



CHILI COOK-OFF

Monday, September 13, 2010

GREAT CASH PRIZES

👉 **First Place \$400**

Second Place \$250

Third Place \$150

Showmanship \$100

“People’s Choice” Award \$100

(ONLY \$20.00 ENTRY FEE)

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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PRESS RELEASE:

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR HOLDS 10th ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF . . .

Total prize money \$1,000! And . . . We're looking for some friendly competition! The Chili Cook-Off at the Washington County Fair has become a big hit with the last NINE years having been big successes! The 10th Annual Chili Cook-Off of the Washington County Fair will be held on Monday, September 13, 2010, at 5:30 PM. So, get your best recipe and your best act together and join in on the fun and win some money, too! Get your company team to enter or just come up with a group of good friends looking for a really great time. Chili Cook-Off Teams should fill out an application by September 10, 2010. The entry fee is only \$20.00 per team. A total of **\$1,000** in cash prizes will be awarded to the TOP THREE finishers, the "Showmanship" winner, and the "Peoples' Choice Award." First Place will receive A trophy and \$400; Second Place will receive \$250; and Third Place will receive \$150. Best "Showmanship" team will receive \$100. Also, \$100 and a trophy will be awarded for the "Peoples' Choice" Award.

The general public may participate in a "chili tasting" beginning at 6:00 PM. They may, in turn, vote on the "People's Choice" chili. A panel of judges will select the top three winning teams as well as the "Showmanship" team. The Awards Ceremony will be held at 9:00 PM or following the completion of the judges' decision.

For more information, contact Glenna Holmes at 276-492-8180, Amelia Doss at 276-628-2762, or Melanie Smiley at 276-628-4644. Applications may also be picked up at the Washington County Fair Office located on the Washington County Fairgrounds just off of West Main Street in Abingdon.

**2010 WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR CHILI COOK-OFF
CHILI TEAM INFORMATION**

1. Booth preparation may be started at 4:30 PM in the designated Chili Cook-off area.
2. We will have a brief "Chili Team" meeting for all team captains, set for 5:15 PM on September 13, at the Chili Cook-Off site for last-minute details.
3. Cooking may begin at 5:30 PM – **MUST WAIT FOR OFFICIAL START** – and will end at 8:00 PM. or at the conclusion of all teams' chili readiness. **BRING YOUR OWN GAS GRILL/COOKSTOVE!!!**
4. Each contestant must cook a **MINIMUM OF ONE QUART** of chili. Contestants are permitted to cook **ONLY ONE POT OF COMPETITION CHILI** which may be submitted for judging. Fair officials will collect one cup of competition chili for each judge beginning around 8:00 PM (or upon completion of all teams' chili completion). **REMEMBER, NO BEANS NOR SPAGHETTI IN COMPETITION CHILI!!**
5. Each contestant **MUST ALSO PREPARE A MINIMUM OF TWO GALLONS** of chili, using the same recipe, for public tasting, to be ready to serve by 6:00 PM (we have pretty large crowds - this is a fair favorite). **THIS POT MAY CONTAIN BEANS OR SPAGHETTI AND MAY BE PREPARED IN ADVANCE AND HEATED ON DAY OF EVENT!**
6. Awards Ceremony will begin at 9:00 PM, or immediately following official decision by the judges, whichever comes later.
7. Contestants must supply all their own cooking utensils, including gas stoves. The Washington County Fair will supply each contestant an allocated space, one table, tasting cups, spoons, official signage, and official judging cups.
8. **THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES IS FINAL.**
9. Ribbons and cash prizes will be awarded to top **THREE** finishers, People's Choice, and for "Showmanship." **CASH PRIZES ARE – FIRST PLACE, \$400 and a trophy – SECOND PLACE, \$250; THIRD PLACE, \$150– SHOWMANSHIP, \$100. A TROPHY AND \$100 WILL ALSO BE AWARDED FOR "PEOPLES' CHOICE." A TOTAL OF \$1,000 IN CASH PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED!**
10. Please mail application and entry fee to Glenna Holmes, P. O. Box 1194, Abingdon, VA 24212.

BY SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION AND BY ATTENDING THE TEAM MEETING, ALL CONTESTANTS AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR AND ALL SPONSORS AND THEIR AGENTS, FOR ACCIDENTS OR MISFORTUNES THAT MAY OCCUR TO, DURING, OR FOLLOWING THE ABOVE EVENT.



Chili Cook-Off September 13, 2010

Official 2010 Chili Team Application

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____

Name of Chili Team: _____

Business or Sponsor Name (if applicable): _____

Tell us about your chili team _____

Describe your team booth/decorations

Entry fee is \$20.00 per team. All teams are required to prepare and serve a **minimum** of two (2) gallons of chili for public tasting (our crowds are pretty big and this is a fair favorite). This "taster" chili may have beans or pasta included. Teams shall also prepare a minimum of one quart ON SITE for official judging – This chili **MUST NOT** have beans nor pasta included. See attached Official Rules. **Entries must be received by Friday, September 10, 2010. A total of \$1000 in cash prizes will be awarded.** Good Luck! For more information, call 276-492-8180 , 276-628-2762, or 276-628-4644.