



Official Rules and Entry Form for Holland, Indiana 150th Anniversary Chili Cook-Off

There will be two categories:

Chili which we define as meat and beans only, NO PASTA; and

Chili Soup which has NO ingredient restrictions, pasta, rice, etc... is allowed.

No prepackaged chili is allowed. All cooking must be done on site.

Each team must provide their own heat source; "Coleman" type stove, propane burner or gas grill, there is NO ELECTRICITY AVAILABLE. Teams must also provide all cooking utensils, table, chairs, canopy, cooler, etc. Each team will have a 12' x 12' outdoor area to set up in.

Chili must be prepared in a sanitary manner; booths are subject to inspection by the judges. All teams must be willing to taste their own chili if asked by the judges. Chili must be prepared in the open; no closed tents, motorhomes, etc.

Each team must cook a minimum of 6 quarts of Chili. One quart will be for the judges and the remainder to be passed out during the public sampling. The more chili you have to pass out the better your chances for "people's choice" votes.

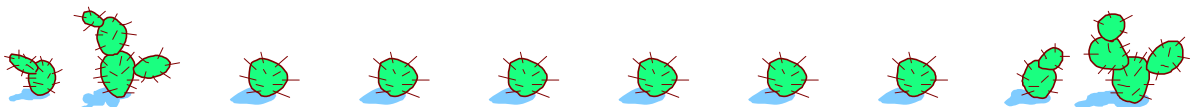
Each team will have a maximum of 4 hours to prepare and cook their Chili. Cooking will start at 9:00am and must be turned in to the judges at 1:00pm. Spectators may visit each booth for tasting as soon as samples are turned in to the judges. Results and awards will be presented at 2:00pm. Holland is in the Eastern time-zone.

Teams will be given a numbered cup and lid when registering with the scorekeeper at the start of the cook-off. Each team must return the filled cup by 1:00pm to the judges table. The team leader will be responsible for the cup and must make sure their sample is turned in on time. Any cups that are damaged, missing the official number, or late to the judges table will be disqualified.

The Holland 150th committee will provide the judging sample cups and lids as well as cups, spoons and crackers for the public sampling.

Each sample will be judged on aroma, taste, consistency, color, and aftertaste. Each judge will score each chili on the five criteria and then each judges scores will be added together by the scorekeeper to determine the winners. The decision of the judges will be final.

Trophies and monetary prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for each category; and a special "People's Choice" ribbon will go the team with the most spectator votes. Prize money to be determined by number of entries received.



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Category: _____ Chili _____ Chili Soup _____ Both \$25.00 per category entered

Make check payable to:

Holland 150th Committee

Mail Entry to:

Holland Chili Cook-Off
c/o Ken Smith
PO Box 26
Holland, IN 47541

Entries must be received by September 1, 2009