

# Terlingua Trails CASI

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## Another Success at Rocky Point Chili Cookoffs



Once again, High Desert Pod put on two great chili cookoffs down in Puerto Penasco, Mexico. The weather was nice, although a little cool; the cervesa and tequila flowed like, well, like cervesa and tequila; people were smiling and enjoying themselves; and best of all, we raised some much needed funds, approximately \$3200, for the local elementary school. It all started on the beach on Thursday, with a great fish fry sponsored by Jim and Fran Landwehr, owners of Sun Canyon Inn and Gateway Studios in Sierra Vista. Ted Fichtl, Larry and Pat Rau, Patty Kunstman, and Leo Lemelson served up fried flounder and French fries to go along with the potluck. Then on Friday night, Manny's Beach Club had the famous Mexican Buffet Dinner. On Saturday,

we had sunshine, girls wearing bikinis, free cervesa, beach, and chili... what more could a person ask for? 125 cooks had some fun watching various shows, such as Dr. Seegood "curing" his patient with a cooking roller and copious quantities of some sort of beverage, a bunch of Holstein cows, a giant walking chili pepper and others. Vendors added to the excitement with all sorts of trinkets for sale. Eventually, all the fun had to end and the results were announced:

### Chili:

- 1st - Patsy Childress, Midland, TX (Automatic Qualifier for TICC)
- 2d - Dave Boone, Odessa, TX (Auto Qualifier for TICC)
- 3d - Bonnie Haskins, Tucson, AZ (Auto Qualifier for TICC)
- 4th - Guy Tennison, Sierra Vista, AZ
- 5th - Elmo Hite, Hereford, AZ
- 6th - Leo Lemelson, Sierra Vista, AZ
- 7th - Lylah Raven, Phoenix, AZ
- 8th - Myrl Coultas, Tucson, AZ
- 9th - Chuck (Sarge) Dugan, Sierra Vista, AZ (Q)
- 10th - Shirley Yergin, Kingman, AZ

### Show:

- 1st - Udderly Ridiculous, Connie Collier, Snyder, TX (Auto Qualifier for TICC)
- 2d - BRRR Chili, Paul/Debby Costello, Scottsdale, AZ
- 3d - Fire House Chili, Perry Nickles, Glendale, AZ

## Louisanna State Championship Minden, Louisanna



*Louisanna State Championship - (left to right) Standing-1st-Candy Schultz, 2nd-Scott Buschel, 3rd-Chris Cook, 4th-Tim Swicegood, 5th-Jack Schultz; Kneeling-6th-Debbie Blanks, 7th-Beverly Hawley, 8th-Dick Wagner, 9th-Larry Wampler, 10th-Paul Rowloom (photo courtesy of Craig Farley)*

### Louisanna State Champions

- 1st - Lee Estbrook
- 2nd - Jerry Hunt
- 3rd - Bill Martin

### Local Chili Division

- 1st - Lee Estbrook
- 2nd - George French
- 3rd - Linda Moore

### Louisanna State Showmanship

- 1st - Jim Johnson/Chris Cook - Southside Foggy Mountain
- 2nd - Dave Trice - Dr. Daves Vodoo Stew
- 3rd - Chuck Darden - Grizzly Head Gravy

### People's Choice

John Cole

**CASI Hot Line**  
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If you have a cookoff coming up in the month of **May** your cookoff information must be in the hands of the CASI Upcomings Director by **March 15th** to meet the 30 day cookoff advertising requirement.

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### Professional Computer Programmers and Analysts Needed

CASI currently has a need for a few volunteers to assist with the upkeep of the CASI Web Site ([www.chili.org](http://www.chili.org)) and the continued computerization of CASI. My company, Hill Country Software and Support, is currently providing these duties. We are a company that develops budgetary accounting and court software for county, municipal, and American Indian Tribal Courts. The server used to host the web site is located in our offices and my son, Will Stateczny, is the primary person in control of the server.

At the current time, we have plans to consolidate all of the different CASI databases into one database located on this server. We then plan to use the internet to provide our members with interactive services via our web site and provide our working Directors access to the server either through the web site or through the use of a VPN connection.

During the last year, my company acquired a development system called Cobol.Net. This is a development system that uses COBOL for the base programming language, Microsoft's ".Net" Framework for web and system interaction, and Microsoft's Visual Studio for the front-end development. I know that a lot of you up and coming computer professionals view COBOL as an archaic language, but sometimes you just have to humor us old timers. The great thing about the use of ".Net" is that we can interface different languages into the development scheme. Once completed, the programs are compiled into Microsoft's Intermediate Language, which is common to most all platforms.

After my retirement from the CASI Board of Directors in Baltimore, my company and I intend to remain as CASI's primary provider of CASI's computer related needs. If you would like to be a part of this development team, please contact me either by calling my office at 800-422-1982 or sending an e-mail to me at [Jim@hillcountrysoftware.com](mailto:Jim@hillcountrysoftware.com).

At the present time my company is looking to add a few new members to our staff. Yes, this means a paying job, and possibly you might fit in. We are looking for people interested in sales, customer support & training, web site development, and computer software application development.

## Jim Stateczny

CASI Web Editor & Computer Guy

### Cookoff Packet Fee Increase

At the Great Peppers' Meeting in Arkansas, the amount CASI charges to register your cookoff was raised from \$5.00 to \$25.00. The primary reason for this increase was that the \$5.00 currently being charged no longer covers the actual cost, which is now estimated at approximately \$11.00 per cookoff. The other justification for the increase was to help finance the computerization of the CASI offices such as Tallymaster, Treasurer, Membership, Cookoff Registration, Secretary, Executive Director, Web Page Editor, and the *Terlingua Trails*.

Surplus funds from this revenue increase could also be used to assist in other needed projects such as the new building at the Rancho CASI de los Chisos. This new building will be used to accommodate the EMS, Fire Department, and Security Staff at TICC. Thus, the building has been referred to as our new City Hall.

To date, we have purchased a new computer system for Garnier Albus, who is currently the Assistant CASI Treasurer. Garnier is being trained to assume the responsibilities of CASI Treasurer after I retire from the Board at the Great Peppers' Meeting in Baltimore.

A second computer has been purchased to replace the aging computer used by our Tallymaster Bill Pierson. His job is most important and we certainly can't afford a major failure in his office. His old computer is being passed on to Secretary Renee Moore, who will use the computer until it passes away.

At this point in time, we see no immediate need for additional purchases. We do have some printers that are getting old, and they will be replaced as needed. CASI currently owns three notebook computers and three laser printers.

As you can see, the increased revenues are being put to good use in the CASI Board of Directors never-ending effort to make CASI the best that it can be.

## Jim Stateczny

CASI Treasurer

### Would You Like to Publish The *Terlingua Trails*?

With my upcoming retirement from the CASI Board of Directors, we need some person or group to assume the responsibilities of the *Terlingua Trails*. When Myrl Coultas left the Board a few years ago, I stepped in and assumed responsibility of editing and publishing our monthly newspaper. With the help of people like Steve Nadeau, Bob Horan, Will Stateczny, and a staff of great article writers, the paper continued and, I believe, went to a higher level of quality and appearance. I have always wondered how Myrl was able to accomplish this task without any help.

For the last year plus, Bob Horan has edited the paper and I have been responsible for getting the paper to the printer and post office. Though this combination has worked well for the last year, it is my opinion that the paper would be better served if the Editor had a hands on relationship with the printer. Last September, we stopped the use of color in the paper because it was just too difficult to get the color right with the printer located in Kerrville, Texas and the Editor located outside of Houston, Texas.

By now you are probably wondering just what is involved in processing the paper from start to finish? Following is a brief summary.

- (1) All articles and ads are collected by Renee Moore. She is responsible for reviewing and cleaning up these items before they are forwarded to the Editor. Renee will continue to perform this function. You will also receive reports from sources such as Membership and Tallymaster.
- (2) Through the use of Adobe PageMaker, the Editor composes the paper. This is a process that normally takes eight to sixteen hours, depending on how well the paper fits together.
- (3) The paper is then converted to "PDF" format. Two versions of this file are created. One version is e-mailed to all CASI members who have requested it, and the other version is sent to the printer.
- (4) Mikie McGarity, our Membership Director, provides a list of labels for the paper. This file must then be sorted in an order specified by the local post office and forwarded to the printer. The addresses will go to the printer in either paper or magnetic media format, depending on the request of the printer.
- (5) Dorothy Williams, Upcoming Cookoff Registration Director, provides a list of cookoffs to which additional *Terlingua Trails* are to be mailed. This file must also be converted to labels and taken to the printer.
- (6) Once the paper has been printed, the printer must then label and bundle the papers so they can be delivered to the post office. The printer is responsible for delivering the papers to the post office and paying the required postage. The postage expense is then part of the bill the printer gives to CASI.
- (7) Once the paper has been printed, the e-mail version of the paper must be e-mailed to all of our members who have requested this service.
- (8) The additional papers that are sent to cookoff promoters are sent in bundles of 25 papers. You will be responsible for providing the printer with the boxes used to mail these bundles.
- (9) Finally, you must pick up the surplus papers from the printer and hold them in case they are needed. We usually print about 300 extra papers.

Should we return to the use of color, it is essential that you develop a working and hands on relationship with the printer. Getting the color right can be most frustrating, and the better your working relationship with the printer, the better the quality will be. This will require you actually going to the printer to work with their staff and perfect this phase of the operation.

If you feel that you are qualified and up to the challenge, please contact me. You can call my office at 800-422-1982, or you can send an e-mail to [Jim@hillcountrysoftware.com](mailto:Jim@hillcountrysoftware.com).

## Jim Stateczny

*Terlingua Trails* Publisher

An intellectual is a man who takes more words  
than necessary to tell more than he knows.

-Dwight D. Eisenhower



## Tallymaster's Report

### Year To Date Statistics

STATE	REQ	COOKOFFS	CHILIS	MONEY
PTS	HELD	JUDGED	RAISED	
ALABAMA	6	2	35	2,300.00
ARKANSAS	12	9	168	8,940.00
ARIZONA	12	11	233	16,263.00
CALIFORNIA	6	1	20	20,000.00
COLORADO	6	1	15	450.00
FLORIDA	9	5	134	21,550.00
IOWA	9	2	32	7,775.00
ILLINOIS	9	4	95	1,720.00
INDIANA	6	1	20	8,580.00
KANSAS	6	1	73	1,470.00
LOUISIANA	6	1	62	2,816.00
MARYLAND	9	3	51	17,433.00
MISSOURI	6	3	49	6,000.00
MISSISSIPPI	6	2	34	860.00
MEXICO	6	2	197	4,300.00
NORTH CAROLINA	9	3	47	760.00
NEW MEXICO	12	5	150	11,020.00
NEVADA	6	1	15	400.00
OKLAHOMA	12	4	70	2,682.00
OREGON	6	1	16	465.00
TENNESSEE	12	3	52	16,840.00
TEXAS	12	104	3,720	203,482.00
VIRGINIA	6	3	52	1,435.00
WEST VIRGINIA	6	1	15	1,300.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>173</b>	<b>5,355</b>	<b>358,841.00</b>

### Bill Pierson

#### Taylor Seeks Re-Election to CASI Board

Fellow CASI Members:

Time really flies when you're having fun, and I have had so much fun that, all of a sudden, it is time again for decisions and announcements.

After talking to a lot of you and hearing good things, I have decided that I want another term to serve as Director.

I see signs that cause me to believe we will be having changes that will require steady hands at the controls. Personally, I have a strong commitment to see the City Hall become a reality. We have a good start on the funds, and I would like to see this project moving or done by November.

I thank you for your past support and pledge my total efforts for the future.

Sincerely,

**Jimmy Taylor**



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## New CASI Chili Tally Program

Ready for Distribution

After months of waiting, the new Chili Tally Program is ready for distribution. This new program has the full windows look and feel and is much brighter and easier to view on the screen of your computer. This should be helpful when having to tally chili results when you are out of doors and the surroundings are quite bright. The new program uses Microsoft's ".Net" Framework, so the actual framework must be loaded on your computer before you can use the new program. Though this system was designed for use with Microsoft's Windows 2000 and XP operating systems, it is possible that it will run on computers using Windows 98 and ME. Due to the size of the framework, the software will be distributed on a CD. Once you have done the initial installation from the CD, you will then be able to download newer versions of the program from the CASI Web Site – [www.chili.org](http://www.chili.org).

Microsoft's ".NET" Framework is provided by Microsoft at no charge, and the install program is contained on the initial CR-Rom. It should be noted that the framework will occupy approximately 23 million bytes on your hard disk. This new software requires a monitor with a higher density of display. The minimum density requirement is 1024 x 768. This program will print to your computer's default printer. This means that the use of printers that connect to your computer via a USB port are now supported.

As you know, mailing you a CD does cost a little money. If you'd like a CD, I will require \$5.00 to cover the actual costs. I will have CD's available as I travel and will distribute them at no cost. I may also distribute CD's to some of the other CASI Board Members, so they may distribute them as well. If you would like a CD mailed to you, please send a \$5.00 check payable to HCSS to:

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4 Green Cedar Road  
Boerne, Texas 78006-7929

### Jim Stateczny

President - HCSS



## From the Old 320

Hello everyone! I hope all is well. I am still searching for individuals who wish to donate back to CASI their Old 320 space for those desiring such. If anyone has any leads, please let me know.

As I previously advised you, I will be running for the CASI Board and thus not continuing as Alcalde. Thus far, only one person has expressed an interest. If you're interested, please contact me.

On a personal note, I would like to let everyone know that around the first week of May, Connie and I will be NEW GRANDPARENTS. Our daughter, Melissa, is due May 2. It's hard to have a baby shower for our regular family and our chili family, so here's the plan.

For our chili family, we're planning a baby shower for Melissa at the TEXAS LADIES' STATE COOKOFF. I spoke with Boomer and got his blessing on this, so as not to interfere with any TLS functions. We will have the shower at the stage area at 5:00 pm on Friday, April 16. Refreshments and snacks will be provided so as not to spoil anyone's appetite for the evening meal. Anyone wanting to know, Melissa is registered at everyone's favorite store - WalMart.

Thanks to all and see ya' soon

### Robert "El Wappo" Schrade

Old 320 Alcalde/New Grandpa



## ED Ponderings

This month, I'd like to revisit the issue of the packet fee increase that was passed by the Great Peppers in Little Rock. There's been a lot of discussion about this recently.

No one likes it when prices go up. Many of us resist all kinds of change. Some of these people always see the glass as half empty. While they complain, they ignore the fact that this was the first increase in thirty years. They refuse to acknowledge the need for the increase or the thought and consideration that went into proposing it.

From the sound of the questions I've been receiving, it appears there is not a good understanding of the purpose for the increased fee. This is pretty frustrating to those of us who planned two presentations in Little Rock - one on Friday and one on Saturday. The participants appeared to be paying close attention and their questions and discussion demonstrated their understanding of the presentations.

This is one more attempt to explain the packet fee increase. I hope this will provide a clarification that will correct any misinformation that is circulating.

CASI, and the world around, have changed since the packet fee was established at five dollars. We have three times as many cookoffs and four times as many cooks at TICC. CASI is a quarter million dollar corporation operating in a technology-dominated world.

CASI's operating costs have been steadily increasing over the years along with the growth of cookoffs and the number of cooks. In recent years, the budget has been trimmed to the point where it won't sustain our activities. We've only been able to continue because Board members have spent their own monies on computer hardware and software for doing CASI business and because we have made unknowing sponsors out of our employers for a great deal of copy work.

Clearly, something needed to be done to generate more revenues to assure the ongoing existence of CASI. There were numerous sources of funding increases for the Board to consider. All but the packet fee would have taken the funds directly from the cooks. Our decision was to avoid taxing the cooks any further and to increase the packet fee.

Simply put, the answer to the question, 'what does the promoter get for the \$25?' is that they get CASI. Without increased funding, CASI would eventually cease to exist.

To be more specific, we ask the cookoff organizer to pay a \$25 fee. In return, they get the integrity and reputation of CASI, they get liability insurance coverage at better than a bargain price, they get an established system for their cookoff that insures fair competition, and they get an army of experienced people who run the cookoff for them in order to raise funds for their charity. There is nowhere else they could get all of this without paying many times as much.

If you have further questions, I invite you to contact me. I'll be happy to discuss this with you.

### Alan

If you require an insurance certificate for your cookoff, please contact Mary Zimmerman at Consolidated Insurance Consultants, Email [MZimmerman@cicinc.com](mailto:MZimmerman@cicinc.com) or telephone 410-356-9500.

