



Chili Chatter

SAN ANTONIO POD
CHILI APPRECIATION SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

May, 1994

FROM THE GREAT PEPPER

Hello SAP-CASI Chiliheads,

We're going to meet at a new place, the S.A. Cafe (the old Pelican's Wharf on N.E. Loop 410). More information further down in the newsletter. Let's check it out. This meeting coming up will be Charter Night. So all you charter members are welcome and you will get a 20th anniversary Texas medallion by Dr. Feelgood. We'll mail it to you if you can't make it to the meeting. Thanks for starting all this fun.

Once again, thanks everyone for our best cookoff ever. Also be thinking about any new rule changes for the upcoming year. Also in May, before it gets too hot, we will have a fix-up and clean-up session at the storage shed in Kirby.

See you at the meeting at the S.A. Cafe.

*For Texas and chili,
Dave Turner*

NEXT MEETING

The May pod meeting is going to be at the same time but a different place: the S.A. Cafe (the old Pelican's Wharf at 2818 N.E. Loop 410 and Perrin-Beitel next to the Galaxy Theater).

Wednesday, May 4, 1994 at 7:30 p.m.

"CHILLI" CHALLENGE

Roddy Stinson stirred up the chili world recently by trading a few barbs with some so-called chili experts from Illinois. Last fall the Illinois Senate passed a resolution declaring the Land of Lincoln the "Chilli Capital of the Civilized World." In his column in the San Antonio Express-News Roddy Stinson pointed out that they spell "chili" a funny way up north. He also put forth the idea that people in Illinois "wouldn't know a Bowl of Red from a tureen of warm spit."

That got the people from Illinois riled up and one of them challenged San Antonio to a taste test. Bob and Ann Angel offered to host the misguided Illinoisans. Joe Smith wrote a letter to Roddy Stinson explaining some of the background of Texas chili and the letter was passed on to

the people making the challenge. There is sure to be some interesting news as more develops in this northern education project.

OTHER NEWS

All SAP-CASI charter members are urged to attend the May meeting. We would like to honor as many of them as possible with the presentation of a medallion. The charter members are Shorty Fry, Steve "Yeller Dog" Hamlett, Nan Marsh, John "Bad McFad" Raven, Tex Schofield, and Travis and Nora Wylie. It would be great to see some of these folks.

Speaking of *Yeller Dog*, a presentation was made at the Houston Pod cookoff to Steve Hamlett (a.k.a., Yeller Dog). At long last, tradition was carried through when he was given his SAP-CASI jacket. These jackets are given to all SAP-CASI Great Peppers when they finish their terms of office. Steve got his a little late, but then he was a little unavailable for a few years. Instead of having his years of service listed on the back, his jacket just says "Supreme Great Pepper", his permanent title since being the first Great Pepper.

Glenn Rummel came through again at Seguin as he often does with an ice chest full of raw oysters. It takes a little work, but after a while you start to get the hang of how to open up those slippery little devils. Thanks Glenn.

Sooner or later the pod's storage shed in Kirby is going to become overloaded or just fall apart. There has been some talk about fixing it up and some decisions are going to be made at the next meeting. If you have any ideas or offers of help, call Leroy Jakeman at 698-0165 or Joe Smith at 344-1116. Or come to the meeting.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 by our Great Pepper, Dave Turner.

The minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter.

The treasurer reported a balance as of April 6, 1994 of \$6,230.05. We made approximately \$2,100.00 profit on the cookoff.

Bruce Jones then reported that we have 163 members. We picked up about 7 new members at the cookoff. He said that the Pod information brochures in the goody bags were very helpful.

Under old business, Dave reported that he took his medallions to Joann at Folklife, and that she thought they would sell at \$5.00. Other items to consider selling could be Red Caldwell's cookbook or some spices. If anyone has some other ideas about items to sell, let Dave know.

Charlie Bruton will check into renting a freezer for Folklife so we don't have to haul our big one over there.

We will set a workday to fix our storage building at the next meeting.

Dave will make a few more medallions for charter members and cookoff sponsors.

Dave then thanked everyone for their hard work on making the cookoff a success: Bob McNaughton for PR, Charlie Bruton for goody bags, Ken Rodd for sponsors and Friday night party, Larry Hechler for beer, Big Ed Petschelt for security, Sue Wilson for the painted stove and cornbread, Seguin pod for the T-shirts, Herman Cellmer for running the 5-Way, Charlie Roy for running the CASI cookoff, Barbara Burton for the raffle, Bruce Jones for the Calcutta, Duffy for the trophies, Joyce Jowers and Dottie Lehman for the Irish Coffee mix-off, Jim Stateczny for entertainment and sound system, Ann Angel and Mary Ann Richardson and Jeannette Cellmer for registration, the Duffields for Chili Head of the Year, Bob Wisdom for tallying, Joe Smith for the pod brochure, and everyone who helped. A big thanks went to Dave for getting it all together. Barbara then suggested that we don't do a raffle next year, but maybe an auction with a few nice prizes. It was also suggested that we might do jackpot beans next year. All the cookoff winners were then announced.

Under new business, Dave announced that our next meeting will be at the San Antonio Cafe on Loop 410 and Perrin-Beitel. He also suggest that we might have one of our meetings at Lone Star this summer.

Next, Irene moved that we give \$200.00 to Joe Fiedler, the Terlingua medic whose house burned down. Bruce seconded the motion and it was approved. Also, if you have any clothes or household items to send out to the family, it would be appreciated. You can bring them to the Comfort or Seguin cookoff.

Dave is looking into ordering more qualifying pins.

Upcomings were then announced.

Winners were then announced.

Ann Angel asked everyone to call Roddy Stinson in regard to the column he wrote about chili.

Jim Stateczny reported that he talked to Hut Brown

about the regional referee situation, and that all the Great Peppers in our area would meet with Hut at the Ladies State Cookoff and decide what to do. George Jowers moved that our pod recommend having only one regional referee. This was seconded by Gwen Turner and approved.

Stan Pitts moved that we adjourn, and the meeting was then adjourned.

*Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Stateczny*

RESULTS

Hermann Sons - Comfort - 4/9/94

1. John Caffey
3. Lynn Hejtmancik
4. Larry Burruss
5. Carolyn Hejtmancik
6. Janie Burruss
7. Ray King
8. Irene Duffield
9. Doug Seelig

Comfort Showmanship

1. King James & the Misfits
3. Horseshoe Chili

Ladies State - Seguin - 4/16/94

2. Cindy Reed
6. Barbara Large

Ladies State Showmanship

3. Hot Rodd Chili - Converse

Seguin - 4/17/94

3. Dee Lubker
6. Ruby Ross
8. Carolyn Hejtmancik

Houston - 4/23/94 (Partial)

1. Barbara Fox
2. Larry Burruss
- 3-6? Frank Fox & Janie Burruss

UPCOMING COOKOFFS

April 30 - Bandera

American Legion 1st Annual Cowboy Capitol Chili
Cookoff at Mansfield Park on Hwy. 16
Call Bob Turner at 210-535-4541

May 7 - Marble Falls

23rd Annual Howdy-Roo Chili Cookoff
in Johnson Park
Turn-in is 2:00 p.m.
Call Jimmy Taylor at 210-693-5235

May 14 - Ft. Worth

10th Annual Texas Wine Country Chili Cookoff
La Buena Vida Vineyards Tasting Room
Lakeside, Texas, 2 mi. northwest of the Lake
Worth Bridge on the Jacksboro Hwy. (Texas 199)
Call Jim "Dog" Luhn at 817-451-1111

May 21 - Jourdanton

Fourth Annual Jourdanton V.F.D. - Malvin
Prasifka Memorial Cookoff
Jourdanton City Park - Hwy. 16
CHILI GRIND ONLY

Friday night party

Call Marty at 210-769-3147 or David at 210-769-2028

May 28 - Converse

American Legion Post 593, 326 Legion Dr., Converse
Free Friday night cooks Bar-B-Q plate
Classic Car Show & Entertainment Saturday
Call Ken Rodd at 658-1111

May 29 - San Antonio

Midnight Rodeo's 11th Annual Chili Cookoff
12260 Nacogdoches, San Antonio
Entertainment & contests all afternoon
Info: Mark Easterling, 655-9300
RV Camping (No hookups) available at the American
Legion in Converse for both cookoffs (28th &
29th) that are only 6 miles apart

May 29 - Spicewood

Krause Springs Memorial Day Weekend Cookoff
Hook-up reservations - 210-693-4181
Cookoff info - Jimmy Taylor, 210-693-5235

EDITOR'S COMMENT

If you have anything you want to put in the next newsletter, call me or write me or bring it to Dave at the meeting.

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San Antonio, TX 78213
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July 18-1975
FIRST Pod meeting?

P.O. BOX 12602, San Antonio, Texas 78212 1975

Dear Sap-Cassian!

(512) 342-3706

At the risk of becoming over organized, we're gonna have a SAP-CASI meeting.

Believe it or not, on Friday, the 18th of July at Floore's Country Store in Helotes, Texas, from 8:00 pm till midnight. What a magnificent place to have a pod meeting.

We're gonna cook up a tremendous pot of chili, drink some beer or whatever, and talk about some serious chili business. (can ya believe that?)

One thing we need to attend to, is the selection of a stirring committee. The stirring committee is a representative body which assists the Great Pepper in planning activities for the Pod. We hope to get a representative from each chili group as well as from the membership at large. Remember one thing tho! We don't want to become over organized.

We have many things to discuss, but probably the most important is the National Invitational Tournament of Chili Champions.

This National Championship Cook-Off will be hosted by SAP-CASI here in San Antonio at La Villita on October the 18th.

If at all possible try to make this meeting.

We'll have to charge at the door to pay for the hall and the chili meat. A buck fifty for members should do it. Twice that for non-members, so they might as well pay the \$5.00 for a membership. That means they'll get a membership for \$3.50, so bring a friend.

B.Y.O.L. or buy Floore's beer - No beer may be brought in unfortunately. SEE YA THEN -----

Listen to the "CHILICAST" on KBUC Radio Sunday afternoons at 1:15 for more details - 1310 AM and 107.5 FM on your radio dial.

Chillyly Yours
Robert 'Yellow Dog' Marsh
Robert 'Yellow Dog' Marsh
The Great Pepper
SAP-CASI



The First International Chili Convention will be held at the Jersey Lilly Saloon, the hospitality room of the Pearl Brewery in San Antonio, Texas on Saturday, March 9, 1974. Because of your great interest in chili and the furtherance of its continuance and popularity, you are hereby invited to attend. If you know of other interested parties, please copy the registration form so they can register.

At the pre-convention seminar in Luckenbach on January 26, that wizard of words, master of metaphors and sultan of superlatives, Tex Schofield was elected M.C. We hope to have State of Chili addresses by such Kings of the Chili World as Dr. Frank Tolbert, Dr. Jumbo Atwell, Dr. Happy Shahan and Dr. Hondo Crouch. There will be recognition of the various pods, so bring your signs for the city, town or Indian Nation you represent.

