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**News from the Town of Cutler Bay**  
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### **Town Hosts Second Annual “Wings Over the Bay” Event**

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CUTLER BAY, FL March 15, 2017- The Town’s Second Annual “Wings Over the Bay” chicken wing competition was an outstanding success! The event was held on Saturday, March 11, 2017 at Cutler Ridge Park with over 1000 residents and neighbors in attendance.

“I am very proud of our Parks & Recreation Department, especially our Special Events Team, who went above and beyond to revamp all of our events and make them even better than previous years. Thousands of residents and neighbors from all over the County came together to enjoy this small-Town event. With so many local restaurants competing for the different category titles, it was hard to choose which chicken wings were the best; the competition was tough and tasty! The event setting was fun and exciting, but also casual and laid back as well, which provided the perfect atmosphere for residents to share some memorable moments with Town Staff and our Council Members,” chimed Town Manager Rafael Casals.



*Left to Right: Parks & Recreation Director Etienne Bejarano, Council Member Mary Ann Mixon, People’s Choice Winners Manny Halley, Luis Ponce, and Luis Delgado, Council Member Callahan, Council Member Coriat and Special Events Coordinator Kimberly Holmes*

In addition to the gratuitous tasting of various chicken wings, event entertainment was provided for all ages; including a bounce house & maze challenge for kids, a chicken wing eating contest sponsored by Buffalo Wild Wings, line dancing with the Belles and Outlaws, and the musical stylings of Ricky Valido.

Eight (8) teams competed for the best chicken wings, ranging from local restaurants, small businesses and individual residents. In addition to bragging rights, cash prizes and trophies in the following four (4) flavor categories were rendered: Buffalo, Garlic Parmesan, Special Grilled, and People’s Choice for Best Buffalo Wings.

Residents and neighbors in attendance were invited to sample wings from all the teams and asked to text in their People’s Choice votes. Behind the scenes, a panel of judges were provided private tastings for each team to vote for the Best Buffalo, Garlic Parmesan, and Special Grilled wing flavor samples. Each category was judged on the following criteria Appearance, Tenderness, Flavor, and Overall Impression. The competition’s winners were as follows:

- Best Buffalo Wing: Pub Grill
- Best Parmesan Garlic Wing: Quincy’s Quest aka Rodbenders
- Best Special Grill Wing: Flava Unit
- People Choice for Best Buffalo Wing: 3 Jerks

A total of four (4) contestants entered the chicken wing eating competition, with Philip Bonsignore taking the crown as the “King Wing Eater” after devouring a whopping fourteen (14) chicken wings sponsored by Buffalo Wild Wings.

Special thanks to this year’s events sponsors: Florida City Gas, TD Bank, and Buffalo Wild Wings for helping the Town host yet another successful event for the Cutler Bay community to enjoy. Vendors in attendance included Cantina Mexican Grill, Main Stop Grill Food Trucks, Rodbenders, Pub Grill, Pig Floyd, Mrs. Bryant’s Cookies, Miami Events Group, Snow Caps Snow Cones, Integrity Martial Arts, and the Miami-Dade Animal Services Department.

For additional information regarding upcoming Special Events please visit the Town’s website at [www.cutlerbay-fl.gov](http://www.cutlerbay-fl.gov) or contact the Parks & Recreation Department at (305) 238-4166.

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