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Miss Kolache
Festival 2023

FREE ADMISSION



BURLESON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

39th ANNUAL
KOLACHE FESTIVAL
September 14, 2024

DOWNTOWN CALDWELL
"ON THE SQUARE"

The Kolache Capital of Texas

979-567-0000
BurlesonCountyTX.com/kolache-fest

For more information on the Kolache Festival Events, contact:

Burleson County Chamber of Commerce
301 N. Main St.
Caldwell, TX 77836

979-567-0000

contact@burlesoncountytx.com
BurlesonCountyTX.com/kolache-fest

KOLACHE FESTIVAL
SEPTEMBER 14, 2024
9AM-5PM
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Lodging Guide

Hotels/Motels :

- America's Best Value Inn** - 1108 SH21 West, Caldwell; (979) 567-3535
- America's Best Value Inn** - 151 Ave B.; Somerville; (979) 596-3884
- Fort Half Moon**, Somerville (979) 596-1234
- The Surrey Inn** - SH 21 E.; Caldwell; (979) 567-3221

Camping Facilities:

- Big Creek Cabins on Lake Somerville** (979) 596-1616
- Brazos Valley RV Park** 2190 St. HWY 21 E., Caldwell; (979) 200-3007
- Lake Somerville Marina & Campground** 505 Marina Dr.; Somerville (979) 289-2321
- Texas State Parks - Birch Creek State Park** (512) 389-8900 or customer service 979-535-7763
- U.S. Corps of Engineers (Rocky Creek & Yegua Creek)** (979) 596-1622
- Welch Park**, Lake Somerville; (979) 596-2286

Bed & Breakfast:

- Land of Refuge Retreat Center**, Caldwell; (512) 560-0933
- Rosewood of New Tabor**, Caldwell; (979) 272-8580
- Seven Oaks**, Caldwell; (979) 272-1952



2024 STATE OF TEXAS KOLACHE BAKE SHOW ENTRY FORM

NAME _____ PHONE _____

Mailing Address _____

Physical Address _____

Age (if younger than 18) _____ Email Address _____

KOLACHE DIVISION: Circle ONE (1 thru 5)

- Youth
- Non-Professional Burleson County
- Non-Professional State
- Professional

KOLACHE ROLL DIVISION (open to everyone)

Please circle the class entered. **One entry**

Per class. **EACH ENTRY REQUIRES AN ENTRY FORM.**

- KR-CC. Cream Cheese
- KR-E. Poppysseed
- KR-L. Other: (specify filling)

For additional information about guidelines or entries, contact the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service of Burleson County at 979-567-2308 or burleson-bc@agg.tamu.edu

Please circle the kolache class entered. **One entry per class.**

EACH ENTRY REQUIRES AN ENTRY FORM.

- A. Apple
- B. Apricot
- C. Cheese
- D. Peach
- E. Poppysseed
- F. Prune
- G. Sausage
- H. Meat & Cheese Combo: (specify filling)
- I. Other & Cheese Combo: (specify filling)
- J. Other Fruit: (specify filling)
- K. Other Meat (specify filling)
- L. Other (specify filling)

** ANY cheese combined with any other filling will be considered cheese combo and included in Class H or I.

KOLACHE BAKE SHOW AWARDS

YOUTH
Grand Champion – Trophy & \$300
Reserve Champion – Trophy & \$100

NON-PROFESSIONAL
Burleson County Grand Champion – Trophy & \$300
Burleson County Reserve Champion – Trophy & \$100
State Grand Champion – Trophy & \$300
State Reserve Champion – Trophy & \$100

PROFESSIONAL
Grand Champion – Trophy & \$300
Reserve Champion – Trophy & \$100

KOLACHE ROLL
Grand Champion – Trophy & \$300
Reserve Champion – Trophy & \$100

GREAT CZECH ENTERTAINMENT

Friday, September 13, 2024

Pre-Festival Dinner & Street Dance
Burlson County Czech Heritage Museum
6 pm: Czech Meal
7:00 pm – 10 pm: Polka Music & Dance

Tickets sold in advance (limited tickets available day of event).
For more information call the Chamber at 979-567-0000 or contact Czech Museum member.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

KOLACHE FESTIVAL

MAIN STAGE POLKA PAVILION
202 W. Fox St.

9:00 am: VITAM (WELCOME)

- Opening Prayer
- Flag Ceremony
- National Anthem
- "KDE DOMOV MUJ" (Czech National Anthem)
- Local, State and National Dignitaries
- Crowning of Miss Kolache Festival
- Parade of Costumes

9:30 am: SPJST Youth Beseda Dancers

11:00 am-3:30 pm: The Moravians & The Czechaholics

12:00 pm: Kolache Eating Contest (Southside of the Courthouse)

2:30 pm: Ed Kopecky & the Fun Time Polka Band (under the kolache tents on Main St.)

3:30 pm: State Championship Kolache Bake Show Awards & Ceremony



 **979-567-0000**
[BurlsonCountyTX.com/kolache-fest](https://www.burlsoncountytexas.com/kolache-fest)

CELEBRATING CZECH HERITAGE

The Kolache Festival is a celebration of the revitalization of Czech heritage...a county that was basically a Czech settlement realized their precious identity was slipping away. New generations knew not the language, the music or the art of their ancestors. Not only do we grasp at the past, but we hurry to share the history...to bring into today's focus the beauty, talent and delight of the Czech people. Come to the Kolache Festival and learn the wonderful Czech philosophy. Dance to the Polka, sing the songs of the musician. Taste the true ethnic food and lend your soul to the fulfillment of the Czech cultural heritage.