Preface your request with "Re:CASI", then be sure to include the name of the cookoff, the date of the cookoff, the location or address of the event, who will be the certificate holder (venue or host), and instructions for how Mary will fax or mail the certificate to you.

You may also contact Alan Dean at [pepperdean@comcast.net](mailto:pepperdean@comcast.net) or 410-879-6410.



## CASI Corporate Members

**PLEASE WELCOME AND THANK THESE CASI CORPORATE MEMBERS.**

They have invested in our Society as Annual Corporate Members. If you live in their area, please stop by and thank them personally.

**We are pleased to welcome back the following Corporate Members:**

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Terlingua Auto Service – Terlingua, TX**

- Aransas Pass Chamber of Commerce – Aransas Pass, TX
- Austin Lone Star RV Resort – Austin, TX
- Big Bend Motor Inn – Terlingua, TX
- The Boathouse at Terlingua – Terlingua, TX
- Hut Brown, Director Emeritus – El Paso, TX
- Chisos Mining Co. Motel – Terlingua, TX
- Chisos Mountains Lodge - Big Bend, TX
- Doug Seelig Land Surveyors, P.C. – Austin, TX
- Falls Distributing – Wichita Falls, TX
- Goat Creek Ranch – Lockhart, TX
- Hallsville Area Chamber of Commerce – Hallsville, TX
- Irving B.P.O. Does No. 201 – Irving, TX
- Irving Elks Lodge # 2334 – Irving, TX
- Linda Odom Photography – Manchaca, TX
- Lockhart Motor Company – Lockhart, TX
- Long Draw Pizza – Terlingua, TX
- Main Street West Memphis – West Memphis, AR
- Maskat Provost Guard – Wichita Falls, TX
- Dr. Steve & Ann Meyer – Dallas, TX
- Mike's Catering – Orange Park, FL
- Mild Bill's Spices, Etc. – Bulverde, TX
- Mockingbird Hill – Terlingua, TX
- Pecan Grove R.V. Park – Alpine, TX
- Poochco (Jim Luhn) – Fort Worth, TX
- Red Lion Spicy Foods Company – Red Lion, PA
- Red River Conference Center – Red River, NM
- Reddick & Associates – Beeville, TX
- Renfro Foods, Inc. – Fort Worth, TX
- San Antonio Pod – CASI – San Antonio, TX
- San Antonio Police Benefits Assoc. – San Antonio, TX
- Mike Strack – Sierra Vista, AZ
- Taylor Construction – Johnson City, TX
- Tennessee Filly Promotions – Parsons TN
- Terlingua Auto Service – Terlingua, TX
- Texas River and Jeep Expeditions – Terlingua, TX
- Thunderbird Machinery Co. – Odessa, TX
- Traders Village, LTD – Grand Prairie, TX
- Wales Land Co., Inc. – Terlingua, TX

*Mikie McGarity*

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- SATURDAY**  
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## Membership Report

Thank you to all of our members who have renewed their annual dues. If you have a question about your membership, please call me (817) 975-2200 or email me ([mikiem@flash.net](mailto:mikiem@flash.net)).

It is so encouraging to receive all the new membership applications – both individuals and corporate. To see our members renew and reaffirm their faith in the CASI organization is very gratifying. If you see any of these new members at cookoffs in your area, I encourage you to make a new friend and extend a warm CASI welcome. Thank you.

### New Life Member

**Sallye Ledbetter – Gulf Breeze, FL**  
(Sallye is Vann York's sister)

### New CASI Members

Please welcome our newest CASI members. Make it a point to meet them and greet them.

Joe Boyd – San Antonio, TX  
 Thomas Burbridge – Austin, TX  
 Paul Chojacki – Fishers, IN  
 Darla Cook – Mesa, AZ  
 Ronald Deutch – Ulaanbaater, Mongolia  
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 Brian Farmer – Danville, KY  
 Larry Gist – Odessa, TX  
 Russell Goff – Ft. Worth, TX  
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 Mary McCustion – Sebring, FL  
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 James Petrie – Laramie, WY  
 Barry Poole – Lafayette, LA  
 Tonia Ross – Alamogordo, NM  
 Edward Shelton – San Antonio, TX  
 Doyle Smith – San Antonio, TX  
 Melodie Smith – San Antonio, TX  
 Steve York – Birmingham, AL

I'd like to apologize to Steve Bonnell for twice screwing up his membership card. Steve, I'm sorry.

### Renewing Members

CASI would like to welcome back these annual members and some of our past members who have joined us again.

Peggy Bell – Dallas, TX  
 Blackhawk Booster Club – Burlington, IA  
 James O. Bunt, III – Buda, TX  
 Andy Causey – Wylie, TX  
 Jenny Knowles-Causey – Wylie, TX  
 Freddie Cotton – Irving, TX  
 Charles Graham – Albuquerque, NM  
 Bobbe D. Hargraves – Houston, TX  
 Steve Heaser – Dallas, TX  
 Toni F. Laws – Oklahoma City, OK  
 Sam Morales – Amarillo, TX  
 Cliff Morris – Urbandale, IA  
 Becky Noake – Lakeland, FL  
 Dave Noake – Lakeland, FL  
 Tom Ouellette – San Antonio, TX  
 Edward Petschelt – San Antonio, TX  
 Terri McAdams Redmon – Irving, TX  
 Jim Reinhardt – Magnolia, TX  
 Bill Sherriff – Cave Creek, AZ  
 Barbara J. Sigler – Battle Ground, WA  
 Perry Sigler – Battle Ground, WA  
 Bendee Smith – Iraan, TX  
 Venetia Smith – Iraan, TX  
 David Strobridge – Arlington, TX  
 Dick Swenberger – Mesa, AZ  
 Wes Thorne – Corapolis, PA  
 Linda Todd – Scottsbluff, NE  
 Marty Wells – Humble, TX  
 Mike Whitten – Huntington, TX  
 Tom Wolfe – Hobbs, NM  
 John Yancey – Granbury, TX

Please remember if you're moving, let us know. Your *Trails* will not follow you without an address change. You can either call me (817-975-2200) or email me at [mikiem@flash.net](mailto:mikiem@flash.net).

## *Mikie McGarity* Membership Chairman

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## *Bess's Best*

Hello to all once again from beautiful Lamar, Missouri! Looks like I'm going to be writing again this month, but the good thing is that Bess is home.

I have no idea what we'll talk about this month. I think I'll take every subject that has me up on my soapbox this morning, write it on a piece of paper, and place it in a coffee can. Who knows, something that upsets me a lot may get put in 3 or 4 times.

The first thing has to be the telephone. Over the years throughout my political profession, the telephone has been and still is a very useful item. The past few days, however, has been a nightmare. Bell Telephone, which serves southwest Missouri, must be having problems or that is what our server tells us.

Some of the Bills & Laws I got passed while in office in Washington went through faster and smoother than trying to talk to a human voice now days. Now don't be laughing cause you all have been there and done that, or you are a very lucky person if you haven't. Once you've found the telephone number to call (whether it is our internet server or that big hospital that Bess was in), you hope and pray they haven't changed numbers since the last time you called. Or, as in my case, when I can't find my Wally-World glasses and squint to try and read the number and punch a wrong button.

After you have punched in the number, that's when all the fun starts. Someone answers on the other end, identifies who you have called, and tells you if you know your party's extension to dial it now (you know by now that you are not listening to a real person), or pick the option from the following menu that bests matches the reason you called. Every firm's menu is different. Some have a lot of options and others just a few - those are the ones I like cause I have trouble remembering.

Now we have listened to all the options, punched all the numbers, and they tell you a real person will be with you shortly, do not hang up as your call will be answered in the order it is received, and how valuable a customer you are. Having gone through this many times I know to expect a wait. Lately I take a big R C Cola to the phone with me, which is not working out. After I drink half of that R C Cola, I have to go to the bathroom. Bess is not usually around to take over the phone, so I have to hang up which means starting all over again.

Then to make things worse, the person that you are trying to reach is not at their desk or they have taken off for 3 or 4 days. I forgot to tell that they also sometimes tell you that your call is being monitored to better serve you and that dorky elevator music comes on which you are forced to listen to while on hold. Whatever happened to just picking up the phone, calling, talking to a real person, and that was it?????????

It seems like every time (and especially while Bess was in the hospital or I am in a hurry) I go to the supermarket there is not a single customer at the checkout, however when I get back to the front of the store, everyone gets there at the same time as me. Regardless of how many checkout registers they have, only one is operating and the person in front of me has a million items in their cart. It also seems as if this person does not take their wallet, billfold, or checkbook out of their pocket or purse until the clerk rings up the last item. Then there is a delay in writing out the check or fumbling trying to get the exact amount. Following more delay, the customer gives the clerk a large bill, which they have to get change for or they write a check, which must be approved.

Then there are the lines at the Gas Station 8 pumps, and all the traffic is backed out into the street waiting to get gas. Invariably, one person fills their vehicle and instead of moving out of the way so others can pump gas, they go inside, have a half dozen kids with them, and the kids have to look over every piece of candy or gum before they pay to check out.

No, that has not got my can empty, but how many times have these happened to you and who knows what prompts you to get up on your soapbox. Whatever it is, release it once in a while. As bad as I hate to say it, I have to finish this and go to the supermarket.

Thank you for your time this time & until next time.

*Bess & Harry*

## *Dywane Cude*



**Bye, Dywane.**

I first met Dywane Cude in 1988. I last saw him in Wichita Falls a few years ago. I wish I hadn't waited to go for a visit. Dywane Dalton Cude passed away on January 7, 2004.

A member of the Pod of the Pass and an original member of the New Mexico Chili Society (then Mesilla Valley Pod) and the Ruidoso Chili Society, Dywane was always fun to be around because of his unfailing honesty. He was a wonderful cook and host, and I spent quite a few evenings at his and Phebe's home laughing and truly enjoying their company. He and Phebe were driving forces behind what has become one of the premier chili events - the New Mexico State Chili Championship.

A bit of bio: Born in Electra, Texas, graduated from Wichita Falls High School, went to TCU on a football scholarship. His 25 years in the US Army saw Dywane all over the world, including Germany, Viet Nam and Washington, DC, and he was awarded many military honors.

If you didn't know Dywane, you missed a good one. Please remember Phebe and Dywane and their family in your prayers.

*Johnye*



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## *The Tejas Medicineman Presents: "Chili Chants"*

A couple of years ago, I wrote an article about the fact that we chili cooks have lost the ability to entertain ourselves. Some recent events and e-mails have spurred me to revisit the subject.

Bill Lester proposes that it would be nice to get a few musicians together at a cookoff, especially at TICC, and put on a little get together. I'm all for it, but I want to digress a moment to review a few matters.

In the beginning, chili cookoffs were comprised of the best of the best fun-loving souls. Having a cookoff was an excuse to gather a bunch of people to have a party and fun. The fact that the actuality of having a real competition that day was a collective excuse to get out and do something different than clean out the garage on Saturday. It gave those people lacking in certain social skills an opportunity to compete, one-on-one, with people of all ranks of life. The interesting thing that I have observed in my 20 years of association with chili is the growth of personalities and leadership skills that have emerged from many of the cooks in our organization. However, some (a very few) never learn and/or turn, sometimes for the worse. Those, like chili, we judge on their own merit. Time wounds all heels. But, back to the fun stuff.

Preparation and anticipation for a cookoff was and still always seems to be part of the mystique of our hobby. Anxious calls to friends and trips to the meat market and grocery store for supplies, along with hoping that UPS will arrive in time with your special powders, adds to the adrenalin of the week. Cutting the meat on Thursday night becomes a ritual as is mixing the spices and putting them in the special little containers. Normally, it is a rush to get out of town and travel to the cookoff on Friday afternoon, if you are lucky enough to get off work a little early.

It's such a relief to finally be on site, the trailer or motor home leveled, or the tent set up. Then you sit down in your lawn chair and enjoy the first beer. There is an old joke, "If I set up the camp by myself, it will take 20 minutes; if you help, it will take an hour." Oh well, that sitting in the lawn chair lasts only a couple of minutes before either someone comes to join you in conversation or you wander off, beverage in hand, to mingle with the fellow campers.

It is time to socialize. It is time to amuse yourself and let your hair down. Those earth shaking office decisions take a back seat for about 48 hours. It is therapy time. The smart people know how to amuse themselves. Personally, I combine my hobby of photography, writing, and cooking by taking short visits in many camps.

There is a crucial element to know when never to overstay your welcome. Others have their lives and priorities to tend to, and there is a time and place for everything and every conversation. Unfortunately, there are some that never leave their campsite. That is their choice, but they often enjoy having visitors. Visitors are their entertainment.

There are normally two nights for socializing - Friday and Saturday - during the year. Of course when we get to TICC, it is a different story. We'll discuss that in a minute.

Friday night is usually the prime entertainment night. Saturday night the day-trippers are gone, and lately, about half of the campers have left to get on home to take care of other weekend matters. Some diehard point seekers will travel to another location for a Sunday cookoff.

The weather, of course, has a lot to do with entertainment. If it's too rainy or cold, no one wants to endure the rigors, but there are many more pleasant nights than bad. Campfires and heaters gather circles of people seeking a spot of warmth and a bit of camaraderie. It's only natural that jokes will be told of all color, and someone will break out a guitar or musical instrument and the entertainment begins.

Some of my fondest memories come from sitting around the campfire and listening to John Billy Murray and Tex Schofield plucking musical visions out of nothing in the flickering firelight. The bedtime usually was the wee hours around 3:00 a.m. when we either fell asleep in our lawn chair or ambled off to bed. There were several other entertainers, but their names escape me now. Today, it seems that we have Jim Stateczny and Nigel Delgado.

Jim plays instruments and sings; Nigel is a great DJ with an awesome collection of CDs. Each has carried some heavyweights to entertain when the call was given. But not everyone has talent, and most will drag a CD player along and submit all their neighbors to some of the worst music possible of which even a B-class AM station would be ashamed. I would rather listen to two Coleman generators in stereo.

Many years ago when all the camps were together in Terlingua, they had a Friday night margarita contest and you had to put on a show and bribe the judges. Some of the best acting, ideas, and showmanship came out of that period. Eventually, it evolved to other venues.

Mayo Blair and her wonderful troop of players put on a full-fledged "Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" play. It was great; even a few excerpts were pulled out and presented on a Friday night at one of the cookoffs. Lately, at least, we have had the Halloween contest at TICC that has provided some great entertainment.

For several years, a select few of us have been trying to plot an alternate show for entertainment. In the beginning, I wanted to build a small transmitter for FM so everyone could bring FM receivers and listen through their own headsets or boom boxes. We wanted to put on a late night light show across one of the dark hills; just a half hour of New Age music like Vollenvieder and CUSCO. Then it could lead to something a little more contemporary. There would be a stage of sorts set up and different people would take turns with guitar and/or songs. I could see wild man Chuck Spishock being master of ceremonies.

To add interest, I would like to grace the stage with Richard Knight and read and act out a couple of my Tales From Along the Trails to Terlingua, both singularly, and together. I would like to hear Richard do "Last Dance on the Rancho" in person. Surely, there are other ideas for some entertainment to fill the gaps. Perhaps Bill Lester and his crew could do this.

Here's why I am hoping this will happen. Since we have been on the 320 Rancho, CASI has hosted, with the exception of Craig Carter, some of the worst bands in Texas and have made us endure three nights of "what the Hell were they thinking" when they hired those guys. Right now the only reason the bands are being attended is due to the Crazy Flatts people coming up to be entertained. The noise and sometimes-unsavory people turn off most CASI cooks. It may come to eventually having another stage built in the Flatts and letting them have their own entertainment. We are getting bigger each year, and it just may come to that.

I am by no means suggesting that we eventually not have bands for CASI. I would like to see a bit more class in the selection. The band last year from about 11 PM on got more and more vulgar as the night progressed. In the course of sipping a beer, I counted the lead singer saying the "F word" 25 times as it echoed across the Old 320. I remember one year when we had two bands that could not even sing on key. Bands cost money and not everyone would be willing to travel 800 miles to spend time in the desert. However if we continue to grow as we have, we will need to up class our entertainment a bit.

Meanwhile, think about how you might want to help put on a show for say Thursday night at TICC. What talent do you have to offer? Have we really lost the ability to entertain ourselves?

### *Donn Shands*

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These donations are sincerely appreciated.



