

The Best of Plumas is an exciting opportunity for bragging rights, and some swell prizes, for whoever has the best tasting cookies, corn bread, soup, carrot cake, bread and meat loaf. Why these? Because these are the food we hear most people claim that their's is the best. Sure there are other foods, but we'll get to them later.

About every month or so, a group of 6 average people will judge the different foods and create a score that will determine who has the "Best of" in Plumas County.

The event is sponsored by the PSCF Foundation, a non-profit established to support the Plumas Sierra County Fair, and Sav Mor Foods of Quincy, California.

JUDGING

Judges will be selected from throughout the County and asked to come to the Plumas Sierra County Fairgrounds on judging day. Judges will have no special skills or knowledge, they will judge each entry based on taste. Judges will give a score of 1 to 10, with 10 being the highest score. Entries will not be judged against each other; the score will be based on how much the judge likes that particular entry. Judges will have no knowledge of who they are evaluating. Some of the categories are broad, and exhibitors need to know that, for instance, zucchini bread may be up against sourdough bread. Judges are instructed to give unbiased scores, but if a judge really hates zucchini bread, they may give it a lower score. Conversely, the judge may find that it still tastes good for zucchini bread and give it a higher score. What happens in this competition will not end the war in Ukraine, we just want someone to be able to say they make the best bread in Plumas County...until the next competition.

HOW TO ENTER

Competitors will submit a simple entry form with contact information, the name of their dish and any ingredients that may have allergy issues. They must do this for each competition. Organizers will make sure the judges have no idea who the competitor by using numbered, neutral dishes. On the day of judging, competitors will bring their entry to the Plumas Sierra County Fairgrounds between 4pm and 7pm. Judging will be closed to the public and the winner will be announced on Facebook after the results have been tabulated.

WHAT DO YOU WIN?

The winner of each competition will receive a grand "Best Of" rosette, a plaque commemorating their accomplishment and a \$100 gift certificate from Sav Mor Foods.

Competitors are encouraged to enter several different competitions. The cumulative score of all the competitions they enter will be combined to establish the "Best of the Best of the Best" Award. That person will receive a large trophy and a \$500 gift certificate from Sav More Food.

TIPS

Organizers want to make sure your entry is presented in it's best possible form. That means they will make sure that hot dishes are judged while they are hot. If you have a preference as to how anything else should be served; room temperature, refrigerated or warmed, put that information on the entry form. Visual presentation is not being judged, but every effort will be made to offer each entry as attractively as possible.