



LINE CREEK CIVITAN CLUB, INC.

The 2009 Civitan Great Chili Challenge

Official Contest Rules



BE WARNED: It is important that all contestants comply with the following rules and regulations, or said offenders shall be drawn, quartered, tarred and feathered, scattered, smothered and covered in the presence of their peers, in a very, very public place, to humiliate them into submission of these rules and regulations! The interpretation of these rules is in the sole discretion of the Event Co-Chairs.

1. Each contestant must submit an entry form to the Civitan Great Chili Challenge. Only one Chili recipe shall be made and entered per contestant.
2. Unlike the rules of the ICS (International Chili Society), contestants will be able to concoct their Chili from any combination of ingredients of their choosing which is edible, including but not limited to beans and rice.
3. The Chili may be made either prior to the contest or at the contest site. The cooking period will begin anytime prior to the competition, as long as the Chili is ready by the time set for judging.
4. Each entry is responsible for supplying all of the necessary supplies for the cooking, heating and serving of their Chili. Electricity is provided; however, contestants must supply their own power cords. Heating Chili may also be accomplished by camping stoves, propane burners or Sterno.
5. Contestants will be provided a table, tasting spoons, tasting cups and napkins.
6. In case of last minute changes in booth assignments, each contestant must register in the official Civitan tent, prior to setting up at their booth,
7. Each contestant shall have one representative attend the contestant's meeting, which will occur sometime prior to the start of the competition and judging.
8. Each contestant must have a minimum of one person 18 years or older, present at all times to supervise any minors entered in this contest. Any minor registering as a contestant will supply the officials with an official entry form signed by their parent or legal guardian.
9. Each contestant should cook a minimum of five (5) gallons of Chili.
10. Chili will be served to the public in official tasting cups. The Chili served to the public attending this event will not be sold.
11. Solicitation of other items at event is prohibited. Other than a sign identifying the contestant, business banners and advertisement materials may only be displayed by registered sponsors or Non-Profit organizations.
12. Since the sale of beverages by Civitans adds to our fund raising efforts, contestants may not distribute beverages.
13. The Civitan Great Chili Challenge will take place rain or shine.
14. The decisions of the judges and the ballot committee shall be final.
15. Each contestant will be responsible for cleaning up their booth area.
16. General admission fee:
 - Adults: \$5.00 each
 - Ages 6-17: \$2.00 each
 - Children under 6 with parents: Free
17. Contestant Entry Fees:
 - Individual Contestants: \$20.00
 - Non-Profit Organizations: \$20.00
 - Contestants: Each registered contestant will receive two free tickets to event.
 - Commercial or businesses including restaurants must register as a sponsor and pay a fee of \$250.00. Each registered sponsor will receive four free tickets to event.
18. Contestant Awards (1st & 2nd Places):
 - **People's Choice** (all contestants). The best chili voted best by all around by the attending public. This is the only award voted on by the attending public.
 - **Judge's Choice** (individual or Non-Profit organization contestants). Voted best all around by official judges.
 - **Judge's Choice** (business and commercial contestants). Voted best all around by official judges.
 - **Best Decorated Booth** (all contestants). Determined by official judges and includes theme, name of chili, creativity and attire.
 - **Best Junior Youth Category** (Grades 6 thru 8). Voted best by the official judges.
 - **Best Senior Youth Category** (Grades 9 – 12). Voted best by the official judges.

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