



Step Up For Soldiers Backyard BBQ Cook-Off

“Where the BBQ Meets the Battleship”

Saturday, March 7, 2020

Application & Registration Fee Deadline: February 27, 2020

\$150 Registration Fee

1 Battleship Rd NE, Wilmington, NC 28401

Mart Planner at experiencecommunityfestivals@gmail.com or (910)713-3210.

WHAT IS STEP UP FOR SOLDIERS?

The mission of Step Up For Soldiers is to provide disabled veterans who experience loss of limb and mobility issues with the resources necessary to adjust in a post-war environment. We strive to not only enhance their lives and those of their families, but also help to restore their confidence and positive self-image.

BACKYARD BBQ COOK-OFF

You can help support Step Up For Soldier's work in the community by participating in our BBQ COOK OFF

TEAM NAME _____

CONTACT PERSON _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

BUSINESS PHONE () _____ CONTACT PHONE() _____

EMAIL _____

NUMBER OF PORK BUTTS YOU CAN COOK WITH YOUR EQUIPMENT: _____

TYPE OF COOKER _____

NUMBER OF COOKS _____

Please note- If you are cooking with wood, you must dispose of your ashes and wood in approved cans.

AGES: _____

(All contestants must be 18 and over or accompanied by an adult at all times.)

WEB SITE/SOCIAL MEDIA AS APPLICABLE _____

NAMES, ADDRESSES, PHONE NUMBERS FOR ALL COOKS:

PLEASE CHECK THAT YOU HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT AND ATTACHED WAIVER IN FULL

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
OF CONTESTANT

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ALL CONTEST APPLICANTS MUST READ ALL PAGES OF THIS DOCUMENT

Please review the rules of the event. Your signature below confirms understanding and acceptance of the event rules and regulations. WAIVER AND RELEASE, I fully understand that participating in this event may result in accidents, illness, or injury. I am voluntarily participating in the "Step Up For Soldiers Backyard BBQ Cook-Off" (hereinafter the "event") with complete understanding of the risks associated with participation in the event. In consideration of your accepting my application and being allowed to participate in the "event," I the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby for myself and my business, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns agree to release and hold harmless the premises and grounds owner, the City of Wilmington, Step Up For Soldiers, Memory Matters, its affiliates, agents, volunteers and employees, from all liability for any injuries and/or illnesses that may directly or indirectly result from my conduct or from my negligence in the event, and/or from the negligence of the premises owner or the negligence of the sponsors of the event, its affiliates, agents, volunteers and employees. I also acknowledge full and sole responsibility for any and all medical expenses that I may incur as a result of any injury and/or illness related to our participation in the event. I understand and agree that this Waiver and Release is binding upon my business and me. I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Step Up For Soldiers BBQ Cook-Off and the New Hanover County Board of Health. I hereby grant my consent and permission to Step Up For Soldiers, its affiliates, agents and employees, to use my name, my business name, photographs, videotape, motion picture recording, voice, or likeness for their purposes, including pre and post event publicity. I have carefully read this Waiver and Release and fully understand its contents. By my signature below, I consent and agree to the terms of this Waiver and Release. My signature also demonstrates consent of the rules of the event provided under separate cover.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE
OF CONTESTANT _____

DATE _____

Payment Information Section

CHECK

Please make checks payable to: Step Up for Soldiers.

Checks should be mailed along with this completed form to the below address:

ATTN: Step Up for Soldiers/Backyard BBQ Cook-Off

P.O. Box 652, Carolina Beach, NC 28449

CREDIT CARD

If you are paying with credit card, please complete the below information and return to Tom Russell at tom@stepupforsoldiers.org

Please use mailing address listed above.

Billing Information:

NAME ON CARD _____

BILLING ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____

CREDIT CARD: TYPE _____ CARD # _____

EXP DATE ____/____ 3 DIGIT SECURITY CODE ON BACK OF CARD _____

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RULES AND INFORMATION

Check In & Set Up - 8:00 - 9:30 AM on Event Day, Saturday, March, 7, **or** you may load in 2:00 - 7:00 PM on Friday, March 6. **All entries must be ready to serve 10:45 AM**

Provided To Each Contestant Will Be...

