



Dear Vendor,

We look forward to seeing you at the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Smoke on the Water BBQ and Chili Festival on Saturday, October 18, 2025. Please read this instruction sheet with valuable information in it.

As in the past, vendors are welcome to set up on Friday night, October 17<sup>th</sup>, as well at no extra charge to take advantage of the foot traffic from visitors to the cooking sites and area restaurants. This year the Pig Parade is at 5:30 p.m. and there will be live music in the beer garden on Friday evening to kick off the activities. This will be GREAT foot traffic for you Friday night.

**If you choose to set up on Friday, you must be in place and vehicles off festival grounds no later than 4 p.m. to make room for the parade and competition traffic.**

Enclosed please find a Schedule of Events and a map. **On-site parking is NOT available.** After unloading please move your car to one of the designated parking area on the enclosed downtown parking map. We apologize for any inconvenience.

All tents must be weighted with water, sand, etc. **NO STAKES.** And if cooking meat the fire departments regulations.

Upon arrival, please check in with a festival representative for assistance in finding your site and **BEFORE** starting set-up. Please be patient we will get to you as soon as possible.

Copies of the Rules and Regulations are available online at [smokeonthewater.info](http://smokeonthewater.info).

On Saturday, vendor registration begins at 7 a.m. and you must be completely set up with all vehicles off the street by 9 a.m. **ONLY** foot traffic allowed between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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Schedule of Events - October 17 & 18, 2025

