THE 25TH ANNUAL

2008
All-American
Certified
Angus
Beef®
Cook-Off

EVENT PROGRAM

In conjunction with the

2008 NATIONAL JUNIOR ANGUS SHOW

Des Moines, Iowa
The American Angus Auxiliary and the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) are delighted to welcome you to the 25th Auxiliary-sponsored All-American Certified Angus Beef® (CAB®) Cook-Off in conjunction with the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS).


The Cook-Off is conducted under the direction of the Beef Education Committee of the American Angus Auxiliary. It was started as an educational project, as well as for entertainment. Junior teams give skits on beef education to tie in with the theme of their entries. Adults also are encouraged to enter and to use their imaginations for entry themes.

In honor of the 25th anniversary of the Cook-Off, entries this year include steak, roast and other beef categories.

Anne Patton Schubert, Taylorsville, Ky., and Anne Lampe, Scott City, Kan., serve as co-chairwomen of the event.

Jennifer Bremer, Redfield, Iowa, serves as the local contact for the 2008 contest.

Editor’s Note: The following event program reflects all junior entries in the 2008 Cook-Off. Not all teams competed. Contest results will be reported in September.

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Thanks to the following for donations and assistance to the contest.

- Members of the Paul St. Blanc family, who established the Black Kettle Award in his memory, and friends who contributed to the fund to make the award (now given for the ninth time) possible.
- Members of the Pat Grote family, who are awarding registration fees to the Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) Conference to the intermediate steak team overall winner. The award is presented in memory of Pat Grote, a former American Angus Auxiliary president and long-time supporter of the Cook-Off contest. This is the fourth time this award will be presented.
- Werner Angus, Cordova, Ill., for sponsoring custom-designed T-shirts for each contestant.
- Friends of the Black Kettle and the Kentucky Angus Association for awards.
- Sysco Food Services of Iowa Inc. for its sponsorship of the contest.
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- The American Angus Auxiliary for assistance during the event and for awards.
- Linda Robbins and the Angus Journal editorial staff, who helped produce this recipe booklet.
- The contestants, audience and many volunteers who make this contest possible each year.

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Nebraska School Days Beef Sandwich
10- to 20-lb. CAB® beef chuck, rump or arm roast | garlic salt

Place the roast in an electric roaster and bake at 300° F for 12 hours.
Cool slightly. Remove any fat from the meat, and let the meat fall apart or slice any large pieces.
Place the drippings into the refrigerator until cold. Discard the top layer of fat. Reheat the remaining juice and add 3 Tbs. garlic salt (more or less to your taste). Freeze.
When ready to serve, reheat in oven or slow cooker and serve on hamburger buns.
Serves approximately 50-75. The recipe can be reduced in size using a 3- to 4-lb. roast.

Fiesta Roast
3-lb. CAB® chuck roast | 1 medium onion, sliced thin
1 can Ro-Tel® | salt and pepper to taste
1 pkg. burrito seasoning | 10 warm soft tortilla shells

Place sliced onion in bottom of slow cooker and add Ro-Tel. Rub burrito seasoning on roast and top with salt and pepper. Place roast in slow cooker. Sprinkle extra seasoning over roast. Cook 7-8 hours.
Makes filling for approximately 10 soft shells.

Zesty CAB® Barbecue Beef
3-lb. CAB® chuck roast | 1 tsp. Mrs. Dash® Table Blend seasoning
½ Vidalia® onion, sliced | ¼ cup Open Pit® original flavor barbecue sauce
1 tsp. ground pepper | ½ tsp. mustard
1 tsp. salt | ½ cup brown sugar

To prepare the roast, slice the onion into ¼-in. slices. Mix together the seasoning blend, pepper and salt. Rub roast with mixture. Pour 2 cups of water into slow cooker. Add the roast, topping it with sliced onions. Cook on medium for 4-5 hours.
To prepare sauce, mix the barbecue sauce, brown sugar and mustard in a bowl.
Remove the roast from the slow cooker and shred. Wash slow cooker and put shredded meat into it. Add the barbecue mixture and stir. Cook on low heat for 1 hour.
Spoon meat onto bun and serve open-face with lettuce salad and SunChips®
**CAB® Favorite Beef Brisket**

- 4-lb. CAB® brisket
- 2 Tbs. chili powder
- 2 Tbs. salt
- 1 Tbs. garlic powder
- 1 Tbs. onion powder
- 1 Tbs. black pepper, coarsely ground
- 1 Tbs. sugar
- 2 tsp. dry mustard
- 1 bay leaf, crushed
- 1 can (10-oz.) beef broth

Make a dry rub by combining chili powder, salt, garlic powder, onion powder, black pepper, sugar, dry mustard and crushed bay leaf. Season the raw brisket on both sides with the rub. Place in a sealed plastic bag overnight. Remove brisket from plastic bag and place on rack in roasting pan. Roast, uncovered, for 1 hour at 350° F.

