

## Department 21 CONTESTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18 Fair Opens</b> 2:00 Spicin' It Up!	<b>19</b> 4:00 Iron Arranger-A 5:00 Iron Arranger-P
<b>20</b> 1:00 pm Salsa Bowl Contest	<b>21</b> 2:00 pm Brew 'N' Chew Coffee Challenge	<b>22</b> 2:00 pm Who Takes The Cake	<b>23</b> 2:00 pm Cupcake Combat 6:00 Skillet Toss	<b>24</b> 2:00 pm Some Like It Hot?	<b>25</b> 2:00 pm Cheezapalooza	<b>26</b> Claim to Flame BBQ Contest
<b>27</b>  9:00 Fair Closes	Enjoy the Fair: Noon – 10:00 Weekdays & Sunday; Noon – 11:00 Fridays & Saturdays Contact: 208-287-5663 or <a href="mailto:premiumoffice@idahofair.com">premiumoffice@idahofair.com</a>					



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All contests are being held in or next to Demostation/Western Town.  
**Deadlines will vary.** Please see individual contest details for more information.  
 Alternate arrangements can be made with the Contest Superintendent. The Women's Skillet Toss is the only contest that does not require pre-registration.  
**One entry per class.**

**PREMIUM PAY-OUT:** Awards will be available at the Premium Office. Cash premiums will be paid to those entitled to awards on Aug. 22 through Aug. 27 from 12 Noon to 8:00 p.m. and on Exhibit Release day, Monday, Aug. 28 from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Starting Aug. 29 through Sept. 8, awards will be given out from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily. The Office will be closed for Labor Day weekend, including the Friday prior to Labor Day. **Awards not claimed by Sept. 8, 2017** will be considered a donation and will revert back to the Western Idaho Fair general fund.

### ATTENTION!

New this year we will be giving an award for best *overall* performance in the following contests: Spicin' It Up!, Treasure Valley Salsa Bowl, Brew 'N' Chew Coffee Challenge, Who Takes The Cake?, Cupcake Combat, Some Like It Hot? and Cheezapalooza. To be eligible, you must enter all classes of all 7 contests. So, do you have what it takes to be the ...**Chefinator?!**

### General Entry Requirements:

- Entries are limited to one per class.
- Entries can be hot or cold. Contestant must provide cold or heat source. (There is a 2 hour time frame before harmful bacteria can potentially grow. Keep hot foods above 140°F and cold foods below 40°F).
- Due to space availability, all entries will be given approximately an 18" x 18" space.
- Please title your original creation and include a recipe on an 8½" x 11" sheet of paper. Place first and last name on back of recipe. All recipes will become property of the Western Idaho Fair or the contest sponsor.
- Judging will be based on: taste – 50%, creativity – 25% and presentation – 25% unless otherwise noted.

### DIVISION 1 SPICIN' IT UP!

Presented by Starlight Herb and Spice Company



**Contest Date: Friday, August 18, 2017**

**Location: Western Town**

**Check in: 2:00 p.m.**

**Judging: 3:00 p.m.**

**Entries should be postmarked no later than:**

**Friday, August 4, 2017**

**Prizes (each class):**

**1<sup>st</sup> - \$75 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$50 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$25**

**Required mystery ingredients** will be provided by Starlight Herb and Spice Company and can be obtained from the Premium Office.

**Class:**

**1. The Spice of Life (Savory)**

Be creative and concoct a culinary delight highlighting the savory mystery ingredient. Anything goes but remember, this is savory so non-dessert items only.

**2. Sugar and Spice and Everything Nice (Sweet)**

Again, be creative and remember this one is a Desserts Only competition that must showcase the mystery ingredient.

**Specific Entry Requirements:**

- Must highlight provided mystery ingredients.

**DIVISION 2**  
**IRON ARRANGER DESIGN COMPETITION**  
Sponsored by 'Boise at Its Best Flowers'



**Contest Date: Saturday, August 19**

**Time:**

Amateur Design – 4:00 p.m.

Professional Design – 5:00 p.m.

**Location: Western Town**

Preregistration is required. Call Teresa Biggs at (208) 585-7693 to reserve a container.

**Deadline is August 17, 2017**

Note: All tools provided by entrant.

