



Gourmet Food + Craft Beer = Ames Foodies & Brew

We all know that certain food pairs well with certain wines, but did you know the same is true for beer? And one of the best places to pair the two is at the Ames Main Street Cultural District *Foodies and Brew* event on August 14 in downtown Ames. This night of fine dining in the street allows local chefs and restaurateurs to showcase their best creations, while pairing them with

locally brewed craft beer, and interacting with the community.

“Foodies and Brew gives you the opportunity to meet the people who really enjoy preparing unique and flavorful food for you, right on the Main Street of your hometown,” said Kevin Terrell, head of the Chef Kevin Terrell and Those Guys team.

A ticket to the event will get you a sample of each cooking teams’ food and a sample of the beer they have chosen to pair with their dish. Some of last year’s entries included Aunt Maudes, Dublin Bay, and The Cafe just to name a few. Local breweries will also have their craft beers featured at the event, including beer made right in downtown Ames at Olde Main Brewery. Attendees get to cast a vote for their favorite culinary creation to win the People’s Choice Award. Terrell and his group were the unanimous choice last year for that award.

“We were honored to be regarded so highly by the attendees, especially against some of the best and most respected restaurants in town,” Terrell said.

Live music will be provided by the classic rock cover band “Burnin’ Sensations,” so come ready to have a good time. Organizers say you should also come hungry because there will be more food than you can possible eat.

“Events like this are a great way to showcase all of the entertainment options we have in Ames,” said Andrea Hammes-Dodge, event chair for Foodies and Brew.

Terrell agrees that is a fun event and a great opportunity for chefs and restaurateurs to network and build relationships in a non-restaurant setting. However, when it comes down to it – Foodies and Brew is about doing what you love. For Terrell and Hammes-Dodge that means drinking great beer and eating great food.

Foodies and Brew will take place on August 14 on Kellogg Street between Main and 5th Streets. Food and beer tastings will be from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and the Burnin’ Sensations will be playing in the beer garden from 8:30 -11 p.m. You can purchase \$30 advance tickets [by clicking here](#).