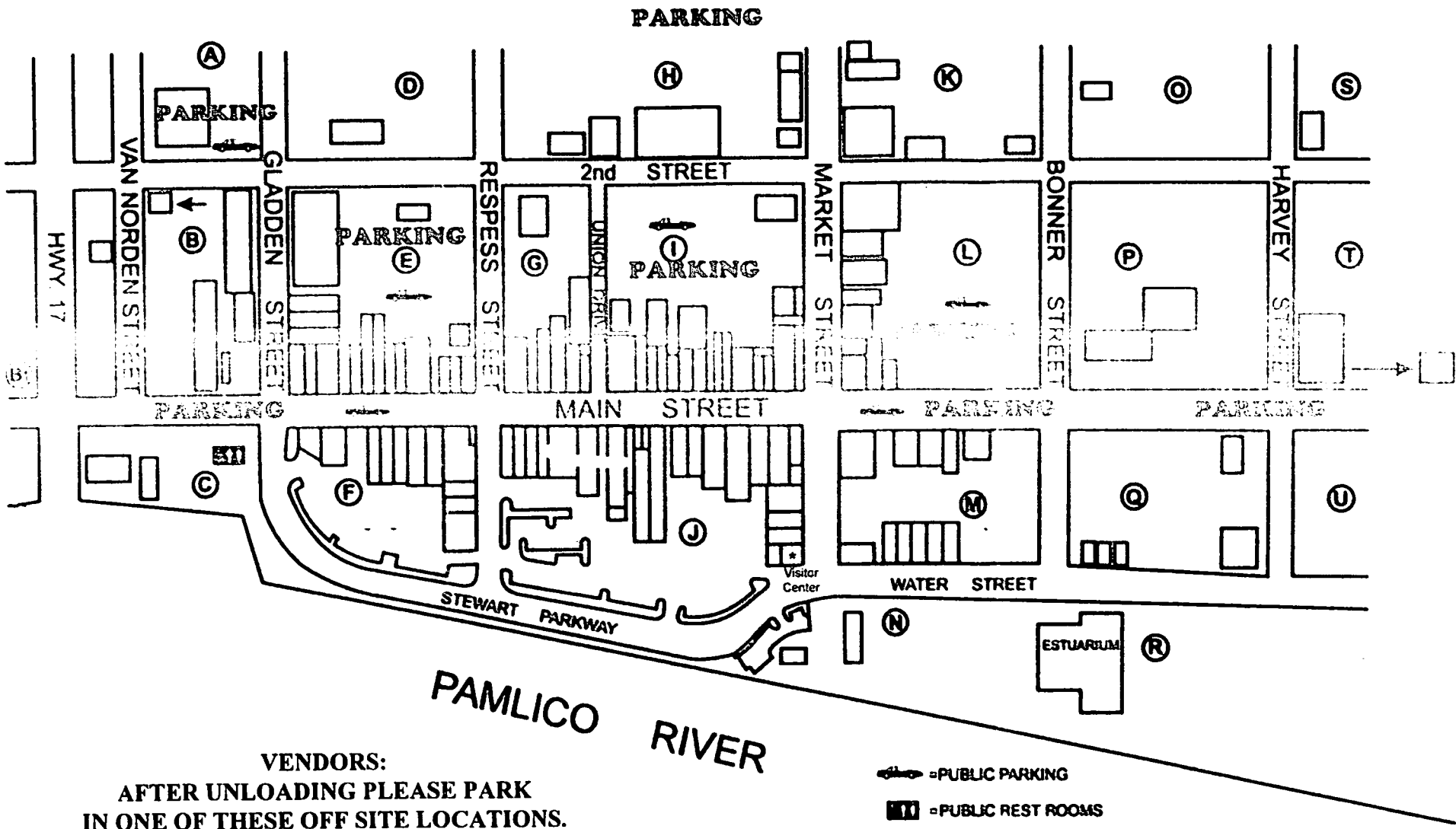
**Friday, October 17th**

4:00-8:00 pm	Amusements Open – Free to the public in Crab Park
4:00 – 9:00 pm	Food Trucks Open
4:00-9:00 pm	Vendor area opens
5:00 pm	Beer Garden Opens
5:00 pm	BBQ Chief Cookers Meeting at HQ RV
5:00 pm	Parade line up
5:30 pm	Pig Parade
7:00-10:00 pm	Live Music with <b>Craig Saxy and the Thrill</b> (Ribeye’s Stage)
7:00 pm	Pig-Cooking Showmanship Competition Judging
7:30 pm	Carnival of Darkness Film Festival (Turnage Theatre)
8:00 pm	BBQ Pigs Delivered to Competitive Cookers
10:00 pm – 1:30 am	Live Music continues in Ribeyes Angus Room with the <b>Jake Sutton Band</b>

**Saturday, October 18th**

8:00 am	BBQ Cook Off Judging Begins
8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Civitan Club Car Show Registration
9:45 am	Chili Volunteer Server Meeting (Chamber Parking lot)
10:00 am – 5:00 pm	Carnival of Darkness Film Festival (Turnage Theatre)
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Amusements, Train Rides, , Artisans & Vendors open
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Kids Zone - Beaufort Hyde Partnership for Children (Kids Tent Crab Park)
10 am – Noon	Children’s Events – Pumpkin patch, games, free books (Kids Tent at Crab Park)
10:00 am	BPAC Chalk Fest Begins (Crab Park)
10:00 am	Iron Order Benefit Ride Registration for BOCO Animal Shelter at Senior Center
10:00 am – 4:00 pm	Civitan Club Classic Car Show (Water Street)
10:00 am	BBQ and Chili Sales Begin
11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Live Music by <b>Craig Saxy</b> (Ribeye’s Stage)
11:00 am	Haunted History Tour *Register at Alternative Stage booth by the BBQ tent
Noon	BBQ Contest Awards Announced (Ribeye’s Stage)
Noon	Haunted History Tour *Register at Alternative Stage booth by the BBQ tent
1:00 -3:00 pm	Live Music with <b>Elijah Harris</b> – (Ribeyes Stage)
1:00 pm	Costume Contest Registration (Kids Tent at Crab Park)
1:00 pm	Iron Order Benefit Ride for the BOCO Animal Shelter begins at Senior Center
1:00 pm	Haunted History Tour *Register at Alternative Stage booth by the BBQ tent
1:30 pm	Costume Contest Judging (Kids Tent at Crab Park)
1:45 pm	Costume Contest Awards (Kids Tent at Crab Park)
2:00 pm	BPAC Children’s Theatre – (Kids Tent at Crab Park)
2:00 pm	Haunted History Tour *Register at Alternative Stage booth by the BBQ tent
3:00 pm	Beer Garden closes
5:00 pm	Festival ends

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**VENDORS:  
 AFTER UNLOADING PLEASE PARK  
 IN ONE OF THESE OFF SITE LOCATIONS.  
 THERE IS NO ON-SITE PARKING AVAILABLE.**

= PUBLIC PARKING  
 = PUBLIC REST ROOMS

# VENDOR MAP