Add the beef broth and enough water to make ½-in. liquid in roasting pan. Cover pan tightly, lower oven temperature to 300° and continue cooking for 3 hours or until fork tender. Slice meat thinly across the grain. Make gravy from pan drippings by mixing 3 Tbs. cornstarch with 1⁄3 cup cold water for each cup of pan drippings. Stir cornstarch mixture into pan drippings. Cook and stir until desired thickness. To serve, pour gravy over sliced brisket on serving plate.

**Chuck Roast with Vegetable Pudding**

- 3-lb. boneless CAB® chuck roast
- 3 Tbs. Minute® tapioca
- 1 large can diced tomatoes
- 3 Tbs. sugar
- 4 carrots, chunked
- 5 potatoes, cut into large chunks
- 1½ slices white bread, torn into small pieces
- ½ cup celery, chopped
- 1 cup water
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 green pepper, diced
- salt to taste
- garlic to taste
- V8® juice as needed

Do not brown roast. Place roast in bottom of baking pan. Add all other ingredients around roast. Bake, covered, at 350° F for 4 hours, stirring every 30 minutes. Add V8 juice as needed. Let sit for 30 minutes to enhance flavor. Serve immediately.

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**ROAST COMPETITION**

In 1978 the Certified Angus Beef program was established with a mission: to increase demand for registered Angus cattle through a specification-based, branded beef program to identify consistent beef with superior taste. Today that mission is being accomplished. More than 13,500 businesses market the Certified Angus Beef® (CAB®) brand in more than 30 countries, including the United States. Licensed packers have paid more than $200 million in grid premiums since 1998 for finished cattle with carcasses that qualify for the brand. Additional benefits are garnered in premiums for known-Angus calves at the sale barn.

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**Chipotle Beef Kabobs with Chimichurri Sauce**

2-lb. CAB® chuck roast, trimmed and cut 1-in. thick
1½ cup grapefruit juice
½ cup soy sauce
½ cup honey
1 clove garlic, mashed
1 tsp. salt
½ to 1 tsp. chipotle chili powder

**Chimichurri sauce:**
1 stick butter, softened
3 Tbs. green onion, minced
1 tsp. fresh cilantro, minced
1 Tbs. chipotle peppers in adobo sauce, minced
2 Tbs. fresh lime juice

**Vegetables:**
onion slices
green pepper slices
4-6 whole button mushrooms

Combine juice, soy sauce, honey, garlic, salt and chipotle chili powder in nonreactive dish or sealable food storage bag. Stir to blend well. Add meat cubes and marinate sealed or covered in refrigerator for several hours or overnight, turning occasionally to keep meat coated.

When ready to cook kabobs, alternately thread skewers with the cubes of meat, alternating with vegetables onto four 12-in. metal skewers. Grill for 14-18 minutes for medium-rare to medium doneness, turning once.

Meanwhile, prepare chimichurri sauce. Place cilantro, garlic, salt and chipotle peppers in food processor container. Cover; process until chopped. While running food processor, slowly add butter and lime juice through opening in cover, processing until blended.

Remove kabobs from grill and season with salt, as desired. Serve kabobs with chimichurri sauce. Garnish with parsley sprigs, if desired.

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**Old-Fashioned Beef Pot Pie**

2-lb. CAB® chuck roast or stewing beef
6 cups water
1½ tsp. salt
4 medium-sized potatoes
1½ cup diced carrots
2 cups flour
1 egg
1 tsp. baking powder
½ tsp. salt
1 Tbs. butter
3 Tbs. milk or water
1 tsp. onion, minced
1 tsp. parsley, minced

Cook meat in salt water until it is tender. Remove meat from broth; add minced onion and parsley to broth. Bring to a boil and add alternate layers of cubed potatoes, carrots and squares of dough.

To make pot pie dough, beat egg and add milk and butter. Add flour mixture to make a stiff dough. Roll out paper-thin and cut in 1-inch squares. Keep broth boiling while adding dough squares in order to keep them from packing together.

Cover and cook for 20 minutes, adding more beef broth or water if needed. Add meat and stir through pot pie.

Serves 6 to 8.

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Combine flour, salt, pepper and thyme in small bowl. Place beef in 4½- to 5½-quart slow cooker. Sprinkle with flour mixture; toss to coat.

Combine broth, tomato paste and garlic in small bowl; mix well. Add to beef. Add potatoes, mushrooms and carrots; mix well.

Cover and cook on high heat 5-6 hours or on low heat 8-9 hours until beef and vegetables are tender. No stirring is necessary during cooking. Stir well before serving. Garnish with parsley, if desired.

Makes 6 servings (about 1½ cups each).

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ANGUS BEEF CHART

A 1,200-lb. steer yields 500 lb. of retail cuts from a 750-lb. carcass.
22% is steaks
22% is roasts
26% is ground beef and stew meat
30% is fat, bone & shrinkage
Beef Sirloin Kabobs

2 lb. CAB® sirloin, cut into 1½-in. cubes
1 cup Italian dressing
⅓ cup Dale’s Steak Seasoning
black pepper

2 whole green bell peppers
2 whole red bell peppers
4 Vidalia® onions
1 pkg. wooden skewers

1. Place meat in bowl and add Italian dressing and steak seasoning. Cover and refrigerate for about 1 hour or more.
2. Start grill.
3. Wash and cut up peppers and onions in approximately 2-in. pieces.
4. Spread coals and begin placing the beef, peppers and onions on skewers, alternating each one until full.
5. Place kabobs on grill and cook about 10 minutes or according to desired doneness.
Suggested side dishes: corn-on-the-cob and watermelon slices.

