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# **NEWS**

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## **Men Who Grill attracts more than 500 to feast on grilled delights**

More than 500 people enjoyed SERIOUSLY Good Food and SIZZLING Hot Fun during the seventh-annual Men Who Grill on Saturday, June 12. Fifteen grill teams competed for the People's Choice Award, Best Costume, and Best Recipe. The Coldwell Banker team was the big winner with their bacon-wrapped grilled shrimp, which earned three trophies for Best Recipe, Best Seafood, and People's Choice. With everything from lamb sliders to fruit kabobs and Steamworks beer on tap, no one left hungry.

Though slightly smaller than past Men Who Grill celebrations with competition from other three other major special events occurring in town on Saturday, the fun(d)-raiser nevertheless raised a little more than \$11,000 to benefit Women's Resource Center programs. The event also was a great friend raiser with many teams – and party-goers – vowing to return again next year.

To see photos from this year's event, visit the Women's Resource Center page on [BuzzTown.com](http://BuzzTown.com).

Here are this year's award-winners. Special thanks to Mandy Mikulencak for making the exquisite trophies.

### **CUISINE AWARDS:**

#### **First Place – The Golden Spatula Award**

Coldwell Banker for Bacon-Wrapped Grilled Shrimp  
Justin Osborn  
Max Hutcheson  
Jarrod Nixon  
Bill Evans

#### **Second Place – The Silver Spatula Award**

Praise Cheeses for Grilled Cheese for Gourmet Grilled Bruschetta with Pesto, Provolone and Tomato  
Andy Dougherty  
Rob Fogelman  
Hunter Know  
Erin Stolte  
Mandy Mikulencak

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**Third Place – The Bronze Spatula Award**

Fire Grillas (Upper Pine Fire Protection District) for its Spit-Roasted Whole Pig with Special Sauce  
Dayson Goetz  
Matt Sowash  
Paul Valdez  
Ben Breed

**THEME/COSTUME AWARDS:****First Place – The Golden Fork Award**

Nacho Libre (The WRC Fatherhood Program) for their WWW Wrestling Team Costumes  
Jason Spoo  
Roger Brassard  
Adam Herman  
Kyle Mathy  
Chris Webb  
Jim Drumstas  
Morgan Abbey  
Eve Presler

**Second Place – The Silver Fork Award**

New Country Auto Grillin' Fer the Girls Gang for their creative Redneck Taco Cuisine  
Dan Lathrop  
Lu Bruce  
Duane Valencia  
James Chavez  
Garrett Stankewitz

**Third Place – The Bronze Fork Award**

Durango Mountain Resort's Men in Pink for their delightfully pink theme in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness  
Chuck Wages  
Mark Seiter  
George Stahl

**JUDGES' CHOICE FOR OVERALL EXCELLENCE****The Golden Champagne Award**

Afternoon Delight for a delicious spread of Smoked Salmon, Pork, Slaw, Homemade Pickled Chutney, AND Dessert  
Jim and Deb McVean  
Charlie and Mary Rigby

**PEOPLE'S CHOICE:**

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## **SPECIALTY AWARDS:**

### **Ladies' Choice – Sir Isaak's Hawaiian Chicken**

**For their excellent chicken and pineapple satay and darling grass skirts and Hawaiian shirts!**

Roland Mora

Edward Mora

Jeff Myer

Patrick McIntyre

(These four guys were honoring Roland and Liz Mora's newborn boy, Isaak Andrew Mora, who was just 10 days old for his first-ever Men Who Grill competition.)

### **Poetic Poultry Award – Egg Heads**

**For their awesome chicken wings**

Four Corners Stoves and Spas

Marc Mata

Craig Samiec

Jacob Hernandez

### **Blissful Beef Award – 99.7 & 99.3 The Point: Your Mooosic, Your Station**

**For their marinated flank steak – to DIE for!**

Kill Kruger

Dan Storrs

John Brislin

Cameron Hubbard

Dennis Kline

Dina Davis

### **Passionate about Pork Award – Team Hutt/Harris: La Plata Search and Rescue**

**For their red-chile marinated pork loin with pineapple orange salsa and roasted corn and zucchini salsa**

Rick Irwin

Ron Corkish

Dave Abercrombie

And other friends

### **Spectacular Seafood Award – Coldwell Banker**

**The bacon-wrapped shrimp. Could've eaten these all day. Nummers!**

Justin Osborn

Max Hutcheson

Jarrold Nixon

Bill Evans

### **Clogged Artery Award – Smoking Armadillos: Armadillo Storage Company**

**For the Meat, Meat and More Meat Menu**

Ben Fisher

Gene Fisher

Matt Bong

Justin Travis

Wade Slingerland

Tanner Tasse

Mike Quiver

Chris Orr

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**Put the Fire Out Award – Rylee Mac’s Market and Cooking School**  
**For their spicy sausage and kick-ass hot green chile!**

Terri Steinberg  
Todd Escudier

**Sticky Grill Award – Shear Delight (Directory PLUS and BuzzTown.com)**  
**Juiciest lamb sliders we ever tasted.**

Robert Whitson  
Mike Moyan  
Mike Wise  
Dan Van

**Star Power Award – Smoking Armadillos: Armadillo Storage Company**  
**For coming back year after year with excellent food, excellent presentation and a bawdy good time.**

Ben Fisher  
Gene Fisher  
Matt Bong  
Justin Travis  
Wade Slingerland  
Tanner Tassej  
Mike Quiver  
Chris Orr

**Team Spirit Award – Ike’s Coffee House**  
**For hanging with the Smoking Armadillos!**

Matt Bong  
And Friends

**GUI Award (Grilling Under the Influence) – Praise Cheeses for Cheese**  
**They weren’t under the influence, but we know they were having a great time!**

Andy Dougherty  
Rob Fogelman  
Hunter Know  
Erin Stolte  
Mandy Mikulencak

**Happy Hippy Non-Meat, Veggie Entry – Rylee Mac’s Market and Cooking School**  
**Awesome grilled corn with chipotle butter.**

Terri Steinberg  
Todd Escudier

**Kabob King Award – Men in Pink**  
**Beautifully speared pineapple and banana kabobs, intricately speared shrimp and green chile thingies, and more**

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