If you would like to make a speech, you will be allotted 2 minutes in which to do so. Please indicate on the registration form if you wish to speak.

Among the serious issues to be discussed are:

1. A good, workable system of judging.
2. Care and handling of chili cooks at cook-offs.
3. Central planning agency.

Please advise us who will represent your group as a delegate on these issues. They will be members of the "Stirring Committee" and will caucus to argue, debate and agree (???) on a recommended method of handling the above issues. Meanwhile, other chili heads can attend the seminars offered. See agenda for day-long activities.

Discount rates are available to chili conventioners at the Bluebonnet Hotel, 426 N. St. Mary's. Naturally, feel free to make your own arrangements elsewhere, if desired.

No food or beverages can be brought into the Jersey Lilly Room. There'll be plenty of Pearl Beer and 2-Alarm Chili and tamales for supper.

We urgently request that you return the enclosed pre-registration form before February 20. Pre-registration is \$5.00 per person. After February, by mail or at the door, it will be \$7.50 each.

Hope to see you at the GREAT CHILI CONVENTION.

-----Detach and mail:-----



May 12, 1975

P.O. BOX 12602, San Antonio, Texas 78212

(512) 342-3706

Dear Friend,

An event of great historical significance will take place on Monday evening, May 12, 1975.

San Antonio, Texas has long been recognized by historians as the natural birthplace of chili con carne as we know and love it today.

On May 12, chili heads will congregate, celebrate, and initiate, the San Antonio Pod of the Chili Appreciation Society International (C.A.S.I.)

Famous chili cooks and celebrities from across the country will be there along with YOU! to make this event the great success it deserves to be.

Place - The Jersey Lilly Room at Pearl Brewing Co. in San Antonio.

Time - 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm (doors open at 7:00) - Program starts at 8:00.

Free beer and RC Cola compliments of Pearl. (no liquor please)

The enclosed Jersey Lilly card or a SAP-CASI membership card is required for admission.

We still have a few 3 minute program spots open if you would like to speak, tell a lie, or joke on the subject of chili (let us know before the 12th).

No one is in anyway obligated to become a member of SAP-CASI, but if you would like to get your membership card in advance, or cannot attend the kickoff meeting, or if you'd just like to receive the monthly 'CHILIGRAM' send your 5 bucks (payable to SAP-CASI) to the address on the letterhead.

Come join in the fun and help us promote chili, friendship, and spread good will.

See you on the 12th

Robert 'Yellow Dog' Marsh

The Great Pepper

SAP-CASI



San Antonio Pod - Chili Appreciation Society International
Janet Cieloncki, Pepper Popper
111 Kirby Heights
San Antonio, Texas 78219
1-210-661-3365

January 5, 1999

To Whom it may concern:

The San Antonio Pod of the Chili Appreciation Society International (*SAP-CASI*) is a nonprofit benevolent organization dedicated to charitable work and support of Chili, the State Dish of Texas.

For the 1999 Chili Year the Cancer Therapy and Research Center of San Antonio will be our recipient of charitable donations.

SAP-CASI holds an annual Chili (& MORE) Cookoff to benefit our charity. Our "Pod" Cookoff for 1999 will be held on Saturday, March 20, at Kicker's Korner (Southwestern Bexar county on Old Pearsall Road, outside Loop 1604). This will be the 25th Anniversary of our "Pod." We will hold a raffle and a silent auction to benefit our cause.

We know that we can count on the generosity of individuals and businesses alike to assist us in our endeavor. *SAP CASI* will genuinely appreciate your help. The deadline for donations (to be acknowledged on raffle tickets) is February 15, 1999. However, we will be accepting donations of silent auction items at the cookoff.

In closing, we cordially invite you to be a judge at our annual event. Chili Judging will be held at 2:00 pm. Judges are also needed for *beans, brisket, chicken* and *ribs* starting at 1:00 pm, throughout the afternoon. Judging is just another area in which we would appreciate your help.

If you are interested in participating in any of the above, please contact one of the individuals listed below.

Thanking you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

Janet Cieloncki
210/661-3365 Evenings
210/659-9760 Days

Happy Hinman
210/532-7205 Evenings
210/227-4747 Days

CHILI HISTORY IN SAN ANTONIO

IT HAS NEVER BEEN EXACTLY DETERMINED WHETHER CHILI WAS ORIGINATED IN SPAIN, MEXICO, THE RANGE COOKS ON THE CATTLE DRIVES TO KANSAS OR THE "CHILI QUEENS" ON THE STREETS OF SAN ANTONIO. WE BELIEVE THAT SPAIN AND MEXICO CAN BE RULED OUT BECAUSE NO RECORDED RECORD HAS BEEN FOUND AND THE DISH IS NOT ONE OF THEIRS TODAY.

THE RANGE COOKS ON THE CATTLE DRIVES TO KANSAS HAD A "CHILI STEW" OF CHOPPED MEAT SPICED WITH PEPPERS AND ONIONS. THIS STEW WAS SERVED TO THE DROVERS FROM ABOUT 1860 TO 1880.

THE "CHILI QUEENS" OPERATED ON THE STREETS OF SAN ANTONIO FROM ABOUT 1880 UNTIL 1943 AND MAY HAVE MADE THE FIRST REAL CHILI CON CARNE. THEY COOKED THE CHILI IN THEIR HOMES AND BROUGHT IT TO THE STREET SQUARES. HERE THEY HEATED THE CHILI WITH MESQUITE CHIPS AND SOLD IT TO THE PUBLIC. THEY DRESSED IN SEXY BRIGHT COLORED DRESSES AND USUALLY HAD A BUNCH OF ROSES OVER THEIR BOSOMS. MEXICAN STREET MUSICIANS WOULD SERNADE THE QUEENS AS THEY SERVED CHILI. THEY WERE CLOSED DOWN IN 1943 BECAUSE THEY DID NOT MEET CAFE HEALTH RULES.

ANYWAY CHIL BECAME AN ESTABLISHED DISH AND WAS KNOWN TO BE A "POOR FOLKS DISH" SINCE IT COULD BE MADE CHEAPLY. THE SOUP KITCHEN'S DURING THE DEPRESSION OF 1932 SERVED CHILI. A BOWL OF CHILI AND A SERVING OF CRACKERS COULD BE BOUGHT FOR \$.35 CENTS.

SOME OF THE FIRST KNOWN CHILI POWDER BLEND WAS MADE BY WILLIAM GEBHARDT OF NEW BRAUNSFELS, TEXAS AROUND 1890 AND THE PENDRY FAMILY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS. PRIOR TO THIS TIME THE COOK MADE HIS OWN SPICES FROM PEPPERS, GARLIC, ONIONS AND OTHER SPICES.

AT PRESENT THERE IS PROBABLY 6000 KNOWN CHILI COOKS IN AMERICA SO AS A COOK YOU ARE IN A UNIQUE BUNCH OF FOLKS. MANY OF THEM BELONG TO WHAT IS KNOWN AS A "CHILI POD" USUALLY AN ASSOCIATION OF CHILI COOKS IN A TOWNSHIP. FRED McMURRAY OF HOUSTON THOUGHT SUCH AN ORGANIZATION SHOULD HAVE OFFICERS AND SO WE HAVE A "GREAT PEPPER" THE CEO AND A "PEPPER POPER" THE CEO'S ASSISTANT. THE CHILI SCRIBE WRITES THE NEWS LETTERS, THE SECTARY KEEPS THE RECORDS AND PODS THAT HAVE MONEY NEED A TREASURER. FOR DIRECTION A GROUP OF DIRECTOR ARE ELECTED OR APPOINTED.

THE SAP-CASI POD WAS THE FIRST OR SECOND POD CREATED DEPENDING ON WHOSE CLAIMS YOU ARE LISTINING TO. SAP-CASI POD WAS STARTED IN THE LIVING ROOM OF BOB "YELLOW DOG" MARSH IN 1975 BY EIGHT CHARTER MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS:

ROBERT YELLOW DOG MARSH
JOHN BAD MCFAD RAVEN
NAN MARSH
TRAVIS WYLIE

TEX SCHOEFIELD
SHORTY FRY
CRASH STEWART
NORA WYLIE

IN LESS THAN TEN YEARS THE POD HAD GROWN TO OVER TWO HUNDRED MEMBERS.

SHOWMANSHIP WAS BIG IN THOSE DAYS AND "YELLOW DOG" AND "HONDO CROUCH" WERE TWO OF THE ASSOCIATIONS GREATEST SHOWMAN. THERE WAS NO PROBLEM WITH SPECTATORS IN THOSE DAYS AND SHOWMANSHIP WAS THE REASON.

JMS

Support your local pod!!!



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OFFICIAL SAP-CASI NEWSLETTER ETC.

HUG ME! I'M A CHILIHEAD!!!!!!!!!!

That's the theme of the 3rd annual Luckenbach Ladies Garden Club 'HUG IN' in Luckenbach Texas on Feb. 12th.

Don't miss this 2 days of fun and frolic. Come and visit with your fellow lunatics for the first time in 1977. The only chili event of the year where no chili is cooked. Just huggin and frolicking, and zany entertainment.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday nite Feb. 11th. Bun Warming at the cotton gin. What's bun warming? You'll have to come and see for yourself.

NOTE!!!! CAMPING IN LUCKENBACH WILL BE RESTRICTED TO CURRENT CARD BEARING MEMBERS OF AN OFFICIAL C.A.S.I. Pod.

Saturday Feb. 12th. 10 AM Clean up the Dance hall. This is a very popular event each year. Participants may keep all the loose change, cigarette butts and beer cans they find.

Sat. 1:00 pm The 3rd annual Luckenbach Ladies Garden Club NON-Talent Contest. Admission is 1 buck for everybody----- this includes participants. People who attend the Non talent contest will be stamped or ticketed and will receive a special admission rate at the dance Sat. nite.

The Ladies urge each Pod and/or each chili group to field at least one entry in this spectacular contest. Early entries are The Atascosa County Municipal Philharmonic Kazoo Ensemble, The Liberian Libation Navigation Society Marching Brigade, The Abnormal Tallywhacker Choir, and The Hondo Crouch Memorial Latrineaphone Quartet. Word has it that the Jug Huggers from San Antonio will present the world's first original chili song. The non-talent show will last for at least 2 hours, so there's plenty of time for your group to do it's thing. So GET AN ENTRY IN!!!!!!!!!!!!

Saturday 3:30 PM. (more or less) The 1st annual Joke Off sponsored by Cowtown C.A.S.I. Get your best (or worst) joke ready and contact Mike Wayne or Tom Tate for entry info.

Saturday 4:30 PM. The world's first Hondo Crouch Memorial Nose Picking and Butt Scratching Contest sponsored by the Laura Leatherland School of Charm. For entry info, contact Laura.

