Animals of any kind are not permitted on the Cook Off Grounds except for Special Assistance and Seeing Eye Animals.
28. For safety reasons participants are not allowed use of golf carts, motor vehicles, motorcycles, ATV's, bicycles, roller skates, skateboards or any type of transportation are allowed in the Cook Off area, except wheelchairs or apparatus for the handicapped. Please notify in advance if you plan to use a handicap apparatus or have special needs so we can do our best to accommodate.
29. The Beasley Community Committee is not responsible for theft, damage, or injury sustained during the Cook Off.
30. The Committee Chairmen reserve the right to make additional rules and regulations as the situations warrant. Decisions of the Barbecue Cook Off Chairmen are final.
31. The release form provided with the application packet must be signed by the Chief Cook of your cooking team in order to participate.

### Team Behavior and Alcohol Consumption

32. **The Chief Cook for each team will be responsible for the conduct of their team, guests, and/or invitees. As well, the Chief Cook will be responsible for his team's compliance with the rules and regulations herein set forth.**
33. Any offensive conduct, nudity, lewdness, or any form of offensive vulgarity will NOT be allowed, and could be grounds for disqualification from the Cook Off.
34. Texas Alcohol Laws will be enforced. Everyone must be 21 or over to consume alcohol.
35. Contestants may not sell any food or alcoholic beverages to the general public.

### Judging of Showmanship

The showmanship award is given to encourage the friendliness and cooperation that is such an important part of our Cook Off. Plain clothed judges (male and/or female) will walk around the entire cook area on Saturday from 11:00am to 2:00pm and will anonymously score all camps. The highest score wins. You will be judged on the following:

1. Hospitality (i.e.)
  - a. Friendliness to other teams

- b. Friendliness to the public (i.e. offering of food and beverage / mingling with the crowd. Handing out of stickers (in a non-offensive manner)
- c. Welcoming into Cook Off area
- d. Setup and Contestants appearance.
- e. Overall attitude