



Monthly Happenings

by Ray Ringgenberg

December means the wind down of the Iowa BBQ Society events and the preparation of the Annual Banquet.

December 5th we held the Christmas Tree and Food giveaway which was well attended by a lot of our members. Thank you all for your time and effort to pull off yet another great year.

KCCI was out that day and interviewed Speed. You can find that interview [here](#).

[KCCI Interview](#)

You may also find it on the IBS Facebook page.

The Annual Banquet will be held in Ames at the Quality Inns and Suites on January 23rd. Mark your calendars and plan to join us. See flyer in this newsletter.

Please RSVP if you plan to join us so we may have an estimate for the catering.

[Banquet Sign up Form](#)

Don't forget your friends this Christmas. Get them a membership to the Iowa BBQ Society.

[Click Here Online Entry](#)



Iowa BBQ Society, Urban Dreams Annual Tree and Food Giveaway.

The 20th Urban Dreams Annual Tree and Food giveaway was held December 5th, 2015.

The Iowa BBQ Society, TNT Landscaping, Cookies BBQ, Smokey D's, Urban Dreams, Halbrook Excavating, Hy-Vee, and the Salvation Army are doing it again.

Hundreds of pounds of pork, baked goods, Christmas trees, clothing, toys, and a plethora of other goods will be handed out free of charge to anyone in need on Saturday, with no questions asked. The Salvation Army parking lot on 6th Avenue will once again be the distribution point, with the giveaway beginning at 9am. This was the nicest weather in the 20 years of the project, with highs approaching 50 degrees!

What a way to Celebrate the holidays!



[KCCI Link](#)

2016



Iowa BBQ Society Annual Banquet

Quality Inns and Suites Ames, Ia. 50010
January 23rd, 2016

Schedule of Events

- 4pm – Board Meeting (*Board members only including new members.*)
- 5pm – Meet and greet happy hour
- 6pm – Annual Meeting
- 7pm - Dinner
- 8pm – Awards Ceremony
- 9pm – Close of the evening

- **50/50 Raffle**
- **Auction Items**
- **Door Prizes**

“ Good barbecue comes from experience, and experience- well that comes from poor barbecue. – Cousin Woodman ”

- **Special room rates \$79** (Ask for the Iowa BBQ Society rate)
- **Free meal for 2015 members in good standing**
- **Non-member meal price. \$15.95!**
- **Kids under 12 years - \$7.95!**
 - 2 meat buffet with Grilled Chicken, Smoked Country Ham, Baby Red Potatoes; Buttered Corn; Dinner Rolls; Tossed Garden Salad; Cole Slaw; Coffee & Iced Tea
- **Cash Bar!**



Ames Quality Inn & Suites
Conference Center

2801 E 17th St.
Ames, Ia. 50010
(515)242-9268

Please call for your reservation >>>

Please RSVP so we have an approximate count >>>

[RSVP FORM](#)

2016 Iowa BBQ Society Judging Class

The Iowa Barbeque Society is once again offering the BBQ Judges and Table Captains Certification classes!

They will be held at the following location:

When: Saturday March 26, 2016

Where: Johnston Lions Club

Address: 64th Place and Merle Hay Road, Johnston, IA 50131

Time: 8:30 - 1:30 & 2:00 - 3:30

Costs for these classes are:

BBQ Judging Class/KCBS Member Cost is **\$60**

BBQ Judging Class/Non-Member Cost is **\$95** (Includes a 1 year KCBS membership)

Table Captain Class Cost is **\$50**

Iowa BBQ Society Memberships can be purchased that day for **\$25** for Single or **\$50** for Team membership.

The Certified BBQ Judges class will be considered full @ 60 participants! So Get Your Application In Early!

The classes will be taught by KCBS members & trainers Bunny & Rich Tuttle of the Kansas City area. In this 4 hour seminar you will not be told how to judge; but you will be instructed on the official KCBS rules and regulations of the scoring system and the philosophy behind the system. The instructors will entertain all questions during the class as well as stimulate conversation about BBQ. This BBQ Judging class will also simulate competition judging. You will be judging product in the 4 Official KCBS Competition categories of Chicken, Ribs, Pork Shoulder/Butt and Beef Brisket. During the simulation there will be self critique, and group discussions about who scored what and why.

KCBS has certified over 7000 judges! These seminars have been held from Florida to Massachusetts, North Carolina to California. As many of you know KCBS is the world's largest organization of barbecue and grilling enthusiasts. Most if not all of the contests here in Iowa are sanctioned by the Kansas City Barbecue Society.

A majority of its members cook on teams in competition or judge at competitions. KCBS sets the "Rules and Regulations" whereby they are judged at events. KCBS has requested that certification seminars be held to ensure that participants understand how to judge fairly & correctly. The intent of these classes is to level the playing field for all competitors. Competitors should never be penalized because a certified BBQ judge was not knowledgeable about all the scoring procedures and criteria

The Table Captain class will provide instruction and information on the duties & responsibilities of a KCBS Certified Table Captain. At the end of this class you will be a certified Table Captain so that through this training you will be able to aid in providing consistency and fairness to the judging process.

Responsibilities of the Table Captain:

1. To be knowledgeable of the KCBS Rules & Regulations at all times during the judging process.
2. Control and oversee that the judging process at your table is fair and correct.
3. Maintain correct procedures in presentation and sampling of all BBQ entries, including team rotation.
4. Make sure that all judges follow proper sanitary standards during the judging process.

REMEMBER: *You are the direct link between the cooks and the KCBS judging process.*

The person in charge of our event is IBS Treasurer, Tina Woosley. She can be contacted via her email at queenwina1@yahoo.com. Please return your application to Tina in one of the following 2 ways:

Mail To: Iowa BBQ Society C/O Tina Woosley, 6274 NE Rising Sun Dr, Pleasant Hill, IA 50327.

Scan & Email To: queenwina1@yahoo.com.

The application form and your check per each attendee (made out to the Iowa BBQ Society) must be in no later than **March 1st** (or until our class is full at 60 participants). **The Iowa BBQ Society will not cash your check until class time** so that we don't have to refund if the weather would be bad or you are not able to attend. If you are scheduled to participate and **DO NOT** call to cancel, your check will NOT be refunded!!

2016 is going to be another great year in the Iowa BBQ Society!

Buy that BBQ'er in your family a judging class for Christmas.



I hope that everyone has enjoyed the newsletter this year. It was a lot of hard work and time to keep you all up to date with what is happening in BBQ and the Iowa BBQ Society. But it was well worth it to pass on that information.

The 2016 newsletters will start off in February headlining the banquet, annual meeting and awards.

As always, if anybody wants to add an article to the newsletter please feel free to email me the article and/or pictures and I will gladly add them to the newsletter.

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The Iowa BBQ Society wishes everyone a safe and happy new year. May you be successful in your bbq adventures in 2016.

