



## 2019 CHARITY CHILI COOK-OFF

P.O. Box 933

GILLETTE, WYOMING 82717

TO: ALL CHILI COOKS AND SPONSORS OF NORTHEAST WYOMING

FROM: THIRTY FOURTH ANNUAL CHARITY CHILI COOK-OFF COMMITTEE

The Thirty Fourth Annual Chili Cook-Off will be held on Saturday, **October 26, 2019** at the **Complex Central Pavilion**, Gillette, Wyoming benefiting the Youth Emergency Services and the Council of Community Services.

We personally invite you to participate in this worthwhile effort to help others in the community. It does take people, time, money and planning. Your immediate response would be appreciated. A **\$50 donation** will put you on our **sponsor board, \$100 donation/\$100 sponsor board, \$150 donation/\$150 sponsor board, \$200 donation/\$200.00 board, \$250/\$250 board, \$300/\$300 board**. In other words, ANY AMOUNT you choose to give will put on a board of that amount. **OUR RECORD IS \$1000; TRY TO BEAT IT!!** A signed receipt is enclosed for your convenience.

Registration packets are enclosed. NOW is the time to find your sponsor—someone who is **daring** and **competitive**, has enthusiasm and wants to be “THE BEST THERE IS” and will go the extra mile to make the perfect Chili!

There are four ways to cook and WIN!! **Red Chili Green Chili Salsa Guacamole**  
First place red and green chili winners will receive \$150 to give to a charity of your choice. Second place red and green chili winners will receive \$75. First place salsa & guacamole winners will receive \$100. Second place salsa and guacamole winners will receive \$50. This is to give to a charity of your choice.

A **SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST** is an additional challenge for the teams. Decorate your table, your cooking area and yourselves and WIN again. This year there will be a trophy for each 1<sup>st</sup> place winner for the themes HALLOWEEN, MOST ORIGINAL and COMMERCIAL. Showmanship is optional; not a requirement. **JUDGING FOR SHOWMANSHIP BEGINS AT 12:00 PM (NOON).**

When choosing your decorations and costumes, please remember this is a family oriented event and choose accordingly.

The registration packet gives you all the rules. Any changes made in the rules are in that packet, so be sure to read them completely and carefully. **DO NOT** assume because you have entered the Chili Cook-Off before that you know the rules----they may have **CHANGED**. Also read the registration sheet carefully. It may change too.

The committee plans this day for you and your family's enjoyment. The YES House volunteers and high school students will be providing entertainment for all ages of children. Costume contest, trick or treats and prizes galore!!!

REMEMBER -- Donate any amount, \$50 UPWARDS; you will receive recognition on our sponsor boards.

**REMEMBER: The fee for each chili is \$60 and \$40 for salsa and for guacamole**

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**SEE YOU OCTOBER 26, 2019 AT THE CAMPLEX CENTRAL PAVILION**

## 34<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHARITY CHILI COOK-OFF

### OFFICIAL RULES and REGULATIONS

HELP US MEET OUR GOAL OF \$34,000.  
PLEASE DO NOT CARRY IN YOUR OWN BEVERAGES.

The following rules and regulations are to be STRICTLY FOLLOWED by cooks and/or their assistants at the CHILI COOK-OFF.

1. True chili is defined as any kind of meat or combinations of meats cooked with chili peppers, various spices and other ingredients.
2. No ingredient may be pre-cooked or treated in any way prior to the preparation period. The only exceptions are canned or bottled tomatoes, tomato sauce, peppers, or pepper sauce. Meat may be pre-chopped, cut, or ground, but not treated in any way. All other ingredients must be chopped and prepared at the Cook-Off.
3. The cooking period will be a minimum of three (3) hours and a maximum of four (4) hours. Contestants do not have to cook the entire period if they do not want to. However, their containers will be collected at the end of the cooking period. The cooking period will be from **9:30 am until 1:30 pm.**
4. Salsa & Guacamole must be prepared on-site or in a licensed kitchen.
5. A representative from the Chili Cook-Off Committee will conduct a contestant meeting no later than one (1) hour prior to the **Official Starting Time.** Final instructions will be given and questions answered.
6. Between the time of the cook's meeting and the official starting time, each cook and their assistants will be permitted to prepare their ingredients. The Chili Cook-Off Committee may permit preparation of the ingredients prior to the contestant's meeting but only on the day of the cook-off.
7. Contestants will be responsible for supplying all their own cooking utensils, table coverings etc. **(ONE (1) HEAVY DUTY EXTENSION CORD FOR EACH POT OR PAN, "NO ELECTRIC APPLIANCES NOT NECESSARY" IN ORDER NOT TO THROW BREAKERS.)** The Chili Cook-Off Committee will provide an area for each contestant, one (1) table, three (3) chairs and in some instances electrical outlets.
8. Propane can be used in any area of the building but for safety we prefer all propane cooks use booths 41 thru 48. REMEMBER IF YOUR "APPLIANCE" IS TAGGED FOR INDOOR USE A 5 LB. BOTTLE CAN BE USED, OTHERWISE IT HAS TO BE 1 LB.
9. The committee will also provide 1 box of crackers, 1 package of chips, 1 roll of paper towels, 1 package of napkins, 1 bag of candy, spoons and soufflé cups.