MUSEUMS & SPECIAL FEATURES

State of Texas Kolache Bake Show
The Kolache Bake Shoppe
The Kraitchar House Museum featuring Demonstrations
Burlson County Czech Heritage Museum w/the Parade of Costumes
U.S., Texas, & Czech Flag Ceremony
"Kde Domov Muj" Czech National Anthem
Creative Memories Guild Quilt Show
Street Rod & Classic Car Show
Kids' Adventureland
Antique Machinery & Tractor Show
Kolache Eating Contest
Street Rod & Classic Car Show
John E Hejl Park @ Davidson Creek
8:00 am - 1:00 pm
Quilt Show (Friday - Saturday)
Caldwell Civic & Visitors Center
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW

150+ VENDORS

20+ FOOD VENDORS

ADDITIONAL FEATURES

All Day Shuttle Bus from Caldwell High School to Kraitchar House and Kraitchar House to John E Hejl Park @ Davidson Creek
NO PETS

VISIT THE BAKE SHOPPE

"Ceske Kolace"
A Block of Kolache Vendors on Main Street

KOLACHE MAKING

DEMONSTRATION

Friday, September 13, 2024
10 am – 2 pm

*Pre-Registration Required-Will open Aug. 12, 2024
<https://forms.office.com/r/TebG9ZdC1h>

The demonstration will include baking a batch of Kolaches from start to finish. Giving techniques on the best way to process the dough so that the Kolache will fit the criteria that the judges in the contest are wanting to see as well as making Kolaches for your family and friend's enjoyment.

Hosted by Bruno Shimek- 3-time State Champion & Kolache Bake Show Committee Member. Bruno will be assisted by Carolyn Brinkmann- 2-time State Champion & KBS Committee Member, Brian Estlund- KBS Committee Member, Lynette "Urbanovsky" Shimek- 2-time State Champion, & Stan Vitha. For questions call (979) 567 2308 or Burlson-tx@ag.tamu.edu

2024 STATE OF TEXAS KOLACHE BAKE SHOW

Kolache, the original Czech wedding pastry, is a favorite national dessert throughout Czech Republic. The art of baking Kolaches came with the early immigrants to Burlson County. Bakers have competed for 38 years to win the coveted title of Grand Champion Kolache Baker of Burlson County. Over the years, the bake show has grown to five divisions. It is open to adult and youth nonprofessional, professional, and champion bakers.

Guidelines

Caldwell Methodist Church
306 W. Fox Street; Caldwell, Texas

1. The Kolache Bake Show is open to youth, adult non-professional, and professional bakers. Youth ages 9 through age 18, or still enrolled in high school as of January 1, 2024, may enter the Youth Division. Professionals are those individuals who have owned or been employed by a bakery and/or those who have received more than \$1,000 in gross sales from sale of baked goods from their home or any other means. Once entered as professional, then always a professional. All others are considered adult non-professional or youth.
2. All Burlson County non-professional adults may enter in Burlson County or State Division. They may enter in only one division in any given year.

3. A kolache entry consists of 6 average size Kolaches of the same filling and dough. These will be transferred by the baker to a plain disposable plate and box. A baker may enter one entry in each of the 12 classes: A. Apple, B. Apricot, C. Cheese, D. Peach, E. Poppysseed, F. Prune, G. Sausage (**Hot links ARE considered sausage), H. Meat & Cheese Combo, I. Other & Cheese Combo, J. Other Fruit, K. Other Meat, and L. Other. **ANY cheese combined with any other filling will be considered cheese combo and included in Class H or I.
4. The Kolache Roll division is open to bakers of all ages, both non-professional and professional. A Kolache Roll must be made with kolache dough (yeast) of any filling. A baker may enter one entry in each of 3 classes: Cream Cheese, Poppysseed, and Other. An entry consists of 6 approximately 1- inch slices of the same filling and dough. (tea rings, strudels, or any other form of baked goods are not accepted.)
5. All Bake Show entries must be made by one person. Team entries are not accepted.
6. Registration will be from 7:45 am to 10:00 am on September 14, 2024.
7. Judging will begin promptly at 10:30 am.
8. After judging is complete, baked goods will be offered to the public for a donation to cover the cost of the event.
9. Grand Champions, Reserve Champions, and first place winners for each of the 4 Kolache divisions will be recognized, and 1 Grand Champion, 1 Reserve Champion, and 1st place class winners for the Kolache Roll division will be recognized at the Bake Show Awards ceremony at 3:30 pm at the Polka Pavilion (202 W. Fox Street).
10. Ribbons awarded for all entries will be given to participants immediately after the awards ceremony.
11. Decisions of the Kolache Bake Show Committee & Judges are final.
12. All Grand Champion winners of the 2023 Kolache Bake Show are not eligible to compete in 2024, but may compete in 2025. The Grand Champions of 2023 are invited to judge in the 2024 Kolache Bake Show.

For additional information about guidelines or entries, contact:

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

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