Sat. 5:00 PM. Feed In at the cotton gin. Everybody brings a covered dish of food. Larry Schofield will bring the beans.

Sat. 8.00 PM. Big Dance in Luckenbach Hall. Admission is \$2.00 except for officially stamped or ticketed non-talent show attendees.

Sunday 13th 10 AM. Clean up the dance hall. There'll be lots of goodies on the floor for this one.

Sunday sometime later. The 2nd Annual World's Championship Bloody Mary Mixoff. (defending champion Yeller Dog) For entry info, contact Judy Wimberly.

Sunday sometime later. The 2nd annual Pee Off (distance & accuracy) sponsored this year by defending champion Swervin Mervin Bell, and the Goat Gap Gazette.

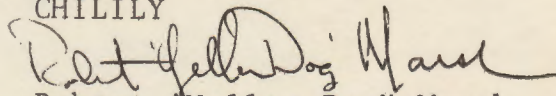
And Finally!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

'THOU SHALT' Services by the Wrong Reverend Hal J. Wimberly.

With all this in store, how can you not come?

See You There!!!!!!

CHILILY


Robert "Yeller Dog" Marsh
The Great Pepper SAP-CASI

PROCEEDS FROM THE NON-TALENT SHOW AND THE DANCE ON SAT. NITE WILL GO INTO THE HONDO CROUCH MEMORIAL FUND. THIS FUND IS BEING ACCUMULATED TO ERECT A PROPER MEMORIAL STATUE TO HONDO IN DOWNTOWN LUCKENBACH.

OFFICIAL 1977 TEXAS CHILI SCHEDULE

(updates will follow throughout the year)

Feb. 26th- Eagle Pass Wintergarden International Chili Cook-off

Contact: American Legion Post # 211

P.O. Box 5
Eagle Pass Texas 78852

March 19th- Houston Cook-off

Contact: Hal John Wimberly
c/o Goat Gap Gazette
5110 Bayard # 2
Houston Texas 77006

April 2-3 Prairie Dog Chili Cook-off At Grand Prairie

Contact: Doug Beich
Trader's Village
2602 Mayfield Road
Grand Prairie Texas 75051

April 16 Poteet Chili Cook-off & Strawberry Festival

Contact: Chon Davila
P.O. Box 542
Poteet Texas 78065

May 7th Marble Falls Cook-off

Contact The Griffins
Howdy Roo
P.O. Box 430
Marble Falls Texas 78654

May 15th Seguin Chili Cook-Off

Contact Carl A. Jaks
719 Jefferson
Seguin Texas 78155

May 21st Kirby Un-official Semi-organized Chili Cook-off
and All Day Meeting Under the Sun With Liberty
and Justice For All

Contact: Jerry Lehman
Kirby Lions Club
5242 Coral Mist Dr.
San Antonio Texas 78219

June 4th Crane Chili Cook-off

Contact: Darrel Williams
P.O. Box 847
121 N. Gaston
Crane Texas 79731



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October 14, 1975

Dear Sap Cassian:

This is the week and Saturday is the day----- Our big event of the year--THE NATIONAL INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT OF CHILI CHAMPIONS. It can be a huge success if each member does his part.

It is very important that everyone show up and lend a hand. On Friday afternoon we'll need help setting up and Saturday we need scads of help to man the gates.

Most important of all though is getting a crowd out. If each member would get 10 people to show up, we would have a crowd of 2000 right there. We need about 1,500 to break even.

Talk to your neighbors and friends----- get on the phone--- whatever is necessary to get people out.

We want to show San Antonio that we have something going for SAP-CASI. And most of all we want to be remembered with good thoughts.

SO LET'S GET WITH THE PROGRAM & GET THE PEOPLE OUT!!!!

Chililly

Robert 'Yeller Dog' Marsh
Robert 'Yeller Dog' Marsh
The Great Pepper of SAP-CASI

P.S. Don't forget that there's a pool party at the Tropicana Friday night. Pete Lopez' band will entertain. Buy your own drinks at the pool bar.

P.P.S. Everyone please bring a sack of empty beer cans Saturday. These are needed for the beer stacking and beer can chunking contests.

WANTED

\$1,000,000 REWARD

Six Most Wanted Outlaws



T HE **C** HILI **G** ANG



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Dear Chili Head:

Hope you can join us for the bash on the 18th. Such a great time we're gonna have. Outstanding Chili Champions from everywhere will be competing in this event.

El Tropicana Hotel has graciously consented to be our chilihead headquarters (if they only knew) for this event.

They are offering a discount on rooms for the weekend of the 18th for people attending the contest. If you plan to attend please mail your reservation card as soon as possible, so we can get a head count (chilihead that is). You get a free drink and for you fly ins, catch the limousine and you'll get the fare deducted from your final tab.

Lotsa wild things are gonna happen that weekend. All the chili heads will be here so don't miss it.

See Ya!!

Chililly

Robert 'Yeller Dog' Marsh
The Great Pepper of SAP-CASI

P.S.

Card carrying SAP-CASI members get in free.

P.P.S.

But you'll be put to work immediately.



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ENTRY FORM

SOUTHWESTERN U.S. REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP HOLLERING CONTEST.

Prizes for:

The Loudest Hollerer

The Most Melodious Hollerer

Hollering Showmanship

Name _____

Address _____

How long have you been hollering _____ ?

In which category will you be competing _____ ?

Winners of this contest will represent the southwest in the
National Finals at Spivey Corners North Carolina next June 19th.

Please provide a brief summary of your hollering accomplishments.



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January 29, 1976

Dear Sap-Cassian:

They say it's a great feeling to be needed. Well feel great friend, because you are needed.

SAP-CASI members arise and be counted.

Our attempt at getting the "Bods to the Pod" in December was a catastrophe. Only a handful of the faithful showed up and the Pod was stuck with beer, tamales, and chili to the tune of three hundred bucks.

There were plans to have a bicentennial kick-off meeting in January to discuss plans for 1976. We still need to have the meeting but we have to figure out how to do it without dropping another three hundred. Looks like the last of February or the first of March might be a good time.

Between now and then however, are two dandy chili happenings. The 'Hug In' at Luckenbach on Feb. 14th and the Wintergarden International Chili Contest at Eagle Pass, Texas on the 21st of February.

I urge everyone, if at all possible, to attend either or both of these events and let everyone know that you're still a part of SAP-CASI.

We can do some great things in 76 with your participation.

Here are some things to think about-----

Participation in San Antonio River events.

Texas Folk Life Festival.

2nd National Invitational Tournament of Chili Champions.

The 'World's Longest Parade' which will begin in San Antonio on July 2 and end in Luckenbach on Sunday July 4th.

More-----

THE SAN ANTONIO AREA CHILI CHAMPIONSHIP

This event, scheduled for Aug. 21st (entry blank attached) will select the San Antonio area representative to the Republic of Texas Chilympiad in September. Winner's expenses and entry paid to Chilympiad. If a lady wins, and if ladies are not competing at Chilympiad this year, she will go entry and expense paid to the 1st, 5th annual Ma Ferguson Memorial World's Only Women Only Chili Bust in Luckenbach (this is the ladies state championship) In addition, this will be SAP-CASI's mid-summer outing---typical chili functions, fun, and games, and just a general get together for pod members. Don't miss it.

BIG 'T' RE-SCHEDULED

Frank Tolbert, co-founder & director of the world's championship announced amid screams and curses that the Big 'T' date has been moved to October 16th. (the date S.A. had set for the Tournament of champions). Hopefully, SAP-CASI can work out a solution to this problem. These things should be remembered; Terlingua is the acknowledged birthplace of chili cookoffs. Had big 'T' not taken place with Wick Fowler & H. Allen Smith back in 1967 it is very doubtful that we would be chiliheads today. Most of us just show up at Terlingua, raise hell for 2 or 3 days, then take off. There are staggering logistical problems involved in getting the nation-wide TV & press coverage that makes 'T' the nationally popular event that it is. Somebody even cleans up our mess after we leave. What it amounts to, is that unsurmountable problems faced the Nov. date. So there you have it.

SAP-CASI MEMBERSHIPS DUE

Memberships beginning in May, June, or July 1975 (about 50%) will unless renewed, expire on July 31st. So, get with it gang, send in your \$5.00 renewal ASAP.

CHILILY

Robert 'Yeller Dog' Marsh
Robert 'Yeller Dog' Marsh GP

PS See you at the Folklife Festival and SAP-CASI cookoff!!!!!!



P.O. BOX 12602, San Antonio, Texas 78212

(512) 342-3706

July 27, 1976

Dear SAP Member:

Things are poppin in the chili world, in case you haven't heard.

1. SAP-CASI to operate a chili & beer booth at the Texas Folklife Festival August 5,6,7,8.
2. SAP-CASI sponsors the 1st annual San Antonio Area chili cook off on Saturday August 21st.
3. The World's Championship chili cook off at Terlingua has been moved from it's traditional 1st Saturday in November date to October 16th.

THE TEXAS FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

This has go to be the greatest general interest event in the state of Texas----- maybe the whole world. 6000 Texans from 130 towns will present the cultures of 24 nations--- endless varieties of foods from Teriyaki to Yam pie--- more than 1500 entertainers will appear on the festival's 7 stages. SAP-CASI will be there demonstrating chili cookery and displaying some of the refinements that chiliheads have brought to the culture of Texas. It's gonna be a great 4 days. Support your pod by coming by the Stage 1 area and having a bowl of red ala Mike McGlothlin (the new Pepper Popper of SAP-CASI).

FLASH



FLASH

P.O. BOX 12602, San Antonio, Texas 78212
(512) 342-3706

ANNOUNCING

THE 1ST ANNUAL SAN ANTONIO AREA CHILI COOKING CHAMPIONSHIP
TO SELECT SAN ANTONIO'S OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE 7TH
ANNUAL REPUBLIC OF TEXAS CHILYMPIAD.

WINNER'S ENTRY FEE AND EXPENSES PAID TO CHILYMPIAD (men's)
OR LUCKENBACH (ladies's)

SATURDAY AUGUST 21st

AT THE SEMI-ORGANIZED UNOFFICIAL DOWNTOWN KIRBY CHILI COOKOFF
GROUNDS BEHIND KIRBY STATE BANK. SPONSORED BY THE SAN ANTONIO
POD CHILI APPRECIATION SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL (SAP-CASI).

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Contestants must be residents of San Antonio or Members of SAP-CASI
ENTRY FEE \$10.00. Make checks payable to SAP-CASI.

Name of Chili team _____

Name of head cook _____

Address _____

ZIP _____

Official rules, maps, etc. will be mailed upon receipt of your entry.



P.O. BOX 12602, San Antonio, Texas 78212

(512) 342-3706

April 11 1977

Dear Chili Head:

The greatest event in the history of chili will take place on April the 26th and 27th of 1977.