# Cook Off Winners



Dec 5, 2003-001 - Angleton TX  
4th Annual Christmas On The Square, 53

## CHILIS

### CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Donna Leird, Galveston TX
- 2 Ronnie Wade, Hillsboro TX TX
- 3 Mario Mercado, Danbury TX
- 4 Kevin Foley, Galveston TX
- 5 Bo Bales, Spring TX
- 6 Richard Wallace, La Porte TX
- 7 Scott Gisler, Richwood TX
- 8 Don Guthrie, Angleton TX
- 9 Melinda Jackson, Richmond TX
- 10 Ronnie Halbison, Houston TX

Dec 6, 2003-002 - Golden CO

3rd Annual Downtown Golden Chili, 15

## CHILIS

### CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Don Sanders, Aurora CO
  - 2 Duane A. Minear, Cheyenne WY
  - 3 Sandy Shively, Aurora CO
  - 4 John Montgomery, Golden CO
  - 5 Barbara Macomber, Denver CO
  - 6 Sherdon Denny, Boulder CO
  - 7 Christi Batie, Loveland CO
  - 8 Rocky Kimball, Highland Ranch CO
  - 9 Robert Batie, Loveland CO
  - 10 Lyman Wilkinson, Loveland CO
- ### SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Chili Shack Too, Cheyenne WY  
Duane A. Minear
  - 2 Flaming Rojo, Boulder CO  
Sherdon Denny
  - 3 Original Chili Shack, Loveland CO  
Linda Wilkinson

Jan 3, 2004-002 - Water Valley TX

Birthday Bash Cookoff, 15 CHILIS

## CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Sammie Plant, San Angelo TX
- 2 Dani C. Medlin, Rowlett TX
- 3 Tim Collier, Snyder TX
- 4 Bob Luney, Iowa Park TX
- 5 Connie Collier, Snyder TX
- 6 Louis Gonzales, Odessa TX
- 7 Roger Bains, Rankin TX
- 8 Barbara Herrin, Odessa TX
- 9 Karen Bains, Rankin TX
- 10 Guy Bates, Midland TX

### SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 J & J Chili, San Angelo TX  
Jason Jackson
- 2 Redneck Chili, San Angelo TX  
Bruce Frederick
- 3 Double LL, Odessa TX  
Louis Gonzales

Jan 4, 2004-002 - Water Valley TX

Building Fund Cookoff, 15 CHILIS

## CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Lee Roy Childress, Midland TX
- 2 Sammie Plant, San Angelo TX
- 3 Doug Hill, Odessa TX
- 4 Barbara Herrin, Odessa TX
- 5 Karen Bains, Rankin TX

6 Louis Gonzales, Odessa TX  
7 David "Red Bean" Boone, Odessa TX

8 Roger Bains, Rankin TX  
9 Patsy Childress, Midland TX

10 Connie Collier, Snyder TX

### SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Double LL, Odessa TX  
Louis Gonzales
- 2 Udderly Ridiculous, Snyder TX  
Connie Collier
- 3 Concho Canary, San Angelo TX  
Sammie Plant

Jan 9, 2004-001 - Amarillo TX

Tall In Texas Pod Cookoff, 39 CHILIS

## CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Margaret Lopez, Rio Rancho NM
- 2 Roy Huston, Wichita Falls TX
- 3 Kyle Adams, Iowa Park TX
- 4 Roxana Patton, Odessa TX
- 5 Shelly Hunt, Gordon TX
- 6 Scott Campbell, Amarillo TX
- 7 Michelle Adams, Iowa Park TX
- 8 Sylvia Riordan, Wichita Falls TX
- 9 Clint Wooster, Wichita Falls TX
- 10 Druella "Dru" Stewart, Hurst TX

### SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Campbell's Kids, Amarillo TX  
Scott Campbell
- 2 UNCLAIMED
- 3 UNCLAIMED

Jan 10, 2004-001 - Amarillo TX

Tri-State Open Chili Championship, 86

## CHILIS

### CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Carol Gibbs, Grand Prairie TX
- 2 Dexter Spalding, Amarillo TX
- 3 Michelle Adams, Iowa Park TX
- 4 Mary Ann Romero, Trinidad CO
- 5 Garnier Albus, Amarillo TX
- 6 Sylvia Riordan, Wichita Falls TX
- 7 LaMont Fisher, Amarillo TX
- 8 Susan Faris, Amarillo TX
- 9 Marcus Matheson, San Marcos TX
- 10 Bob Luney, Iowa Park TX

### SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Hot Rod Chili, Amarillo TX  
Bill McLean Jr.
- 2 Bag Lady, Wichita Falls TX  
Jackie Ralston
- 3 RPN, Amarillo TX  
Don Nichols

Jan 10, 2004-002 - Memphis TN

1st VFW Post 4916 Chili Cookoff, 17 CHILIS

## CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Michael (Mike) Brown, Memphis TN
- 2 Cindy Brown, Memphis TN
- 3 Bruce Smith, Little Rock AR
- 4 Judi Cassini, Memphis TN
- 5 Debbie Blanks, Little Rock AR
- 6 Terri Powers, Cordova TN
- 7 Beverly Hawley, Little Rock AR
- 8 Joe R. Cassini, Collierville TN
- 9 Tanna M. Jones, Walls MS

10 Brian Powers, Cordova TN

### SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 TN Taz, Memphis TN  
Gary Hicks
- 2 Sauced & Sassy, Memphis TN  
Michael (Mike) Brown
- 3 Love Me Tender, Collierville TN  
Joe R. Cassini

Jan 10, 2004-003 - Alamogordo NM

Alamogordo Moose Cookoff, 15 CHILIS

## CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Debbie McNutt, Elephant Butte NM
- 2 Cheryl Campbell, El Paso TX
- 3 Earl Campbell, El Paso TX
- 4 Carol Straughan, El Paso TX
- 5 Oksana Avanesyan, Elephant Butte NM
- 6 Marcia Gamino, El Paso TX
- 7 Jim McNutt, Elephant Butte NM
- 8 Bobby Elliott, El Paso TX
- 9 Eve DuMond, El Paso TX
- 10 Rick Hanson, Las Cruces NM

### SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Black Garter, El Paso TX  
Eve DuMond
- 2 Asheep At The Wheel, El Paso TX  
Carol Straughan
- 3 Red Neck Chili, Elephant Butte NM  
Jim McNutt

Jan 10, 2004-004 - Houston TX

15th Annual Bar-B-Que & Chili, 60 CHILIS

## CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Johnnie L. Sullivan, Ennis TX
- 2 Marolyn Blair, Houston TX
- 3 Bobbe Hargraves, Houston TX
- 4 Doris Greenlees, Houston TX
- 5 Dan Grannan, Waxahachie TX
- 6 Kevin Foley, Galveston TX
- 7 Keith Karaff, Houston TX
- 8 Lil Drake, Houston TX
- 9 Jo Ann Bachmeyer, Houston TX
- 10 Phil Barnes, Houston TX

### SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Murphy's Magic, Houston TX  
Annie K. Murphy
- 2 Feelin' Hot Cookers, Richmond TX  
Brian Furr
- 3 UNCLAIMED

Jan 11, 2004-001 - Statesville NC

Elks Lodge Chili Challenge, 15 CHILIS

## CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Bill Lundy, Statesville NC
- 2 Richard J. Steinert, Greensboro NC
- 3 Freddie W. Gann, Salisbury NC
- 4 Adrienne Grant, Durham NC
- 5 Brent Lundy, Statesville NC
- 6 George Doggett, Shelby NC
- 7 Paul Ingold, Greensboro NC
- 8 John Rhyne, Mooresville NC
- 9 Jean Lundy, Statesville NC
- 10 Kenneth (Kenny) Jones  
Reidsville NC

### SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Bubba's Chili, Mocksville NC

Mike Williams

- 2 Thickety Mountain Chili, Shelby NC  
George Doggett
- 3 Damifino Chili, Reidsville NC  
Kenneth (Kenny) Jones

Jan 17, 2004-001 - Rocky Point MX

Sonoran Desert International Open, 125

## CHILIS

### CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Patsy Childress, Midland TX
- 2 David "Red Bean" Boone, Odessa TX
- 3 Bonnie Haskins, Tucson AZ
- 4 Guy Tennison, Sierra Vista AZ
- 5 Elmo Hite, Hereford AZ
- 6 Leo Lemelson, Sierra Vista AZ
- 7 Lylah Raven, Phoenix AZ
- 8 Myrl Coultas, Tucson AZ
- 9 Charles C. (Chuck) Dugan  
Sierra Vista AZ
- 10 Shirley Yeargin, Kingman AZ

### SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Udderly Ridiculous, Snyder TX  
Connie Collier
- 2 Brrrr Chili, Scottsdale AZ  
Paul Castaldo
- 3 Fire House Chili, Glendale AZ  
Penny Nichols

Jan 17, 2004-002 - Orland Park IL

Chilly Willie Chili Challenge, 44 CHILIS

## CHILI WINNERS

- 1 William C.(Bill) Pierson  
Batavia IL
- 2 Mike Stevens, Homer Glen IL
- 3 Kathy Martin, Huntley IL
- 4 Wes Carlson, Loves Park IL
- 5 Les Eastep, Rochester IL
- 6 Bob Hall, Taylorville IL
- 7 David Mallory, Scottown OH
- 8 Pat Gustafson, Chicago IL
- 9 Gloria Stevens, Homer Glen IL
- 10 Bret Centers, Lisle IL

### SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Cowboy Bill Show Team, Batavia IL  
William C.(Bill) Pierson
- 2 Screamin' Eagles, Chicago IL  
Marc Zappavigna
- 3 Rapid Dispatch Chili  
Cedar Rapids IA  
Gerald (Gary) Christensen

Jan 17, 2004-003 - Wichita Falls TX

11th Annual Wichita East Volunteer, 41

## CHILIS

### CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Nancy Graves, Wichita Falls TX
- 2 Kevin Wooster, Wichita Falls TX
- 3 Patti Cook, Garland TX
- 4 Jo Ann Gaines, Wichita Falls TX
- 5 Mack Walker, Arlington TX
- 6 Suzie Manske, Arlington TX
- 7 Chuck Hawthorne, Wichita Falls TX
- 8 Sylvia Riordan, Wichita Falls TX
- 9 Darrell Baxter, Grand Prairie TX
- 10 Judy Walker, Wichita Falls TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Mad Hatter, Wichita Falls TX  
Nancy Graves
- 2 Dr. Ray, Waxahachie TX  
Ray Calhoun
- 3 UNCLAIMED

Jan 17, 2004-004 - Greenvine TX  
Greenvine Chili Cookoff, 20 CHILIS  
CHILIWINNERS

- 1 Lil Drake, Houston TX
- 2 Cindy Reed Wilkins, Houston TX
- 3 Vince Slominski, Caldwell TX
- 4 Pat Krenek, Houston TX
- 5 Pete Drake, Houston TX
- 6 Annie K. Murphy, Houston TX
- 7 Earl W. "Who?" Gorhum  
Montgomery TX
- 8 Ronald Rerich, Weimar TX
- 9 Karin Barnes, Houston TX
- 10 Maxine Reed, Schertz TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Murphy's Magic, Houston TX  
Annie K. Murphy
- 2 Murphy's Magic #2, Houston TX  
Frank Murphy
- 3 Lizard Lick'n Chili, Houston TX  
Bruce Wilkins

Jan 17, 2004-005 - Bay City TX  
Champion Riders Cookoff, 19 CHILIS  
CHILIWINNERS

- 1 Bert "Bubba" Reinke, Martindale TX
- 2 Linda Townsend, Bay City TX
- 3 Karen Reinke, Martindale TX
- 4 Wayne Roessler, Victoria TX
- 5 Charles Townsend, Bay City TX
- 6 Nadine Karnei, Weesatche TX
- 7 Don Hoy, Cuero TX
- 8 Lenora Martignomi, Victoria TX
- 9 Robert Lowery, Victoria TX
- 10 Betsy Schulze, Yorktown TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Patriotic Chili, Rockport TX  
Alice Reynolds
- 2 Home Brew II, Yorktown TX  
Betsy Schulze
- 3 Damn Yankee, Weesatche TX  
Nadine Karnei

Jan 17, 2004-006 - Marble Falls TX  
Rodeotown Cookoff, 36 CHILIS  
CHILIWINNERS

- 1 Marion "Rusty" Paske, Kingsland TX
- 2 Larry Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
- 3 Terry L. Tenery, Kerrville TX
- 4 Mike Benold, Dripping Springs TX
- 5 Gayle A. Cook, Marble Falls TX
- 6 Cheryl Smith, Atascosa TX
- 7 Tex Riley, Houston TX
- 8 Tamara Dees, Bulverde TX
- 9 Barry Shaw, Kerrville TX
- 10 Dan Grannan, Waxahachie TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Athletic Supporter, Boerne TX  
Rick Davis
- 2 Wink's Surprise, Crawford TX  
Dianne Stimson
- 3 Sr. Buzzard Back Chili  
Kerrville TX  
Terry L. Tenery

Jan 18, 2004-001 - Rocky Point MX  
Baja Cantina Day After Cookoff, 72 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Janita Hinds, Del Rio TX
- 2 Connie Collier, Snyder TX
- 3 Tim Collier, Snyder TX
- 4 Nancy Coultas, Tucson AZ
- 5 Jackie Rogge, Odessa TX
- 6 Myrl Coultas, Tucson AZ
- 7 Tom J. Klug, Gold Canyon AZ
- 8 Sally Hite, Hereford AZ
- 9 Patsy Childress, Midland TX
- 10 Richard Hinds, Del Rio TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Texas Chili & Tattoo Parlor  
Odessa TX  
Larry Patton
- 2 Doug's Road Show, Sierra Vista AZ  
Douglas L. (Doug) Thuma
- 3 Chili Bob, Chandler AZ  
Bob Bell

Jan 18, 2004-002 - Bay City TX  
Second Day Champion Riders Cookoff, 17  
CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Dianna Hoy, Cuero TX
- 2 Wayne Roessler, Victoria TX
- 3 Karen Reinke, Martindale TX
- 4 Jenifer Danysh, Edna TX
- 5 Henry Danysh, Edna TX
- 6 Betsy Schulze, Yorktown TX
- 7 Marvin Schulze, Yorktown TX
- 8 Barry Karnei, Weesatche TX
- 9 Nadine Karnei, Weesatche TX
- 10 Robert Lowery, Victoria TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Damn Yankee, Weesatche TX  
Nadine Karnei
- 2 Home Brew II, Yorktown TX  
Betsy Schulze
- 3 Hare Chili, Yorktown TX  
Gaye Stovall McNett

Jan 18, 2004-003 - Marble Falls TX  
Rodeotown Cookoff, 28 CHILIS  
CHILIWINNERS

- 1 Larry Burruss, San Marcos TX
- 2 Melba Fae Paske, Kingsland TX
- 3 Mike Benold, Dripping Springs TX
- 4 Douglas "Bucky" Seelig, Austin TX
- 5 Tex Riley, Houston TX
- 6 H. Ray King, Seguin TX
- 7 Carrie Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
- 8 John Goforth, Comfort TX
- 9 Barry Shaw, Kerrville TX
- 10 Marion "Rusty" Paske, Kingsland TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Lt. Dan'z Dumbasscuss Drool  
Waxahachie TX  
Dan Grannan
- 2 Sr. Buzzard Back Chili  
Kerrville TX  
Terry L. Tenery
- 3 Doc's Backbone Chili  
Marble Falls TX  
Larry Kinnison

Jan 24, 2004-001 - Canyon Lake TX  
11th Annual Super Bowl of Chili, 65 CHILIS  
CHILIWINNERS

- 1 Larry Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
- 2 Jim McKee, Canyon Lake TX
- 3 Carrie Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
- 4 Phyllis McKee, Canyon Lake TX
- 5 Tex Riley, Houston TX

- 6 Ronald Rerich, Weimar TX
- 7 Doyle Smith, San Antonio TX
- 8 Jan Windrow, San Antonio TX
- 9 Barbara C. Taylor, Johnson City TX
- 10 Mike Benold, Dripping Springs TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Special Ranger Randy's  
Canyon Lake TX  
Randy Evans
- 2 Ace In The Hole, San Antonio TX  
Clyde Rogers
- 3 Athletic Supporter, Boerne TX  
Rick Davis

Jan 24, 2004-002 - Las Cruces NM  
VFW #6917 Indoor Cookoff, 15 CHILIS  
CHILIWINNERS

- 1 Jim McNutt, Elephant Butte NM
- 2 Bobby Elliott, El Paso TX
- 3 Steven A. Lopez, Rio Rancho NM
- 4 Hut Brown, El Paso TX
- 5 Baltazar Vizciano, El Paso TX
- 6 Rick Hanson, Las Cruces NM
- 7 Ann Hanson, Las Cruces NM
- 8 Debbie McNutt, Elephant Butte NM
- 9 Earl Campbell, El Paso TX
- 10 Cheryl Campbell, El Paso TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Red Neck Chili, Elephant Butte NM  
Jim McNutt
- 2 Asheep At The Wheel, El Paso TX  
Carol Straughan
- 3 Bountif Hunter, El Paso TX  
Hut Brown

