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**October 14, 2023
Pearl, Mississippi**

**Official Barbecue Team Application
for
Patio/Backyard BBQ Teams**

2023 Patio/Backyard Barbecue Team Application

Official Team Name _____

Chief Cook _____

Contact Person _____

Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone (Cell) _____ (Home) _____

Email _____

Payment for the total entry fee must be received with application no later than October 6, 2023. Late entries, if space is available will incur an extra \$50 fee. Limited space is available so apply early to secure your spot.

Any photos taken at the event become the property of Main Street Pearl and may be used for promotional purposes. For any additional information or questions contact Greg Flynn at gflynn@cityofpearl.com or 601-672-0468

I am entering this contest voluntarily and acknowledge that participation is a privilege, not a right. In exchange for the opportunity to participate in "Pirates of the Pit Arrr-B-Que Battle", I assume all risks and indemnify and release all sponsoring and/or hosting entities, including but not limited to the

The City of Pearl and Main Street Pearl Association as well as their employees, agents and volunteers from any and all liability for personal injury arising out of my or my team's participation in this event.

Complete this form and return it along with your registration fee no later than October 6, 2023. Send application and entrance fee to:

Main Street Pearl
P.O. Box 5948
Pearl, MS 39288
Make checks payable to Main Street Pearl

I verify that I have read all the rules and regulations and understand my responsibilities. I agree to abide by all rules and regulations of Main Street Pearl and understand that their decisions are final.

Signature (required): _____ Date: _____

CATEGORIES & FEES**Saturday, October 14, 2023****Anything But Division (MULTIPLE ENTRIES ALLOWED IN THIS CATEGORY)**

CATEGORY	COST PER ENTRY	NUMBER OF ENTRIES	AMOUNT DUE
Chicken Wings	\$50		
BBQ Sauce	\$20		
Dessert (Cakes and Pies)	Free w/another category entry		-

Anything But Fees \$ _____

SATURDAY, October 14, 2023**BACKYARD/PATIO DIVISION: (Only One Entry per Category)****PLEASE CHECK CATEGORY ENTRIES – Each entry is a \$75 fee (\$125 for both).**☐ Pork Ribs☐ Pork Loin \$ _____**Extras:**

If space is available: Late Entry Fee after October 6, 2023 - \$50 \$ _____

Refundable clean-up fee (Inspection after event) \$50

TOTAL ENTRY FEES ENCLOSED: \$ _____**Standard Area:** 20' wide x 20' deep for this Backyard/Patio Division
Competition

Requests for additional space must be made in advance.

All requests must be approved by the Main Street Pearl Board

Total Set-Up Size (trailer, cooker, tent, etc.): _____ Space requested: _____ Wide by _____ Deep

Registration: All teams must check-in at the Main Street Pearl Event Tent (available beginning at 8 am)
located at 110 Valentour Road next to the Pearl Senior Services Center before setting up.

2023 Contest Category Prizes

Anything But Prizes

Category	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Chicken Wings	\$500 +Trophy	\$300+Plaque	\$200+Plaque
BBQ Sauce	\$100 + Trophy	\$75 + Plaque	\$50+Plaque
Desserts (Cakes and Pies)	Trophy		

Patio Team Prizes

Category	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Pork Ribs	\$1,000+Trophy	\$700+Plaque	\$400+Plaque
Pork Loin	\$1,000 + Trophy	\$700+Plaque	\$400+Plaque

*Prize money based on at least 15 teams.



OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The Patio/Backyard official meat categories are Pork Ribs and Pork Loin.
2. A pork rib entry will be defined as the portion of the hog containing the ribs and further classified as a spare rib or loin rib portion. Country style ribs are not a valid entry.
3. A pork loin entry is defined as bone in or without bone. No stuffing is allowed.

Judging:

- 1. ANYTHING BUT JUDGING:** will be held at 3 pm. Blind judging only and garnish is allowed.
- 2. PATIO DIVISION JUDGING:** will begin at 3:30pm with Pork Loin entries and 4pm for Pork Rib entries.
 - A. Each Patio team should cook enough to provide bite size samples of pork loin for 3 judges and at least 6 sections of ribs and all pieces must fit inside the closed container (9"x 9") provided. No garnish of any kind is allowed in the blind box
 - B. With each entry container, there can be up to two sauce containers with lids turned in. Teams may send any combination of sauce, rub, marinade or basting sauce. Only the containers and lids that were issued by the contest may be used for sauce; no other container is allowed. Teams will turn in the sauce container with their blind box sample container. **DO NOT** put the sauce container inside the sample box.
 - C. Teams are not allowed to mark on the meat or sauce containers in any way. If a team is turning in a "HOT/SPICY" sauce for judging, the check in volunteer will mark that container as "hot". If marks are on the container, the sample(s) will be put in replacement containers.
 - D. Meat turned in for blind judging may not be sculpted, shaped or presented in any way to make it identifiable. Any suspicion of this will result in the sample not be accepted.
 - E. The Blind Judging Criteria - Appearance of Entry, Tenderness of Entry, Flavor of Entry and Overall Impression.



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General Information for Teams

1. Contestants' category(ies) must be stated on entry form.
2. All competition entries for all divisions must be prepared and cooked on site. Any team found to serve judged meat that was not prepared on-site will be disqualified.
3. Each team must comply with all applicable rules/regulations of the Rankin County Health Department.
NO MEAT/ENTRY/PRODUCT MAY BE SOLD TO THE PUBLIC.
4. Each contestant competing shall supply all of his/her own meat, cooking ingredients, individual cooking devices, utensils, preparation tables, etc. A regulation cooking area (20' by 20') is provided.
5. All contestants must adhere to all city, county, state or federal codes. A fire extinguisher must be in each cooking area.
6. Each contestant must check-in at the Main Street Pearl event tent before setting up.
7. A team may have as many assistants as are necessary. All cooks and assistants that handle food in any way must comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Rankin County Health Department.
8. No live animals, including pets (dogs, pigs, etc.), are allowed in the cooking area.
9. It is the responsibility of each contestant to see that the contest area is kept clean. All fires must be put out and all equipment, garbage, etc. removed from site. Any site not properly cleaned will result in disqualification from future participation.
10. The chief cook will be held responsible for the conduct of his team and guests



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Arrivals beginning Saturday, October 14 at 8 a.m.

Judging Category and Times:

BBQ Sauce	3 p.m.
Desserts (Cakes and Pies)	3 p.m.
Chicken Wings	3 p.m.
Patio Pork Loin	3:30 p.m.
Patio Pork Ribs	4 p.m.
Awards Presentation	5 p.m.

For other information contact:

Greg Flynn, Main Street Pearl, at

601-672-0468 or gflynn@cityofpearl.com