On April 27th, State Representatives Ron Bird from San Antonio, and Ben Grant from Marshall Texas will present a bill in the Texas Legislature naming chili as the official state food of Texas. We chili heads are at last getting our just rewards. The bill, if passed, will justify our long years of faith in our beloved bowl of red.

To highlight the presentation of the bill and attract nationwide attention, chili leaders from accross the state will gather in Zilker Park in Austin on Tuesday the 26th and help set a new world record for the most chili ever cooked in one vessel, at one time outdoors over an open fire.

In order to do this, however, we must raise some money. We hope that through contributions from chili lovers such as you, we can raise enough money to cook 2000 lbs (1 ton) of Root'n Toot'n , Rompin Stompin Texas Red. May we count on your contribution and attendance? Remember---- chili heads will become even more important than we allready are if this bill passes.

Donors of \$100 or more will be designated as assistant head cooks. Those who contribute \$25 will be designated as fire tenders and along with the head cooks will have their names inscribed on the official scroll that is presented to the legislature.

Anyone contributing any amount will be on the official list of petitioners that is presented to the legislature and sent as the certified witness list to the Guinness Book of World Records.

So send in your dollars and dimes-----we need you.

Make checks payable to SAP-CASI Chili Fund.

SEE YOU THERE ON THE 26th.

P.S.

Continous entertainment & free beer!!!!!!

CHILILY

Yellow Dog Ranch

1st. ANNUAL

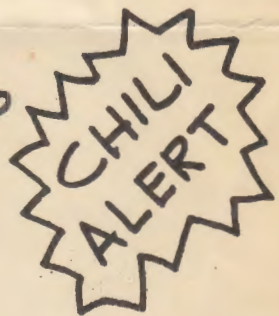
NA-TACO
FESTIVAL
AND
CHILI COOKOFF



JUNE 12, 1977

SPONSERED BY THE NATIONAL TACO COUNCIL
WITH THE COOPERATION OF THE ++
SAN ANTONIO POD CHILI APPRECIATION SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL
MISSION COUNTY PARK, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

THE BEST CHILI TO BE SENT TO
PRESIDENT CARTER
THE WORST CHILI GOES TO
BILLY CARTER



Trophies & Prizes in Chili & Showmanship
Fun - Contests - Dance to 3 Great Bands

~~Reservations must be in by June 4 - \$1.00 Entry fee for Cookoff~~
Make check payable to: SARCASI P.O. BOX 12602, San Antonio, Texas 78212



P.O. BOX 12602, San Antonio, Texas 78212

(512) 342-3706

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

Come one, Come all!

A slap happy SAP Happy hour all night long-----

When?

April Fools day-----No foolin----- at 7:30 PM. Thats on April 1st.

Where?

Bull Brothers Saloon at the corner of Euclid & Lexington, in San Antonio.

What?

A meeting of the San Antonio Pod of the Chili Appreciation Society International, what else!

There's no charge at the door----just happy hour beer & drink prices all night.

Free chips & nuts!

Door Prizes!

Live Entertainment!

We're gonna raffle off a truckload of beer & many other prizes.

We're gonna talk about as few things as possible, but some items need to be mentioned----such as;

A report by the ethics & morals committee.

SAP's participation in-----

River events

Texas Folklife Festival

The world's longest parade, etc etc.

Yall come and bring a friend or two. We need some new members.

On April Fools day at 7:30 PM at the Bull Brothers Saloon.

NO FOOLIN!!!

Robert 'Yeller Dog' Marsh
Robert 'Yeller Dog' Marsh
Great Pepper of SAP-CASI

A TRUE STORY!

Me and Cousin Homer is poor but proud. We don't take fer frees frum nobody. We make our own way...

We had a little three acre farm down in Bastrop County. One day the cow and the well went dry at the same time. The squash bugs et up the garden, all the onions rotted. Then when the house caut far and burnd up we decided it was time to be movin on...

Yew mite say it was SUPER HARDTIMES, we decided it mite be nice to moove to Oklahomer.. We heered ther wuz a lot of POORBOYS and HILLBILLYS up ther...

We loaded the wagen with the only things we had that waz any good. The stove, the washpot and rub-board and the kids...

Durin the DEPRESSION we made a few dollars cookin MOONSHINE and HOMEBREW. So we brung along the still and the makins, we alus hid the still in the OUTHOUSE cauz thats the last place the reevonenrz look..

We wuz makin reel good time in the wagen when the moder got to nockin reel bad.. We wuz in this here place called Temple so we looked fer a place to camp. Soz wed have time to wurk on the moder.. The best place we found was rite behin this here big ole roomin house...

Itz a real nice place, they got a big ole tank full of blue water up there in a little ole pasture. There aint no fish in it tho, yew can see plum to the bottom. Therz a nice little crik close in, we find a possum down there nearly ever nite and thers firewood galore...

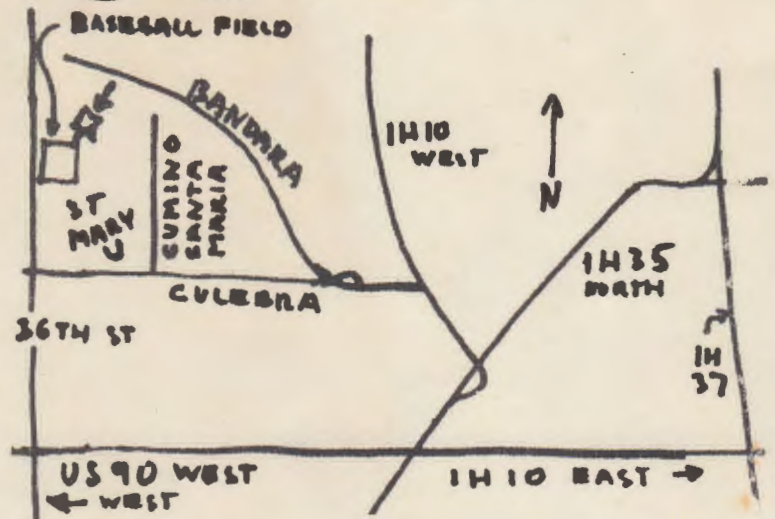
We ~~stole~~ found sum lumber and fixed a shade fer the kids...

We like it here, we just sit aroun and enjoy the shade and watch the big ole trucks on the road.. If we catch a possum of two, we make us a batch of CHILLY. Itz the best food in the wurl, if yew keep it warm itll keep fer weeks...

We keep the still runnin, we like a little taste of red-eye onct in a while, besids it keeps the flys away frum the outhouse...

We work on the wagen onct in a while, but we aint in no hurry, we like it here, we just mite stay.....

OFFICIAL FLIER



1ST EVENTUAL SAP-CASI CHILI-CHAMPIONSHIP

COME ON DOWN TO THE PECAN GROVE AT ST MARYS
UNIVERSITY, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS (SEE MAP)

- 1-10 TROPHIES AND/OR PRIZES FOR CHILI
- 1-5 TROPHIES AND/OR PRIZES FOR SHOWMANSHIP
- CONTESTS WITH TROPHIES AND/OR PRIZES
- GOODIE BAG FOR ALL COOKS
- FREE SECURED CAMPING - NO HOOKUPS - ON ASPHALT
- FREE HOSPITALITY NITE WITH FREE BEER AND MUSIC(?) BY
LEE Mc COLLOUGH
- FREE SAT NITE DANCE w/ SUPER MYSTERY BAND
- CHILI WINNER TO BE SPONSERED TO 1980 CHILYMPIAD AS
OFFICIAL SAP-CASI REPRESENTATIVE
- POINTS COUNT FOR 1979 TERLINGUA
(DON'T BELIEVE EVERYTHING YOU READ IN THE PAPER)
- LIMIT 50 COOKS SO HURRY
- FEE \$15.00

NAME _____ CHILI NAME _____

STREET _____ CITY / STATE _____

PHONE _____ TEAM SIZE _____

CONTACT MIKE Mc GLOTHLIN 512-656-6761 OR VIC ORTIZ 512-674-4597

Rathskeller Grocery

BEER — ICE — GROCERIES

HIGHWAY 87 AT 27 COMFORT

ON THE WAY TO OR
FROM A COOKOFF
VISIT

**Peller Dog's
Chili Parlor**

AT LEON SPRINGS

NAME BANDS

FLOWN IN FROM BOERNE,
PIPE CREEK, HELOTES...
BEER & EXOTIC DRINKS

THIRD ANNUAL COOK CHILI IN COMFORT

IN CITY PARK

SATURDAY

JULY 8, 1978

BENEFIT

COMFORT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

ENTRY FORM — FEE \$10.00

HEAD COOK _____

NAME OF CHILI _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

MAIL TO:

ED MEASELS
RT. 2 BOX 132-D
BOERNE, TX 78006

COUNTRY STYLE SAUSAGE
CHILI GRIND
BEEF

HOME CURED BACON & HAM
CUSTOM PROCESSING

*Alamo Market
& Lockers*

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Chili Cooks! Stop by for a
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Mike Kunkel, Proprietor

COMFORT'S UNIQUE
DINING PLACE

LUNCHES DAILY AND
SHORT ORDERS ALL DAY

BEER & SOFT DRINKS

9 AM — 8 PM — CLOSED SATURDAY

THAT DARN BARN

HIGHWAY 27 COMFORT

Brunos Curve

DANCE FRIDAY NIGHT
JULY 7, 1978

OPEN EVERY DAY
10 TO MIDNITE

HAMBURGERS — CHILI — FRIED CHICKEN
BEER & SOFT DRINKS

HIGHWAY 87 COMFORT

IN CONGRESS, JULY 3, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of EL PUB UNO MAS

When in the course of culinary events, it becomes necessary for one Chili to compete against another, a decent respect to the opinions of Chili lovers requires that the makers of a Chili declare the causes which impel them to the competition. — We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all Chilies are not created equal, that they are endowed by their creators with certain unalienable Ingredients, that among these are meat, chili pepper, and cumin. That to secure the rights of Chili lovers to excellence, Chili Cooks are instituted among Men, receiving from them the responsibility to add certain additional Ingredients, some of which may remain secret.

We, therefore, the Representatives of El Pub Uno Mas, in General Congress assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of Chili (The People) for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by the authority of the good People at this Cook-Off, solemnly publish and declare that this Chili will, and of Right ought to be judged Free and Independent of such considerations as, fame of Cook, distance traveled, and location of coming Cook-Offs. — And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Devine Providence (and the local police), we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Gebhart's, and our secret ingredients.