Jan 24, 2004-004 - Fairfax Station VA  
Mid-Winter Chili Cookoff, 21 CHILIS  
CHILIWINNERS

- 1 Dick DeiTos, Fairfax VA
- 2 Jackie Koltz, Palmyra VA
- 3 Beverly King, Woodbridge VA
- 4 Jennifer Zalewski, Bristaw VA
- 5 Roger Koltz, Palmyra VA
- 6 Ghon Eckley, Frederick MD
- 7 Steve Corley, Fairfax VA
- 8 John P. "Jack" Ware, Leesburg VA
- 9 Nancy Bremer, Upper Marlboro MD
- 10 Richard King, Clifton VA

Jan 25, 2004-001 - Canyon Lake TX  
4th Annual Friends of Texas Ladies, 50  
CHILIS

- CHILIWINNERS
- 1 Jessie Waguespack, Austin TX
- 2 John Goforth, Comfort TX
- 3 Cindy McKinzie, Canyon Lake TX
- 4 Billy Bob Weatherly, Canyon Lake TX
- 5 Ken Rodd, Austin TX
- 6 Melba Fae Paske, Kingsland TX
- 7 Ronald Rerich, Weimar TX
- 8 Marion "Rusty" Paske, Kingsland TX
- 9 Karl F. Buechler Jr., Kerrville TX
- 10 Jenifer Danysh, Edna TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Special Ranger Randy's  
Canyon Lake TX  
Randy Evans
- 2 Ass Fault, Clear Lake Shores TX  
Chuck Spishock
- 3 Prairie Wagon Chili, Adkins TX  
Janice Stewart

Jan 31, 2004-001 - Minden LA

Louisiana State Championship 13th, 62  
CHILIS

CHILIWINNERS

- 1 Candy Schultz, Quinlan TX
- 2 Scott Buschel, Irving TX
- 3 Chris Cook, Dallas TX
- 4 Tim Swicegood, Maumelle AR
- 5 Jack Schultz, Quinlan TX
- 6 Debbie Blanks, Little Rock AR
- 7 Beverly Hawley, Little Rock AR
- 8 Dick Wagner, Little Rock AR
- 9 Larry Wampler, Terrell TX
- 10 Paul A. Rowlan, Bryant AR

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Southside Foggy Mountain  
Grand Prairie TX  
Jim Johnson
- 2 Dr. Dave's VooDoo Stew  
Hallsville TX  
David (Dave) Trice
- 3 Grizzly Head Gravy, Hallsville TX  
Chuck Darden

Jan 31, 2004-002 - New River AZ  
7th Annual Roadrunner Steakhouse, 16  
CHILIS

CHILIWINNERS

- 1 Willie Raven, Phoenix AZ
- 2 Vicki Esford, Riverview FL
- 3 Lylah Raven, Phoenix AZ
- 4 Peter J. Braly, Tucson AZ
- 5 Dick Swenberger, Mesa AZ
- 6 Ken Holmes, Cave Creek AZ
- 7 Tom Esford, Riverview FL
- 8 Dick Smith, New River AZ
- 9 Ken Harrison, Black Canyon City AZ
- 10 James S Browne, Grants Pass OR

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Einstein Chili, Chandler AZ  
Don Robinson
- 2 Renegade Chili Rovers II  
Riverview FL  
Vicki Esford
- 3 Kickin' J.A., Peoria AZ  
Mike Meskimen

Feb 7, 2004-002 - Rankin TX  
4th Horn Toad Round-up & Chili CCO, 65  
CHILIS

CHILIWINNERS

- 1 Debbie Eiland Turner, Waxahachie TX
- 2 Tex Riley, Houston TX
- 3 Mike Tracy, Odessa TX
- 4 Jean H. Barkley, Weimar TX
- 5 R. Bruce Jones, Canyon Lake TX
- 6 Lee Roy Childress, Midland TX
- 7 Barbara Herrin, Odessa TX
- 8 Mel FitzHenry, Terlingua TX
- 9 Louis Gonzales, Odessa TX
- 10 Pat Dreibrudt, Comfort TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Goat Gap Gazette, Waxahachie TX  
Wayne Turner
- 2 Texas Chili & Tattoo Parlor  
Odessa TX  
Larry Patton
- 3 Traveling Hors d' oeuvres  
Johnson City TX  
Barbara C. Taylor

## Qualified Cooks

COOKS QUALIFIED AS OF 02/12/2004

- 73 Carol Gibbs, Grand Prairie TX
- 74 Dexter Spalding, Amarillo TX
- 75 Michelle Adams, Iowa Park TX
- 76 William C.(Bill) Pierson  
Batavia IL
- 77 Mike Stevens, Homer Glen IL
- 78 Bert "Bubba" Reinke, Martindale TX
- 79 Don Hoy, Cuero TX
- 80 Karen Reinke, Martindale TX
- 81 Larry Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
- 82 Larry Burruss, San Marcos TX
- 83 David "Red Bean" Boone, Odessa TX
- 84 Bonnie Haskins, Tucson AZ
- 85 Charles C. (Chuck) Dugan  
Sierra Vista AZ
- 86 Nancy Graves, Wichita Falls TX
- 87 Jackie Koltz, Palmyra VA
- 88 Beverly King, Woodbridge VA
- 89 Nancy Bremer, Upper Marlboro MD
- 90 Vince Slominski, Caldwell TX
- 91 Carrie Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
- 92 Jessie Waguespack, Austin TX
- 93 Doug Hill, Odessa TX
- 94 Lee Estabrook, Minden LA
- 95 Jerry R. Hunt, Shreveport LA
- 96 Bill Martin, Shreveport LA
- 97 Jean H. Barkley, Weimar TX
- 98 Lee Roy Childress, Midland TX

## Qualified Show Teams

SHOW TEAMS QUALIFIED AS OF 02/12/2004

- 36 Hot Rod Chili, Amarillo TX  
McLean Jr., Bill
- 37 Bag Lady, Wichita Falls TX  
Ralston, Jackie
- 38 Lt. Dan'z Dumbasscuss Dro  
Waxahachie TX  
Grannan, Dan
- 39 Chili Bob, Chandler AZ  
Bell, Bob
- 40 Bubba's Chili, Mocksville NC  
Williams, Mike
- 41 Murphy's Magic, Houston TX  
Murphy, Annie K.

**The supreme quality for leadership is unquestionably integrity. Without it, no real success is possible, no matter whether it is on a section gang, a football field, in an army, or in an office.**

*-Dwight D. Eisenhower*

## An Open Letter to the CASI Membership

Good morning everyone. I am Keith Karaff, Great Pepper, Houston Pod and I am writing this to see if we can drum up support for an important cause. Please bear with me as you read this, as it does get a little long. When I started cooking a short while ago, I organized and ran Junior Cook-offs in this area until I became a GP and those duties needed my attention. I continue to try to organize and run cook-offs throughout the area and that is getting easier. For those of you that know me, running Junior cook-offs has always been a favorite thing for me. I love working with the kids. Need help organizing and running one? Let me know.

Last Fall at the Ranch, I was wandering around the vendor area, and in the middle of all these big trailers and vendors, I spotted a little table with some jars of salsa and went to investigate. They were being sold by the Big Bend Youth Club. I bought a jar, grabbed an orange slip of paper, and walked off. Later I was reading the paper about this group and decided to do a little investigating. I spoke with Kathy Killingsworth and she told me about the great job that was being done there with the kids and that they had taken over the old Terlingua Medics building. Several of you probably saw that building that had a sheet spray painted with the words Youth Club hanging on it on the way to the Ranch.

They are in desperate need. I spoke with the head of the Youth Club and she sent me some info on it. They are writing for grants etc. but we all know what political red tape is like and they may never see a dime for some time.

Here is my plan.

I have set up an account on behalf of the Big Bend Youth Club. They are a 501(c)(3) charity. I am hoping to raise money for this group that is desperately trying to serve the youth of that area. Private donations are wonderful and all will be accepted. The next part of my plan involves the Pod Cook-offs and cook-offs in general. I am asking everyone that holds a Junior Cook-off to donate those entry fees to the Big Bend Youth Club using the advertising slogan, "Kids Cooking for Kids" at your cook-off.

I have two Junior cook-offs that have selected Big Bend Youth Club as their charity; I am proud to say the Houston Pod and The Texas Open both have joined in.

What I would like to do is make several payments to them throughout this year. I would like to send payments to them once a quarter, so that they are receiving a regular payment every three months or so. Hopefully by that time, the grants they are submitting will be approved and they will receive those funds.

I am sending a copy of the letter I received along with some photos I received for next the Trails in March since I missed the February issue. Please give my proposal some consideration at your next Pod meeting. I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you everyone, Keith Karaff, GP-Houston Pod CASI.

My email address is kdkone@aol.com

Please use the subject line BBYC

My snail mail address: Keith Karaff, 10511 Foxrow Lane, Houston TX 77064

Supporting this initiative, Piney Woods Pod has established a web page for Kids Cooking For Kids on their web site, [www.PineyWoodsPod.org](http://www.PineyWoodsPod.org). We will list all cook-offs benefiting Big Bend Youth Center, provide an email link to the cook-off coordinator, and a link to the cook-off flyer. The coordinator must send a copy of the flyer in : .doc, .pdf, or .jpg format via email to the webmaster at [webmaster@PineyWoodsPod.org](mailto:webmaster@PineyWoodsPod.org), or mail a physical copy to Bob Horan, PO Box 1115, Tomball, TX 77377-1115.

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## Big Bend Youth Club

by Marlys Hersey  
*The Big Bend Gazette*  
 with permission

TERLINGUA, TX At the Big Bend Youth Club's Christmas party on December 18, there was a heap of great stuff covering about a quarter of the dining room: toys, fruit, candy, books, toiletries. *These kids scored!*

It turns out that all that great stuff is not *for* the kids, but *from* them, not un-wrapped just moments ago, but rather waiting to be wrapped. And boxed up. And given to 20 local families in need.

All that loot was the result of some kids here deciding that something needed to be done for some others in the community and doing it.

Director Beth Garcia and many of the youngsters who regularly spend their afternoons and evenings at the club got the word out about this holiday project, and locals donated the array of items. Part of the youth club's way of partying was to sort and box up the food, books, and other treats, readying them for the 13 south Brewster county families to pick up at the club that Saturday. Plus, one youngster who's a club regular distributed the rest of the gift packages to the 7 recipient households across the border in San Carlos, when he visited family there.

"We think this may become an annual tradition of ours," says Garcia. Her tone and attitude are hopeful, forward-thinking. For a moment, it's easy to take the Big Bend Youth Club for granted.

Opened in late August, the youth club is the brainchild (and now just plain child) of Beth Garcia, Terlingua resident and former rafting company owner. About a year ago, Garcia recognized the "need for the community's youth to have a safe place to call their own." Offering an alternative to drugs, crime, unplanned pregnancies, and sitting home alone, watching television, the youth club affords kids "a place to hang out together, play sports and games indoors and out, get help with their homework, be entertained and challenged, learn life skills, and participate in various recreational programs."

It seems to be working.

The youth club, though from the outside seemingly quiet, bustles with activity. The day I visited, a handful of kids played football in the front room, another few talked in the kitchen, another group watched a movie in the darkened living room. Two adults and one big friendly German shepard wandered about. Everyone I met was curious, respectful, and friendly.

Garcia and the board of directors of the South Brewster County Development Corporation, the non-profit



organization responsible for making the club happen, raised money, received donations of games and equipment, and rented this building. As soon as the doors opened, the kids came, exceeding even the more optimistic estimates of numbers of kids who would partake. Some "50 children between ages 9 and 16 have already participated in various club activities," and Garcia says that on any given day, about 12-25 kids come to the club.

Many of the kids who frequent the club know acute economic hardship, often living in run-down dwellings and/or without telephones or electricity. Several have family members in Mexico who are no longer easily accessible since strict border closures were imposed by the Bush Administration.

Garcia says she is continually amazed by the kids, and thrilled with the pivotal role the club plays in their development. "I see kids who were withdrawn getting involved. Kids who didn't get along with each other at school became friends here. They see each other in new ways. And they can't gang up on anyone here. It's not allowed."

The club also gives adults in the community the chance to be part of something meaningful. Several individuals regularly donate their time, energy, and expertise. Tracy, of Ms. Tracy's Cafe in Study Butte, makes her kitchen and recipe available for salsa preparation - and showed up at the club's Halloween open house dressed as a clown. Cynta, another Terlinguan, helps the kids with art projects every Wednesday.

Still another individual, Seth Burgess, better known at the club as "Coach Cool," visits every week to discuss a variety of difficult life issues with the kids. He asked for it, so to speak, when, early on, he gave the kids this mission: "Your job for the next 20 years is to figure out what's real and what's not, what's cool and what's not." As

Garcia explains, "There's a lot of stuff on TV that seems real, but it's not."

Kids have responded to Coach Cool's prompt by generating some hard questions, and then freely discussing them: Why are there so many rules? Why do we go to school? What do teachers really want?

The youth club's vision doesn't stop there. As a recent press release from the youth club states, "Local activities are not enough." Ms. Garcia is adamant about giving the youth a wider world view. Field trips outside the area are exposing the kids to cultural activities, places, and things that residents in mainstream America take for granted but are unheard of along the border. Movie theatres,

museums, symphony orchestras, parades and zoos are just a few of the things in the planning stage. Many of the kids come from families with extremely limited resources. Many have never ventured much beyond the small towns in nearby counties and Mexico."

Ms. Garcia has used fundraising projects to teach the kids entrepreneurial skills, how to develop and implement a business plan, and how to market and sell their goods. The kids have created and sold Halloween gift baskets and homemade salsa, and they have raffled off a 6-foot Christmas stocking filled with toys. They also helped coordinate an authentic Mexican dance, with music by the Los Palomares band from Mexico. The Lajitas Trading Post at the local upscale Lajitas Resort has agreed to sell the homemade salsa on an ongoing basis.

Yet the youth club's existence is precarious.

"The club has survived for more than six months through limited financial support from the Big Bend Episcopal Mission, generous community members, and fundraising projects."

And what the press release doesn't mention is that even as director, Garcia is not paid. "It's the hardest work I've ever done, and it's also the most rewarding," Garcia says, "but I can't do this for free forever."

When asked how concerned individuals can prevent the Big Bend Youth Club from disintegrating, Garcia does not hesitate: "Be here." The club needs volunteers willing to work with the kids, at the club or on field trips. Not surprisingly, "we also need food and money." On an ongoing basis.

If you would like to contribute to the Big Bend Youth Club, please do so by mail at: BBYC, P.O. Box 421, Terlingua, Texas, 79852. Or call Director Beth Garcia at 432/371.2304 or via email: [garciabeth2003@yahoo.com](mailto:garciabeth2003@yahoo.com).



Last Month we ran this photo with a caption that the date/location was unknown - now thanks to Red, a little more chili history is known.

The photo on pg.2, lower right hand side of the page in the February '04 Trails is shown as "date unknown". It was taken at The Way It Was, January '83. The people in the picture facing the camera, from left to right are: Natha Caldwell, Vann York and Sharon Roy. (And, that's Mel Burton directly behind Natha!)

The Way It Was was an old style, no rules cookoff sponsored by the SOT Pod in January. We did indeed have walk around judging, bribery, sabotage, and other normal behavior. After three attempts to start the cookoff with a March of the Virgins, we abandoned the effort due to lack of participation. Sunday morning church services—the annual meeting of "Our Lady of Wretched Excesses" were always well attended as was the singing by the Abnormal Tallywhacker Choir. Spiritual leader at the services was Tex Scofield.

A note on Vann! He more or less set the tone for the cookoff the first year when he and Tex got into a deep metaphysical examination of the emotional impact of tequila...until daylight of cookoff day. He got up, took one look at the raw meat, then chucked all the ingredients into a cold pot and hung out a sign that said "Make it your own way" and went back to sleep.

As a matter of passing interest, we averaged about 30-40 cooks at this event every year that it was held, and, being January, it was always somewhere between cold and "freeze your tail" which goes to show you that it doesn't take much to entertain a chili cook!

Thought that you might like to know.

### Red Caldwell

## Tales from the Ranch

God bless CASI, and how's everybody? Yo Rita, what a year. I haven't written an article for the *Trails* since November. I can't remember what kept me so busy that I forgot to write. I guess time is fun when you're having flies.

