



TOWNSHIP OF ORLAND

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COUNTDOWN TO SOUPER BOWL KICK-OFF

Orland Township Hosts 1st Annual Soup Cooking Competition

No need to sit on the sidelines this weekend if you're not a fan of the teams playing in the big game. Join Souper-visor Paul O'Grady at Orland Township's 1st Annual Souper Bowl Challenge – a soup cook-off with local residents and area restaurants competing to be voted best soup.

Those attending the Souper Bowl Challenge will be able to taste-test soup from more than 20 cooks and vote on their favorites in each category, helping them score an extra point. The afternoon will feature football themed games, raffles, a "half-time" show by the Tinley Park Bulldog cheerleaders and the opportunity to meet local celebrity judges.

The Souper Bowl Challenge will feature 25 cooks competing in four "quarters" of competition:

- 1st Quarter: **Rookies** – Foodies between the ages of 12 and 54 years of age
- 2nd Quarter: **Public Service Pro Bowlers** – Emergency Services, First Responders, Military, Education, etc.
- 3rd Quarter: **Senior Hall of Famers** – Senior Citizens, 55 years of age and older
- 4th Quarter: **Culinary MVPs** – Local restaurants; those participating include:
 - 94 West
 - Ashford House
 - Black Sheep
 - Blissful Banana Café
 - Chuy's Tex Mex
 - Creative Cakes Café
 - Doc's Smokehouse
 - Gaston's Bistro
 - Isabella Italian Café
 - Parmesans Station
 - Southfork Family Restaurant
 - The Original Island Shrimp House
 - Traverso's Restaurant

The Souper Bowl Challenge will also give residents the opportunity to meet local celebrity judges: Star 96.7 morning show host Lisa Jordan, Chef Mike "The Soup Guy" Weckler and Chef Brad Hindsley from Robert Morris University's Culinary Arts Program.

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“We’ve got a great mix of community members and restaurants competing in our soup cook-off,” said Souper-visor Paul O’Grady. “I’d like to invite residents to the Souper Bowl Challenge so they can vote for their favorite soups, meet our local celebrity judges and partake in all the event has to offer.”

The Souper Bowl Challenge will take place **on Saturday, February 3, 2018, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Orland Township Office, 14807 S. Ravinia Avenue, Orland Park.**

Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens and children over 5 years of age (children under 5 are free) and are available at the township office or at the door the day of the event. Entry includes the soup samplings from all entrants (while supplies last), children’s games and the opportunity to enter in various raffles (sold separately).

All contest entrants will be making an extra batch of their specialty soup to be donated to Catholic Charities Daybreak Shelter and the Crisis Center of South Suburbia. All proceeds from the event will benefit the Orland Township Food Pantry.

For more information on the First Annual Souper Bowl Challenge, visit the Orland Township website, orlandtownship.org, or call (708) 403-4222.

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