



2011 Wine Fest

BED RACE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2011 • 10:30 A.M.
NORTH LAKE STREET • NORTH EAST PA

Race proceeds benefit
North East Food Pantry

SPECIAL GUEST: BUBBA LUV

Check-In: At Heard Park—North East Corner. Beds line up from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. for safety inspections and to turn in signed Entry / Waiver forms. No reworking or modification of beds are allowed once inspected and approved.

Bed Parade: Bed parade will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Race Time: Race will begin immediately following the parade.

Entry Fee: \$50 per 4 or 5 person team (remember donations go to the food pantry) **Deadline to apply Sept. 9**

Participants: Businesses, families, churches, clubs, youth groups, etc. are welcome. All team members must be 15 years of age or older. Participants aged 17 and under need to provide a signed permission form from their parent or legal guardian. You need to wear good running shoes. Please, no flip-flops, sandals, skates or bare feet.

Safety: Everyone's safety is a primary goal of the race. The use of helmets (bicycle, motorcycle, skateboard, etc.) and knee/elbow pads are strongly encouraged for all team participants.

Rules of the Race: Complete rules on following page.

PRIZE CATEGORIES:

- 1ST PLACE:** AWESOME MYSTERY PRIZE, trophies for each team member AND bragging rights
- 2ND PLACE:** PRETTY GOOD MYSTERY PRIZE and ribbons for each team member
- 3RD PLACE:** OK MYSTERY PRIZE and high quality kazoos for each team member (only used once!)

"MOST CREATIVELY DECORATED BED": all beds are eligible for this award. The winning team will receive an unbelievable prize (to be announced).

RACE ROUTE:

ON N. LAKE ST. BETWEEN MAIN ST. & DIVISION ST.



The following rules and regulations are intended to promote safety and fairness for competitors. All rules, regulations and time schedules will be enforced by the race officials. Failure to observe the rules and/or instructions from the WineFest Bed Race officials may result in disqualification of teams from the race. **Registration fees will not be refunded.** Beds will be raced in heats for the best overall times, 2 best times will advance to the finals.

1. Race will begin immediately after the Bed Parade at 10:30 on N. Lake St. (between Main St. and Division St.). **Teams must arrive one hour (9:30 a.m.) prior to the scheduled start time for bed safety inspectors to make sure beds conform to the specifications.** The course is a clearly defined area on a paved public street. Each heat will be one length down and one length back. No reworking or modification of beds are allowed once inspected and approved.
2. Two teams will race at a time. Each team may have up to 5 members; 1 rider and up to 4 pushers (runners). A team may have alternate member(s) to serve as substitute runner(s) for each heat.
3. Beds may not be pulled - only pushed from the sides and/or back. **No steering devices, no horizontal push/pull handles that protrude beyond the edges of the bed.**
4. Teams will push the bed approximately ½ block at which point they will stop and the rider will get off the bed and **put on two-piece pajamas (top and bottom)** to be provided by the race officials. The rider, once properly dressed and approved by the official judges, will get back on the bed and the team will push the bed to the finish line. The first team to cross the finish line while observing all the rules will win the heat. The top winners, based on a finished time, will advance to the finals.
5. **The use of helmets (bicycle, motorcycle, skateboard, etc.) and knee/elbow pads are strongly encouraged for all teams.** Everyone's safety is a primary goal of the race.
6. Team members may not interfere with opponents in any way during the race. The bed and all team members must stay in their lane for the entire race and may not cross the center line of the race course (street). Any cross over to opponent's lane will cost that team 5 seconds.
7. All participants must follow instructions of the race officials.
8. All contestants shall conduct themselves according to the highest standards of sportsmanship. Bed decorations and participant's attire shall be appropriate for this family-oriented event. Rules will be strictly enforced.
9. The \$50 team entry fee and Entry/Waiver form for each participant (including alternate members) must be turned in by the team captain by the announced deadline to be eligible to race.

EACH TEAM IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING THEIR OWN BED THAT MEETS OFFICIAL SPECIFICATIONS AVAILABLE FROM THE RACE COMMITTEE.

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

North East Chamber WineFest Bed Race
September 24, 2011

I hereby release all associated groups; North East Area Chamber of Commerce and any person(s) officially or unofficially connected with this event from all liability for any injuries or damages whatsoever arising from the North East Chamber WineFest Bed Race September 24, 2011

I hereby attest that I am 18 years of age or older. If under 18 years of age, a parent or legal guardian must also complete section below*

Release: I agree that any photo taken during the event may be used for future promotional purposes.

MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED PRIOR TO PARTICIPATING

Team Name: _____

Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #1: _____ Phone #2: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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* This section must be completed for participants under 18 years of age.

I give permission for the following person to participate in the North East Chamber WineFest Bed Race, September 24, 2011

x _____ x _____
Name of Participant (please print) Signature of parent or legal guardian
x _____ Date

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Return completed Waiver Forms to North East Chamber of Commerce or turn into race officials the morning of the race.

Teams **may not compete until** signed forms are submitted to race officials.

North East Area Chamber of Commerce
17 East Main Street. North East, PA 16428
www.nechamber.org
Contact: Sue Spacht at (814) 725-4262 or sue@nechamber.org

Bed Requirements:

Each team is responsible for providing its own bed that meets the North East Area Chamber of Commerce Bed Race specifications below.



1. The bed must use a twin mattress (air mattresses are allowed) and the overall size should not exceed 48" wide x 84" long.
2. Headboards and footboards are required to be used as pushing points. No extended horizontal side push bars are allowed.
3. The point of the bed axle will be aligned with the starting line. The same point will be used to judge the race finish.
4. The bed must have four wheels (one at each corner).
5. Minimum wheel diameter can be no less than 4" - maximum wheel diameter can be no more than 36".
6. The bed wheels may be fixed or swivel but no steering mechanism is allowed.
7. The bed must have no means of mechanical propulsion.
8. Measurement from pavement to the top of mattress may not be over 48".
9. Maximum clearance from pavement to mattress 12" - Minimum clearance from pavement to mattress 7".
10. Decorated beds are encouraged, but no sharp objects, projections, or anything that may be dangerous will be allowed.
11. A bed that does not meet the specifications will have the opportunity to be fixed or altered prior to the race start time or the team will be disqualified (no refund of registration fee).
12. The company/organization/team name must be displayed on the bed (both sides at a minimum) and securely fastened, (and not offensive in any way or will be asked to be removed).

All Bed Racers are encouraged to push their decorated beds in the North East Chamber Bed Race Parade at 10:30 a.m. There is no charge to join the Parade.

Trophies, decoration theme awards and other prizes will be awarded to winners at the end of the races.