Christmas was fun. Part of it at the ranch, then Christmas Day in Houston, and the rest of the week was in New Orleans. I was good all year, so Ole' St. Nick was good to me. I got two ever-ready batteries, radio not included. Other than that the rest of the year went ok.

Everything is quiet here at the ranch. Deer season is over, so the hunters have gone back to the city where their environment at home is a little more under control.

I noticed in the *Trails* where everybody has been on the chili trail. If you happened to be on I-20 going west in January and noticed a caravan of cars, trucks, vans, RV's and motor homes driving in erratic behavior with slight touches of road rage, not to worry. It was just a bunch of Black Gold people going Rocky Point, Mexico, to have fun in the sun and cook chili at Manny's Beach Club and Baja Cantina.

I want to commend the wonderful Arizona folks for providing us with a great weekend; a good time was had by all. Our very own Patsy Childress took 1<sup>st</sup> place honors and my fellow rancher and colleague, Dave Boone, took 2<sup>nd</sup>. But the best part was Friday night at Manny's cook's party when our very own Leroy Childress, aka Black Gold Great Pepper, displayed his own rendition of Saturday Night Fever doing the John Travolta tango, or maybe it was the mambo. Either way, it was a Kodak moment.

The Rankin Toad Cookoff had a great turnout. Some of our out-of-state cooks included Don Boone and his son from Missouri and Jim and Kat Tomlin from Arizona. If I left someone out, I'll get you the next article - sorry. The toad trail drive was completed just in time for the cookoff. For more details you can refer to my fellow rancher and colleague Dave Boone's articles. That's his territory.

I will say that toad stock has skyrocketed lately. Since Dee Hay is a major toad stockholder, I figure she and Ralph are on one of those big fancy ships out in the Caribbean sipping on one of those exotic drinks that has a little umbrella in it. Yea, buddy. You can contact Dee about stock quotes if you're interested.

If you're in the Paint Rock area, stop by and visit. My chili ain't worth a darn, but I cook a mean T-bone and Barbara makes a baked tater to die for. So long from the Matthiesen ranch.

A tip to remember: Don't be open-minded. Your brain will fall out.

See ya,

**Louis G**

Matthiesen Ranch  
Paint Rock, Texas

## NEBRASKA STATE OPEN CASI CHILI CHAMPIONSHIP COOK-OFF

July 10th, 2004



**Cook's Party**

In conjunction with the  
Nebraska Dry Bean Chili Cook-off, Beef Cook-off & Green Chili Cook-off  
Cook's Party @ Coors Meeting Room Scottsbluff Gering Highway 6PM Friday July 9th  
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## OREGON TRAIL DAYS/COORS



## Police Blotter

While errors in submission of paperwork have decreased in the last year, they still exist. I anticipate a significant increase in the number of cookoffs to be processed this year. This is a good thing, but to do this increased workload without a significant increase in time spent, I need your continued effort to eliminate paperwork errors.

I have learned from experience that receiving your qualification card is one of the more enjoyable aspects of chili cooking. Issuing these cards is the most enjoyable task of the Tallymaster position. I would much prefer to spend time completing the qualification cards and sending them out than chasing down late or incomplete cookoff results.

It has been suggested that possibly some real-life examples of problems I encounter would compel those responsible for sending in results to be a little more diligent in performing their duties. I will present some of these in the next few months without naming names or locations. The people responsible will recognize their example, but we are not doing this to embarrass anyone, just to educate you. Many of you will read these examples and say, "What dufus would do that?" Don't let yourself be that dufus.

The first Police Blotter example is a problem that has frequently been discussed but still exists. I just received a guilty cookoff paperwork package in January, but the example I'm using is from last year.

All our "official" forms have a box at the top labeled, "Chili Cookoff Identification Information." I received paperwork from a cookoff where the box was completely blank! This makes it extremely difficult to know what cookoff I have before me.

When a cookoff is submitted to be listed in the *Terlingua Trails*, a cookoff number is assigned and forms with this number and the cookoff name and location are printed and sent to the person submitting the listing. These are the forms that are to be used and sent to the CASI Tallymaster for the cookoff to be sanctioned. If generic forms are used, this information must be put on the form before submitting them.

To further complicate matters, the results sheet was not signed by the Cookoff Referee. So, I now have results for an unknown cookoff and no one to ask what cookoff it was. I think you can see the problem. Had this been a Texas cookoff, it would've been extremely difficult to determine its origin. Fortunately, this cookoff was from a state with few cookoffs and only one Referee.

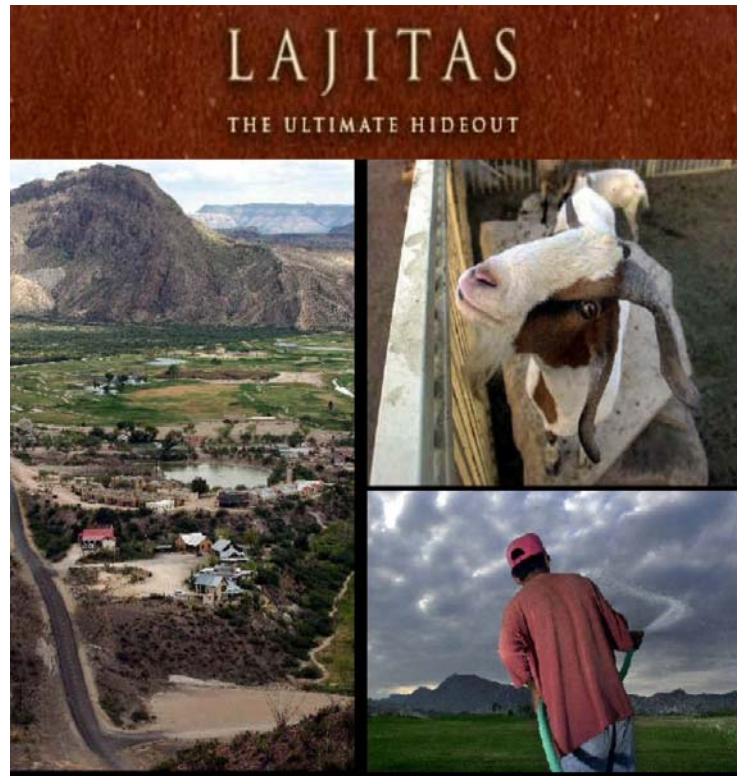
Now, I know no one would send in paperwork without the Chili Cookoff Identification Information completed, would you?

### Bill Pierson

Tallymaster

Men make history and not the other way around. In periods where there is no leadership, society stands still. Progress occurs when courageous, skillful leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better.

-Harry S. Truman

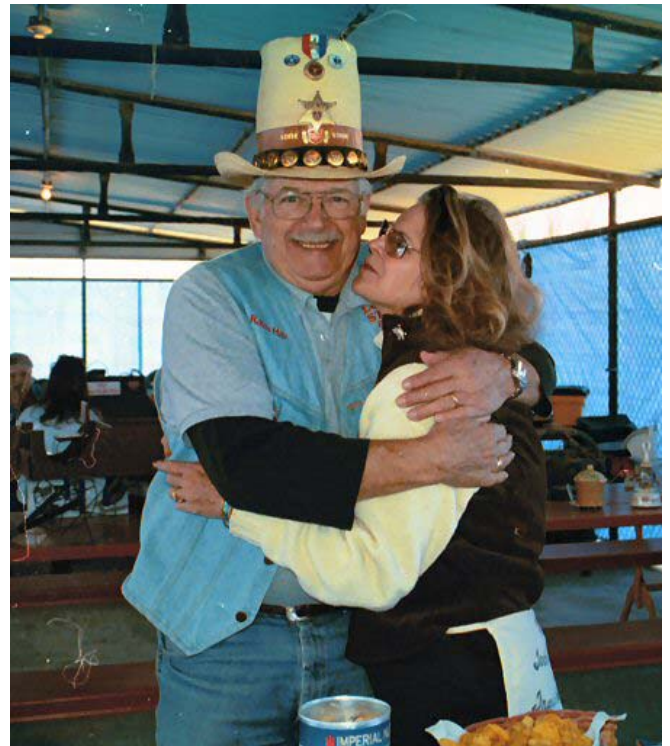



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3rd-Linda Moore*



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*Bill Dees - A New Method to Prevent Chicken Loss?*

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# Cooking With CASI



Mar 6, 2004-001 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. Eagles #3580 14th Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at 1625 Archer City Hwy. Benefits Eagle's State Project. Make checks payable to Eagles #3580. Entry fee \$18 turn in 2 PM. Beans \$5 turn-in 1 PM. Show 12 to 12:30. Contact Linda Kent P.O. Box 4681 Wichita Falls TX 76308-0681. 940-692-9816 email 1kent1219@yahoo.com. Cook's party Friday night 7 PM.

Mar 6, 2004-002 - Casa Grande AZ CASI. 26th Annual Arizona Open Chili Championship. Held at the Dave White Regional Park. RV parking dry camping only in paved parking lot. Friday night cook's party bring your own meat everything else is provided. Cooks meeting 9 AM sharp Saturday AM. Classic car show between 11 AM & 3 PM. Live entertainment 1 PM to 6 PM. Park located at 2121 N. Thornton RD in Casa Grande. Peoples choice turn-in 11 AM to 1 PM. Entry \$5 if cooking CASI chili, \$25 if not. CASI entry \$25 turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to CHOA. Contact Peter Braly 8401 South Kolb Rd #433 Tucson, AZ 85706-9119. Email pjabraly@cs.com

Mar 6, 2004-003 - Irving TX CASI. 17th Annual Irving Elks Annual CCO. Held at 2015 N Britian Rd. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Bean turn in Noon. Benefits Elk's charity. Make checks payable to Irving Elks Contact Horrace Jones 2015 N. Britian Rd. Irving, TX 75061 972-579-0005. Plenty of hookups Cooks party Friday night, breakfast Saturday morning. See next day cookoff same location.

Mar 6, 2004-004 - Austin TX CASI. 22nd Annual Sightfest Cookoff. Held at Travis County Sheriff's Posse Rodeo Area. S Hwy 183, just south of 812-183 intersection. Benefits Austin Lions Sight Conservation. Entry fee \$18 turn in 2 PM. Make checks payable to ALSCC. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Beans \$5, 60/40 payback turn-in 1 PM. Please bring old eyeglasses. Cook's party Friday night. Saturday breakfast. Raffle and auctions. Donations gladly accepted. Pot luck Saturday night. RV parking no hookups. Contact John/Sue Caffey 2256 CR 434 Loop, Rockdale, TX 76567. 512-446-2364, email caffeycasa@msn.com.

Mar 6, 2004-005 - Little Rock AR CASI. VFW 9095 Chili Cookoff. Held at VFW Post 9095, 1121 Gamble Road. Benefits Veterans Home. \$20 entry fee turn-in 1 PM. Checks payable to VFW 9095. Contact Sgt/Major Burks 501-225-9849, Kanis & Gamble, Little Rock, AR 72209.

Mar 6, 2004-006 - Fayetteville TN CASI. 2004 "Fire Up" for Literacy Day. Miss "Hot Pepper Pageant" 10 AM. Held at Lincoln County Fairgrounds Bikers Ride for Literacy (honored guest). Chili turn in 1 PM. CASI and open, and salsa divisions. Celebrity auction. Country Jam

Music. Free book to every child 8 years and under with an adult while supply lasts. Contact Teresa Smith 931-438-0555 or sign up on web site www.thelcfc.com.

Mar 6, 2004-007 - San Angelo TX CASI. Lonesome Dove Chili Cookoff. Held at 3301 N. Chadbourne. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Beans \$10 turn-in 1 PM. Benefits "Meals for the Elderly". For information call 325-486-1315.

Mar 6, 2004-008 - Texarkana TX CASI. Texas Independence Day Celebration CANCELLED. Date changed to March 20th.

Mar 6, 2004-009 - Gulf Shores AL CASI. 2nd Annual Beach Club Chili Cookoff held at the Beach Club on Highway 180 West (Fort Morgan Road). Benefits the Fort Morgan Volunteer Fire Dept. Entry fee \$20, turn-in 12:30 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Renee Moore 251-949-7000 or moore@ci.gulf-shores.al.us.

Mar 6, 2004-010 - Amarillo TX CASI. 3rd Annual Flint Robbins Memorial Chili Cookoff. Held at Sunset Center, Happy Times Event Center. 3701 Plains Blvd. Exit 140 at Western, go north on Western to plains, go east (right) 1 block. Entry fee \$20. Checks payable to APR Benefit Fund. Benefits the Amarillo, Potter, Randall Law Enforcement Benefit Fund. This fund helps any law enforcement officer or immediate family for major medical expense. Turn-in 6 PM. Cooks will receive tickets for prizes and the dance. Silent auction 6 to 8 PM, live auction 9 PM. Dance 9 PM to 11:30. Open to public. Info Richard Weathers 806-352-0877, 806-654-2067, Faith Daly 806-231-1674, Jana Moore 806-355-9111, John Hanke phone 806-672-7882. Vickie Childers 806-355-9111. John Hanke Randall Co. Sheriff's Dept. 9100 S. Georgia. Amarillo, TX 79118. casters@amaonline.com note APR cookoff deadline; call, write asao to reserve spot, payment due at cookoff. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

Mar 7, 2004-001 - Irving TX CASI. Irving Elks PER Cookoff. Held at 2015 N. Britian Rd. Entry fee \$18 turn-in Noon. Benefits Irving Elks PER Assoc. Makes checks payable to Irving Elks PER. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Info Horrace Jones 2015 Britian Rd. Irving TX 75061. 972-579-0005.

Mar 7, 2004-002 - Austin TX CASI. No Frills Fest Cookoff. Held at Travis County Sheriff's Posse Area, S Hwy 183, just south of 842-832 intersection. Entry fee \$18 turn in Noon. Benefits Local Lion charities. Make checks payable to ALSCC. Biscuits and gravy by Caffey's breakfast. Pot luck Saturday night. Indoor bath rooms and judging. RV parking no hookups. Bring old eyeglasses. Contact John/Sue Caffey 2256 CR 434 Loop, Rockdale, TX 76567. 512-446-2364. caffeycasa@msn.com. CHILI GRIND

ONLY.

Mar 7, 2004-003 - Issaquah WA CASI. Chili's Bar & Grill Chili Cookoff. Held at Chili's Bar and Grill on Gillman Ave. Entry fee \$17 turn in 2 PM. Contact Lynne Brokaw 3542 N.E. 130th St.

Seattle WA 98125 206-364-5198 or Lynnewhat@aol.com. On Advertising Probation per CASI Rule V.A.2.

Mar 13, 2004-001 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. American Legion Post 169 Cookoff. Held at 4005 Lake Shore Drive. Benefits Legion Charities. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Beans \$5 turn-in Noon. Make checks payable to Post 169. Contact Glyn Gaines 940-767-2273. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

Mar 13, 2004-002 - Memphis TN CASI. VFW 4935 Chili Cookoff. Held at 1942 Lynnbrook. Make checks payable to charity VFW 4935 Post. Entry fee \$20 turn-in 1 PM. Hot wing contest \$10 entry with chili, \$20 without. Friday night cooks party 7 PM - til? Motorhome parking no hookups. Contact Rodney Jones 6500 Riverbirch, Walls, MS 38680.

Mar 13, 2004-003 - Sweetwater TX CASI. Rattlesnake Roundup Cookoff. Held at 1699 Cypress. Entry fee \$25 turn in Noon. Make checks payable to Sweetwater Jaycees. Contact Julie Hum 700 CR 181 Maryneal, TX 79535, 325-288-4464

Mar 13, 2004-004 - Caballo NM CASI. Del Valle Eagles Cookoff. Held at Caballo Eagles Aerie. Benefits Eagles Charities. Entry fee \$15 turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick P. O. Box 268, Organ, NM 88052-0268, phone 502-382-5107 teamorgan@zianet.com.

Mar 13, 2004-005 - Point TX CASI. Thousand Trails Tawakoni Cookoff. Held at 1246 Rains County Rd 1470. Benefits Christmas for Kids. Turn in 1 PM. Entry fee \$18. Make checks payable to Thousand Trails Tawakoni. Bean turn-in 11 AM entry fee \$5. Free camping Friday and Saturday with full hookups. Let us know if you plan to attend so we can save spots, contact Linda Buschel 2620 Quail Valley, Irving TX 75060, 972-986-6211 of Jack Schultz 903-447-4662. Email Linda blbusch@evl.net. Pot luck dinner Friday night about 7 PM Pod will furnish main dish. Stay for day after cookoff.