Balsamic Parmesan Steak

4 CAB® strip steaks, 1¼-in. thick
Marinade:
½ cup balsamic vinegar
⅓ cup olive oil
⅓ cup grated Parmesan cheese
½ tsp. granulated garlic

Mix marinade ingredients in a glass or plastic container with a lid. Place steaks in marinade and marinate 8 hours or overnight. Grill steaks over medium fire until desired doneness. Serve with fresh salad and baked potato or pasta salad.
Note: Other cuts of steak — such as ribeye, sirloin or filets — work well with this marinade.

Superhero CAB® Sizzling Steak

3 CAB® New York strip steaks, cut 1-in. thick
2 large cloves garlic, coarsely chopped
1 tsp. pepper, coarsely ground
½ tsp. salt
2 cups beef broth
2 tsp. Dijon-style mustard

To prepare steak, mix together the garlic, pepper and salt. Rub each steak on both sides, and press the mixture into the steak. Let stand while making sauce.
To prepare sauce, add the broth to a medium-sized skillet and stir. Cook on high heat for 4-5 minutes. Whisk in Dijon-style mustard; keep warm.
To cook, preheat the broiler on high setting (425° F). Place steaks on an unheated broiler pan. Broil 3-4 in. from heat according to the following chart, turning only once:

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To present, spoon warm sauce on serving plate. Cut steak in half crosswise. Arrange steak halves on top of sauce. Garnish with broiled asparagus. Serve with mandarin mixed green salad, roll and butter.

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Grilled Southwestern Smart Steak with Colorful Vegetables

4 CAB® sirloin steaks, cut 1¼-in. thick

Marinade:
1/4 cup fresh lime juice
1/4 cup prepared mild salsa
1 Tbs. chopped garlic
1 Tbs. olive oil
1/2 tsp. coarse black pepper

Colorful vegetables:
2 Tbs. olive oil
1 medium green pepper, cut into 1/4-in. strips
1 medium red or yellow pepper, cut into 1/4-in. strips
8 oz. button mushrooms, sliced 1/4-in. thick
2 cups zucchini, sliced 1/4-in. thick
dash of cumin
1/2 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. coarse black pepper
1 cup finely chopped tomatoes
1/2 cup chopped green onions

1. Combine marinade ingredients in an air-tight container. Place CAB steaks in container. Close and marinate in refrigerator for at least 6 hours or overnight, turning occasionally.
2. Remove steak from marinade; discard marinade. Place steaks on grill over medium, ash-covered coals. Grill, uncovered, 16-18 minutes for medium-rare doneness, turning once.
3. Meanwhile, prepare colorful vegetables. Heat olive oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add bell pepper strips; cook and stir 1-2 minutes or until crisp-tender. Add mushrooms, zucchini, cumin, salt and black pepper; cook and stir 1-2 minutes or until crisp-tender. Add tomato and green onion; cook and stir 1 minute.
4. Carve steak into thin slices; season with salt, as desired. Serve with colorful vegetables.

Makes 4 servings.
**CAB® Ribeye Steaks with Red Chili Onion Rings**

4 CAB® steaks, cut 1 1/2-in. thick  
Jim Baldridge’s Secret Seasoning

**Salsa:**  
2 small red onions, diced  
2 lb. tomatoes, cut into 1/4-in. pieces  
6 Tbs. fresh lime juice  
6 Tbs. fresh cilantro, finely chopped  
2 Tbs. jalapeño chile peppers, finely chopped and seeded  
2 Tbs. olive oil  
Salt to taste

Onion rings:  
4 white onions, cut into 1/4- to 1/2-in.-wide rings  
3 cups milk  
3 cups sifted all-purpose flour  
1/2 cup chili powder  
2 Tbs. plus 2 tsp. cornstarch  
3 tsp. salt  
3 tsp. ground cumin  
2 tsp. sugar  
2 tsp. Jim Baldridge’s Secret Seasoning  
Vegetable oil (for frying)

Sprinkle a generous amount of the Secret Seasoning on both sides of each steak. Let sit while heating grill and preparing salsa and onion ring ingredients.  
Mix salsa ingredients together in a small bowl. Set aside. Prepare onion rings.  
Pour milk into bowl. Add onion rings. Mix together dry ingredients and place in plastic bag.  
Remove onions from milk and place in bag and shake to coat. Heat oil for frying. Place steaks on medium-hot grill and grill to preferred doneness. When steaks are almost done, fry onion rings until golden brown. Plate steaks with salsa and onion rings; serve immediately. Salsa may be served warm or cold.

