

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Homestyle Chili Cookoff

Rules

- Each contestant must cook a minimum of **8 quarts** (one large crock pot) of chili.
- Contestants are responsible for supplying all of their own cooking utensils, etc. The sponsors of the cook-off will provide a 3' table space for each contestant with one electrical outlet for your crock pot.
- Contestants are permitted to set up their equipment, and decorations anytime after 3:30pm on the day of the cook-off.
- Each contestant will be assigned a contestant's number for their table set-up. There will be a corresponding bucket at the voting table.
- The judging is by patron popular vote. When patrons arrive, they will be issued two tickets. When they have chosen their favorite chili, they will drop a ticket in the container with the corresponding number of the desired chili station.
- The Chili that receives the most number of tickets wins the grand prize.
 - 1st Place Overall \$200 cash and Handmade Wooden Spoon
 - 2nd Place \$100 Cash
 - 3rd Place \$50 Cash

No pre-registration necessary. Please arrive at the venue and be set-up no later than 4:30pm and ready to serve at 5:00pm on Saturday December 9th.

Chili Chefs upon arrival:

- All Chili Chefs must check in when they arrive and sign the check in sheet.
- Please verify you have a large crock of chili (8 quarts).
- Each chili chef will get a stack of cups and a bucket of spoons.
- Then they can go to the next available table number.
- Power is located below your table along the inside of the tent wall. **One outlet per chef.** If you need another plug, you must bring a power strip.
- All Chili Chefs must be ready to serve by 5:00pm.
- ****If a chef runs out of chili, they must tell the voting table attendants so that we can be sure to pull their bucket. We will pull their voting bucket and note the time.**
- We will then average the votes per minute and calculate their voting rate. This way their chili can be fairly counted. $55 \text{ votes within } 45 \text{ minutes} = 55/45 = 1.22 \text{ votes per minute} \times 15 \text{ minutes remaining time} = 18.3 \text{ votes added to overall total} = 55+18.3= 73.3 \text{ total votes}$



Chili tasting:

- Each taster will get two voting tickets.
- When patrons have tasted all of the participants, drop your tickets in the bucket of the corresponding chili that are your top choice(s). The numbered buckets will be at the voting table.
- Voting ends at 6:00pm. Awards will be announced at 6:30pm.