Jim Leissner
Cook

Jaun Hancock
Jan Crockett
et al

Bob Morris
and
Benj. Franklin

N. & H. Pfannstiel
J. Leissner
Gwen Crockett

**TEXAS' FAMOUS CHILI RECIPE
(ORIGINATED IN DALLAS COUNTY PRISON SYSTEM)**

½ lb. or 2 cups ground beef suet
2 lbs. ground beef
3 buds garlic
1½ Tbsp. paprika
3 Tbsp. chili powder
1 Tbsp. comino seed

1 Tbsp. salt
1 tsp. white pepper
1½ tsp. finely diced dried sweet chili pods
3 cups water

Fry out suet in heavy kettle. Add meat, finely diced garlic, and seasonings; cover. Cook slowly 4 hours, stirring occasionally. Add water; continue cooking about 1 hour until slightly thickened. Serve plain or mixed with equal portions of cooked dried pink or red beans. Serves 6. (Dried chili pods may be omitted.)

Originally developed by former Sheriff "Smoot" Schmid for inmates of Dallas County jail, the fame of this delicious chili quickly spread beyond prison walls to achieve world recognition. Julie Lee Wright, nationally known food authority, selected it as one of the ten best recipes since 1930. She said: "I have tasted the superlative Smoot Schmid Chili. This dish is prepared in the clean, well-run jail at Dallas and is the best chili I ever tasted."

(This card is the proper size to fit in the family recipe box.)

**COMPLIMENTS OF THE SAN ANTONIO' POD
CHILI APPRECIATION SOCIETY INTL.
P. O. BOX 12602 SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78212**

FEBRUARY 24, 1999

CITY EDITOR, SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS-NEWS
POST OFFICE BOX 2171
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78297-2171

DEAR SIR:

I ATTENDED YOUR CHILI COOK-OFF YESTERDAY HELD IN THE REAR OF THE OLD NEWS BUILDING. I WAS IMPRESSED WITH THE KNOWLEDGE, ENTHUSIASM AND TALENT THE CONTESTANT SHOWED. BESIDES THAT, THEY SEEMED TO ENJOY THE OCCASION.

IT WAS NICE TO MEET JUDGES ELIZA SOMELAND AND KARAN HARAN BOTH EXPERTS ON FOOD.

I HAVE ATTACHED A LITTLE OF THE HISTORY OF CHILI FOR SOMEONE CONNECTED TO FOOD TO REVIEW AND USE IF THEY WISH,

SINCERLY



JOE SMITH, POD HISTORIAN
2209 LA MANDA BLVD.
SAN ANTONIO, TX. 78201

P.S.

BY THE WAY I BELIEVE MAURY MAVERICK WAS A JUDGE IN THE FIRST WORLD CHILI CHILI COOK-OFF IN TERLINGUA IN 1967.

SAN ANTONIO
D. HENRY
IN 1926. TR
KANSAS FROM



San Antonio Pod - Chili Appreciation Society International
Joe Smith, Director/Pod Historian
2209 La Manda
San Antonio, Texas 78201
1-210-344-1116

SAP-CASI

CHILI APPRECIATION SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL WAS ORGANIZED IN 1964 INTO CHAPTERS BY GEORGE HADDAWAY OF DALLAS, THE PUBLISHER OF FLIGHT MAGAZINE AND JIM FULLER OF HURST, TEXAS. THEY WERE A BUNCH OF HACK WRITERS AND HUNGRY NEWSMEN. THE GOAL OF THE CLUB WAS TO PROMOTE GOOD CHILI IN "CAFES" AROUND THE WORLD AND CHILI WITHOUT BEANS. CHAPTERS WERE ACTIVE IN DALLAS, WASHINGTON, SIAGON, MADRID, MEXICO CITY, LONDON, GENEVA AND LOS ANGELES.

WHEN THESE CHILI LOVING ZEALOTS WOULD MEET IN SOME PART OF THE WORLD FOR A CHILI DINNER, THEY PERFORMED A CEREMONY WHICH LOOKED LIKE A GROUP OF RELIGIOUS FANATICS. IT INVOLVED THE CRACKER CRUMBLING. EACH MEMBER WOULD SURROUND A TABLE AND WITH OUTSTRETCHED HANDS FULL OF CRACKERS, BEGIN TO SQUEEZE THE SALT CRACKERS UNTIL THE CRUMBS BEGAN TO FALL TOWARD A HOT BOWL OF CHILI, WHILE MUTTERING IN GIBBER SOUNDS. WITH THE CEREMONY OVER THEY WERE READY FOR THEIR MEAL.

IN 1971 THE FIRST CHILI "POD" WAS ORGANIZED FOR CHILI "COOKS" IN HOUSTON, TEXAS. THEY WOULD CHARTER IN PODS WITH CHILI APPRECIATION SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL OR CASI. FRED MC MURRAY OF HOUSTON THOUGHT THE OFFICERS SHOULD HAVE A TITLE, SO HE GAVE THE CEO THE TITLE OF "GREAT PEPPER". THE ASSISTANT WOULD BE "PEPPER POPPER" AND THE THIRD OFFICERS WOULD BE "CHILI SCRIBE". AS THE CLUB GREW MANY OTHER OFFICERS WERE ADDED. SO THE FIRST POD WAS HOT-CASI POD.

FOR SOME OF OUR NEWER SAN ANTONIO CHILI COOKS, IT IS NOT DIFFICULT TO IMAGINE THAT SAP-CASI HAS ALWAYS BEEN AROUND BUT THIS IS NOT THE CASE. YES, IN THE EARLY 1970S, RADIO STATIONS, LODGES AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS WERE HOLDING CHILI COOK-OFFS IN AND AROUND SAN ANTONIO TO RAISE MONEY FOR CHARITY WITH NO REASON FOR A POD.

O. HENRY WROTE THAT "CHILI CON CARNE" WAS SEEN IN SAN ANTONIO IN 1820. THE CATTLE DROVERS WHO TOOK HERDS OF CATTLE TO MARKET IN KANSAS FROM 1860 TO 1880 WERE SERVED CHILI STEW OR CHILI.

IN 1893 DURING THE CHICAGO WORLD'S FAIR, THE "CHILI QUEENS" OF SAN ANTONIO SET UP A CHILI STAND LETTING THE WORLD KNOW ABOUT "CHILI CON CARNE",

OH, BUT EGO AND SHOWMANSHIP RECONED THAT SAN ANTONIO SHOULD BE THE SECOND U.S. CITY TO HAVE A CHILI POD. IN 1974 THE FRAMEWORK WAS HATCHED FOR SAP-CASI MEMBERSHIP BY CHILI HEADS. ONE OF THE CHILI HEADS WAS BOB (YELLOW DOG) MARSH, A MASTER SHOWMAN AND LOVER OF CHILI. BOB MARSH WAS MADE GREAT PEPPER, CRASH STEWART WAS MADE PEPPER POPPER AND SHORTY FRY WAS MADE CHILI PETINE.

ON MAY 12, 1975 A MEETING WAS HELD AT THE JERSEY LILLY OF PEARL BREWING COMPANY WHEREBY SAP-CASI WAS INVITED TO BELONG TO THE CASI ORGANIZATION. ON OCTOBER 18, 1975, A COOK-OFF WAS HELD AT LA VILLITA IN SAN ANTONIO WHO SOME CALL OUR FIRST ANNUAL BUT HOUSTON WAS VERY INVOLVED IN THE RUNNING OF IT. THIS COOK-OFF WAS KNOWN AS THE "TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS". IT RAN FROM 11:00 UNTIL MIDNIGHT AND WAS FOR BENIFIT OF THE ST. ANTHONY'S SPECIAL SCHOOL. IN THE TWENTY FIVE YEARS SINCE THE FRAMEWORK WAS STARTED CHILI MADDNESS HAS GROWN AND 60 PODS EXIST IN 16 STATES. THE LARGEST COOK-OFF IS CHILYMPAID, THE TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP WHICH HAS HAD OVER 500 CONTESTANTS. IT IS NOT KNOWN HOW MANNY CHILI COOK'S EXIST BECAUSE SEVERAL ASSOCIATIONS HAVE A CONNECTION TO CHILI.

SO ON MARCH 20, 1999 WE WILL HAVE OUR ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF SINCE IT IS 25 YEARS FROM FRAMEWORK TO NOW, WE WILL CALL IT OUR "SILVER ANNIVERSARY".

ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE ARE SOME OF THE OFFICERS OF SAP-CASI WHO HAVE HELPED MAKE THE POD GREAT.

Joe Smith

JOE SMITH

SAP-CASI

CONCEIVED 1974 BORN 1975

BELOW ARE THE OFFICERS WHO WERE IMPORTANT IN MAKING SAN ANTONIO
SAP-CASI GREAT DURING THE TWENTY FIVE YEARS SINCE CONCEPTION.

YEAR	GREAT PEPPER	PEPPER POPPER
74-75	ROBERT MARSH	CRASH STEWART MIKE MC GLOTHLM
75-76	ROBERT MARSH	MIKE MC GLOTHLM
76-77	ROBERT MARSH	MIKE MC GLOTHLM
77-78	MIKE MC GLOTHLM	TOM PIKE
78-79	MIKE MC GLOTHLM	TOM PIKE
79-80	TOM PIKE	HERMAN CELLMER
80-81	HERMAN CELLMER	IRENE DUFFIELD
81-82	HERMAN CELLMER	IRENE DUFFIELD
82-83	TOM PIKE	FRANK METZ
83-84	PAT IRVINE	FRANK METZ
84-85	JACK EMSWEILER	DAVID TURNER
85-86	FRANK METZ	DAVID TURNER
86-87	FRANK METZ	DAVID TURNER
87-88	MEL BURTON	IRENE DUFFIELD
88-89	MEL BURTON	IRENE DUFFIELD
89-90	IRENE DUFFIELD	GEORGE JOWERS
90-91	IRENE DUFFIELD	GEORGE JOWERS
91-92	GEORGE JOWERS	DAVID TURNER
92-93	GEORGE JOWERS	DAVID TURNER
93-94	DAVID TURNER	LARRY HECHLER
94-95	DAVID TURNER	LARRY HECHLER
95-96	LARRY HECHLER	JOYCE JOWERS
96-97	JOYCE JOWERS	ED PETSCHULT
97-98	JOYCE JOWERS	DAVID RICHARDSON
98-99	DAVID RICHARDSON	ROBERT SCHRAGE JANET CIELENCKI

OUR 25 TH ANNIVERSARY CHILI COOK-OFF WILL OCCUR MARCH 20, 1999

JOE SMITH

Joe Smith

Hi Joe,

Ray King is trying to get the CASI Terlingua Museum and Trust off the ground. He did a presentation at the Great Peppers meeting. Joyce attended, I did not. Joyce will brief the Pod on the presentation at our next meeting.

The enclosed questionnaire must be completed and mailed by 1 Nov. I would like to nominate you as a director. With your permission of course. You know more about chili history than an one I know that is active in chili. Even if you don't want to be a director I would appreciate your comments on the questionnaire. We plan on having an article in the Trails and Goat Gap asking for past Great Peppers, previous winners, and previous chili heads of the year to contact us so that we can recreate some of our history. I would like for you to be the contact point for that also. You can get who ever you wish to assist you. You are the only person I can think of that may have something to donate to the Museum. The Trust does have a little money in it already. Joyce may know how much. If the Pod had a historian you would be the candiate.