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**Berry Good Steak Salad**

1 1/2 lb. of your favorite CAB® cut of steak  
Montreal Steak Seasoning  
8 oz. balsamic vinaigrette (such as Newman’s Own®)  
1/2 cup maple syrup  
4 oz. dried blueberries

4 oz. dried cranberries  
8 oz. washed baby spinach spring salad mix  
1/2 cup roasted pine nuts  
1/2 cup Asiago cheese, freshly grated  
1/2 cup Romano cheese, freshly grated

Season selected cut of steak with Montreal Steak Seasoning. Grill until medium/medium-rare.  
While steak is grilling, arrange spring mix on serving platter, adding dried berries on top. Roast pine nuts in skillet until they are warm and have a light brown color to them.  
When your steak is done cooking, slice into thin slices and arrange or lay slices on salad. Sprinkle cheese and pine nuts on top of steak. Mix maple syrup and vinaigrette and pour desired amount over salad. Serve with a crusty bread and enjoy!  
Total preparation and cooking time is 30 minutes.

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Mariann’s Famous Island Tenderloin Steaks

4 CAB® tenderloin steaks, cut 1¾- to 1½-in. thick
1 tsp. coarse black pepper
garlic salt
1 tsp. Canadian Steak Seasoning
grilled pineapple slices
island fruit garnish


Grilled Ribeye with Barbecue Rub

2-4 CAB® ribeye steaks, well-trimmed and cut 1-in. thick (about 2-4 lb.)
Barbecue rub:
2 Tbs. chili powder
2 Tbs. packed brown sugar
2 Tbs. minced garlic
2 tsp. cider vinegar
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
¼ tsp. ground red pepper

Combine rub ingredients; press evenly onto steaks. Place steaks on grill over medium, ash-covered coals. Grill, uncovered, 14-16 minutes for medium-rare to medium doneness, turning occasionally. Season with salt as desired.

Tenderloin Pita Pockets

1 lb. CAB® tenderloin steak, cut into
lengthwise strips
2 tsp. olive oil
1 small onion, sliced and separated into rings
1½ green pepper, diced
2 cloves garlic, minced
½ tsp. dried oregano leaves
4 pita pockets, cut in half

Combine oil, onion, green pepper, garlic and oregano in a nonstick frying pan and cook for 2-3 minutes. Add beef strips, brown all sides and season to taste. Place one-fourth of the meat mixture into a pita and top with sauce of your choice. Makes 4 pitas.
**Stuffed CAB® Tenderloin**

1 CAB® tenderloin, 3-4 lb., or 4 tenderloin filet steaks, cut 2-in. thick
salt, pepper, other seasonings to taste

**Stuffing:**
- 5-6 oz. Pepperidge Farm stuffing mix
- 1½ cups dried cherries
- 1 oz. chopped walnuts
- 1 oz. Gorgonzola cheese crumbles
- 1 can (14 oz.) beef broth

To prepare stuffing, slightly reconstitute cherries by heating in a bowl with water for 1 minute in microwave oven. Drain cherries and mix all ingredients, adding broth gradually to reach a moist consistency. Bake extra stuffing for the meal if desired.

Heat grill to 500° F.
Coat the tenderloin with olive oil and season with salt, pepper and other seasonings of your preference. Place on hot grill and sear all sides well. Remove from heat and allow to rest for 15 minutes. Lower grill temperature to 400° F.

After meat has rested, using an 8-in. knife, carefully pierce the meat in the center of one end. Cut a hole through that side as far into the end as the knife will allow. Turn to the other end and repeat this process, until the hole extends all the way through the filet. Open the hole like a tunnel, being careful not to break through to the outside of the filet. Using small amounts at a time, stuff the stuffing mix into the tunnel opening from one end to the other.

Wrap the stuffed tenderloin in foil and return to the grill. Cook to an internal temperature of 120°-125°.

Slice the stuffed tenderloin onto a platter and garnish with more cherries and sauce, if desired.

If using steaks, slice a pocket into the side of each steak, stuff each pocket with stuffing. Press cut to seal or secure with toothpicks presoaked in water. Grill steaks until desired doneness.

**Note:** The tenderloin may also be butterflied, stuffed and tied back together with kitchen string. The tenderloin can also be roasted in the oven after stuffing it.

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**Espresso Steak**

4 CAB® ribeye steaks, cut 1½ -in. thick

**Espresso rub:**
- ½ cup instant coffee or espresso powder
- 2 tsp. finely grated lemon zest
- 3 Tbs. sugar
- 2 Tbs. sea salt
- 2 tsp. garlic, powder or granulated

- 2 tsp. black pepper, coarsely ground
- 1 tsp. chili powder

**Espresso sauce:**
- 3 Tbs. melted butter
- 2 Tbs. hot water
- 1 tsp. instant coffee or espresso powder
- 1 Tbs. molasses

Mix rub ingredients together. Rub may be stored in a tightly closed container in the refrigerator for up to one month.

Pat the steaks dry with paper towels, then sprinkle all over with the espresso rub; pat it in with fingertips. Let sit at room temperature for at least 30 minutes or up to 1 hour. Combine the sauce ingredients. Heat the grill and brush with oil. Grill the steak over high heat until darkly crusted, 3-4 minutes per side. Reduce heat to medium-low and grill for 3-4 minutes for medium doneness. Brush both sides with the espresso sauce as the steaks finish cooking over low heat. Transfer to a platter, cover loosely with foil and let rest for 5-8 minutes before serving.