Designers will have 15 minutes to complete a design with a variety of flowers, foliage and 1 uncommon item. We have divided this competition into two different competitions this year: Amateur Designer – A person who designs for pleasure.

Professional Designer – A person who works in the floral profession.

**Prizes for each division donated by Boise at its Best Flowers:**

**1<sup>st</sup> - \$50 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$40 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$30 4<sup>th</sup> - \$20 5<sup>th</sup> - \$10**

Everyone will receive either a ribbon, rosette, cash award or other gift items for participating. Raffle will be held during designing and judging.

**DIVISION 3**  
**10<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**TREASURE VALLEY SALSA BOWL CONTEST**  
Sponsored by Treasure Valley Salsa



**Muy Caliente!**

**Contest Date: Sunday, August 20, 2017**

**Location: Western Town**

**Check In: 1:00 p.m. Judging: 2:00 p.m.**

**Entries should be postmarked no later than:**

**Saturday, August 12, 2017**

**Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup>-\$75 2<sup>nd</sup>-\$50 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$35 4<sup>th</sup>-\$20**

**Class:**

**3. Salsa Only** – traditional or nontraditional

**4. Dips and sauces** – Guacamole, Chipotle, Enchilada, Bean Dip, etc.

**Specific Entry requirements:**

- **NO MEAT PRODUCTS** are permitted.
- No home-canned products permitted.



**DIVISION 4**  
**BREW 'N' CHEW COFFEE CHALLENGE**  
Sponsored by Dawson Taylor Coffee Roasters

**Contest Date: Monday, August 21, 2017**

**Location: Western Town**

**Check In: 2:00 p.m. Judging: 3:00 p.m.**



**Entries should be postmarked no later than:**

**Monday, August 7, 2017**

**Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup>-\$75 2<sup>nd</sup>-\$50 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$25**

**Class:**

- 5. Awesome "Dawson".** Create an original designer beverage of your choice by incorporating any Dawson Taylor Coffee. See [www.dawsonstaylor.com](http://www.dawsonstaylor.com) for complete selection. Each contestant will be presenting their beverage to the judges in person. Cheers!
- 6. "Taylor" Made.** This is the "chew" portion of the competition. Create any dish of your choice that features Dawson Taylor Coffee in ground form, liquid form or a combination of both. Sweet or savory – the choice is yours.

**DIVISION 5**  
**WHO TAKES THE CAKE?**  
Sponsored by Pastry Perfection



When you taste it, you'll know!



**Contest Date: Tuesday, August 22, 2017**

**Location: Western Town**

**Check In: 2:00 p.m. Judging: 3:00 p.m.**

**Entries should be postmarked no later than:**

**Tuesday, August 8, 2017**

**Prizes:**

**1<sup>st</sup>-\$75 2<sup>nd</sup>-\$50 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$25 (Gift cards to Pastry Perfection).**

**Class:**

- 7. What's Up Doc?** A cornerstone of our community, Pastry Perfection has offered some of the best baked delights in town. One of their signature products is the most delectable carrot cake you've ever tasted. The challenge for you is to bring your best carrot cake (traditional or otherwise) to the table. May the best slice win.

**DIVISION 6  
CUPCAKE COMBAT**  
Sponsored by Reggie's Veggies



**Contest Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2017**

**Location: Western Town**

**Check in: 2:00 p.m. Judging: 3:00 p.m.**

**Entries should be postmarked no later than:  
Wednesday, August 9, 2017**

Note: All cupcake entries must emphasize a fruit, a vegetable or a combination of both.

Entries must be original and made from scratch. No purchased box mixes or frosting permitted.

**PRIZES (each class): 1<sup>st</sup> - \$75 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$50 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$25**

**Class:**

**8. Basic Training**

- Basic Cupcake only. **NO** frosting or embellishments. Doing so will result in **disqualification**.
- Please provide 6 standard sized cupcakes.
- Plates will be provided for presentation for each contestant.
- Judging based on taste – 50%; texture – 25%; and creative use of flavor – 25%.

**9. Sweet Victory**

- Anything goes. Think gourmet and let your imagination run wild! Any flavor, any topping, any design.
- Please provide a minimum of 6 cupcakes (size optional).
- Contestants must provide their own display materials for presentation.
- Judging will be based on taste – 25%; creativity – 25%; and presentation – 50%.