When you read the CASI bylaws it states that Bexar county is the address for the corporation, or something to that effect. I don't have the bylaws at work to quote from. So Bexar county might be the place for the Museum.

At any rate would appreciate you looking this over. Then after hearing Joyce's briefing. Let me know what you think and we will complete the questionnaire and mail it in.

Sincerely,



David Richardson

5/15/10

TERLINGUA CHILI ARCHIVES AND MUSEUM TRUST, INC.

CORPORATE STRUCTURE:

INCORPORATED AS A NONPROFIT CORPORATION WITH THE FOLLOWING ORIGINAL OFFICERS:

President -	H. Ray King
Vice President -	Shirley Stateczny
Secretary -	Patricia Irvine
Treasure -	Ruby Ross

BOARD MEMBERS:

SEVERAL HAVE BEEN INVITED. WAITING FOR COMMITMENTS.

TENURES WILL BE STRUCTURED SIMILAR TO CASI. FINAL NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS WILL DETERMINING FACTOR.

EACH BOARD MEMBER WILL BE TO A COMMITTEE.

GOALS:

SHORT TERM:

1. LOCATE A DEPOSITORY
2. COMPLETE WORKING STRUCTURE
3. EDUCATE THE CHILI WORLD ABOUT OUR PROJECT.
4. APPLY FOR GRANTS

LONG TERM:

1. LOCATE A PERMANENT SITE.
2. BUILD A MUSEUM.
3. HIRE A CURATOR.
4. KEEP RECORDS ON ALL MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS IN CHILI.

BUDGET:

WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON OUR UPCOMING BUDGET. IT WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN SEEING IT. OUR PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES INDICATE IT WILL BE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF \$10 - 12,000. CLIMATE CONTROLLED STORAGE IS EXPENSIVE.

2536
March 20, 1999, San Antonio, TX, CASI.
San Antonio Pod 25th Silver Anniversary
Annual Pod Cookoff. Held at Kickers Korner
Rodeo/Arena, 3 mi. outside Loop 1604, 7 mi
outside Loop 410 on Old Pearsall Rd. (at
Atkins Rd.), 1.5 mi. W of IH 35S, 5.5 mi S of
Hwy 90W, Far SW corner of Bexar County.
Entry fee's, \$17.00 CASI Chili, 2:pm turn-
in, \$10.00 Jackpot Beans, 1:pm turn-in,
WTBA Bar-B-Q 50-50% payback, Beans
60-40% payback. Cooks party Friday night
with free dance and free Rodeo and Dance
Admission Saturday. Margarita Pour-off
Fri, nite, 9:pm. Flapjack off, 9:30 am, Irish
Coffee Pour-off, 9:am; Bloody Mary Pour-off
10:am; Saturday. Silent Auction, Raffle,
Special 25th Anniversary Displays, Events,
Trophies and more!. Dry Camping, no
charge; lots of trees by creek no hookups. No
glass containers of any kind. Info David
Richardson (210)655-6590, Janet Cielencki
(210)661-3365, Robert Schradre (210)626-
3705 or 626-2323. BBQ: Ken Large
(915)381-0897. Rodeo campground direc-
tions, Andy Mathis (210)662-9107

SAP-CASI BEING FORMED

A San Antonio Pod of the Chili Appreciation Society International, which has the appropriate acronym, SAP-CASI, is being organized May 12 at the Jersey Lilly Saloon of the Pearl Brewery in San'tone.

Details of this overwhelming event will be reported ad nauseum in the June Issue of the Goat Gap Gazette. Meanwhile the GGG wishes SAP-CASI the very best. It is understood SAP-CASI will have a cookoff soon. We look forward to it. (Ed)

FROM 1974 GOAT GAP



P.O. BOX 12602, San Antonio, Texas 78212
 (512) 342-3706

SAP-CASI - Financial Statement as of 8-25-75

CASH RECEIVED

Loan	\$ 250.00	
Membership Dues		\$696.00
Tobasco Sales		30.00
Ads for Cook-Off		465.00
SAP-CASI Meetings		213.00
	<u>250.00</u>	<u>1,404.00</u>

Total Cash Received \$1,654.00

Paid out of Cash	145.00
Paid by Check	<u>1,236.26</u>
Total Paid out	<u>1,381.26</u>

Purchases

SAP-CASI Buttons	397.48
Tobasco for Resale	<u>22.00</u>
Total Purchases	<u>419.48</u>

Expenses

Rent Las Vegas Party	70.00
Rent La Villita	<u>185.00</u>
Telephone	14.02
Postage & Printing	132.07
4-17-75 Meeting The Way	17.00
5-12-75 Meeting Pearl Brewery	78.35
7-18-75 Meeting Helotes	290.42
7-23-75 Meeting Stirring	<u>24.92</u>
Total Expenses	<u>811.78</u>

Total Purchases and Expenses 1,231.26

Payment on Loan	<u>150.00</u>	<u>150.00</u>
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Total Paid Out (1,381.26)

SAP-CASI Balance as of 8-25-75-----\$272.74

March 14-1974

Offbeat

Chili-Freak Convention Almost Streaked Out

By Sam Kindrick

You can't keep a squirrel on the ground in timber country. Maybe it was a full moon last Saturday when the chili freaks held their First International Chili Convention at Pearl Brewery.

Everyone was there from U.S. Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez, to DA Ted Butler, to stripper Gina Bon Bon, to the Oink Brothers—Thick and Thin.

Thick Oink shucked down to his red flannel underdrawers and, along with others, hopped into the brewery fountain.

A female ex-jockey was all set to doff her duds and streak with Tom Nail of Dallas when a big dude they call Honey Bear tossed a rock and busted a large planter in front of the Jersey Lilly Saloon.

Gonzalez was through with his speech and gone before the heavy action got under way.

Gonzalez praised chili, the chili nuts, and he had quite a few words to say about his beloved breakfast of champions, menudo.

Miss Bon Bon departed San Antonio Sunday for New Jersey without anyone ever actually determining whether she is a woman, a man, or a former man transformed into a woman.

The DA, that unflinching crusader against dirty movies, would not take the podium when Gina offered to pluck a hair from her head and present him with it.

It seems that a kindly geneticist has noted that the sex of a person may be determined by a hair root test.

The Pearl Gunslingers were there. And the photographers went ape taking pictures of the busty peeler with various dignitaries.

Speech after speech was made. Kaboodles of awards and accolades were passed out. The humble scribe here was even presented by Tex Schoefield of

Houston with a Ch. D. (Chiff Doctorate).

Pearl public relations director Bob Marsh hastily departed before all of the chili aficionados had left for a dance at Randy's Rodeo.

Marsh left at about the same time that Thick Oink and the female jockey leaped into the Pearl fountain.

In typical fashion, Hondo Crouch of Luckenbach made his grand entry with pomp and flair.

They packed him into the Jersey Lilly in a pine coffin.

Hondo, whose "chili bust" in his tiny village of Luckenbach is the only cookoff for women only, asked stripper Bon Bon to return from New Jersey and reign as queen of the bust.

David Crawford and Sean McNulty were all over the place, pouring beer from a king-sized coffee pot.

They had the pot emblazoned with Pearl emblems.

Others in attendance were Enrique Vasquez, that great orator and armadillo king from Uvalde; Allegani; Jani Schoefield, Miss Hot Pants chili queen of Houston; Bob (Yeller Dog) Marsh of the "Yeller Dog Gang," wearing a canary yellow "Hoss Cartwright" hat; and Allegani's husband, Tex, emcee of the extravaganza.

Garry Hahne and other members of his Brazos Barristers crew served the crowd chili, beans and tamales.

The streaking contest between Nail and the female jockey was just about a trouser drop from getting under way until the rock hit the planter.

Nail, a nice guy, pulled his pants back up and politely explained to the security policeman that he would pay for any damage done.



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78212

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SAP-CASI
8607 Tanbark Dr.
San Antonio
Texas 78240

October 1983



Hi, all you SAP-CASI members!

NEW POD ADDRESS

Please take note of San Antonio Pod's new mailing address above right. We no longer have a Post Office Box so send all your correspondence regarding Pod business to SAP-CASI, 8607 Tanbark Dr., San Antonio, Texas 78240.

DUES ARE DUE ! ! !

Right now, before you get too involved reading all the exciting chili news, look at the address label on the outside of this newsletter. Yes, the one with your name. You'll see a set of numbers in the upper right-hand corner of the label. If I'm not mistaken, this is the date (month and year) that your SAP-CASI dues expire. Below is a form for you to use when you send in your check. Send DIRECTLY to our membership chairperson:

ANN JUDITH ANGEL
307 W. MISTLETOE #119
SAN ANTONIO
TEXAS 78212



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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78227

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FOR GHOULIES AND GHOSTIES AND LONG-LEGGITY BEASTIES AND THINGS THAT GO BUMP IN THE NIGHT. . . .

Yes. You guessed it--The First Maybe Annual SAP-CASI Halloween Party is being planned by Dave Turner, our illustrious entertainment committee. This event is planned for Saturday night, October 29, 7:30, at Brantley's Corner at the intersection of Ackermann Road and Old Seguin Road in Kirby, Texas. Wear what you want for costumes but keep in mind--there will be prizes for first and second place. The Pod will furnish beer and setups and some sort of munchies. See you there!

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The regular Board of Directors and Officers' Meeting for November has been cancelled because most members of the Stirring Committee will be somewhere between here and Marathon. However, ALL members of our Pod are urged to attend a general membership meeting at the Hub, 2600 Westward, San Antonio, Texas. For those of you unfamiliar with The Hub, it's the hot spot located at the Westwood Plaza Apartments across Highway 90 from Lackland Air Force Base. This IMPORTANT meeting will be on Sunday afternoon, November 20, from 2:00 until 6:00. At this meeting nominations for Pod officers and Board of Directors will be the main topic. There will be \$100 bar tab so wear your SAP-CASI button for easy identification.