Serve with spinach salad and pasta or potato salad.

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**STEAK COMPETITION**

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Worth Millions Beef Filets

4 8-oz. CAB® filets, sliced 1 1/4-in. to 2-in. thick
Jim Baldridge’s Secret Seasoning
4 thin slices bacon

4 oz. Kraft® cream cheese spread with Parmesan, garlic and herbs
2 Tbs. chopped cilantro

Lightly sprinkle both sides of each filet with the Secret Seasoning and gently rub it into the meat. Stir the chopped cilantro into the spreadable cream cheese. Cut a slit into the edge of each filet, cutting into the center, and stuff with the cheese mixture. Wrap each filet with a slice of bacon, placing the thickest part of the bacon over the slit; secure with a toothpick. Place on a hot grill for 6-8 minutes, turn, and grill to desired doneness. Steaks may be stuffed and refrigerated several hours before grilling.

Note: May be served with hand-mashed red potatoes, green bean casserole and salad.

Grinch Steaks

4 CAB® ribeye steaks
16 stalks cooked asparagus
2 Tbs. cooking wine
1 Tbs. tarragon vinegar
1 Tbs. dry tarragon
1/2 cup cooked and chopped lobster or crab meat
2 shallots, chopped
1/2 tsp. pepper
3 egg yolks
pinch cayenne pepper

To make grinch oscar sauce, combine cooking wine, tarragon vinegar, dry tarragon, shallots and pepper in skillet. Boil rapidly until liquid is evaporated by half. Melt butter. Put egg yolks in blender with a pinch of cayenne pepper and tarragon mixture. Turn on and off a few times, then slowly pour in melted butter.

Pour over grilled steaks that have been topped with 4 asparagus stalks each and chopped lobster or crab meat.

Cook time for sauce: 5 minutes

Western Marinated Steaks

4 CAB® strip sirloin steaks
1/2 cup oil
1/4 cup soy sauce
1 1/2 Tbs. dry mustard
2 tsp. salt
1 Tbs. black pepper

1/2 cup Worcestershire sauce
1/2 cup red wine vinegar
1 1/2 Tbs. dried parsley flakes
3 cloves garlic, diced
1/2 cup condensed lemon juice

Combine all ingredients and mix well. Marinate steaks in refrigerator for 8-12 hours. Bring steaks to room temperature before grilling.
**Black Angus New York Steak With Mesa Sauce**

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2 Tbs. freshly grated horseradish
1 Tbs. honey
1 Tbs. maple syrup
1 Tbs. ancho chili powder
1 Tbs. Dijon mustard
salt and pepper to taste

To prepare steaks, preheat grilling pan over heat until smoking. Brush steaks with oil, salt and pepper. Grill 4-5 minutes on each side; reduce heat once the first side is brown.

To prepare sauce, combine all ingredients for sauce in medium-size bowl. Whisk and season with salt and pepper.

Serve sauce over medium-rare steaks.

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**Philadelphia Freedom CAB Cheesesteak**

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⅛ tsp. salt
⅛ tsp. freshly ground pepper
⅛ lb. American or provolone cheese, thinly sliced, or 6 oz. melted Cheese Whiz®

Preheat oven to 200° F.

Heat a griddle/skillet over medium-high heat. When hot, add a little oil, the garlic, salt and pepper. Cook, stirring for 30 seconds. Push off to one side of the griddle.

Add the meat to the hot pan and cook, stirring and breaking up with the back of two metal spatulas, until almost no longer pink, about 2 minutes. Mix in the sautéed vegetables. Top with cheese slices and let melt. Spoon the Cheese Whiz onto the warm buns and serve immediately with condiments of choice.

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**Teriyaki Finger Steaks**

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1 Tbs. vegetable oil
1 garlic clove, minced
⅛ tsp. ground ginger
⅛ tsp. pepper

Slice steak lengthwise into ⅛-in. strips; place in a large glass bowl. Combine all remaining ingredients; pour over meat and toss gently. Cover and refrigerate for 2-3 hours. Drain, discarding marinade. Loosely thread meat strips onto skewers. Grill over medium-hot coals, turning often, for 7-10 minutes or until meat reaches desired doneness. Remove from skewers and serve.
**Christmas Kabobs**

2 lb. CAB® center-cut sirloin  
1 large red bell pepper  
1 large green bell pepper  
3 medium Vidalia® onions  
1 fresh pineapple  
2 medium zucchinis  

**Marinade:**  
1 1/2 cups canola oil  
1/2 cup soy sauce  
1/2 cup Worcestershire sauce  
2 tsp. mustard  
2 tsp. salt  
1 1/3 tsp. pepper  
1/2 cup wine vinegar  
1/2 tsp. parsley  
2-3 cloves minced garlic  
1/2 cup lemon juice

To prepare marinade, mix all marinade ingredients together. Reserve 1/2 cup of marinade for grilling. Place remaining marinade in a glass bowl. Add sirloin, vegetables and pineapple. Marinate for 2-3 hours.

