



25th Annual Tracy Bean Festival ***CHILI COOK OFF APPLICATION***

The Tracy Bean Festival and Tracy Chamber of Commerce are proud to announce the 2011 Chili Bean Cook Off that will be held during the 2011 Tracy Dry Bean Festival.

The Chili Bean Cook Off will be held Sunday, September 11th inside Bean Pavilion along Central Avenue.

There is a \$10.00 entry fee for Chili Bean Cook off. **Application Deadline is 5:00 pm, Thursday, September 7, 2011.**

Cash Prizes will be awarded in the following categories. (Prizes to be announced)

- Chili Bean Cook Off - 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place

Space is limited so complete the entry form below and mail it along with your entry fee(s) to: **Tracy Chamber Bean Festival Chili Bean Cook Off, 223 E. 10th St., Tracy, CA. 95376.**

FOR MORE DETAILS, CALL THE CHAMBER, 209-835-2131

2011 BEAN FESTIVAL COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

ONE FORM PER PERSON OR TEAM –

Chili Bean Cook Off – Sunday, September 11th (\$10 Entry Fee)

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Payment Information: Check # _____ Cash _____ Credit _____ Visa MC Amex

Credit Card # _____ Expires ____ / ____

Name on Card _____

Signature _____

By signing this entry form you agree to abide by the rules set forth by the Tracy Chamber of Commerce and the San Joaquin County Health Department.

INFORMATION TO BE MAILED OUT UPON RECEIVING APPLICATION



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CHILI BEAN COOK OFF RULES

The Chili Bean Cook Off, will take place on Sunday, September 11th from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Bean Pavilion, located on Central Avenue between 10th St. and 9th St. in Downtown Tracy.

To access the Cook Off area, you must enter from 9th Street and drive through Gillett alley located behind Big O Tires which abuts the back end of the Cook-Off Tent that will be set up on Central Avenue between 10th St. and 9th St. in Downtown Tracy.

Contestant application forms are available at the Chamber office, or on-line at www.tracybeanfestival.com.

Fee(s) must be paid and entry form must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 7th to the Chamber Office located at 223 E. 10th St., Tracy, CA 95376.

Food Competition Rules

- Check in for the Chili Bean Cook off will be from 8:00 am – 10:00 a.m.
- Stoves go on and cooking starts at 10 a.m. and ends at 1:00 p.m. This will be a blind judging competition which begins at 1:30 p.m.
- One vehicle per entrant will be permitted into the competition area to drop off supplies between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Areas must be set up and vehicles removed by 9 a.m. No vehicles will be allowed back into the competition area until the event ends at 3:30 p.m.
- Access to the loading and unloading area will be via 9th street to the alley behind Big-O tires.
- The Bean Festival will provide tenting, along with one 8 foot table and two chairs for each Chili Bean Cook Off participant. Contestants must bring their own supplies: stove, fuel, pots, pans, cooking utensils, paper towels, trash bags, 15-25 ft. power extension cords, etc. Electrical hook-ups will be provided at the cook-off tent arena.
- Each Chili Bean Cook Off participant must provide a functioning fire extinguisher rated at least 2A 10BC that operates within the San Joaquin County's Health, Fire and Public Safety Guidelines.
- Although participants may add their own dry or canned beans, Chili Bean dishes **must contain** beans provided by the Bean Festival.
- Beans will be available to pick up prior to the cook-off from the Chamber office on Thursday, September 7th for sorting, pre-soaking and degassing. Degassing the furnished dry beans is allowed and must be done the day/night before the cook off.



25th Annual Tracy Bean Festival FOOD COMPETITION RULES (cont...)

- Preparing Beans for Competition – Beans must be sorted (checked for rocks and rinsed and degassed).
- Degassing Beans - Add beans to boiling water for two minutes; take off fire and rest one hour; pour off water and drain. No other ingredients can be added during soaking/degassing.
- No ingredients may be precooked prior to the event except for bean degassing. Contestants will be asked to show their beans to the chairperson when they check in.
- All ingredients such as meat, vegetables, spices, canned items, etc. are provided by the cook and must be prepared/added in view of the spectators and judges during the competition times.
- A water source will be supplied by The Bean Festival. The Bean Festival will also provide hand washing stations that comply with San Joaquin County Health Department rules and regulations.
- Entrants are allowed to bring ice chests for use in keeping perishable ingredients and personal beverages cold.
- All Bean Dish participants must prepare enough of their dish (minimum 3 lbs. of beans) to allow for adequate sampling by the judges. In addition, the leftovers may be served to public spectators on site, after judging.
- Chili Bean Dishes must be done and ready for judging by 1:00 p.m. Judging will take place at 1:30 p.m.
- Chili Bean Cook Off winners will be chosen by a panel of judges. All judges' decisions are final.
- Prizes will be awarded at 2:00 pm at Main Stage.