



## Garden City Rescue Mission 2nd Annual BBQ Cook-Off & Southern Gospel Fest

### Rules and Regulations

The Garden City Rescue Mission welcomes you to our 2nd Annual BBQ Cook-Off/Gospel Sing. All cook off teams are required to submit an entry fee of \$35. All entry fees must be received before September 18th to secure your spot in the competition. All checks must be made payable to Garden City Rescue Mission and mailed to the attention of Amy Reese, at PO Box 2493 Augusta, GA, 30903. Spaces are on a first come first served basis and no space will be held without application being turned in.

**1) Cook-Off Entry Deadline:** Teams must submit their entry form for the BBQ Cook-Off no later than September 4, 2009 at 5:00 pm- entries are placed on a first come first served basis until all spaces are taken. Entries received after this date will be accepted only if space allows.

**2) Team Composition:** each Team must consist of one head cook and four team members. Each team must provide and cook on their own grill and cooking team members may not cook for more than one team in the competition. Each cooking team is required to have the head cook attend the cooks meeting which will be held on Friday, October 2nd, 2009 at 8:00 pm at the Judging Tent. The Head Cook is responsible for the operation of the team space and all actions within or outside of the designated space by members or guests of their cooking team. The Head cook must be onsite and available to the BBQ Committee if necessary. This person must be at least 18 years of age.

**3) Cooking Rules:** The pork will be provided by the Garden City Rescue Mission (1 Ham and 2 racks of spare ribs.) Quantities for turn-in will be announced at the Head Cooks Meeting on Saturday morning. All meat will be raw. No pre-marinated prior to the start of the cook-off. (Meat is subject to inspection). No garnish or sauce may be in tray at turn in. The promoter will advise contestants of official start time. There is a 10-minute window before and after stated turn-in times. IF you have any questions, ask at the Head Cooks Meeting.

**4) Cook-Off site Set-up Times:** Set-up time begins at 5pm and will end at 9pm with the gates being locked for security purposes.

**5) Cook-off site area:** will be 20' x 20' or as otherwise marked. Team's equipment must fit within the area assigned. Electricity will not be supplied by BBQ Cook-Off Committee. No tents will be provided. Tents must be brought by the team. No homemade tarp coverings or other structures will be permitted. One vehicle will be permitted at the cook site.

**6) Equipment:** The Garden City Rescue Mission BBQ Cook-Off will only supply cooking teams with space and meat only. Cooking teams must supply all necessary equipment and supplies. Each team must provide drip pan and catch all grease. All teams are required to have a fire extinguisher present during times of cooking. All extinguishers must have a current tag. Committee personnel will randomly inspect equipment.

RESTRICTED: Fire holes or open pits are not permitted

APPROVED: Propane heaters are permitted for heating purposes but will be used at the discretion and responsibility of the team using them. Pit fires must be wood or wood substance (charcoal). BBQ pits may include gas or electricity to start natural fiber substances to complete cooking.

- 7) **Behavior and Conduct:** Head cooks are responsible for the conduct of their team members and guests. Any use of alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited. Any use of alcohol will be grounds for disqualification. Each team must monitor its own area when it pertains to minors. Security officers will be permitted into all areas of the cook-off including all cook-off team tents, etc. and will have the authority to handle in accordance with the law. No goods or food sales are permitted to the general public by anyone except those authorized by the BBQ committee.
- 8) **House Keeping:** Each team will be responsible for clean up within their assigned space and are expected to do so within a timely manner. Garbage cans will be provided, so please ensure that they are not packed full. Trash pick-up will be provided. It is strongly suggested that each team bring an additional supply of trash can liners for their own use. **Upon check out each team is required to place excess trash debris, etc. in the dumpsters provided.**
- 9) **Entertainment:** Entertainment at the cook-off will be provided by Garden City Rescue Mission. No outside live entertainment (ex. Bands, karaoke, singers, etc) will be allowed in team tents. PA's and radios shall be played at a reasonable level. The County does have a noise ordinance that will be enforced between 11:00 pm and 7:00 am. Any extreme entertainment (ex. Skits, shows, demonstrations, contests, etc.) must be requested in writing, for committee approval, when entry form is submitted. Pyrotechnics of any kind are strictly prohibited. Excessive noise will be determined by Security Officer and request made by officer for noise to be shut-down or turned down must be obeyed.
- 10) **Transportation:** The use of motorized recreational vehicles is prohibited in the cook-off area between 5:00 pm on Friday, October 2, 2009, through 7:00 am Saturday, October 3, 2009 except for those committee members of the BBQ Cook-off. Motorized vehicles will include but are not limited to public/private golf carts, or ATV's of any kind. Mobility scooters and motorized wheel chairs are allowed for those in need of such devices.
- 11) **Judging and Awards:** All measures will be taken to insure that judges will not know whose entry is being judged. Judge decisions will be final. Awards will be given on the entertainment stage located on the cook-off grounds. Cooking teams are required to have a representative present.
- 12) **Clean Up:** It is the responsibility of the contestants to see that their cook-off space is cleaned and all trash is taken to the provided dumpster prior to leaving. All fires must be out, concrete blocks and other building materials or props must be hauled away from site. All equipment used by the teams is to be removed by 5:00 pm Saturday, October 3, 2009. Any property left on the premises after this time will become the sole ownership of the BBQ Cook-Off Committee. It is imperative that all clean up be thorough. Any space left in disarray or with loose or bundled trash, other than at trash containers, will disqualify the team from future participation in BBQ Cook-Off Events. All tents or canopies must be removed from the parking lot no later than 5:00 pm Saturday, October 3, 2009.
- 13) **Event Location:** This event will be held at Lazar's Trailers and Welding, 487 Flowing Wells Rd. Martinez, GA 30907. (At the intersection of Wheeler Rd. and I-20.)

**Any violation of these rules may be ground for disqualification, eviction from BBQ Cook-Off or future denial of participation. Under no circumstances shall alcoholic beverages be tolerated. Each team must monitor its area as it pertains to these rules. The Garden City Rescue Mission, Lazar's Trailer's and Welding nor any volunteer will be held responsible for accidents, theft or damage to persons and/or equipment.**

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