10. You **MUST** provide your own **COOKING BOOTH SIGN**. The Committee will provide a separate board listing all cook's sponsors. **Sponsor Board memberships** are extra.
11. Contestants will be permitted to set up their equipment, decorations, and other facilities anytime after 7:00 am, October 26, 2019, the day of the Cook-Off.
12. Each contestant is required to prepare a minimum of one (1) quart of chili for judging. Contestants are required to have four (4) gallons of competition chili. Chili for **public tasting** may contain beans or spaghetti.
13. Each entry will be permitted a maximum of four (4) people in their cooking area, the head chef and three (3) assistants.
14. Each contestant will be assigned a contestant number by the Chief Scorekeeper and will be given a container in which their chili will be collected at the time of the **OFFICIAL JUDGING**. Contestants should make certain that the number on the bottom of the container is the same as the contestant number assigned to them by the Chief Scorekeeper. This number is to be covered by tape or other material prior to the collection for judging.
15. Any spillage or marks on judges' containers will call for team disqualification.
16. Not more than one (1) quart of each contestant's chili will be collected at the end of the cooking period and taken to the Judges Area for judging.
17. The decision of the **Judges** will be **final**.
18. All teams are responsible for cleaning their cooking area immediately after the Cook-Off
19. An **ITINERARY** is enclosed. Some of the times may have changed. Please read the enclosed itinerary to note any changes.



# ITINERARY - CHARITY CHILI COOK-OFF

6:00 am-	Doors Open To Committee
7:00 am – 9:00 am	Registration & Assignment Of Booths Booth Decoration Begins <u>Entry Packets will be delivered to all cooking booths</u>
9:00 am – 9:30 am	Review of Rules & Regulations
9:30 am -	<b>BEGIN COOKING</b>
9:30 am – 1:30 pm	Cooking Time (Games and Fun Stuff)
11:00 am -	Salsa & Guacamole Pickup for Judging Salsa & Guacamole Judging
12:00 pm -	<b>“BEGIN BOOTH SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING”</b>
1:30 pm - 2:00 pm -	Red Chili Pickup for Judging Green Chili Pickup for Judging Red & Green Chili Judging
2:30 pm	Doors open to Public & Kid’s Area Open
<b>CHILI SERVING STARTS WHEN ALL CHILI IS PICKED UP FOR THE JUDGES</b>	
↑ - 6:00 pm	<b>VOTE PEOPLE’S CHOICE AWARD</b> Costume Judging in the Kid's Area
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Live Music
4:00 pm – 4:30 pm	Just Gotta Dance
4:45 pm - 5:15 pm	Live to Dance
6:00 pm	<b>VOTE PEOPLE’S CHOICE AWARD CLOSES!!!</b>
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Live Music
6:15 pm – 7:00 pm	<b>TROPHIES WILL BE PRESENTED</b> [Or as close to 6:15 pm as possible]
8:00 pm	Winner of the \$500 Cash Raffle will be drawn <b>DOORS CLOSE</b>



**PLEASE REMEMBER ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE. WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO STAY ON SCHEDULE!**





# 34<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHARITY CHILI COOK OFF

## OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Saturday, October 26, 2019

**\*ENTRIES PAID FIRST WILL HAVE FIRST CHOICE OF BOOTH LOCATION, YOU WILL BE CONTACTED ABOUT YOUR BOOTH LOCATION PREFERENCE.**

NAME OF HEAD CHEF: \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL/HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR:  NO  YES IF YES, SPONSOR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**EACH CHILI ENTRY WILL RECEIVE 4 FREE ADMISSIONS TO EVENT.**

**EACH SALSA AND GUACAMOLE ENTRY WILL RECEIVE 2 FREE ADMISSIONS TO EVENT.**

**You must bring your own cooking equipment. **NO ELECTRIC CAN OPENERS ALLOWED**!!! Please use as few appliances as possible.**

**Bring ONE HEAVY DUTY EXTENSION CORD PER APPLIANCE, one appliance allowed per outlet, NO POWER STRIPS ALLOWED.**

**PROPANE POWERED BURNERS: If your appliance is tagged for INDOOR USE, a 5lb bottle may be used, otherwise it must be a 1lb.**

**You will be furnished on (1) table and three (3) chairs at no added cost. You must supply your own table covering and booth signage. **Decorations must be hung with BLUE PAINTERS TAPE**, no other tape or adhesive will be allowed. **ADDITIONAL TABLES** and **PEG BOARD** are available for \$5.00 each, please indicate the quantity below and include cost with your entry fee:**

Additional Table x \_\_\_\_\_

Peg Board x \_\_\_\_\_

\*If you do not prepay for additional tables and/or peg board, the fee will be \$10.00 per item and we cannot guarantee availability.

# SHOWMANSHIP COMPETITION

One winner will be chosen from each category.

Please mark the category you wish to enter:

- o Halloween
- o Most Original (anything not Halloween-themed)
- o Commercial
- o We will not be decorating our booth

## ENTRY FEES

\_\_\_\_ Chili - \$60 per Chili ( \_\_\_\_ Red \_\_\_\_ Green)

\_\_\_\_ Salsa - \$40 per Salsa

\_\_\_\_ Guacamole - \$40 per Guacamole

Total Amount Enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Including any table and peg board fees)

**\*We now accept DEBIT AND CREDIT CARDS, please contact Kay to pay via card.**

**The RULES AND REGULATIONS information will be provided upon return of this form and payment of entry fees.**

### ENTRY FORM MAY BE MAILED TO:

Charity Chili Cook Off  
PO Box 933  
Gillette, Wy 82717

### FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:

Arnie Davis    Work 307-682-5106    Cell 307-680-9599  
Kay Praska    Cell 307-689-3538

### TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PRESALE AT:

**S.T.A.R.R. COMMUNICATIONS (Arnie).....407 N Gillette Ave**

**Kay.....1603 Estes Lane**