To cook, cut sirloin into 1 1/4-inch squares. Wash and drain vegetables. Cut vegetables and pineapple in proportion to sirloin size. Alternate sirloin, vegetables and pineapple on skewers. Grill over hot coals 3-4 minutes per side. Brush with reserved marinade several times during grilling. Best if served while hot.

**Note:** If using wooden skewers, skewers should be soaked in water prior to grilling.

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**Cranberry-Orange Stuffed Sirloin**

2 lb. CAB® sirloin steak, cut 2-in. thick  

**Marinade:**  
1 cup orange juice  
1 Tbs. minced garlic  
1/4 cup oil  
1 tsp. salt  
1/3 tsp. black pepper

Mix marinade ingredients. Cut slit horizontally through steak, leaving 1/2 in. uncut to form pocket for stuffing. Place steak in marinade and marinate overnight.

Remove from marinade and fill with stuffing. Secure slit with toothpicks. Grill over medium heat approximately 20-30 minutes, turning occasionally. Remove from fire and place on platter. Cover with foil and let stand 10 minutes. Remove toothpicks and slice into 1/2-in. slices. Serve with green vegetable and roasted potatoes. This makes a good holiday meal. (Beef can be prepared in 350° F oven for about 1 hour.)

**Stuffing:**  
1 1/2 cup fresh cranberries, coarsely chopped  
2 cups oranges, coarsely chopped  
1/2 cup pecans, chopped  
2 Tbs. brown sugar  
1 1/2 Tbs. Worcestershire sauce

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The Big Angus Burger

Patty No. 1:
1½ lb. ground beef
6 slices bacon
1/2 cup chopped pecans
3 Tbs. chopped parsley leaves
2 Tbs. grated onion
4 Tbs. (½ stick) butter, softened

Patty No. 2:
salt and freshly ground black pepper
1½ lb. ground beef or ground chuck
4 Tbs. butter, cut into small cubes
4 oz. American cheese, cut into 6 portions

Special sauce:
1 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cup yellow mustard
1/2 cup ketchup
hot sauce
2 Tbs. finely chopped pickled jalapeños

To prepare patty No. 1, preheat broiler or grill. Divide ground beef into 12 flat patties. Partially sauté bacon — the fat should start rendering, but it shouldn’t be crispy. Drain bacon. Mix pecans, parsley, onion and butter together. Spread mixture on 6 of the patties. Top with remaining 6 patties, seal the edges with the partially sautéed bacon and secure with a wooden toothpick. Broil or grill 10-15 minutes or until cooked to desired doneness, turning once.

To prepare patty No. 2, salt and pepper the beef to taste. Mix beef and cubed butter together with hands and form 6 balls. Push a piece of American cheese into the center of each ball. Mold ground beef around the cheese in the shape of a patty. Cook on hot grill or in skillet to desired doneness.

To prepare sauce, stir all ingredients together until blended well.

To serve, place one pecan burger on a bottom piece of 6 buns. Top with another bottom piece of bun and the butter burger. Top with sauce, lettuce, tomato, onion and a top piece of bun. Discard the remaining 6 top bun pieces or save them for another use.

Yield: 6 double burgers

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### Certified Angus Beef® in a Blanket

- 1 1/2 lb. CAB® ground chuck
- 1 medium onion, finely chopped
- 1 tsp. oil
- 1 Tbs. soy sauce
- 1/4 cup hoisin sauce
- 1/4 cup peanut butter
- 1 tsp. minced garlic
- 1 can (8 oz.) water chestnuts, drained and finely chopped
- 1 tsp. ginger
- 1 carrot, shredded
- salt
- pepper
- 2 green onions, chopped
- 12 large whole iceberg lettuce leaves, washed and patted dry (do not tear)

1. In a skillet over medium-high heat, brown the ground chuck until cooked through and tender; do not fry. Drain and set aside.
2. In the same skillet, sauté the onion until soft. Lower heat. Add carrot, garlic, ginger, salt and pepper to taste, water chestnuts, soy sauce, hoisin sauce and peanut butter; heat through, gently stirring, about 5 minutes.
3. Add cooked ground chuck to the vegetable and sauce mixture. Gently fold or mix together; do not overstir.
4. Arrange lettuce leaves on individual plates or on a large platter around outer edge, leaving center open. Pile meat mixture in the center of plate or platter. Sprinkle with green onion.
5. Serve immediately, allowing each person to spoon portion of meat into lettuce leaf and wrap around like a burrito.

Serves 12 as an appetizer or 4 as a main dish.

### Ultimate 'Shroom Burgers

- 3 lb. CAB® ground chuck
- 1/4 cup cooking wine
- 8 cups sliced mushrooms
- salt and pepper, to taste
- 1/2 lb. smoked Gouda, grated
- 3 Tbs. butter
- buns
- additional butter if desired

1. Season ground chuck with salt and pepper, portion into 8-oz. patties and grill to desired doneness.
2. Melt butter in a medium frying pan. Add sliced mushrooms and cooking wine, and cook for about 8-10 minutes over medium heat.
3. To assemble, top each burger with mushroom slices and grated Gouda cheese. Move to the top shelf of grill and close lid until cheese is soft and slightly melted.
4. Serve immediately on toasted buns.