- A space to set up and prepare onsite.
- An opportunity to make any pork-based BBQ dish of their choosing.
- Entree proteins must be prepared on-site (We'll provide the pork butts).

Contestants must provide...

- Their own cooking appliances (smoker, grill, and cooking utensils, etc) maintained to county standards.
- Food cook-off protein entries must be made with ingredients provided by Step Up For Soldiers.
- Cooked on site food preparation must be ready by 10:45 AM the day of!
- Items to display, such as your signs, decorations, and group name.
- Warmer trays, foods must be kept at 140 degrees or above for the entire event.
- A thermometer and service utensils.
- Clean up.

We encourage you to begin preparation on Friday the 6th after you arrive at the event!

Judging results will be announced at 4:30 p.m.

Details and Awards

- Our judging panel will be made up of 5-7 individuals selected by our Judging Committee. They will be formally announced at a later date.
- As with previous years, there will be First, Second, and Third places awarded in the formal judging category and one People's Choice award.
- Winners will receive a trophy, bragging rights, and additional cash prizes to be announced at a later date.

Judging

- Each Judge will evaluate contestants on a 30 point scale with the below subcategories.
 - Taste- 15 Points
 - Texture- 10 Points
 - Appearance- 5 Points
- A contestant's final score will be the average of all the Judges' scores for their BBQ dish.
- In the event of a tie, ties will be broken by a vote by the Judges.

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If at any time during the event violations are observed, the contestant will be required to cease all food service operations until the violations have been corrected.

EVENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Exhibitors'/Contestants' booth space is to be set up, open and staffed, on the day of the "Step up for Soldiers Backyard BBQ 2020", by the posted/advertised event start time of 11:00 AM and not broken down or left unmanned until after the posted/advertised end time of 5:00 PM and Exhibitor/Contestant is to occupy exhibit space as assigned. Exhibitor/Contestant also agrees not to sublet or apportion to anyone else said space without express consent of Memory Matters, here and after referred to as the Producer.
2. Exhibitor/Contestant agrees that if accepted by Producer, Experience Community Festivals, Memory Matters, and Step up For Soldiers into the March 2020 "Step Up for Soldiers Backyard BBQ Cook-off", that Producer is under no obligation to rent space to Exhibitor in future events or future years.
3. Insurance, if desired by Exhibitor/Contestant, must be provided at their own expense. The Producer, Step up For Soldiers, or the Battleship North Carolina Park assume no risk; and by the acceptance of this agreement, the Exhibitor/Contestant expressly releases the Producer, Step up For Soldiers, and the Battleship North Carolina Park of and from any and all liability for any damage, injury, theft, or loss to any person or goods which may arise from the rental and occupation of said space by the Exhibitor/Contestant.
4. The Producer will not be liable for refunds or any other liabilities whatsoever for the failure of Exhibitor/Contestant to attend, nor refunds or other liabilities for failure to produce the "Step up for Soldiers Backyard BBQ 2020" due to acts of God, or any other cause beyond the Producer's control.
5. The Producer may rent or license space for any exhibit of interest to the general public or of educational value. All exhibits must be designed, constructed and operated in good taste and in accordance with the best interest of the "Step up for Soldiers Backyard BBQ 2020", which Producer in its sole discretion shall have the right to decide. All sales, publicity and promotion activities conducted by the Exhibitor/Contestant at the "Step up for Soldiers Backyard BBQ 2020" must be confined to his or her space. Carnival tactics and the use of a public-address systems are not allowed.
6. Exhibitor/Contestant consents that photographs taken and filming recorded of him or herself, employees and volunteers and booth and products at the festival may be used for advertising and publicity for this or any future expositions Producer may present.
7. All inspections or food service permits required are the sole responsibility of the Exhibitor/Contestant.

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