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Cave City Burger Named Arkansas's Best Burger by the Arkansas Beef Council

CAVE CITY, AR — The Arkansas Beef Council is eager to name the Caveman Burger from Bailey's Family Restaurant in Cave City as the winner of the inaugural Arkansas's Best Burger Contest. The contest highlights the use of 100% beef prepared by Arkansas restaurants.



The Caveman Burger features a hefty two-pound, single ground beef patty served on a nine-inch bun. Customers have the option to make the burger a double and to add cheese or bacon for extra flavor.

"The overwhelming response in the first year of Arkansas's Best Burger Contest demonstrates that Arkansans deeply value both the quality of beef and the dedication of our locally-owned restaurants to create the perfect burger," said Arkansas Secretary of Agriculture Wes Ward.

Over 2,400 nominations, featuring more than 410 different burgers, led to the selection of the top 10 finalists. The Caveman Burger received the highest score among the finalists from an anonymous panel of judges with evaluations based on the taste of the burger patty, appearance and presentation, proper cooking, and overall impression.

"Arkansas beef producers are proud to produce the beef served on family dinner tables and in Arkansas's favorite local burger spots. Congratulations to the top 10 finalists and the Arkansas's Best Burger Contest winner," said Arkansas Beef Council Chairman Caleb Plyler.

Bailey's Family Restaurant, once known as Bailey's Country Cookin', is a true local favorite. Three generations of the Bailey family—Scott, his wife Shelly, their daughters Andi (the current owner) and McKee, and their granddaughter—work together alongside a staff that feels like part of the family. Bailey's serves fresh, local produce like squash, tomatoes, and watermelon when in season. But more than just great food, Bailey's is about community, with traditions like a free veterans' dinner and festive holiday events that make everyone feel welcome and at home.

The mission of the Arkansas Beef Council is to coordinate and implement a program of promotion, research, and market development to enhance the image of beef and improve the potential of Arkansas's cattle industry.

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