CHARITY

The committee responsible for selecting charitable organizations which are deserving of SAP-CASI funds needs your input. As a member of SAP-CASI, you've worked hard to earn the money our Pod gives to charities each year; you have a say as to where the money goes. Contact any of the following with your suggestions for recipients of SAP-CASI's contributions:

Charity Committee:

Ann Angel, 1401 W. Kings Hwy, S. A., Tx 78201 732-3452
 Irene Duffield, 4923 Rolling Field Dr., S. A. Tx 78228
 684-5609
 Bob McNaughton, 222 Beauregard #4, S. A. Tx 78204 224-5793
 Jack Emswiler, 5403 Clover Dr., S. A. Tx 78228 684-2776 or
 925-6011 (work)

NOMINATIONS

~~As a member of SAP-CASI, you also have the right to nominate and subsequently vote on the candidates of your choice who will undertake the leadership of our Pod in the coming year. Again, your input is urgently needed!~~

Nominations for Great Pepper, Pepper Popper, Chili Scribe, Chancellor of the ExChili, and twelve members of the Board of Directors will be accepted. Contact one of the following before the November General Membership Meeting to place the name(s) of the person(s) you wish in nomination:

Bob Angel, 1401 W. Kings Hwy., S. A. Tx 78201 732-3542
 Jerry Lehmann, 5242 Coral Mist, S. A. Tx 78219 661-4910
 Tom Pike, 8607 Tanbark, S. A. Tx 78240
 Herman Cellmer, P.O.Box 7, St. Hedwig, Tx 78152 6671138

Keep in mind that in order to nominate or to be nominated you must be a paid-up Pod member. Nominations will be announced at the meeting on Sunday, November 20, at the Hub (other details above).

NEW REFEREES

Chili referees were selected by the Great Peppers at their annual meeting last month. For this area of Texas they include:

Regional Referee--Herman Cellmer

Area Referees--Melvin Burton

--Bob Angel

--Irene Duffield

--Richard Kilmer

--Russell Booker

Along with selecting these officials, the Great Peppers voted on changes to the CASI rules. For a detailed description of these 1983-84 rules, see the October issue of the Goat Gap Gazette.

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGE

There has been a proposal to change two of SAP-CASI's by-laws so that the "chili year" will coincide with our Pod's Annual Meeting, Election, and Term of Office. For each member's information the original by-laws and suggested changes in each are printed below.

ORIGINAL ARTICLE 3
Meetings of Members
Annual Meeting

3.01. An annual meeting of the members shall be held on the second Sunday of November in each year, beginning with the year 1981, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of nominating Officers and Directors and for the transaction of other business as may come before the meeting. If the day fixed for the annual meeting shall be on a legal holiday in the State of Texas, such meeting shall be held on the next succeeding Sunday. If the nomination of Officers and Directors shall not be held on the day designated herein for any annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, the Board of Directors shall cause the nomination to be held at a special meeting of the members as soon thereafter as possible.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

3.01. An annual meeting of the members shall be held on the second Sunday of July in each year, beginning with the year 1984, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of nominating officers and directors and for the transaction of other business as may come before the meeting. If the day fixed for the annual meeting shall be on a legal holiday in the State of Texas, such meeting shall be held on the next succeeding Sunday. If the nomination of Officers, and Directors shall not be held on the day designated herein for any annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, the Board of Directors shall cause the nomination to be held at a special meeting of the members as soon thereafter as possible.

ORIGINAL ARTICLE 5.02.
Officers

Election and Term of Office

5.02. The Officers and Directors of the corporation shall be elected annually by the membership by mail ballot following the annual meeting of the membership. Nominations for officers and directors will be accepted at the annual meeting. Ballots will be mailed to the membership not more than ten (10) days following the annual meeting

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and must be returned to the Chairman of the Election Committee bearing a post mark of no later than December 15 of each year. New offices may be created and filled at any meeting of the Board of Directors. Each officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified.

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CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Congratulations to all recent winners and expecially to all members who qualified this year for Terlingua. Hopefully, a list will be compiled later; right now, we just want to say that SAP-CASI is proud to have you all as members of our Pod!

Remember the Nominating Meeting in November and the Halloween Party in October! See EVERYONE there!

(Faint, mirrored text from the reverse side of the page, including a section header "Election and Term of Office" and paragraph 5.02.)



Hi.
Dr. Feel Good!

Feb. 3, 1979

Dear Chili-Heads,

Greetings from the President. You have been selected ... Oops, wrong letter. Greetings from the Great Pepper. You may be wondering why you missed the Christmas party, the Las Vegas nite, and the elections. The answer is simple. We didn't have them. We presently have a minor shortage of planners, heavy thinkers, independently wealthy individuals, doctors, and others who have lots of time on their hands. It takes an unbelievable amount of time and organization to have such functions and with the exception of a very few, your sturring committee and officers have been a little short, time and organization wise, therefore, we want to greatly increase the size of the sturring committee. To do this we obviously need more interested people. If you know of someone or if you yourself desire to be a member of this (A) August (B) Dubious (choose one), body, please contact MIKE McGLOTHLIN at 656-6761 or any officer. Get busy on this because anything this pod does or doesn't do is a direct result of sturring committee action. The committee is our "congress" and it is the heart and mind of the pod. To be a member is AN A. GREAT HONOR-B. HEAVY LIABILITY-C. INSULT (Choose one).

To throw some good news at you, the sturring committee has unanimously voted to extend everyone's membership one year. This was made possible by two things. 1. A whole bunch of hardworking people that busted their humps at the Folklife Festival, and 2. Since we haven't really done anything, we haven't had any expenses. Sooo...everyone who is a paid up member is extended one year from their normal expiration date. IE: if you would normally expire (membership wise) 31 Oct. '79, you now expire 31 Oct. '80. Those members who expired in Nov. and Dec. '78 are also extended. If you already had sent your money it will be returned to you. Someday.

An important reminder...the Hug-In date this year is Sat., 10 Feb. '79. For those few of you who have never been to this affair, it is the numero uno chile social event of the year. There is the annual Friday nite drunk-in, followed much too closely by the Sat. morning "I must have survived but I don't know how" misery-in. Then around noon-ish is the annual Community feed. Everyone brings a covered dish or 500 medium T-Bones or whatever and all the chili-heads in the worly get their annual square meal (this is the only meal of the year when chili should not be served). Finally, the official high point of the whole affair, the non-talent show. Just perfect for all chili-heads. This is an entry-fee free contest which determines who amount us is so totally without talent as to be honored by his peers. All SAP-CASI members are urged to

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attend and participate. After the non-talent show there will be the "Great Country clean up party." To get the hall ready for the dance which in preceeding years has followed. Be sure to be there Feb. 10, 1979 at Lukenbach. Remember to bring your membership cards as only card carrying pod members will be allowed to camp, and the free beer furnished by your pod Fri. nite will be in the high-roller enclave of the camping area. (Look for SAP-CASI mobile executive office)

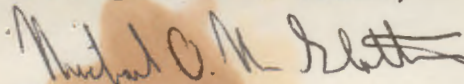
Extreme high Congrats to our man Richard Simon for bringing the World Championship Chili trophy home to San Antonio where it belongs. We polled the last sturring committee meeting and obtained the following verbal plaudits for Richard: 2 "Attaboys, One "All right!", One "Good Show", Two "Far Outs", One "Fantast-iii", and a "huh"(Dave Turner was picking his nose and couldn't be reached for comment.)

The pod has a brand new charity. We will henceforth be benefiting the District 19 Little League baseball program. They are not Federally funded and have no major contributors. We will be their only major contributor and they are ecstatic. Keep an eye out for an army of small uniformed people wielding bats at future cookoffs.

Stock up on fuel, it's three weeks to the first cookoff of the new season.

See you at the Hug-In.

For Texas and Chili,



Great Pepper



Hi, SAP-CASI Buckaroos! CHILUTATIONS!

I've just returned from the charity bazaar where my knitted dust bunnies were a howling success. Before I begin another of my interesting projects, it's time to bring you the latest news from SAP-CASI. It's going to be a little longer than usual, so grab a cold one and prop your feet up . . .

MARCH 1, 1986

The Texas Independence Day Funseekers Convention was quite an event. The World's Largest Pot of Chili drew many spectators and was a huge success. Our Pod's Bean Booth was a memorable experience; workers are looking forward to FOLKLIFE. . .

FOLKLIFE

Speaking of Folklife--preparations are beginning to take shape. The Sesquicentennial flavor promises to make this year's festival even more special than usual. This annual event, scheduled for 31 July---1-3 August, will be held on the grounds surrounding the Institute of Texan Cultures in downtown San Antonio. As always, our Pod urgently needs volunteers to carry out the many responsibilities contributing to the success of its chili booth. If you'd like to volunteer, you have a choice of ways to use your talents---you can serve chili, tea, or beer; you can help prepare the chili; you can help with the "physical" arrangements.

NOW HEAR THIS: The Institute (the head dude what runs the whole Folklife sheebang) is limiting the number of I.D. bracelets given to each organization represented at the festival. That means that SAP-CASI will receive only a certain amount of those little plastic, hospital-type bracelets to give to workers to allow them admittance to the grounds.

Now, you're probably scratching your head (or something) and wondering, "How on earth is Great Pepper Frank Metz going to know exactly how many bracelets to get so that all SAP-CASI volunteers have one??" The thought processes of others have gone a little further and you're asking, "HOW, when, where, and to WHOM do I volunteer?"

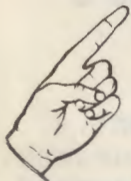
IT'S LIKE THIS, GANG: If you desire to volunteer to ~~work~~ contribute your talents at Folklife this year, you must contact one of the chairmen listed below BEFORE June 30, 1986. They will tell Frank the number of workers on their committee and the total amount of workers will be determined before the dreaded "Bracelet Deadline." Each of the chairmen has a schedule for his/her group. These individuals will schedule you for the time slot you want if that slot isn't already taken. Since it's a first-come-first-served scheduling process, you should contact that particular chairman as soon as possible to get the time slot most convenient for you.

Your time slot(s) may be verified and you may collect your coveted plastic bracelet from the chairman of your committee choice at the Annual Nominations Meeting on Sunday, July 13, 1986, 2:00 P.M., at Riverside Park in Seguin. The bracelets will NOT be mailed. If you are unable to attend the Nominations Meeting, it may be possible to obtain your bracelet from your chairman at area cook-offs after July 12 (when Frank receives them) and before July 31 (when Folklife begins).

You must be a paid-up member as of June 30 to volunteer for any of the committees. Your chairman will be able to tell you about other guidelines which will help the organization of our booth run a little more smoothly. These simple guidelines include such things as---how many hours to work, what costume to wear, when to report for your "shift", who to contact if you get measles at the last minute, etc.---basically what is "expected" and

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"accepted." Now, the chairmen realize that many of you get nausea/diarrhea when you hear the word guidelines--but with the size of this event and our organization, sometimes things like "guidelines" are very necessary so that everyone is treated fairly and has an opportunity to contribute, the Pod's teamwork "pays off", and everyone still has a great time!



