

WELCOME to The University of ChicaGlow

August 20 -23, 2025 The Golden Glow of Christmas Past: 45th ANNUAL CONVENTION

Cookies, cookies, and more cookies!



Who doesn't love a good Christmas cookie! We here at the Glow sure do!

Our cookie contest is a standing tradition. What would a Glow Convention be without them! Upholding the tradition and spirit of Christmas, we need our fantastic Glow bakers to enter our Annual Cookie Contest. Cookies will be judged in the following categories: Bars, Drop, Molded or Pressed, Refrigerator, Rolled & Cut, Candy (all types), and the regional favorite for the State of

Illinois, the humble, but ever-popular Chocolate Chip. Enter as many categories as you wish. For each entry, please submit one dozen (12) cookies with the recipe (recipe **MUST** be included for entry to be considered). Cookie Contest kits will be available at the registration desk (sign up form, paper plate(s) and zip lock bag(s)) and must be returned there for entry. First and second prizes will be awarded in each category.

FAQ:

Why a dozen? We ask for a dozen cookies in each entry because: There are eight judges. A dozen shows you can make a consistent cookie time after time.

How do you keep it fair? All cookies are blind-judged. We do not know who baked each entry until after the final numbers have been tallied.

What are cookies judged on? Cookies are judged in four categories, each worth 1–5 points:

- 1. Christmas Appeal: does it look like a Christmas cookie? In other words, something special.**
- 2. Appearance and Freshness: Uniform size, freshness, no burned edges.**
- 3. Texture/Mouth Feel Is it dry? Are the ingredients fresh?**
- 4. Overall Taste: Is it a good cookie? Are the ingredients well-balanced?**

If two entries tie in points, the decision comes down to who scored higher in Overall Taste.

Let's get baking!

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