



When & Where:

During Come & Take It
 Sunday, October 5, 2025
 Downtown Gonzales
 400 Block of St. George &
 600 Block of St. Paul Streets

Entry Fees:

T-Bone \$65 (steak provided)
 Chili \$25
 Beans \$25
 Appetizer \$25
 Kids Pork Chop \$25
 Cocktail \$25

Sponsorship:

\$250 Includes entry in all
 categories, business name
 on all promotional
 materials & signage plus 5
 team cooling cloths

Cash \$\$ Prizes (bragging rights included):

T-Bone	Chili	Beans	Kids Pork Chop	Appetizer	Cocktail
Winner \$250	Winner \$100	Winner \$100	Winner \$100	Winner \$100	Winner \$100
Runner-Up \$100	Runner-Up \$35	Runner-Up \$35	Runner-Up \$35	Runner-Up \$35	Runner-Up \$35
					Showmanship Winner \$50



Gonzales Noon Lions Club CTI Cook-Off
T-Bone, Chili, Beans, Kids Pork Chop, Appetizer & Cocktails

Confederate Square in Downtown Gonzales
Sunday, October 5, 2025

Sponsorship Form Due 9/19

Business Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____ E-mail: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

☐ \$250 Sponsor to include entry into all 6 categories, business name on promotional signs & ads.

Team Name: _____

Team Members: _____

Which categories will you be participating in?

☐ T-Bone ☐ Chili ☐ Beans ☐ Appetizer ☐ Cocktails ☐ Showmanship

☐ Kids Pork Chop (Children 5 - 12 must do 95% of the work!) Name: _____

Please complete & return sponsorship & payment by September 19, 2025, to:

By Mail:
Gonzales Noon Lions Club
PO Box 1881
Gonzales, TX 78629

Drop Off:
Gonzales Texas Farm Bureau
Lion Melissa Gomez
1731 Seydler St.

Call for Pick-up:
Lion Charlie Gray
(830) 263-2614
or
Lion Cynthia Green
(512) 284-3377

Only Paid Sponsors are allowed to promote their businesses at booths during this cookoff.

Please note that if sponsorship form is not turned in by deadline, your name will not be included on promotions.

Sponsorship is non-refundable.



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Entry Registration Form

Team Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____ E-mail: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Team Members: _____

Which categories will you be participating in?

☐ T-Bone \$65 ☐ Chili \$25 ☐ Beans \$25 ☐ Appetizer \$25 ☐ Cocktails \$25

☐ Showmanship (No entry fee required, this is JUST FOR FUN and participation is optional)

☐ Kids Pork Chop \$25 Name: _____

(Children 5 – 12 must do 95% of the work!)

Total \$ Amount Due: _____ Paid by: ☐ Cash ☐ Check ☐ QR Code

Please complete & return with non-refundable payment by September 26, 2025, to:

By Mail:
Gonzales Noon Lions Club
PO Box 1881
Gonzales, TX 78629

Drop Off:
Gonzales Texas Farm Bureau
Lion Melissa Gomez
1731 Seydler Street

*Note: We will accept entries on the day of event, however, we can't guarantee sufficient steaks will be available unless you enter before the deadline. **You are required to use the steak provided at event.***



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General Rules & Information

Set-Up

6:00 am – 10:00 am

Contest will be held in downtown Gonzales on the 600 block of Saint Paul Street and the 400 block of Saint George St. There will be barricades downtown, you may drive into the area through the intersection of St. George & St. Paul to drop off your equipment, but please move your vehicles immediately and no later than 10:00 am. Vehicles can come back in to load up at 4:00 pm.

Registration/Check-In

8:00 am – 9:30 am

Team check-in and registration will be held in front of the Running M from 8:00 – 9:30 am. All teams must check in and pick up appropriate containers and tickets for the competition.

Turn In

Location will be announced during registration.

Appetizers at 11:00 am

Kids Pork Chop at 11:30 am

T-Bone exact turn-in time for each cook will be assigned at registration, beginning at 12:00 pm

Cocktails at 1:00 pm

Chili at 2:00 pm

Beans at 3:00 pm

Showmanship

11:00 am – 12:00 pm (throughout the event if you so choose)

Showmanship judging will be held from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm. Showmanship judges will remain anonymous. Cooking areas can be decorated in any family-friendly theme your team chooses. Showmanship will be judged on theme, costumes and audience appeal. Please keep music to a reasonable volume, you may be asked to turn it down if it interferes with other CTI celebration activities. No business promotion is allowed without paid sponsorships.

General Rules

1. No business promotions unless you are a paid sponsor.
2. No alcohol allowed to be brought in except for the cocktail contest. No samples of cocktails may be distributed to the public. Only alcohol allowed is to be turned in for judging at the assigned time. No entries by minors under the age of 21 and no judges for the cocktail contest allowed under 21.
3. No glass.
4. No pets.
5. Set up and take down only during allowed specified times due to pedestrians and the car show that are held simultaneously.
6. The **kid category must be 95% effort of the participating kid, not an adult.**
7. Teams are responsible for maintaining sanitation during cooking & for cleaning up their areas used, including ashes or coals.



