

**2024 SummerFest
Annual RibFest Cook-Off Contest
Friday, June 28th, 2024**

Entry Fee:

Please send a \$25 entry fee along with the entry form to Grafton Area Chamber of Commerce at 432 Hill Ave., Grafton, ND 58237. Deadline to enter is June 7, 2024. Contestant will be provided with 1 box of ribs (approx. value \$200). Ribs must be picked up on Monday, June 24, 2024 between 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the Grafton Chamber office. ***If unable to pick up on Monday, June 24, 2024, please call the Grafton Area Chamber of Commerce (701-352-0781, opt. 2) to make arrangements.***

Set up & Check-In Time:

Cooking will take place at the Grafton Chamber parking lot at 432 Hill Ave. in Grafton. Contestant may enter the cook-off area as early as 7:00 a.m. to set up and begin cooking. Contestant grilling locations are assigned on a first come/first served basis. The blind judging will begin at 5:00 p.m. (before the event opens to the public). Ribs will be judged on taste, texture and appearance. “To Go” boxes will be provided to submit your entry to the judges. Each contestant is required to supply their own table/workspace, seating and any overhang for shade/rain protection. Contestants are welcome to decorate their area with a theme, if they so choose.

Equipment:

Contestants must supply all required equipment and supplies such as: grills, utensils and roasters. Each contestant is responsible for bringing extension cords and power strips. *Note: There is a limit to the electrical resources available.* Fires must be wood, charcoal, pellet, gas or electric smoker grills. Ribs not provided by the Grafton Area Chamber of Commerce will not be paid for by the Chamber. *If you pick up ribs and do not show up for the event, you will be charged for the ribs, as they cannot be returned.*

Cooking:

All fires must be in containers. Contestants may use wood, charcoal, pellet, gas or electric smoker grills. All food is to be handled in a sanitary manner using cooking utensils. Contestants are required to use gloves when serving to the public. **Contestants will be provided with 1-2 cases of ribs depending on what you are willing and able to handle cooking.** Seasonings, special ingredients & sauces are not required to be homemade. **No sides or chips are to be given out to the public by the contestants, only ribs and sauce.** There is only one vendor supplying salads and other sides. **Customers will be required to purchase food tickets and will receive plates, napkins, utensils and sides before entering the rib cook-off area.** All rules & guidelines must be followed. The Chamber reserves the right to make additional regulations as they see fit.

Quantities:

Please give modest samples to the public, 1 rib per ticket given. A box will be provided to each contestant for collecting tickets.

Housekeeping:

All contestants must have a means of catching grease and ashes from their grill. Please do not dump coals, ashes, grease and etc. on the ground. Cook-off space must be kept clean & returned to its original condition by the end of the cook-off or before leaving the area. Please treat the property with respect.

Awards:

RibFest winners will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for these two categories: Grill Master and People’s Choice.

Pay Out:

Each entry will be provided with a collection box for tickets. Chamber staff will collect the box of tickets after the contest. Contestants will receive \$1.00 per ticket collected. Money can be picked up at the Chamber office on or after Tuesday, July 2, 2024. Money must be picked up no later than July 26, 2024. Any money not picked up by the deadline will be forfeited.

Please submit an entry form with the \$25 entry fee to:

Grafton Area Chamber of Commerce

432 Hill Avenue

Grafton, ND 58237

(701) 352-0781

If you wish to withdraw from the competition, please do so by June 7th, 2024

If you withdraw, you will not receive reimbursement for entry fee.



Heartland Chevy Dealers



Friday, June 28th, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

432 Hill Ave. Grafton, ND (Grafton Chamber Parking Lot)



Each entry will receive a box of ribs from Jim's Super Valu (approx. value \$200)

Pick up ribs on Monday, June 24, 2024 between 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the Grafton Chamber office

PLUS get \$1.00 per rib you hand out!

Sign up Early – Space and power sources are LIMITED!!!

See back page for contest rules

SummerFest 2024 Annual RibFest Cook-off Entry Form

Name: _____ Phone # _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____@_____

Electrical Needs _____

Note: Please be specific as to how many outlets / amps are needed. There is a limited amount of power sources available.

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Please make checks payable to: Grafton Area Chamber of Commerce.

Please detach and return to Grafton Area Chamber of Commerce - 432 Hill Avenue, Grafton ND 58237