



1209 E Harrison | Harlingen, TX 78550

You are invited to be a part of Shrimp Fest 2020! It is our 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!  
**Saturday, March 28, 2020 from 5pm – 9pm in Downtown Harlingen on Jackson Avenue.**

#### **A Little About Rotary and Shrimp Fest:**

The annual Rotary Shrimp Fest is hosted by Rotary Shrimp Fest of South Texas Inc. which is a local 501(c) 3 Non-Profit Corporation with the sole purpose of supporting the philanthropic work of the Rotary Clubs of Harlingen and San Benito. Because of this annual event and kind donations such as yours, these Rotary Clubs can help address some of the true needs in our community. In our community, some of the things the clubs' support are education through literacy programs and scholarships, City beautification and efficiencies, adoption awareness, the Humane Society, road clean-up, veterans' programs, underprivileged youth and much, much more.

#### **Restaurant/Organization Commitment and Details:**

*What's in it for you?* This is a marketing event for you to showcase your food, pass out business cards and menus. It's an opportunity to have some fun with your team, give back to your community and possibly establish some bragging rights. For participating, you will receive your choice of (2) VIP event tickets, **or** (4) General Admission Tickets to use for your family to attend.

- You need to commit to providing a minimum of 600 small plates of your signature Shrimp dish (1500 – 2000 attendees estimated). Everything from boiled shrimp to shrimp etouffee is encouraged. Though this is Shrimp Fest, we know not everyone prepares shrimp or eats it, for that matter, so if you have a dish that is out of this world that you would rather showcase, please advise.
- You will be collecting tickets at this event (5 tickets for \$25). **It is necessary to collect a ticket for every dish you serve**, as this is a public event. Please save the tickets, to be collected at the end of the event.
- You will need to bring all your own serving supplies, plates, napkins, chafing dishes, etc. as well as, all your own décor, tents, tables, etc. We will supply roughly a 10x10 space. **There are limited power supplies, so plan to work without it.** If you absolutely need power, please indicate on the sign-up form on the next page.
- Four (4) awards will be given, one (1) in each of the following categories:
  - Best Dish
  - Best Display (Deck your tent out for this event!)
  - Best Overall
  - People's Choice (Make sure you encourage everyone to vote for you)
- Your business will be displayed on our webpage and Facebook pages and will be promoted throughout the event cycle. Winners will be announced at the event and published in the newspaper.
- Set-up will be available beginning at 1pm and must be concluded by 4:30 pm for the voting committee to taste your food. Teardown may not begin until 9pm and must be concluded by 11pm. All vehicles must be removed before the event begins.
- A map will be provided to you before the day of the event. Locations will be marked at event.
- A **\$100 check deposit is required to hold your space.** Your check will not be deposited unless you no show. If you are at the event with the minimum servings, your check will be returned to you.
- All restaurants/organizations must receive a Temporary Food Permit from the City of Harlingen a minimum of 3 days before the event. Cost is \$15. Application is found here:  
[http://www.myharlingen.us/upload/page/0359/docs/2017/Temporary\\_Food\\_Permit\\_Application.pdf](http://www.myharlingen.us/upload/page/0359/docs/2017/Temporary_Food_Permit_Application.pdf)

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## RESTAURANT REGISTRATION FORM

**Event Date:** Saturday, March 28, 2020

**Event Times:** 5pm – 9pm

**Set-up/Tear-down:** 2pm – 4:30pm set-up, 9pm – 11pm teardown

**Event Location:** Downtown Harlingen – Jackson Avenue

**Commitment Deadline:** February 1, 2020 with form and \$100 check

**Submit Registration Form to:** [gibbs.remi@gmail.com](mailto:gibbs.remi@gmail.com) or [jhand@rgv.rr.com](mailto:jhand@rgv.rr.com)

Ask for pick-up or mail or hand deliver check to:

Shrimp Fest c/o Connelly & Bartnesky, 1209 E Harrison Ave, Harlingen, TX 78550

**Business Name:**

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**Contact:**

**Phone:**

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**Email:**

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**Business Address:**

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**Proposed Dish** (We will limit the number of repeats)

**Option 1)**

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**Option 2)**

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There are limited power supplies, do you absolutely need power?  Yes  No

By signing below, you are committing to participate in Shrimp Fest 2019. We are counting on your participation and expect you to be there. If you should need to withdraw your participation, please advise no later than February 1.

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Signature

Date

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Printed Name

Phone

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