### Summer Chili

- 2 lb. CAB® ground beef
- 1 large sweet onion, coarsely chopped
- 2 sweet green peppers, coarsely chopped
- 2 large tomatoes, coarsely chopped [may substitute 1 can (30 oz.) chopped tomatoes]
- 1 can (29 oz.) tomato sauce
- 3 Tbs. chili powder
- 2 tsp. sugar
- salt and pepper to taste

Brown ground beef. Place ingredients in slow cooker in listed order. Cook on high for 2 hours; stir. Continue to cook (on high heat for 2 hours or on low heat for 4 hours).
Pesto-Stuffed Burgers

2 lb. CAB® ground chuck
¼ cup quick oatmeal
2 tsp. salt
½ tsp. black pepper
½ tsp. granulated garlic
8 tsp. prepared pesto sauce

4 Tbs. minced sun-dried tomatoes in oil
1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese
½ cup mayonnaise
2 Tbs. prepared pesto sauce
8 hamburger buns
lettuce leaves, sliced tomatoes

Mix together ground chuck, oatmeal (helps the meat hold its shape on the grill), salt, pepper and garlic. Shape into 16 patties. Spread 1 tsp. pesto sauce, ½ Tbs. sun-dried tomatoes and 1-2 Tbs. cheese on eight of the beef patties. Top with the other eight patties and press edges together to seal. Grill over medium fire about 5 minutes per side.

Stir together the mayonnaise and 2 Tbs. pesto sauce and spread on top of buns. Place burgers on buns and cover with tops. Serve with optional garnish of lettuce and tomato slices. Fruit and pasta salad complete this meal.

Farmer’s Market Vegetable, Beef and Brown Rice Salad

2 lb. precooked, sliced CAB® beef brisket
2 tsp. olive oil
4-6 asparagus spears, cut to make 2 cups of 2- to 3-in. pieces
1 medium yellow squash, cut lengthwise in half, then crosswise into ¼-in.-thick slices
1 cup broccoli florets
3 cups hot precooked brown rice
1 large tomato, seeded and diced
1 cup canned garbanzo beans, rinsed and drained
½ cup fresh basil, thinly sliced

Vegetable dressing:
¼ cup olive oil
2 Tbs. fresh lemon juice
1 tsp. minced garlic
2 Tbs. honey
1 tsp. fresh thyme, chopped
¼ tsp. fresh oregano, chopped
¼ tsp. salt
1 tsp. pepper

1. Combine dressing ingredients in small bowl. Warm; do not boil. Set aside 3 Tbs. dressing for the meat.
2. Heat 2 tsp. oil in large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat until hot. Add asparagus and squash; cook and stir 7-8 minutes or until tender-crisp. Toss with hot brown rice, tomatoes, beans, basil, salt and the dressing.
3. Heat brisket in microwave or in skillet, drizzling remaining dressing over meat. Carefully remove heated brisket, keeping slices intact.
4. Serve brisket slices over rice and vegetable salad.

Makes 4 servings. Your favorite in-season vegetables may be added or substituted. This quick, healthy, fresh salad is a complete summer meal.
**Tailgate Stew**

1 lb. CAB® ground beef, browned
1 envelope dry onion soup mix
3 cups V8® juice (may use tomato juice or water)
1 can stewed tomatoes
¼ pkg. dry macaroni or tortellini (any pasta may be substituted)

Mix all ingredients together and simmer for 20 minutes. This can also be made in a slow cooker. For slow cooker version, mix all ingredients except pasta. Put on low setting for 4-6 hours. Add pasta during the last hour to prevent pasta from getting too soft.

This recipe is very versatile. You may add as much tomato product as you wish, and you may add any form of pasta.

Serves 6.

**Mock Filets**

1 lb. CAB® ground beef
lemon pepper
¼ cup Parmesan cheese
3 Tbs. finely chopped olives

Pat hamburger into a 12-inch by 7½-in. rectangle on wax paper. Sprinkle with lemon pepper, salt and cheese. Combine olives, green pepper, onion and mushrooms. Sprinkle evenly on meat. Roll up like a jelly roll, starting at 7½-in. end. Cut into 1½-in. slices. Wrap with bacon and secure with toothpick. Broil or grill until cooked to desired doneness.

2 Tbs. finely chopped green pepper
2 Tbs. finely chopped onion
1 can (2 oz.) finely chopped mushrooms
5 slices bacon, partially cooked

**Slow Cooker Sloppy Joes**

2½ lb. CAB® ground chuck
1 small onion, chopped
¼ medium green bell pepper, chopped
1 can (8 oz.) tomato sauce
½ cup water
½ cup ketchup
¼ cup brown sugar

Brown beef with onion and bell pepper over medium heat until beef is no longer pink. Place beef mixture in 4½-quart slow cooker. Stir in tomato sauce and next nine ingredients. Cover and cook on high for 4 hours. Serve on hamburger buns.
**OTHER BEEF COMPETITION**

### Smoky Chipotle Carne

2 lb. CAB® precooked, sliced brisket, cut into bite-sized pieces  
1 cup sliced mixed red, green and yellow bell peppers  
1 Tbs. oil  
1 can black beans, drained  
1 cup whole kernel corn, drained  
1 Tbs. finely chopped, canned chipotle pepper  
1 cup prepared salsa, divided  
1 cup shredded cheese  
2 large avocados, peeled and sliced  
lemon juice (sprinkle on avocado slices to prevent browning)  
shredded lettuce  
sour cream  
8 flour tortillas or 4 premade tortilla bowls

May be prepared in a microwave oven or stovetop skillet.