Mar 13, 2004-006 - San Angelo TX CASI. St.Patty's Day Chili Cookoff. Cancelled, date changed to 03/20/04

Mar 13, 2004-007 - Comfort TX CASI. Hermann Sons Retirement Home's 15th Annual Chili Cookoff & 10th Annual Bean Cookoff. Held at Hermann Sons Retirement Home. Benefits the Hermann Sons Scholarship Fund. Entry fee \$10

Beans, \$20 CASI chili \$15 Amateur Chili. Turn-in time 1 PM Beans, 2 PM Chili. Make check payable to Hermann Sons Retirement Home. Contact Edward Albrecht 830-995-2724 or Tubby Wilcox 830-995-4351. Cook's and visitors party Friday evening w/food, drinks and dancing. RV's welcome no hook ups.

Mar 13, 2004-008 - Nicksville AZ CASI. 17th Annual Nicks Place Cookoff. Held 8 miles south of Sierra Vista on Hwy 92. Benefits Special Olympics. Entry fee \$15 turn in 2 PM. Make checks payable to High Desert Pod. Dinner Friday night. Dry camping in camp and cook area. Contact Ben Berry P.O. Box 1298 Sierra Vista, AZ 85636. Phone 520-378-3692 or tberry@c2i2.com.

Mar 14, 2004-001 - Point TX CASI. Thousand Trails Tawakoni Day After Cookoff. Held at 1246 Rains County Rd 1470. Entry fee \$18 turn-in Noon CHILI GRIND ONLY. Pot luck supper Saturday night. Contact Linda Buschel 972-986-6211. See cookoff previous day.

Mar 14, 2004-002 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. NOB POD Benefit For City Hall Bldg. Fund in Terlingua. Held at the American Legion Post 169. Turn-in 1 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Glyn Gaines. 940-767-2273.

Mar 19, 2004-001 - Pasadena TX CASI. Kickoff Cookoff at Texas Saloon. Held at Texas Saloon, 7337 Spencer Hwy, Pasadena. Benefits Laura Recovery Center. Entry fee \$18 turn in 8:30 PM. Contact Ralph Hay 713-475-1660, rdhay16@juno.com or Dorothy Spishock 281-334-6718.

Mar 20, 2004-001 - Crawford TX CASI. St.Paul Memorial Park Cookoff. Held at Tonkawa RV Park on Hwy 185 Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. 50/50 Beans \$5 turn-in Noon. Silent auction, raffle, cook's supper on Saturday night. Contact Mavis Nelson 254-486-2487. CHILI GRIND ONLY. See Sunday cookoff Same Location. rdmmrn@hotmail.net.

Mar 20, 2004-002 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. Elks National Foundation Cookoff. Held at 4505 Seymour Hwy. Benefits Children's Hospital. Entry fee \$18 turn- in 2 PM. Beans \$5 turn-in Noon. Make checks payable to Elks Lodge #1105. Friday nite cook's party, and Sunday brunch. Contact Glyn Gaines No. 7 Bandera Circle, Wichita Falls, TX 76302. Phone 940-767-2273. CHILI GRIND ONLY. See cookoff Sunday same location.

Mar 20, 2004-003 - Las Cruces NM CASI. Las Cruces Eagles Cookoff. Held at North 17th St. Benefits Eagles Charities. Entry fee \$15 turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick P. O. Box 268, Organ NM 88052-0268 502-382-5107, teamorgan@zianet.com

Mar 20, 2004-004 - Englewood FL CASI. Englewood Beach Chili Cookoff. Cancelled. Date changed to March 27th.

Mar 20, 2004-005 - Tyler TX CASI. Tyler Rotary Club's 2nd Annual CCO. Held at 1620 S Broadway in United Heritage Credit Union Parking lot. Cook's party Friday Night, fun, food and fellowship. Saturday 8 AM registration. Turn in 1 PM. Entry fee \$15. Neat prize awards. Goody bags. Live band. Must have fire extinguisher. Limited RV parking. No hookups. Benefits various Club projects. Please preregister name, chili name address & phone, this will help us with planning. Send info to Fran Hall Exec. Secretary Tyler Rotary Club P.O. Box 131444, Tyler, TX 75713. Make checks payable to Tyler Rotary Club. Email Fran at tylerrotarysec@hotmail.com. Check out pictures of last years event at www.tylerrotary.org. Stay and enjoy the Azalea Trails. Arts and Crafts Show across the street.

Mar 20, 2004-006 - San Antonio TX CASI. San Antonio Pod Cookoff. Held at VFW-7108, 8795 FM 1560. Benefits various charities. Chili entry \$20 turn-in 2 PM. Bean entry \$10 90/10 split, turn-in 11 AM. Lone Star Barbeque Assn, entry fee \$50 for one or all, 60/40 split. Turn in 1/2 chicken Noon, pork spare ribs 1 PM, beef brisket 3 PM. Friday night cook's party. Friday night 9 PM will be Marguerita-off. Saturday morning Irish coffee-off 9 AM, Bloody Mary Off 10 AM. Contact George Jowers 210-696-2555 or GJowersIII@aol.com

Mar 20, 2004-007 - Pasadena TX CASI. Pasadena Pod's 26th Annual Cookoff. Location: Texas Saloon, 7337 Spencer Hwy. Benefits The Rose. Entry fee \$17 turn-in 2 PM. Beans entry \$5 turn-in Noon. Contact Ralph Hay 713-475-1660, rdhay16@juno.com. or Dorothy Spishock 281-334-6718.

Mar 20, 2004-008 - Arlington TX CASI. The Lost Patrol Chili & Bean Cookoff. Cancelled. Cookoff moved to Sunday March 21st.

Mar 20, 2004-009 - Bartlett TN CASI. 4th Annual Bartlett Animal Shelter Cookoff. Held at Singleton Community Center (indoors) 7266 Third Road. Entry fee \$20, child's division \$5. Turn in 1 PM. Benefits Bartlett Animal Shelter. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Joe or Wanda Cassini 673 Silverman, Collierville, TN 38017. 901-853-8811.

Mar 20, 2004-010 - San Angelo TX CASI. St.Patty's Day Chili Cookoff. Held in Verizon Parking lot on Johnson St. next to San Angelo Stadium. Benefits the Rangel Family. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM Dry Pinto Beans \$5, turn-in 1 PM. Cake raffle, 50/50 drawing, raffle items. Contact Laura Coad phone 325-944-7715

Mar 20, 2004-011 - Dalhart TX CASI. Rolands and Road Kill Chili Cookoff Held at Rita Blanca Lake Coliseum Lake Rd. FM 281. Entry fee \$20 turn-in noon. Contact Jim Chandler 806-249-4523 xitew@xit.net. Or Melony Thompson 806-249-6050. Cooks party Friday night. Camping avail with no hookups. Indoor facilities Cruzers

car show. Silent Action.

Mar 20, 2004-012 - Rockport TX CASI. Turtle Bay Cookoff. At Turtle Bay Pub 6826 Hwy 35 N.in Holiday Beach. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Bean \$5 turn-in 1 PM Live music. Cook's party Friday night. CHILI GRIND ONLY. RV park no hookups. Benefits Holiday Beach VFD. Larry Meiser 361-729-3980.

Mar 20, 2004-013 - Anthem AZ CASI. 4th Annual Family Day Cookoff at Anthem Days. Held in the parking lot at the Anthem Community Park. Take I-17 N, 4 miles N of Carefree Hwy, exit right at Anthem Way. Benefits Phoenix Childrens Hospital Make checks payable to C.A.S.A. Entry fee \$15 turn-in 1 PM. Dry camping, bring shade, shuttles available to cook site. Cooking area secure for overnight. Two day event. Contact Dave Garner 480-733-1617 axzmadjack@prodigy.net

Mar 20, 2004-014 - Germantown MD CASI. March Into Spring Chili Cookoff. Held at Germantown Hard Times Cafe. Turn-in 8 PM. Entry fee \$20 to benefit the Boy Scouts. Contact Ghon or Kim Eckley 301-694-7340 or eckley@att.net. On advertising probation per CASI Rule V.A.2.

Mar 20, 2004-015 - Texarkana TX CASI. Texas Independence Day Celebration Chili Cookoff. Held in Spring Lake Park, plenty of parking no hookups. Entry fee \$20, turn-in 2 PM. Contact Robby Robertson at the Texarkana Parks & Recreation Dept 903-794-1258.

Mar 20, 2004-016 - Tacoma WA CASI. St Patrick's Red and Green Cookoff. Held at 25th and D St, Freighthouse Square. Benefits Caboose Club. Turn-in Green Chili 1 PM, CASI Red 2 PM. Entry fee \$17 for one or \$22 for both. Make checks to Ken Peach 3125 148th St.E, Tacoma WA 98446. kmpeach@aol.com. 253-537-4591. On advertising probation per CASI Rule V.A.2.

Mar 21, 2004-001 - Crawford TX CASI. Central Texas Chili Pod Cookoff. Held in Tonkawa RV Park on Hwy 185 See cookoff March 20 same location CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry \$14 turn-in 1 PM. Contact Mavis Nelson. 254-486-2487 or email rdnmrn@hotmail.net.

Mar 21, 2004-002 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. Elks Sunday National Foundation CCO Held at 4505 Seymour Hwy. Benefits Megan Ledue Guardian Angel Found. Entry fee \$18, turn-in Noon. Make checks payable to Elks Lodge #1105 Friday night cook's party, Sunday Breakfast. Contact Glyn Gaines 940-767-2273 See cookoff previous day same location. Chili Grind Only.

Mar 21, 2004-003 - Seguin TX CASI. Spring Fling Cookoff. Country Cabaret - 839 FM 467. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 1 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Make checks payable to Classic CASI Pod, 214 Signal Hill, Seguin, TX 78155 Info Annell Causey 830-379-6565 or Pat King 830-303-1755. Benefits local charities.

Mar 21, 2004-004 - Arlington TX CASI. The Lost Patrol Chili & Bean CCO. Held at Arlington

Elks Lodge #2114 601 W Pioneer Parkway. Benefits Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 137. Make checks payable to VVA #137. Entry fee \$20 turn in 2 PM. Beans entry \$5 turn-in Noon. Raffle, auction. 1st place chili winner receives two tickets on Southwest Airlines. Over night parking no hookups. Contact Dean Reynolds c/o VVA #137, P. O. Box 224746, Dallas, TX. 75222. Phone 972-262-0610 or 214-857-1291.

Mar 21, 2004-005 - Anthem AZ CASI. 2nd Day Anthem Days Cookoff. Held in Anthem Park parking lot. 4 miles N of Carefree Hwy off I-17 North. Entry fee \$10. Make check payable to C.A.S.A. Turn-in 1 PM CHILI GRIND ONLY. Arizona State Hot Wings turn-in 2 PM. Peoples choice at 11 AM. Contact David Garner 480-733-1617. See cookoff previous day same location.

Mar 27, 2004-001 - Johnson City TX CASI. TEXAS MEN'S STATE CHILI CHAMPIONSHIP at Blanco County Fairgrounds. Entry fee \$35 if postmarked by 12/01/03, \$45 after 12/01/03. NO ENTRY CUTOFF. Turn-in time 1 PM. Cook's gift guaranteed if postmarked on or before 2/01/04 Cook's party Friday night. Plenty RV parking no hookups. Park opens 8 AM Thurs. Cook where you camp. Make checks payable to Texas Men's State c/o Bob Horan, P.O Box 1115, Tomball, TX 77377-1115. Please include shirt size on entry. Contact Jimmy Taylor 830-868-2223, taylor@moment.net, or Bob Horan 281-357-0175. Or email Bob Horan Texasmens@riata-homeinspect.com Further details to follow.

Mar 27, 2004-002 - Tyler TX CASI. Rose City Chili Cookoff. Held at Tyler Market Center 10707 Hwy 69 No. 3.5 miles south of I-20. Benefits Smith County Canine Unit. Make checks payable to Rose City Pod-CASI. Entry fee \$20 turn-in 2 PM. Bloody Mary-off entry \$5 turn-in 9:30 AM Cook's meeting 10 AM. Cook's party with live band Friday night, two free tickets per registered cook. \$5 BYOB. Plenty of hookups \$10 per day. Spaces and cook sites 12 by 30. Contact Wanda Feliciano. 903-534-5992. rosecitychilipod@hotmail.com.

Mar 27, 2004-003 - Pine Bluff AR CASI. Chilifest 2004. Held at VFW Post 4455, 1508 E. Harding. Turn-in Noon. Entry fee \$25. Benefits CASA Women's Shelter and Neighbor to Neighbor. Contact Julie Johnson 870-536-4155 chilifest@cablelynx.com

Mar 27, 2004-004 - Englewood FL CASI. Englewood Beach Chili Cookoff. Held at Chadwick Park. Turn at McDonald's off Hwy 776, on to Beach Road, go over two bridges to Manasota Key, turn left at "Y" on Gulf Blvd, then left again into park. No glass bottles, no pets. Covered cooking area with picnic tables. Entry fee \$20, turn-in Noon. Park open 8 AM to 5 PM. Contact Denise Saunders or Scott Johnson 941-587-1608, 941-266-3799 Benefits Robyn Knapp Gullotta Scholarship Fund.

Mar 27, 2004-005 - Odessa TX CASI. Knights of Columbus Council 3203's 1st Annual

Barbecue and Chili CCO. CASI chili \$20 entry. BBQ will be WTBA rules. West Texas State BBQ Championship. Brisket, 1/2 chicken and pork spare ribs \$75 entry fee. \$5000 cash prizes, trophies ten places in each category. Held at 9121 Andrews Hwy. Mailing address P.O. Box 2426 Odessa, TX 79760. Set-up Friday AM. Info Ed Kelley 432-520-7117. teammidland@cox.net. Frank Jacabo 432-337-2199 or 432-638-5571 cell (qualifier).

Mar 28, 2004-001 - Johnson City TX CASI. Day After Men's State Cookoff. Held at Blanco County Fairgrounds Hwy 281 just South of the bridge over the Pedernales River. Entry fee \$18 turn in Noon. Make checks payable to Pod on the Pedernales, Pod Cookoff. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Pot luck dinner Saturday night after Men's State. Contact Barbara C. Taylor 493 Stonegate Dr. Johnson City, TX 78636 830-868-2223, 512-577-5528.

Mar 28, 2004-002 - St.Croix VI CASI. 3rd Annual United Way of St.Croix Chili Cookoff. Held at Divi Carina Bay Resort & Casino, #25 Estate Turner Hole. Entry fee \$25, turn in Noon. Make checks payable to charity, United Way of St. Croix. Contact Ana "Anita" Davila, United Way of St. Croix, P.O. Box 223010 Christiansted St. Croix, US Virgin Islands 00822-3010. Email address unitedwayofstcroix@msn.com. Phone 340-773-0582, fax 340-773-1780. CHILI GRIND ONLY. On advertising probation per CASI Rule V.A.2.

Apr 2, 2004-001 - Gulf Shores AL CASI. State of Alabama Pod Cookoff. To be held at Gulf Shores Community House, 300 East 16th Ave. Benefits SOAP Pod. Turn-in 8 PM, followed by Cook's party. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry fee \$18. Contact Renee Moore at rmoore@ci.gulfshores.al.us or 251-949-7000.

Apr 3, 2004-000 - Comfort TX CASI. Horseshoe Pub & Pizza Cookoff. Held at 429 Front St. Benefits Senior Center & Comfort Youth Baseball. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Jackpot beans \$10 turn-in Noon. Checks payable to Horseshoe Pub & Pizza. Contact Dennis Bynum 830-995-5150.

Apr 3, 2004-001 - Odessa TX CASI. American Legion Post 430 Cookoff. Held at 2701 East 8th. Benefits Ladies Auxiliary Projects. Entry fee \$18, turn-in 2 PM. Cook's pot \$2 going to 4th place. Maverick BBQ \$10. Only one BBQ item, turn in 3 PM. Some RV parking some electric. Contact Larry or Phyllis Patton 432-362-3585. Pinto Beans \$5 turn in Noon.

Apr 3, 2004-002 - Gulf Shores AL CASI. 12th Annual Alabama State Chili Held at Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo, Highway 59. Cook inside the Zoo with all proceeds benefiting the Zoo. Turn in 1 PM. Entry fee \$18 CHILI GRIND ONLY. CASI and Open chili. Contact Renee Moore email rmoore@ci.gulf-shores.al.us, or 251-949-7000.

Apr 3, 2004-003 - Emory TX CASI. Rains County Farmers Market CCO. Cancelled, date changed to April 10

Apr 3, 2004-004 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. CHI Omega Hot to Trot Cookoff. Held at #4 Eurika Circle. For Make A Wish & CHI Omega charities. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Contact Glyn Gaines #7 Bandera Circle Wichita Falls, TX 76302-1322 940-767-2273. Chili Grind Only. Make checks payable to CHI Omega.

