



We're so excited to have you on board!

Please read the following document, as it contains essential information.

### **Schedule of the event:**

**The event will be taking place at the Albany JCC 340 Whitehall Rd. Albany, NY 12208 from 4-6 p.m. on June 21, 2026.** Each team can arrive for the competition as early as 11:00 a.m. on Sunday. On arrival, someone will be present to assist you and show you where your team will set up.

We will be announcing what the teams will be grilling on April 30th.

When you arrive to prepare your meat, the ingredients you requested will be on a table and labeled with your name. You will also receive all of your cooking utensils and two 18" charcoal grills.

We will provide refreshments for the teams. **For Kashrut reasons, there is absolutely no outside food or drinks allowed.** If you want to bring a lawn chair or something comfortable, you may.

A portion of the food must be ready by **4:00 pm** when the event begins. People come and go throughout the event, and you will be putting things on the grill throughout the entire course of the afternoon.

The event is over at **6:00 pm**. There will be volunteers assisting with cleanup. Teams are responsible to help clean up their tent area.

### **Fees**

The participation fee includes all the meats, grills, charcoal, supplies, and 4 team T-shirts. The regular price is \$400. **Early bird special:** Teams that sign up and submit payment by May 7<sup>th</sup> receive a \$150 discount!

The fee can be paid online at [www.shalomfoodpantry.org/bbq-team-sign-up](http://www.shalomfoodpantry.org/bbq-team-sign-up), or a check can be mailed to Shalom Food Pantry, 393 Delaware Ave., Delmar, NY 12054



### **Ingredients:**

A pantry list with common ingredients will be given to the teams one month before with common ingredients. Please check off the items you will need for your recipes. **Each team is allowed to request an additional 5 ingredients that are not on the pantry list with these 5 ingredients costing no more than \$25.** Ingredients are purchased by the Battle of the BBQ staff. Substitutions may apply based on availability and pricing.

Ingredients for your recipes need to be submitted **no later than June 5.**

### **Marketing:**

Please submit a picture and short bio of the Pit Boss to help us promote your team on social media. Since this is a fun event to raise funds for the food pantry, please include something funny or a little unknown fact about yourself.

### **Judging:**

Judging this year will be handled by a panel of local celebrities, making it fair and more exciting than ever. We'll also still be awarding a People's Choice Prize — so every attendee gets a vote!

### **Additional Information:**

- While the grills are lit, a team member must be nearby at all times. This is for safety purposes
- Each team should provide a 10 x 10 pop-up tent to protect your team from the sun and mark your booth
- Each team is allowed to have up to 4 members. Returning teams need to include one new team member who has not participated in last year's competition.

### **Waiver of Liability:**

Upon submitting my entry, I am also confirming the following waiver of liability:

**Waiver of Liability:** I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself, my heirs, my executors and administrators, and my team, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against Shalom Food Pantry and their agents for any and all injuries suffered by me during this event.

If you have any questions, please contact Chanie at 518-439-3310 or Chanie@ShalomFoodPantry.com. We are looking forward to a very successful Battle of the BBQs!