**DIVISION 7  
5<sup>th</sup> Annual  
WOMEN'S SKILLET TOSS**  
Sponsored by Linder Farms



**Contest Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2017**

**Attention Ladies!!** Do not miss this event. Join us at the Onion Ring, aka Trackside Arena, for the time of your life. Register from 3:00 to 5:30 p.m. at Western Town. Competition starts at 6:00 p.m.

The object is to toss a 3 ½ pound skillet underhand in a straight line in front of you as far as you can.

Any distance deviation from the center line will be deducted from your total distance. You will get two tosses with your longest recorded as your score. A foot fault will result in a disqualification for that throw.

There will be four age divisions:

18 – 35; 36 – 50; 51 – 64 and 65 plus.

There will be ten places awarded in each division. The winner from each division will qualify for toss-off for the Grand Prize.

**Prizes: Rosettes**

This is all about having fun and making history.

Note: If by chance the handle impales the earth leaving the skillet upright, it's called "sticking it" and the tosser will receive a special award. So, do you have the skill-it takes and guts to try? (Dare you to check this out on YouTube).



**DIVISION 8  
SOME LIKE IT HOT?**  
(Soup and Salad Challenge)  
Sponsored by Boise Bistro Market and Alberstons



**Contest Date: Thursday, August 24, 2017**

**Location: Western Town**

**Check In: 2:00 p.m. Judging: 3:00 p.m.**

**Entries should be postmarked no later than:**

**Thursday, August 10, 2017**

**PRIZES: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$75 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$50 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$25**

**Class:**

**10. Soup's On**

All the world loves soup for obvious reasons. Hot. Cold. Sweet. Spicy. Vegetables. Fruit. Pasta. The list goes on and on. Wow us with your bowl of wonder and leave us wanting more, please.

**11. Salad Bar**

Create an **original** salad of your choice entertaining an unusual food combination that will please the eye and tease the pallet. Can be served hot or cold.

**Note:** Display tables will be located near power source to encourage entries to be held in crockpots, etc...as part of presentation. Judges will be lifting lids to capture the full essence of your soup.



**DIVISION 9**  
**CHEEZAPALOOZA**  
Presented by Sorrento Lactalis, Inc.



**Contest Date:** Friday, August 25, 2017  
**Location:** Western Town  
**Check In:** 2:00 p.m.      **Judging:** 3:00 p.m.  
**Entries should be postmarked no later than:**  
Friday, August 11, 2017

**Prizes (each class):**  
1<sup>st</sup> - \$100    2<sup>nd</sup> - \$75    3<sup>rd</sup> - \$50    4<sup>th</sup> - \$25

**Class:**

**12. "Cheesy Couture" the Savory Side.**

Enter any non-dessert dish that includes one or a combination of Sorrento Cheese products. (Appetizers, salads, entrées, etc. will be permitted.)

**13. "The Cheese Stands Alone" the Sweet Side.**

This is a Desserts Only competition that must showcase at least one Sorrento cheese product. Will it be cheesecake, brownies, tiramisu, smoothies or something outside the box?

**Specific Entry Requirements:**

- Please visit [www.sorrentocheese.com/cheese](http://www.sorrentocheese.com/cheese) for complete cheese selection.

**DIVISION 10**  
**9<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CLAIM TO FLAME BBQ CONTEST**  
Presented by Albertsons



**Contest Date:** Saturday, August 26, 2017  
**Entries should be postmarked no later than:**  
Saturday, August 12, 2017

**ATTENTION!!:** This year's proteins will be provided for all contestants courtesy of SYSCO. There will be a maximum of only 20 spots available for this year's competition. Please register early.

This year's smokin' selections are:

**Class:**

**14. Pork Shoulder (Bone In)**

**15. Burgers**

**16. Jump Into the Fire Dessert Speed Round (Sweet!)**

Based on points, awards will be given in each division. The cook/team that has the highest accumulative score from all three divisions will be deemed Flame Master and the winner of the grand prize.

**Please see**

<http://idahofair.com/get-involved/exhibitors/competitive-exhibitors> for complete instructions and details.