Apr 3, 2004-005 - Canton TX CASI. 5th Annual Buffalo Girls Chili CCO. Benefits 3 year old Jenna Lee who has Leukemia. Held at Old Mill Market Place on the Mountain during the First Monday Trade Days at Canton. Lots of entertainment and artists. Table top or booth only no vehicles allowed after unloading Free parking for cooks on day of cookoff. Entry fee \$20 payable to Buffalo Girls Hotel. Turn-in 1 PM Set up between 7 & 9 AM. Cooks meeting 9:30 AM. Contact Neta Rohr 972-495-3305, neta27@comcast.net or Susan Matassa at Buffalo Girls Hotel 903-567-7829.

Apr 3, 2004-006 - Muskogee OK CASI. 20th Annual Exchange Club Chili & BBQ Cookoff. Held at Phoenix Plaza parking lot. Pre-registration cost by 10 PM April 2, \$20 first event, \$15 each additional category (Chili & BBQ). On Site registration \$30 per event. Turn-in time chili 11:30 AM, Ribs 12:15, Brisket 12:45 open 1:30 PM. Information Erik Fleek 918-682-7788, P.O. Box 2488 Muskogee, OK 74402. Announcements Approx. 4 PM.

Apr 3, 2004-007 - Little Rock AR CASI. Eagles Cookoff. Held at The FOE #60 at 65th and I-30. Entry fee \$20, turn-in 2 PM Benefits Eagles Shoe and Stocking Fund. No outside alcohol, beverages available at Eagles Bar. Fire extinguisher is required. This is an indoor cookoff. Contact Richard Jones @ 501-868-8206. Or mail inquiries to 8325 Barrett Rd. Roland, AR. 73135. Make checks payable to CAP-CASI.

Apr 3, 2004-008 - Weesatche TX CASI. Weesatche Vol. Fire Dept. 4th Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at 884 & 119 S Weesatche Community Center. Make checks payable to charity, the Weesatche Vol. Fire Dept. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Contact Healani Bethke P.O. Box 240 Weesatche, TX 77993, 361-564-9606. Jackpot beans \$5, turn-in Noon. Hot wings \$5 turn-in 1 PM. Jr. Chili \$5, turn-in 2 PM. Brisket \$15 (50/50 Split) turn-in 4 PM. Plenty RV parking limited hookups \$10 a day. Friday night cooks supper. Saturday night live music.

Apr 4, 2004-001 - Grand Prairie TX CASI. 29th Annual Prairie Dog Chili CCO. Held at Traders Village 2602 Mayfield Rd. Benefits Tarrant County Kash for Kids. Entry Fee \$30, turn-in 1 PM. Make checks payable to Traders Village. Contact Allan Hughes 2602 Mayfield Rd. Grand Prairie, TX 75052

Apr 4, 2004-002 - Weesatche TX CASI. Lights for Weesatche Chili Cookoff. Held at 884 & 119 S. Community Center. Entry fee \$18 turn-in Noon. See cookoff previous day same location. Contact Healani Bethke 361-564-9606. Benefits Weesatche Street Light Fund.

Apr 10, 2004-001 - Kerrville TX CASI. Kerrville

Chili & BBQ Classic Easter Fest on the River. Held at Flat Rock Lake Park, 2840 Riverside Drive. RV parking no hookups. CASI chili \$18, Local chili \$10, Jackpot beans \$5, IBCA BBQ Chicken, Ribs, Brisket \$25 each or \$65 for all three. Payable to KCBC. Turn in times, beans noon, Chili 2 PM, Chicken 1 PM, Ribs 2 PM Brisket 3PM. Peoples choice competition, Live Music, Vendors and Children's Games and Easter Egg Hunt for all the kids. Benefits Kerr Co. Women's Chamber Scholarship Fund. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Cook's party Friday night. Contact Traci Nix 830-257-2086. tracinix@kbc.com.

Apr 10, 2004-002 - Beaver OK CASI. 10th Annual Cowchip Chili Cookoff. At the Beaver County Fairgrounds. Benefits the local EMS Service. Contact Bill Greenfield phone 580-625-4499, texokie@ptsi.net. Entry fee \$20. Open Competition entry fee \$25, enter both for \$40. People's Choice Award, Firehouse Chili Award and Best Decorated Booth Award.

Apr 10, 2004-003 - Parsons TN CASI. Decatur County St. Jude World's Largest Couch Hunt Chili Cookoff. Held at Hwy 69 South, 2 miles South of Parsons. Benefits St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Make checks payable to HOT Pod. Entry fee \$20 turn-in 1 PM. Contact Preston Shaw P.O. Box 176 Parsons, TN 38363.

Apr 10, 2004-004 - Emory TX CASI. Rains County Farmers Market CCO. Held at Hwy 276 from Lake Tawakoni or off Hwy 69 S, 1/4 mile West in Emory at Rains Co. Heritage Center. Benefits local charities. Friday night supper 7-9. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 1 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Beans entry \$5, 50/50 payback for first place, turn-in noon. Checks payable to Rains Farmers Market. RV parking, no hookups. Contact Carl or Jackie Grose 5640 Hwy 34 S Quinlan, TX 75474-3228. Phone 903-883-4916

Apr 17, 2004-001 - Seguin TX CASI. 34th Annual Texas Ladies State Chili Championship. Benefits the Rose and The Christian Cupboard Held in Starke Park East, off TX Hwy 123 Business, on the banks of the Guadalupe. Overnight camping No Hookups. No Open Fires. Friday night cook's party. Entry fee \$30 entry form/flyer can be obtained at [www.pineywoodspod.org/tlscsflyer-2004.pdf](http://www.pineywoodspod.org/tlscsflyer-2004.pdf). No fee for former Texas Ladies State Champions, no entry cutoff date, however, guaranteed Cook's Gift for all entries postmarked by March 6, 2004. Checks payable to Texas Ladies State Championship, c/o Ann Roberts, 213 Parker, Italy TX 76651. Further details to follow. Contact Boomer Kingston 4 32-366-1777 or [www.pineywoodspod.org](http://www.pineywoodspod.org).

Apr 17, 2004-002 - Memphis TN CASI. St. Jude Funfest 2nd Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at Misty Hollow Farm benefits St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Turn-in 2 PM showmanship 11:30 to 1:30. Checks payable to St. Jude Hospital. Info Mike Tarpley 5375 Cornstalk Cove Memphis, TN 38127. 901-358-5710 901-872-5520, schappy3@juno.com.

Apr 17, 2004-003 - Pawnee OK CASI. 9th Annual Pawnee Folk & Springfest Cookoff.

Held on the County Courthouse Lawn. Benefits the Folk & Springfest. Entry fee \$15, turn-in 2 PM. Fiddler contest in Gazebo, parade. Camping equipment for first five Chili winners. Contact Trailboss 918-762-4437 or Theodore Morgan 918-762-2493. No alcoholic beverages allowed.

Apr 17, 2004-004 - Clovis NM CASI. Elks Lodge #1244 Cookoff. Held at 3rd and Sycamore Sts. Benefits Elks Charities. Entry fee \$15 turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick P.O. Box 268 Organ NM 88052-0268. 502-382-5107, email teamorgan@zianet.com.

Apr 17, 2004-005 - Tucson AZ CASI. Chiliheads of Arizona Miller's Surplus POD Cookoff. Held at 406 North 6th Avenue. 520-522-4777. Benefits CHOA. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Make checks payable to CHOA. Info Peter Braly, 8401 South Kolb Rd. #433, Tucson AZ 85706 520-574-0197 Entry fee \$15, turn-in 2 PM. Peoples choice if cooking chili grind entry fee \$5, otherwise \$10. Peoples choice served between 11 AM and 1 PM.

Apr 17, 2004-006 - Fayetteville AR CASI. 12th Occasional Springfest Cookoff. Cancelled, date changed to April 24.

Apr 17, 2004-007 - LaPorte TX CASI. Texas Independence Celebration Chili Cookoff. Held at 3523 Hwy 134, San Jacinto Battlegrounds and park. Benefits the Republic of Texas District #13. RV parking during cookoff, no over night camping. Over night Parking available at RV parks north of I-10 Entry fee \$20, turn-in 2 PM. Speakers, auction, country western band from 2 to 6. Drawings for door prizes. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Sherry Hightower 1431 Wirt Road #123, Houston, TX 77055. 713-686-3191. See <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/park/battlesh/visitor.htm#direct> for map.

Apr 18, 2004-001 - Seguin TX CASI. Classic CASI Pod Memorial Cookoff. Held in Starke Park East. Entry fee \$20 turn-in 1 PM. Charity Christian Free Clinic. Make checks payable to Classic CASI Pod 214 Signal Hill - Seguin, TX 78155 CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Annell Causey 830-379-6565 or Pat King 830-303-1755.

Apr 24, 2004-001 - Houston TX CASI. 33rd Annual Hal John & Judy Wimberly Memorial Cookoff. Held at Trader's Village. Contact Keith Karaff 281-955-2603 email kdkone@aol.com. Details later.

Apr 24, 2004-002 - Sierra Vista AZ CASI. Paul's Pub 4th Annual Chili Cookoff Held at 1805 Paseo San Luis, one block behind Donovan Dodge on Hwy 92 South. Benefits JROTC. Entry fee \$15, turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to High Desert Pod. Contact Chuck Dugan P.O. Box 2571, Sierra Vista, AZ 85636-2571 or email dugancl@msn.com.

Apr 24, 2004-003 - Little Rock AR CASI. 3rd Annual Earth Day at the Zoo Chili Cookoff. Held at the Little Rock Zoo #1 Jonesboro Drive. Turn in 1 PM, entry fee \$20. Benefits the Zoo. Arrive early to be setup by 9 AM before the Zoo

opens. Late arrivals will be met at the gate with cart to bring you to cooksite. For animal safety, no plastic lids or straws allowed. Judging cups will be only exception. Contact Shonna Green 501-666-2406 or Bruce Smith 501-312-8715.

Apr 24, 2004-004 - Terrell TX CASI. E.T.'s 1st. Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at 16344 CR 339. Between Terrell and Lake Tawakoni. Just off Hwy 80 and FM 2728. Call or email for directions. Benefits Ables Springs Volunteer Fire Dept. Entry fee \$20 turn-in 1 PM. Plenty of parking no hookups. Pot Luck dinner Fri/Sat 7 PM. Contact Eric or Tammy Williams 16344 C.R. 339 Terrell, TX 75161 972-882-7451 or [gonefishingchili@msn.com](mailto:gonefishingchili@msn.com). Make checks payable to Ables Springs VFD See cookoff next day same location.

Apr 24, 2004-005 - Stephenville TX CASI. Larry Joe Taylor's 16th Annual Texas Music Fest and Chili Cookoff. Benefits Morgan Mill Fire Dept. Primitive camping \$12/night. Entry fee included with festival pass: Advance TX per person \$30 - 3 day Pass (Thur-Sat); \$23 - 2 Day Pass (Fri & Sat only). Credit cards accepted for advance tickets only. Advance ticket request must be received by April 10, payable to Larry Joe Taylor, 4217 CR 423, Stephenville TX 76401. Phone credit card orders accepted thru April 15. 254-968-8505. [www.larryjoetaylor.com/ljt@eastland.net](http://www.larryjoetaylor.com/ljt@eastland.net). Gate prices slightly higher.

Apr 24, 2004-006 - Grand Falls TX CASI. Grand Falls/Royalty Chamber of Commerce Chili Cookoff. Held at Grand Falls County Park on Avenue A. Entry fee \$18, turn-in 2 PM. Benefits Chamber of Commerce. Contact Debbie Taylor phone 432-558-3541.

Apr 24, 2004-007 - Gladewater TX CASI. East Texas Gusher Days Chili Cookoff, in downtown Gladewater. Make checks payable to Gladewater Chamber of Commerce. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 1 PM. Showmanship, Peoples Choice, Jack Pot Beans, Fri night appreciation dinner for cooks with live music and street dance. Benefits Gusher Memorial Park Scholarships. Contact Glenda Grubbs 6560 FM 1795, Gilmer TX 75644. 903-843-2513, 903-725-6921 email tazg@etex.net.

Apr 24, 2004-008 - Fayetteville AR CASI. 12th Occasional Springfest Cookoff. Held at Walton Art Center parking lot, Dickson and West Sts. Entry fee \$15, turn-in 1 PM. Make checks payable to charity, Washington County Council on Aging. Contact Joe Giles, 12576 Hwy 170, Farmington AR 72730

Apr 24, 2004-009 - Amarillo TX CASI. Amarillo Chili & BBQ Cookoff. Held at Tri State Fairgrounds. Benefits the KHIVA Temple of Amarillo. Entry fee \$20. GROUND MEAT ONLY. Jackpot beans \$5, chicken, pork ribs, brisket \$75. 70% payback on Bar B Q. Lone Star Bar B Q Assn. Info Scott Campbell 806-358-3576 or Rodney Lilly 806-373-9774.

04/24/2004-010 All American Cookoff CASI Eastern Regional Open. Great Family Event. Thousands of spectators. Come join us. Details, Alan Dean 410-879-6410, [pepperdean@comcast.net](mailto:pepperdean@comcast.net).

Apr 25, 2004-001 - Houston TX CASI. Houston Pod Day After Cookoff. Held at Trader's Village. Contact Keith Karaff 281-955-2603 email kdkone@aol.com. Details to follow.

Apr 25, 2004-002 - Terrell TX CASI. E.T.'s Day After Chili Cookoff. Held at 16344 CR 339. Just off Hwy 80 and FM 2728, between Terrell & Lake Tawakoni. Make checks payable to Thousand Trails Tawakoni Pod. Entry fee \$17, turn-in Noon. Plenty of parking no hookups. Contact Eric or Tammy Williams 16344 CR 339 Terrell, TX 75161 972-551-7016 or gonefishingchili@msn.com. See cookoff previous day same location

Apr 25, 2004-003 - Frontenac KS CASI. Blessing the Bikes Chili Cookoff. Held in Christmas Park, City Park, Crawford & McKay Streets. Benefits Sacred Heart Church Memorial Fund for Zack Schlesselman. Entry fee \$20, turn-in Noon. Beans \$5 turn in 1 PM. Make checks payable to Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Contact Paul Mendicki 620-249-7807 mendicki@fament.com. 504 Mt.Carmel Rd. Frontenac, KS 66763. Early registration requested but not required. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

May 1, 2004-001 - Marble Falls TX CASI. 33rd Annual Howdy-Roo Chili CCO. Held in Johnson Park. 7th Annual Highland Lakes Business CCO. 10th Annual CTBA Bar-B-Que (60/40 payback). Bean cookoff. Make checks payable to Highland Lakes Pod. CASI chili \$18 turn-in 2 PM; Business Chili \$18 turn-in 2 PM; Beans \$5 turn-in 12 Noon; Bar-B-Que Chicken \$20 turn-in 1 PM; Ribs \$20 turn-in 2:30 PM; Brisket \$20 turn in 3 PM. Enter all 3 categories \$50 Benefits Girl Scouts of America. Registration will be: 3-6 PM on Fri and Sat 8:30-10:30 AM. Cook's party Fri with entertainment; Potluck dinner Sat with entertainment. Contact Tom or Gayle Cook 830-693-2106, P.O. Box 325 Marble Falls, TX 78654. Other activities: Golf Tournament on Friday at 1 PM. Must sign up by 11 AM Fri. \$35 includes cart, green fees and practice balls. Contact Larry Kinnison 830-693-5502. Golf fees paid to Larry Kinnison P.O. Box 878 Marble Falls, TX 78654. Bowling on Thurs evening at Lake Country Lanes, rides available. Shopping M.F. on Fri. Arts & Crafts Vendors \$25. Memorial Dedication for Ron Charlton. Sunday Cookoff next day same location.

May 1, 2004-002 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. Fraternal Order of Eagles Cookoff. Held at 5396 Seymour Hwy. Cook's party Friday night. Benefits the Eagles Benefit Fund. Entry fee chili \$18, turn-in 2 PM. Beans entry \$5, turn-in Noon. Contact Glyn Gaines, No. 7 Bandera Circle Wichita Falls, TX 76302. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Make checks payable to F.O. Eagles.

May 1, 2004-003 - Longview TX CASI. Cook For The Cure Cookoff. Held at 323 N. High St. High Street Crossing. Benefits Special Health Resources for Texas, Inc. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 1 PM. Make checks payable to Special Health Resources CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Lona Alexander 903-234-0776 or David Trice 903-668-3974. 50/50 Beans Turn-in Noon.

