



## *Manor Lions Fest - Barbeque Cook-off Info Friday October 3rd and Saturday Octoer 4th, 2006*

Thank you for your interest in the ManorFest Barbeque Cookoff. We're expecting a great turnout this year and it should be a lot of fun Manor is growing fast and we're reaching out to the whole community to expand participation and add new activities to the Fest, but Barbeque remains a central element of the program.

If you're new to Manor and our festival, we're located about 10 miles east of Austin on highway 290. Manor has been here for over 100 years, but it's now one of the fastest growing communities in the area, with its ideal location providing low-traffic access to Austin. The Lions Club has been running ManorFest for 15 years, using our club facilities, downtown streets and Manor's public park space for our activities.

If you've come before you know how much fun ManorFest can be. You may also notice that although we've traditionally held the festival on the 3rd weekend in September we've moved it up a week this year to reduce conflicts with other area events.

Enclosed with this letter you'll find a general informational flyer on ManorFest and the application for the BBQ Cook-Off. The basic registration fee is \$80 and includes all of the events. This year we're doing Pork Ribs, Brisket, Chicken, Cook's Choice and Beans. Electricity can be provided for a small additional charge. This year we're trying to get everyone signed up well in advance so we can get the whole festival planned out early, so there's an entry deadline on September 1st, after which registration will be slightly more expensive. This will give us more time to get everything planned out well in advance.

As always, one of the big elements of the Cook-off will be our "People's Choice" Award. Cookers compete to see who can sell the most BBQ to festival attendees and the team which collects the most tickets gets a special prize. This is in addition to the almost \$2000 in prizes for the other categories.

For those of you who are coming from farther away, we now have a nice new hotel in Manor. Consider staying at the Quality Inn and Suites. The direct line is 512-272-9373. It is located on Highway 290, within easy walking distance of the festival.

For additional information see our website at [www.manorlions.com](http://www.manorlions.com). You can also email us at [fest@manorlions.com](mailto:fest@manorlions.com) or call us at 512-276-7352. Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Thanks and I hope we'll see you here in October.

Dave Nalle, Manor Lions Club