Contact these chairmen to volunteer as soon as possible:

- Servers---Mary Ann Metz, 774 Utopia, S.A. 78223, 333-3945
- Chili Prep--Pete Armstrong, 908 Boenig, Seguin, 78155, 379-2320
- Beer Serving--Jerry Lehman, 5242 Coral Mist, S.A., 78219, 661-4910 (after 5:00 P.M.)
- Physical Arrangements--Doug Hargrove, 4102 Ackerman Rd., S.A., 78219, 661-9676

If you have any general questions, comments, suggestions--contact Great Pepper, Frank Metz, (address, phone above) or Pepper Popper, Mel Burton, 162 Hillside, Seguin, 78155, 379-7895

Now, just because you may not be able to help on one or more of those four days (31 July, 1-3 August), other things need to be done before the actual event. The booth needs to be moved, possibly painted; sawhorses and tables need to be built, supplies need to be bought/transported. Herman Cellmer, P.O. Box 7, St. Hedwig, 78152 and Doug Hargrove (above) are the two to contact if you can help with those things.

One last note: if you plan to serve beer, get your name in to the Beer Serving Chairman as quickly as you can. A class on serving beer will be given by Miller and TABC. During the festival at least one beer server on duty at any given time must have attended this class. More information on times and days of these classes will be given to Frank at a later date.

Plan on participating at Folklife this year--it is a lot of fun!

ELECTION TIME

O. K.---Now that all of that has been said--I also have the honor of letting you SAP-CASI members know some other important information. For all of you out there who've dreamed of being the Bill Clemons, the Geraldine Ferraro, or the Spiro Agnew of the SAP-CASI Chili World--NOW'S YOUR CHANCE! Chairman Bob Angel of the Nominating Committee says, "We need NEW BLOOD!" He's looking for a few good men and women to run for officers or directors of SAP-CASI. ATTENTION: If you are a current, dues-paid-up-type member of our club and would like to run--or would like to nominate someone--contact Mr. Bob, put your mouth in gear and tell him! You can even nominate your very own self, if you want. Yes, democracy in action! If you want to nominate someone else, though, better check with that person to see if they are a current member and if they are willing to accept the responsibilities if elected.

According to many, it's a lot of fun to be a SAP-CASI leader; contact BOB A.S.A.P to place your candidate's name(s) "in the hat" and begin your campaigns. Officers to be elected are Great Pepper, Pepper Popper, Scribe, Officer of ExChili, and 12 directors. You may reach Gentleman Bob at 3714 Prince George, S.A., 78230, 692-0119.

Bob says he'd like to have your nominations no later than 1 July 86. He also reminds us that one ballot will be mailed to each Pod member; there is a deadline on mailing them back to Bob in their stamped, pre-addressed envelope, so return them promptly so that they don't get lost or chewed up by the pupdog or confiscated by the curtain climbers for paper airplanes. By the way, elected officials will begin their term October 1, 1986.

Nominations of the committee will be revealed and nominations "from

the floor" will be accepted at the Annual General Membership Nomination Meeting, the second Sunday of July (that's 13 July, 86), 2:00 P.M., Riverside Park, Seguin. At the April Pod meeting, a discussion arose about the redeeming social qualities of this annual meeting and a decision was reached: the Pod will furnish "coldcuts" and "beer"; Pod members attending should bring covered dishes of munchies, snackies, chippies, dippies, crunchies, hors d'oeuvres, or any similar type of stomach-stuffing treat. So, along with the business of nominations and Folklife preparations, all of us Pod members will be able to take care of a little socializing.

See you there! Don't forget to get your nominations to Bob NOW!

POD'S COOK-OFF

Our Pod's Cook-off in March was a success. I've been asked to thank all the members who "busted butt" to make it great. You know who you are, so pat yourself on the back for another job well done. Members verbally commended by Great Pepper Frank Metz for their efforts included: "Dottie, Gwen, Tom, Jeanette, Joyce, Doug, Dennis, Mom, Marty, Bob, Herman, Mary Ann, Randy, Pete, and a bunch of others."

At the April Pod meeting, Pepper Popper Mel Burton presented special cook-off appreciation awards to Jerry Lehman, Dennis Rackler, Herman Cellmer, and Pete Armstrong for their massive efforts. A special thanks also goes to Pod member Charlie Davenport who donated the neat "Lyfe Tyme" barbeque pit for the raffle.

Winners included:

Chili--

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| 1st---Gordon Baker | 6th---Pete Armstrong |
| 2nd---Lynn Weber | 7th---Barbara Burton |
| 3rd---Karen Moriarity | 8th---Katherine Schmidt |
| 4th---Barbara Fox | 9th---Bob MacNaughton |
| 5th---Jack Emswiler | 10th---Ginger Dvorak |

Show--

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| 1st---John Hamilton's Dead Man's Chili |
| 2nd---King James |
| 3rd---Horny Boar Pub |

Congratulations, everyone!

Also, it sure was nice to see some of you people there whom we haven't seen around in a while. . .hope to see more of ya!

G.P. MEETING

The annual Great Peppers' Meeting for head honchos of Pods around the state, the nation, the world, the universe will be held in San Antonio this year on the weekend after Labor Day. El Tropicana will be the headquarters. According to Mickey Roth and Rosalie Pike, the accommodations are very nice and reasonably priced; transportation is available to/from the airport, Riverwalk, and Marketplace. Since our Pod, as well as other area Pods, will be hosting this event this year, look forward to helping the visitors feel welcome. Petey's working on food arrangements already; Mel, Duff, and Doug--on libations. Other committees are in the making; be sure to attend the next Pod meeting to learn what you can do.

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Congratulations to SAP-CASI's Chilihead of the Year, TOM PIKE! This guy was into chili long before most of us were old enough to vote (I may be exaggerating just a little). Anyway, he's done a lot--no, MORE than a lot--to make SAP-CASI what it is today.

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Tom started one of the first memorable chili show teams in the San Antonio area. Yes, whenever "Tightrope" is mentioned or the logo of that chili group is seen, visions of Tom Pike come to mind. Tom's the traditional "Father" of that group of otherwise seemingly sane adults who, on any given Saturday or Sunday, could be found riding stickhorses in rodeo fashion; the antics truly delighted spectators and cooks alike at some of the first cook-offs in this area in years past. Since then, however, many original "Tightropers" have either moved or begun groups of their own. Either way, Tom has been responsible for getting many people involved in the madness we all know and love as "CHILI".

Tom has served the Pod as past Great Pepper, Referee, Director, and chairman of numerous committees. He also cooks a MEAN pot of chili. In fact, some excited winners at cook-offs can be heard saying, "I can't believe that I beat Tom Pike!"

Behind every great man is a great woman; in Tom's case, that's Rosalie, a real sweetheart. Imagine what it must be like--picking up after all those stickhorses! --It's also said that behind every great man--in the chili world, that is--is a great pooch; in Tom's case that's T.J. T.J. is a charter member of Tightrope and a distinguished C.P.A. (Chili Pup Anonymous).

Beside cooking chili, Tom enjoys? another hobby--flying in airplanes. He especially likes the planes WITHOUT holes in the side.

So, next time you see Tom, give him a hug, pat-on-the-back, handshake, or something and congratulate him on being selected as SAP-CASI CHILIHEAD OF THE YEAR. And you might ask him when we can look forward to the return of those Stickhorse Rodeos--we could use some of those laughs nowadays.

Tom's name will be placed on an award--in the makes by talented trophy-maker, Dave Turner--recognizing all SAP-CASI's Chiliheads of the Years. The names to be so "etched in time" include '81--Dave Turner, '82--Ann and Bob Angel, '83--Pat and Lucy Goldstein, '84--Frank and Mary Ann Metz, and '85--Tom Pike. If you have any information regarding that list, please contact Great Pepper Frank Metz.

WE MISS YOU

Now it really hurts to say this. . . in fact I even detect a bit of a tear upon my cheek . . . SOME OF YOU PEOPLE OUT THERE HAVE NOT BEEN SEEN FOR A WHILE!! We know you lead exciting lives. It's hard to pack everything you need to do into the tiny package of a day or a week. You are probably even missing a Blue Light Special at this very moment. But just let me say this--you are indeed missed at meetings and at cook-offs. The void your absence creates cannot be filled. Your organization--yea, the entire Chili World--needs your input. So, please PLEASE plan now to come to the very next chili cook-off or Pod meeting!

NEW MEETING PLACE

Speaking of Pod meetings, the next action-packed Pod meeting will not be at the usual hot spot, Martini's Italian Archways. Due to an act of nature, the next Pod meeting will be at Carlos Kelly's (just a bit of a walk down from Martini's), HWY 87, in China Grove. The general membership will meet at 7:30 P.M. on Wednesday, 4 June. Be there!

CONGRATULATIONS

And speaking of action-packed stuff, CONGRATULATIONS to all recent chili and show winners including, but not limited to those of you who may have won at Goliad, Kerrville, Bracketville--sweetheart Joe Smith has a report on that one, PCP in San Marcos, Leon Springs, Lockhart, Marble Falls,

Driftwood, and Cibolo. You all "done good" and keep up the good work! Good luck on the ones to come!

UPCOMING

Speaking of upcoming cook-offs. . . this weekend there are three great ones in the San Antonio area. Yes, on 17 May there's Jourdanton Days Kactus Kick Chili Cook-off---one of the best around! Contact Marty or Malvin Prasifka--769-3147--for more details. This one's packed with lots of excitement, dazzling show, great chili competition, and bunches of hometown spectators to make ya feel really welcome.

Another in the area is Kirby's 14th Annual Fair at Kirby City Park. This year it will feature a five-way cook-off with beans, fajitas, stew, barbeque, and sanctioned chili. I had some fliers--but not enough--to send. . .contact Jerry Lehman--661-8381, 6614910--for more details. Fun one!

Also this weekend is Lockhart's Annual Chisholm Trail Round-up Cook-off at the City Park. This also features a down-home festival-type atmosphere.

All of the above cook-offs are lots of fun. . .it sure will be a hard choice for you chili cookers to make on 17 May. Good luck to all!

Other area cook-offs include but aren't limited to

- 24 May-----Devil's Backbone
- 25 May-----Moulton
- 31 May-----Harker Heights
- 7 June-----Harker Heights
- 7 June-----New Braunfels
- 7 June-----Spicewood
- 21 June-----Manchaca
- 4 July-----Johnson City
- 19 July-----San Antonio Rose Palace
- 26 July-----Moulton
- 9 August--Thorndale
- 23 August--Victoris
- 12 July-----Seguin



Most of those I got out of my latest copy of the Goat Gap Gazette; you should check yours for names of winners and more details regarding all upcoming cook-offs.

Do plan to attend at least one of the cook-offs--if you do, I'm sure you'll have so much fun--you'll want to attend every one you possibly can. Recent Cook-Offs have been more fun than ever; in fact, one chili group is supposedly working on secret plans to have the QE II cruise up the Guadalupe and dock for three glorious days under massive pecan trees. . .

Send any news to me. . . also if you move, let us know your forwarding address; you don't want to miss another issue of SAP-CASI Chili Chatter, do you?

Well, I'm just about "writ" out for this time around. My old Smith-Corona is starting to get the rheumatism again. Besides, my shower cap needs fluffing before I go downtown to try on gloves. . .what an exciting life!

See ya next time,

Carol

