The Buzz Chili Cook-Off

Benefiting Shriners Hospitals for Children

January 27th, 2018 at The Relyance Bank Arkansas Big Buck Classic

Chili Entry Registration Form

Cook-Off Team Name			
Contact First and Last Name			
Address			
City		Zip	
Work Phone	Cell Phone	2	
Contact E-Mail Address			

Entry Fee

The entry fee will be \$25.00 per Chili Team. Each team should have no more than two (2) members. Each team will be provided with two (2) tickets to the event.

Space will be limited, so sign up soon!!

Payment Information

Registration checks should be made payable to "Scimitar Shrine" and mailed to:

Scimitar Chili P.O. Box 6144 Sherwood, AR 72124

For questions or more information, please e-mail Brandon Stanford at shrinerchili@yahoo.com

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This is a FREE STYLE event!! Chili is defined as any kind of meat, or combination of meats (or vegetables), cooked with chili peppers, various other spices, and other ingredients. Therefore, beans and other fillers are allowed and encouraged!

The Buzz Chili Cook-Off will provide:

- Roughly, 10x10 space within the barn at The Big Buck Classic. This is a covered area, so tents aren't necessary, but are allowed.
- All necessary utensils for the taste testing public (Cups, spoons, napkins, etc.)
- People's Choice donation jar

Rules and Regulations

- **1. Chili Cooked On Site** All competition chili must be prepared on site. Spices may be premeasured, but all meat must begin raw.
- **2.** Cooking Area All cooks must provide their own tables and equipment. Electricity is available, but is not guaranteed. Cooks are responsible for cleaning their area at the end of the day and removing all items from the area.
- 3. Make Extra Chili Each cook MUST supply a minimum of 2 gallons of chili for the purposes of taste testing to the public. Said chili may be prepared off-site. Failure to provide at least 2 gallons of chili WILL result in disqualification. THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS FOR DISQUALIFIED COMPETITORS.
- **4.** Judging Cups Cooks will be provided a judging cup with a two-part ticket attached. Cooks are to keep half the ticket and leave the other half, undisturbed, attached to the cup when they turn it in to the judging table. This is a blind-judged cook-off! Turn in time will be at 1:00pm!
- 5. Judging criteria Scoring the chili shall consider the following criteria:
 - Aroma This will be the personal preference of each judge
 - **Taste** The chili should have good flavor and chili pepper taste (not too hot and not too mild).
 - Consistency The texture of the meat and/or fillers shall not be tough or mushy. Chili should be a smooth combination of meat and gravy. Not too thin or too thick.
 - Appearance The chili should look appetizing and have appropriate coloring.

- **6. Scoring** Chili will be scored on its own merit with a whole number score from 0-10, with 10 being the highest, per each criteria mentioned above. The decision of the judges is final. Judging will consist of multiple rounds, with the number of rounds depending on total entries submitted.
- 7. People's Choice Each team will be provided a People's Choice Donation Bag. As the public tastes each cook's chili, they are encouraged to donate money to the Donation Bag to support the cook of their favorite chili. At 1:00pm, each cooks' Donation Bag will be counted in front of them, and the amount logged and collected. The People's Choice winner will be the team that had the most money donated in their Donation Bag. All of the People's Choice Donation Bag donations will benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children.
- **8. Best in Show** The general public will be given a ticket when they purchase their tasting cup. The ticket will be placed into the "Best in Show" bag of the group they feel is Best in Show. Feel free to bring any decorations and costumes to help your cause. All tickets will be collected and counted at the same time as the People's Choice.
- **9. Alcohol** Beer will available for sale at the event, so we ask that you do not bring any alcohol to the event. Doing so will result in immediate disqualification and you will not be allowed to come back.

Awards

Judged Chili	
1st Place - \$500 cash (courtesy of The Big Buck Classic)	
2 nd Place – Lazy Man Deer Stand (courtesy of Lazy Man Stands)	
3 rd Place – \$200 cash (courtesy of Scimitar Shrine)	

People's Choice	
1 st Place - \$100	

Best in Show
1 st Place - \$100

Schedule

6:00am - Chili Cooks Setup

8:00am – Vendor Gate Closes; Any cooks arriving after will have to enter through main gates, and be forced to pay the daily entrance fee.

9:00am – Open to public. People's Choice donations and Best in Show begin

1:00pm – Chili Turn In; People's Choice Donations and Best in Show tickets counted and collected

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