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**QUEENS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CROWNS *DONOVAN’S PUB* AS QUEENS’ BEST BURGER ESTABLISHMENT**

***Queens foodies nominated and voted for their favorite burger restaurants during the inaugural competition held by the Queens Chamber of Commerce***

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QUEENS, NY (June 21, 2024) - It is settled. On Friday, June 21, the Queens Chamber of Commerce, the oldest and largest business association in the Queens, announced Donovan’s Pub as the winner of its inaugural Queens’ Best Burger Competition. The contest kicked off Memorial Day weekend, and asked foodies to nominate and vote for their favorite burger establishments from across the borough, with the Woodside eatery emerging as the winner.

“The votes have been tallied and Queens residents have made their choice, and we are delighted to honor Donovan’s Pub as the inaugural winner of the Queens’ Best Burger Competition,” said **Tom Grech, President and CEO of the Queens Chamber of Commerce**. “Congratulations to Dan Connor and the entire team at Donovan’s on winning this competition. This recognition is a testament to their commitment to serving up delicious versions of a summer staple. I suggest everyone go check them out!”

“We are honored to be voted Queens’ Best Burger in the Queens Chamber of Commerce competition! We know that our borough is loaded with great restaurants, many serving up great burgers, so we are incredibly proud of our amazing team who truly make us Woodside's landmark gathering place,” said **owner Dan Connor**. “We are also incredibly thankful to the amazing community who support us. They are the reason we work so hard, why we push ourselves to evolve, and why we better ourselves at every opportunity. This community means the world to us, and we will continue to do all that we can to be a comfortable place to meet and enjoy quality food and cocktails. A big thank you to the Queens Chamber of Commerce, not only for including us in this great competition, but for all they do for businesses like ours throughout the borough.”

“The World’s Borough isn’t just the proud home of outstanding international cuisine. It’s also where you’ll find some of the best American classics, like the burger,” said **Queens Borough President Donovan Richards Jr.** “It must be in the name, because it’s hard to find a more delicious or juicy burger than the ones they serve at Donovan’s Pub in Woodside. Congratulations to Donovan’s Pub on the well-deserved accolades.”

"I’m thrilled to congratulate Donovan's Pub for winning the top spot in Queens’ Best Burger contest," said **U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (D-Queens).** “I also commend Ryan’s Irish Bar and Grill and Acey Ducey’s for coming in second and third place. All three are located in my congressional district, underscoring how some of the best food in our borough exists in areas that I’m honored to represent. I thank the Queens Chamber of Commerce for highlighting the important role that restaurants play in our economy and throughout our communities. Once again, congratulations!”

"Congratulations to Dan Connor and Donovan's Pub on being selected as Queens’ Best Burger," said **Senate Deputy Leader Michael Gianaris.** "Woodside is home to some of the best food not only in Queens but in the world, and I'm so happy to see Donovan's being recognized for their incredible burger."

“Donovan’s Pub is a true Woodside staple for both its food and role in the community. Congratulations to Dan Connor and the Donovan's Pub team on winning the Queens Chamber of Commerce’s inaugural Best Burger competition. I’m looking forward to them holding this title for many years to come,” said **Assemblymember Steven Raga**.

“District 26 is known for some of the greatest food in the Queens, including this newest title of best burgers at Donovan’s Pub in Woodside. Congratulations to this Woodside institution for winning Queens Chamber of Commerce’s inaugural Best Burger Restaurant Competition!” said **Council Member Julie Won.** “Small businesses are cornerstones of our neighborhoods. I encourage my neighbors to support local restaurants and try the top burger in the borough.”

In total, 12 establishments were nominated for this contest. After nearly 3,000 votes were tallied Donovan’s Pub was selected the winner. Over the past year, the Queens Chamber of Commerce has held several other “Best of Queens'' food competitions, including tacos, empanadas, bagels, halal, and barbecue.

The top three eateries selected by the public were:

1. [Donovan’s Pub](https://donovansny.com) (Woodside)
2. [Ryan’s Irish Bar and Grill](https://www.ryansirishbar.com) (Bayside)
3. [Acey Ducey’s](https://www.aceyduceys.com) (Forest Hills)

In addition to earning the title of Queens’ Best Burger Restaurant, Donovan’s Pub received a plaque and a complimentary year of membership to the Queens Chamber of Commerce. The second and third place winners also received certificates.

**About the Queens Chamber of Commerce:**
The Queens Chamber of Commerce is the oldest and largest business association in Queens, representing more than 1,400 businesses and more than 150,000 Queens-based employees. Its mission is to foster connections, educate for success, develop/implement programs and advocate for members’ interests. [www.queenschamber.org](http://www.queenschamber.org)

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