SAMMY RAY’S GUMBO COOK-OFF RULES

SATURDAY, MARCH 1st 8AM – 2PM

ENTRY FEE: $100. NOT REFUNDABLE

1. Complete applications must be turned in to the Sammy Ray’s restaurant no later than 5:00 pm, Friday, February 9, 2024. No entry will be accepted after 5:00 pm, February 10, 2024.

2. Electricity will NOT be provided. Sammy Ray’s will provide: communal wash station, sample cups for tasting, and spoons & napkins.

3. A container will be furnished for Judge's samples. All remaining gumbo will be sold to the public with the proceeds going to Brookeland Volunteer Fire Department.

4. Your cooking area must be left clean. Clean up involves picking up paper, leftover food, grease spills, and decorations. Trash cans will be provided for your convenience.

5. You can start setting up at your designated cooking area at 8:00 am the morning of the cook-off. Cooking will begin at 9:00 am. Gumbo must be prepared on site, including the preparation and cutting of ingredients. If you serve rice, it may be prepared in advance. It is suggested that you prepare approximately 5 gallons of chicken & sausage gumbo (potato salad optional)

6. You will need to provide all ingredients and cooking equipment including serving tables. Sammy Ray’s will NOT provide any ingredients or cooking equipment or utensils to any team.

7. Gumbo for the judges will be picked up at approximately 1:00pm with the results announced as soon as the judges make their decision.

8. Awards will be for First, Second, and Third place. The public will be allowed to purchase a cup for $5.00 which will allow them to sample all contestant’s gumbo and to vote for a peoples' choice award. All proceeds will go to the designated charity.

9. You may bring bottled water to drink. You cannot bring in sodas or alcohol. Both sodas and alcohol will be available for purchase from Sammy Ray’s restaurant.

10. Sammy Ray’s reserves the right to refuse the entry of any team and/or disqualify any team for a violation of these rules.

Suggested check list for the event will be following for teams…

* Canopy
* Propane, pot, and burner, lighter
* Paper towels, cloth towels, gloves
* (2-3) 6-8ft folding tables with table cloths
* Knives, spoons, ladles, cutting boards, paddle
* Cooler with ice, food products
* Cooked rice, homemade roux, cut veggies are acceptable

to bring.

* Decorations, Bluetooth speaker, heater

This is Mardi Gras weekend so decorate your booth accordingly as we will be giving out a gift card for the best booth. Laissez Le Bon Temps Roler!!