

FRIENDS OF SHEPHERD LIBRARY
CHILI COOKOFF FUNDRAISER

MAY 18, 2024

Purpose: The Chili Cookoff and Fund Raiser is designed to raise money in support of the Shepherd Public Library. Friends of Shepherd Library (FOSL) is a Non-profit organization recognized by the IRS under Section 501 (c) (3). FOSL utilizes the proceeds of donations to supplement library funding, support library activities and foster community involvement.

How the Cookoff Works: The community is encouraged to form teams and register for the cookoff. Teams will setup and cook their chili onsite at the Shepherd Community Center during the hours shown. Setup and cooking may begin at 9:00 AM. Judging will be done immediately following submission of the chili samples which must be submitted for judging by 2:00 PM. Teams are at liberty to utilize the meat of their choosing, and both bean and non-bean chili is acceptable.

How to register: Teams must complete a registration form and submit the registration fee (which is considered a donation). Forms are available from FOSL members and at the Library. Registration fees and donation receipts are also available from Library and FOSL members. Deadline for registration is May 15, 2024.

Fees and Awards: The fee/donation to register your chili cookoff team is \$100. Cash, check, and credit cards are accepted. Judging will be done by 3 volunteer judges selected by FOSL from the local community. Awards are provided for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place based on the judge's selection of best tasting chili. Each of the top 3 teams will receive a corresponding ribbon proclaiming their placement in the chili cookoff to ensure their bragging rights. In addition, non-monetary prizes will be provided to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams.

All participating teams are at liberty to offer their remaining chili for sale to the public. Teams electing to sell their chili must provide the cups/bowls, utensils etc. and must post a list of ingredients so that persons with allergy or food sensitivity may make an informed decision before tasting.

CHILI COOKOFF REGISTRATION FORM
2024

Team Name: _____

Team Contact Person: _____ Phone# _____

Method of payment: Cash Check Credit Card

Payment received by: _____ Date: _____

As the representative for this cook team, we agree to follow the official rules as stated below:

General

No alcohol is permitted in the event area.

Participation as a cookoff team is an indication of your consent to the use of any photographs or videos taken during the event.

Each team is responsible for the cleanup of their area, during preparation and after teardown.

Setup/Teardown

Setup and cooking may begin at 9:00 AM on May 18th.

Teams will be assigned a space for setup and cooking. Your space will accommodate an 8-foot table and cooker.

Potable water is available onsite from inside the community center. However, no cooking may be done inside the community center.

A limited number of power outlets are available in the cook team area.

Teardown may begin after the judging has occurred and must be completed by 4:00 PM.

Cooking

Teams are responsible for supplying all ingredients, utensils, and cooking devices.

Cooking may begin at 9:00 AM.

All teams are required to have a fire extinguisher in their cooking area.

Chili

There are no restrictions on ingredients for your chili. Use of meats, beans, pasta, spices, and other ingredients are up to the cook team. However, a list of ingredients must be posted so that persons with allergy or food sensitivity may make an informed decision before tasting.

Chili samples submitted for judging must be labeled as to the type of chili based on the type of meat and whether or not it is unusually hot.

Judging

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As a representative for the chili cookoff team, I acknowledge and accept that our cookoff team will abide by the above stated rules.

Printed Name

Signature