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DRIVE-THRU

VENDOR MAP

BAND AND
NURSE PARKING

CHILI DROP OFF
Saturday Judges Parking
Agape Lot

CAR SHOW

HQ
RV

CHILI
TENT
CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE

STAGING AREA

BEER
GARDEN and
MAIN STAGE

SLAW
TENT

BBQ
TENT

CHOP
TENT

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TENT

TRAIN STATION
KID ZONE

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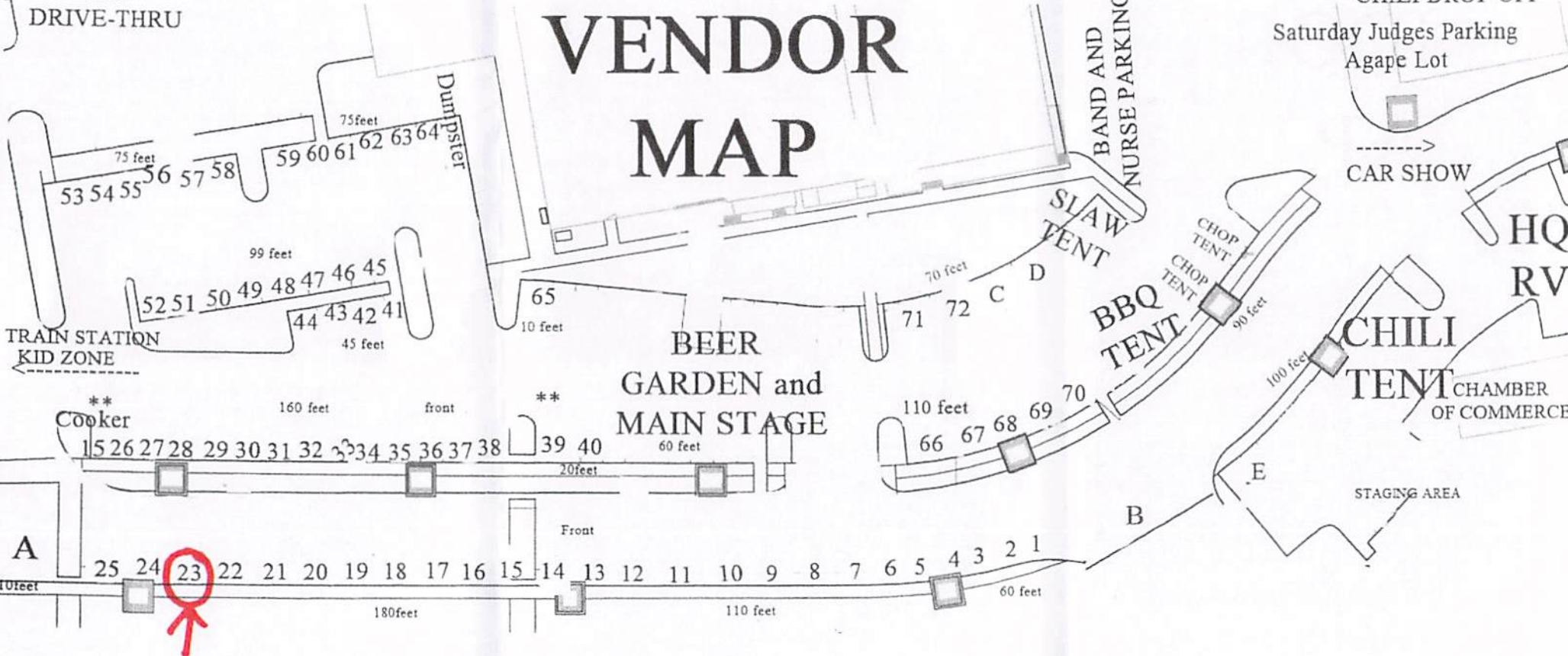
Front

60 feet

110 feet

180 feet

10 feet





Schedule of Events - October 16 & 17th, 2026

Friday, October 16th

4:00-8:00 pm	Amusements Open – Free to the public (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 (HQ RV)
5:00 pm	Parade Line Up
5:30 pm	Pig Parade
7:00-10:00 pm	Live Music with SAXY and The Thrill (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 Ribeye's Angus Room

Saturday, October 17th

8:00 am	BBQ Cook Off Judging Begins
8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Civitan Club Car Show Registration
9:00 am – 11 am	Live Music by Nannette Garrett (Ribeye's Stage)
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 at Crab Park)
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Children's FREE Events – Amusements, games, treats, books (Kids Tent)
9:45 am	Chili Volunteer Server Meeting (Chamber Parking lot)
10:00 am	Motorcycle Benefit Ride Registration for BC Animal Shelter (Senior Center)
10:00 am	BPAC Children's Theatre (Kids Tent at Crab Park)
10:00 am – 4:00 pm	Civitan Club Classic Car Show (Water Street)
10:00 am	BBQ and Chili Sales Begin
11:00 am – 2:00 pm	Live Music with Lucy Iris (Mulberry Stage)
11:00 am	Haunted History Tour *Register at Alternative Stage booth by the BBQ tent
Noon	BBQ Contest Awards Announced (Ribeye's Stage)
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2:00 -4:00 pm	Live Music by Craig SAXY (Ribeye's Stage)
1:00 – 2:00 pm	BPAC Chalk Fest (Crab Park) - Awards at 2 pm
1:00 pm	Costume Contest Registration (Kids Tent at Crab Park)
1:00 pm	KSU Motorcycle Benefit Ride for the BC Animal Shelter Begins
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	Haunted History Tour *Register at Alternative Stage booth by the BBQ tent
3:00 pm	Beer Garden Closes
5:00 pm	Festival Closes



Dear Vendor,

We look forward to seeing you at the 28th Annual Smoke on the Water BBQ and Chili Festival on Saturday, October 17, 2026. Please read this instruction sheet with valuable information in it.

As in the past, vendors are welcome to set up on Friday night, October 16th, 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.** Fire department regulations must be met.

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.

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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VENDOR UNLOADING PASS

**ALL VEHICLES MUST BE REMOVED FROM
THE FESTIVAL AREA PRIOR TO 9AM!**



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