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Detailed Category Rules:

Appetizer

Turn in at 11:00 am

1. Appetizers must be turned in within ten minutes of turn-in time.
2. Please provide enough of your appetizer for 10 judges.
3. Judged on appearance, flavor, aroma, doneness and aftertaste.
4. Must be turned in on the container provided. Do not remove or tamper with the ticket on the outside of the container. Retain your portion of the ticket, as this must be presented at the time of awards to claim your winning prize!

Kids Pork Chop

Turn in at 11:30 am

1. **The kid entering this contest is the person 95% responsible for seasoning, cooking & presenting their product for judging, (not done by an adult and turned in by a kid please). Judges will be on site to assure that pork chops are being cooked by children. Adults doing the prep & cooking will disqualify their child from contest.**
2. Pork chops will be judged based on the child cooking (versus an adult), appearance, doneness, texture and flavor.
3. Pork chops must be cooked from scratch, starting with raw meat on site. No pre-seasoning or marinating allowed. You must provide your own pork chop.
4. Pork chops are to be cooked to a minimum of 145 degrees F.
5. Pork chop must be turned in within 10 minutes of the turn in time.
6. Pork chop may be cooked on any fire or heat source.
7. May be trimmed before, but not after cooking; must be turned in whole and uncut.
8. May not be branded or marked in any way.
9. Pork chop must be turned in in the container provided. Once containers have been issued each team is responsible for their team's container. Do not remove or tamper with the ticket on the outside of the container. Retain your portion of the ticket, as this must be presented at the time of awards to claim your winning prize!

T-Bone

(competition 1" T-bone provided at registration must be used)

Turn in begins at 12:00 pm (your exact time will be assigned when you arrive)

Turn in time will be assigned when you check in.

Must cook the steak that is provided for this competition to turn in.

1. The steaks provided are to be prepared to medium to medium rare, exact timing will be given to you on site.
2. We are judging based on appearance, doneness, texture and flavor (no separate prizes awarded for presentation)
3. Steaks must be turned in within five minutes of the designated turn-in time.
4. Steaks may be cooked on any fire or heat source. You must pack out any coals or ashes used.
5. Steak may be trimmed before, but not after cooking. Steak must be turned in for judging whole, uncut.
6. No marking or branding in any way, only use the tags given to you at check in.
7. **No container will be provided for your steak turn-in.** You will place the ticket/stick distributed to you in the steak on your own container, plate or platter. Retain your portion of the ticket, as it must be presented at the time of awards to claim your winning prize! Any container that you turn in can be picked up after all contests have been judged. Items not picked up by 4:00 pm will be discarded.

Cocktail

(Must be 21 or older to participate, proof of age required at entry)

Turn in at 1:00 pm

1. Judged on taste, balance, presentation and temperature.
2. No garnishes allowed inside the container (must be on the side), cocktails must go into the container provided at registration. Container is 32 ounces in size (a canning jar).
3. Any type of alcohol is allowed in your cocktail, but you cannot provide samples to the public. Your cocktails are only for judging purposes and cannot be sold, consumed on site or given away.
4. Cocktails must be turned in in the container provided. Once containers have been issued, each team is responsible for their team's container. Do not remove or tamper with the ticket on the outside of the container. Retain your portion of the ticket, as this must be presented at the time of awards to claim your winning prize!

Chili

Turn in at 2:00 pm

1. Chili must be turned in within ten minutes of turn in time.
2. Chili must be cooked from scratch, starting with raw meat on site, complete commercial chili mixes are not allowed.
3. Chili will be judged based on aroma, color, consistency, taste and aftertaste.
4. Beans, pasta, rice, or other filler ingredients are not permitted.
5. One chili per team, no more than one judging sample can be taken from any one pot.
6. Chili must be turned in in the dish provided. Once dishes have been issued, each team is responsible for their team's dish. Do not remove or tamper with the ticket on the outside. Retain your portion of the ticket, as this must be presented at the time of awards to claim your winning prize!

Beans

Turn in at 3:00 pm

1. Beans must be turned in within ten minutes of the turn in time.
2. Beans must be cooked from scratch, starting with uncooked beans on site, no canned beans allowed.
3. Beans will be judged on aroma, color, texture, taste, and aftertaste.
4. Nothing larger than the bean to be put in the turn in cup.
5. One pot of beans per team, no more than one judging sample can be taken from any one pot.
7. Beans must be turned in in the cup provided. Once cups have been issued, each team is responsible for their team's cup. Do not remove or tamper with the ticket on the outside of the cup. Retain your portion of the ticket, as this must be presented at the time of awards to claim your winning prize!