If preparing in a microwave: Using a microwave-safe bowl, omit oil and steam bell peppers with 1 Tbs. water in a small bowl or zip steam bag until tender. In bowl gently mix together corn, beans, chipotle peppers, 1/2 cup of salsa and brisket. Microwave until hot, add bell pepper. Toss together.

If you prefer to use stovetop: Heat oil in a skillet and sauté bell peppers until just tender. Add corn, beans, chipotle peppers, 1/2 cup salsa and brisket. Heat through.

Serve in warm tortilla as a wrap or in warm tortilla bowls as a salad. Garnish with avocado, cheese, lettuce, sour cream and salsa.

Serves 4.

### CAB Cakes

8 oz. precooked CAB® shredded beef, reserving 1-2 Tbs. of the beef juices  
1 cup crushed buttery round crackers  
1/4 cup green onion, chopped  
1 egg  
3 Tbs. mayonnaise  
4 tsp. lemon juice  
1 tsp. minced garlic  
1 tsp. Tony Chachere’s Creole seasoning  
1/2 tsp. pepper  
1 Tbs. chopped parsley  
1 tsp. dried thyme leaves  
1 Tbs. butter

1. In a medium bowl, whisk together egg, mayonnaise, lemon juice, 1 Tbs. beef juices and all other seasonings; mix well. Stir in shredded beef. Gradually add cracker crumbs to desired consistency to form patties that will hold together.

2. Heat butter in a skillet over medium heat. Form beef mixture into 4 patties. Place patties in skillet, and cook until golden brown, about 3-6 minutes, on each side.

Yields 4 servings or may be used as appetizers by making smaller patties.

### Santa’s Favorite Barbecue

3 lb. precooked CAB® shredded beef in juices  

**Sauce:**  
3 cups ketchup  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
3/4 cup molasses  
1/4 cup mustard  
2 Tbs. vinegar  
1 Tbs. liquid smoke  
2 Tbs. Worcestershire sauce  
1/2 tsp. cayenne pepper

Combine sauce ingredients and heat. Add shredded beef and serve on your favorite bun. You can also just warm the beef by itself and serve the sauce on the side.

Makes approximately 12 servings at 1/4-lb. of meat per person or 9 servings at 1/3-lb. of meat per person.

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Blue Cheese Brisket

4 lb. precooked CAB® smoked brisket, flat sliced

Blue cheese topping:
- ½ cup Italian salad dressing
- 8 strips hickory-smoked bacon, cooked and crumbled
- 2 Tbs. prepared chopped garlic
- 2 cups chopped shallots
- 2 cups red bell pepper, finely diced
- 2 cups blue cheese crumbles
- salt
- pepper

Remove beef from refrigerator. Open package, and allow to warm to room temperature while preparing topping. Have grill hot.

In bowl, add Italian dressing, olive oil, crumbled bacon, garlic, shallots and pepper. Toss well. Heat electric skillet to 350°-400° F. Dump bowl ingredients into skillet. Stir and heat until peppers and shallots start to soften, approximately 5 minutes. Remove from skillet, draining excess oil with slotted spoon, return to bowl. Immediately add blue cheese. Toss well, adding salt and pepper as needed.

Place brisket on hot grill for 3-4 minutes, turning once. Remove meat from grill directly onto serving plates, placing 3-4 slices of meat on each plate. Spoon heaping spoonfuls of topping onto meat.

Serve with corn-on-the-cob and new potatoes.

Summertime Chili

2 lb. CAB® ground beef, browned
1 large sweet onion, coarsely chopped
2 sweet green peppers, coarsely chopped
2 large tomatoes, coarsely chopped [may substitute 1 can (30 oz.) chopped tomatoes]

Brown ground beef. Place ingredients in slow cooker in listed order. Cook on high heat for 2 hours; stir. Continue to cook (on high heat for 2 hours or on low heat for 4 hours).

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Iowa — Bonnie Swanson, Eileen Gannon, Holly Olson, Lori White — winner, showmanship
Oklahoma — Stacey Drake, Tiffany Sewell, Allen Jobes, Michael Frey
Missouri — Jimmy Pipkin, Lee Ann Sydenstricker, Andy Kapp, Julie Frisbee
California — Rick Blanchard, John Toledo, Fred Harrison, John Hess
Northwest — Julie Coonrad, Wash.; Kelly Coonrad, Wash.; Geri Grieb, Ore.; Donald Callison, Idaho
Nebraska — Darla Peterson, Ty Uden
Oregon — Cathy Wiser, Julie Wiser, Cindy Tetrick
Arkansas — Kelli Crossland, Leslie Morelock, Cindy Dobbs, Charles Hall

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Iowa — Marilyn Schlutz
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