May 1, 2004-004 - Pyote TX CASI. Aunt Jackie's Place Chili & BBQ Cookoff. Details to follow. Boomer 432-366-1777.

May 1, 2004-005 - Marion IA CASI. Iowa Chili Pod CCO. Held at Cocktails & Company, 1625 Blairsferry Rd. Benefits Iowa Chili Pod. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 1 PM. Sales \$5. Checks payable to Pod. Contact Gary Christensen 1222 10th St. NW Cedar Rapids, IA 52405 319-365-2944.

May 1, 2004-006 - Ketchum OK CASI. Cinco De Mayo Hot-N-Spicy Chili CCO. Held at Grand Lake in Northeast OK Pelican Landing. HWY 85, 5 miles Northeast of Ketchum. Entry fee \$25, turn-in 11:30 AM. Contact Barbara Conner South Grand Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 215, Langley, OK 74350. 918-782-3214 or FAX 918-782-3215 email director@grandlakechamber.org. Please register by April 23.

May 1, 2004-007 - Denton TX CASI. 9th Annual Elks Cookoff. Held at 228 East Oak. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 1 PM. Benefits Aubrey Youth Sports. Make checks payable Denton Elks Lodge. Contact Robert Bell 940-382-5360, 940-365-2504 nights. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

May 2, 2004-001 - Berryville VA CASI. CASI Virginia State Championship. Held at Veramar Vineyard, Quarry Rd, Rte 612 1 mile South of Rte 7. Benefits Clarke County Athletic Assn. Entry fee \$19 in advance \$22 day of cookoff. Make checks payable to George Rockwell. Info Rocky Rockwell 904-737-3723 email rockyr323@msn.com. Contact address 9085 Barrister Ct. Jacksonville, FL 32257. Live music, local vendors, Apple Blossom Festival nearby. One hour from DC. RV and camping nearby.

May 2, 2004-002 - Marble Falls TX CASI. Day After Howdy-Roo Backbone Creek Chili Cookoff. Held in Johnson Park Benefits Meals on Wheels. Entry fee \$17 turn-in Noon. Check payable to Highland Lakes Pod. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Tom or Gayle Cook 930-693-2106. Cookoff previous day same location.

May 7, 2004-001 - Sierra Vista AZ CASI. Relay For Life Cookoff. Held in Veteran's Memorial Park. Entry fee \$15, turn-in 8 PM. Make checks payable to High Desert Pod. Benefits American Cancer Society. Evening Cookoff with camp and cook location. Contact Trudy Berry 520-378-3692. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

May 8, 2004-001 - Memphis TN CASI. Variety Club Cookoff. Held at 1648 Sycamore View. Entry fee \$20 turn-in 1 PM. Make checks payable to Variety Club. Contact Jerry Gwynn 901-323-2220 1648 Sycamore View, Memphis, TN 38134. Hot wing contest entry fee \$10 turn-in Noon.

May 8, 2004-002 - Victoria TX CASI. Colet Inn Chili Cookoff. Held at Colet Inn off Camp Colet RD. See www.coletinn.com for map or call 361-578-2575. Benefits Great Pepper's Meeting expense. Entry fee \$18, turn-in 2 PM. Jack Pot Salsa \$5, turn-in 11 AM. Jack Pot dry Pinto beans \$5 turn-in Noon Jr. Chili \$5 turn-in 1 PM. Hot Wings \$5 turn-in 3 PM. BBQ Brisket \$15 turn-in 4 PM. Contact Linda McDonald 619

Springwood, Victoria TX 77905. Henry Danysh 361-782-0129 Dianna Hoy 361-277-8687. Robert Lowery day 361-575-6066 or Colet Inn 361-578-1360. Make checks payable to VASA Pod.

May 8, 2004-003 - White Sands NM CASI. White Sands Annual Cookoff. Held at White Sands Missile Range Volunteer Park. Benefits Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Fund. Entry fee \$15, turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick P.O. Box 268, Organ NM 88052-0268. 502-382-5107 teamorgan@zianet.com.

May 8, 2004-004 - Boyd TX CASI. Boyd Chili Cookoff. Held 2 miles West of Boyd on Hwy 114. Cooks party Friday night, live music and dance. Auction, arts & crafts, raffles, games, childrens activities. Camping available. Entry fee \$20, turn-in 2 PM. Jack pot beans \$10, 50% payback. Benefits Boyd City Park. Contact Jeannette Harmon, P.O. Box 733 Boyd, TX 76023. 940-433-5177.

May 8, 2004-005 - Midwest City OK CASI. Spring Into Summer Chili Cookoff. Held at East Reno at Douglas Blvd in City Park. Benefits Midwest City Summer Parks & Rec. Entry fee \$19 turn-in 1 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Jerry Dickerson 131 Amber Ridge, Shawnee, OK 64701. Phone 405-214-9395.

May 8, 2004-006 - Ashdown AR CASI. Whistlestop Festival Chili Cookoff. Held in 100 Block of East Commerce Street, downtown Ashdown. Benefits Ashdown Antique & Merchants Assn (AAMA) Scholarship Fund. Entry fee \$20 check in time 9 AM. Turn-in Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. 5-K Run/ walk; Little River Challenge (cross country bike race); Youth Art Show; Red River Open Duck Calling Contest Antique Car Show; Arts, Crafts, & Antique Vendors; Collections Shows; Live Music. Contact Clayton Castleman, 110 Little River 68, Ashdown, AR 71822 870-898-2642 or 898-9080.

May 8, 2004-007 - Amarillo TX CASI. 3rd Elks Lodge Chili & BBQ Cookoff. Held at Elks Lodge 923 at 932 Clyde Benefits Lodge Youth Fund and other charities. Entry fee \$18 chili, \$15 each category for Brisket, Pork Ribs or Chicken. Chili turn-in 2 PM. Cooks party Friday night. Camping available, limited hookups. Jackpot Pinto beans. Checks pay to Elks Lodge #923. Contact Johnny Wiseman 806-670-0614, Leesa Penland 806-359-4264. Mail entry to Leesa Penland 5202 Theda, Amarillo TX 79109.

May 15, 2004-001 - White Sands NM CASI. White Sands Annual Cookoff. Cancelled. Date changed to May 8th

May 15, 2004-002 - Manchaca TX CASI. 6th Giddy-Ups Chili Cookoff at Giddy Ups Saloon, Manchaca Rd. Entry fee \$18 turn in 2 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Benefits underprivileged elementary school kids. Cook's party Saturday night. Auction, raffles. RV parking no hookups-information call Bea at 512-280-4732 or Ken Rodd phone 210-887-8827, casihotrodd@aol.com. Cookoff next day same location.

May 15, 2004-003 - Granbury TX CASI. Canyon Creek Cannonball Chili Plunge. Held at Canyon Creek Clubhouse, 2300 Club Drive. Benefits Pecan Plantation Volunteer Fire Dept. Entry fee \$23 at door, \$17 if registered by May 1st. Turn in 2 PM. Checks payable to Canyon Creek P.O.A. Sandra McNutt or P.O.A. 2300 Club Drive, Granbury, TX 76048. Phone 817-573-3371 or 817-279-9022 metro/fax. Preregistration dead line May 1st, \$17.

May 15, 2004-004 - Ingleside TX CASI. Ingleside Round-up. Held in Live Oak Park. Benefits Public Library. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 1 PM. Make checks payable to Ingleside Chamber of Commerce. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Margo Smith 2710 Avenue F Ingleside, TX 78602. 361-776-7338. See cookoff next day same location.

May 15, 2004-005 - Irving TX CASI. 25th Annual Top-O-Texas Kickoff Cookoff. Chili Cook's Reunion and Chili Kid's Reunion. Held at Irving Elk's Lodge, 2015 Britain. Benefits Irving Elk's Charities. Entry fee \$20, turn-in 2 PM. Major grocery bag item guaranteed for first 100. Jackpot beans \$5 turn-in Noon Salsa \$5, turn-in 1 PM. Junior chili entry \$5, turn-in 2 PM. Cooks Calcutta, Cadillac auctions, Chili memorabilia raffle, crafts and more Make checks payable to Top-of-Texas Pod CASI. Overnight camping some elec hookups. Space is a premium table topping encouraged, several motels nearby. Special pod meeting Friday night at 7:30 PM, dinner free to pod members. Band Friday night. Cash breakfast, lunch and bar on Saturday. Contact Nick McGarity, 2050 N. Shady Oaks Dr. Southlake, TX 76902 817-975-0484 nick@mcgarity.org. See cookoff on Sunday same location.

May 15, 2004-006 - Jourdanton TX CASI. 14th Annual Malvin Prasifka/ Jourdanton VFD Cookoff. Held at St. Mathews Catholic Church by City Park. Make checks payable to charity, Jourdanton Volunteer Fire Dept. Entry fee \$17, turn-in 3 PM CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Marty or David Prasifka 830-769-3147 or 830-767-4645. 110 Chaparral Circle Jourdanton, TX 78026.

May 15, 2004-007 - Woodbridge VA CASI. Belmont Bay Chili Cookoff. Raindate May 16th. CASI and Freestyle. Cooks meeting 10 AM turn-in 2 PM. Turn-in freestyle 1 PM. Entry fee \$18. Benefits ACTS (a local community action agency). Info or directions call Beverly King H 703-492-6194, W 703-305-2819.

May 16, 2004-001 - Manchaca TX CASI. 5th Friends of Texas Ladies State Chili Cookoff. Entry fee \$12 turn in 1 PM. Information call Bea 512-280-4732 or Ken Rodd phone 210-887-8827, casihotrodd@aol.com. See cookoff previous day.

May 16, 2004-002 - Ingleside TX CASI. Ingleside Round-up Cookoff. Held in Live Oak Park. Benefits Ingleside Fire Department. Entry Fee \$15 turn-in Noon. Make checks payable to Ingleside Chamber of Commerce. Contact Margo Smith 2710 Avenue F. Ingleside, Tx 78602 361-

776-7338. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Cookoff previous day same location.

May 16, 2004-003 - Granbury TX CASI. 2ND Day Canyon Creek Cannonball Chili Plunge. Held at Canyon Creek Clubhouse, 2300 Club Drive. Benefits Indian Harbor Fire Dept. Entry fee \$23 at door, \$17 if registered by May 1st. Turn-in Noon. Make checks payable to Canyon Creek P.O.A. Contact Sandra McNutt or P.O.A. Office 2300 Club Drive, Granbury, TX. 76048. 817-573-3371 or fax/metro 817-279-9022. See cookoff previous day, same location.

May 16, 2004-004 - Irving TX CASI. Morning After TOT Cookoff. Held at Irving Elk's Lodge, 2015 N Britain. Benefits TOT local charities. Entry fee \$18, turn-in Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Makes checks payable to Top-O-Texas Pod CASI. Contact Nick McGarity 2050 N. Shady Oaks Drive, Southlake, TX 75092. 817-975-0484, or email nick@mcgarity.org. See cookoff previous day same location.

May 22, 2004-001 - McDade TX CASI. Star Ranch Chili Cookoff. Held at Star Ranch, 166 Eely Rd. McDade is 35 miles east of Austin on Hwy 290. Turn off 290 beside the white church on to Waco St. Go across railroad tracks and turn left on to Brown Rd. Go approx. 2 miles, turn left on to Eely Rd. Follow signs to Star Ranch. Entry fee \$19, turn-in 2 PM. Benefits Rose Cancer Foundation. Cook's party Friday night. CHILI GRIND ONLY. RV hookups and rental cabins available. Nature trails, tennis, volleyball courts, swimming pool, Rec. room. No open fires. This is a naturalist club, clothing is optional for chili cooks. Info or rsvns, contact Debra toll free 866-705-5978, starranch@totalaccess.net. Cookoff next day same site.

May 22, 2004-002 - Kerrville TX CASI. Kerrville Elks Lodge 2081 Chili CCO Held at 1907 Junction Hwy. Phone 830-895-4554. Make checks payable to Kerrville Elks Lodge 2081. P.O. Box 2043. Entry fee \$18, turn in 2PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Jackpot Beans \$10, turn-in Noon. Benefits Elks National Foundation. Contact Karl Buechler 830-792-4270. Cooks party Friday night with band. RV parking, some hookups, first come first served.

May 23, 2004-001 - McDade TX CASI. Next Day Star Ranch Chili Cookoff. Held at Star Ranch, 166 Eely Rd. McDade is 35 miles east of Austin on Hwy 290. See cookoff previous day for directions. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry fee \$19, turn-in Noon. This is a clothing optional cookoff for chili cooks. RV hookups or cabins. No open fires. Contact Debra toll free 866-705-5978 or starranch@totalaccess.net, for info or rsvns. Cookoff previous day. Benefits McDade Volunteer Fire Dept.

May 29, 2004-001 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. Southwest Open Chili Championship. Held at Wichita Falls RV Park on 5th St. Full hookups, cable TV, swimming pool, showers \$20 per nite. Entry fee \$25, turn-in 2 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Benefits the Shrine. Friday night supper and Breakfast Saturday AM, supper Saturday night and breakfast Sunday AM. Info call Glyn Gaines 940-767-2273. RV spots reserved by

calling park 940-723-1532. Tell them you are a chili cook. A drawing will be held for 2 motel rooms for one night or 2 RV spots for one night. Mail entries to Bob Luney 2351 Peterson Rd., Iowa Park, TX 76367. Advise which drawing you would like, motel or RV.

May 29, 2004-002 - Broken Arrow OK CASI. Green Country Chili & BBQ Too Pod Chili Cookoff at the Crawford's. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry fee \$20, turn-in 2 PM. Benefits Green Country Chili Pod Great Peppers Meeting. Directions from Broken Arrow or Tulsa take Hwy 51 to Coweta/81 St. Exit to Oneta Road, turn South to 111 St. turn West 1/2 mile to 23400 East 111 St. From Arkansas take the Muskogee Turnpike to Coweta exit turn (left) West go through Coweta to Oneta Rd. turn South to 111 St. turn West 1/2 mile to 23400. Contact Lorinda, Everett Crawford 23400 E. 111 St. Broken Arrow, OK 74014. 918-455-8655. See cookoff next day same location.

May 30, 2004-001 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. The NOB POD Cookoff. Held at Wichita Falls RV Park on 5th St. Turn-in 1 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry fee \$18. Info Glyn Gaines phone 940-767-2273. Southwest Open Chili Championship previous day same location. Benefits the Shrine Trans. Fund.

May 30, 2004-002 - San Angelo TX CASI. Memorial Day Cookoff. Held at Water Valley Park. For the Concho Valley Food Bank. Saturday May 29 WTBA BBQ. Entry fee \$15 per category. Turn in chicken 1 PM, pork spare ribs 2 PM, brisket 3 PM. 80% payback. Sunday Chili entry fee \$18 plus 3 cans of food turn-in 2 PM. Junior chili \$5 turn-in 12:30 PM, Dry Jackpot Pinto beans \$5 turn-in 1 PM. Cake raffle, 50/50 drawing & raffle items. Contact Donna Hill 325-657-2979 d\_dhill@hotmail.com

May 30, 2004-003 - Tombstone AZ CASI. Wyatt Earp Days Cookoff. Held between Allen St & Toughnut St. on 4th St. Benefits Tombstone Lions Club. Make checks payable to High Desert Pod. Entry fee \$10 turn-in 3 PM. Free cooks party with dinner at the Tombstone Vigilante Hall Saturday Nite 6 PM. Contact Roy Fisher 3364 Wheelan Loop Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 520-803-9934 or 520-378-1311 email roylfisherAZ@cs.com.

May 30, 2004-004 - Broken Arrow OK CASI. Second Day Green Country Chili Pod Cookoff. Benefits Green Country Chili Pod. Entry fee \$15, turn-in 1 PM. See cookoff previous day for directions. Contact Everett or Lorinda Crawford 23400 111 St. Broken Arrow, OK 74014. CHILI GRIND ONLY. 918-455-8655

Jun 5, 2004-001 - Alamogordo NM CASI. Alamogordo VFW Cookoff. Held at Hwy #70 East. Benefits VFW Charities. Entry fee \$15 turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick P.O. Box 268 Organ, NM 88052-0268 teamorgan@zinet.com 502-382-5107.

Jun 5, 2004-002 - Converse TX CASI. 11th Half Way Point Cookoff. Held at American Legion Post 593. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. CHILI

GRIND ONLY. Benefits Legion charities. RV parking no hookups. Cook's party Friday night. Contact post at 210-658-1111 or Ken Rodd 210-887-8827 casihotrodd@aol.com. Cookoff next day same location.

Jun 5, 2004-003 - Houston TX CASI. Space City Pod Cookoff. Details to follow. Blancos Alabama & Buffalo Speedway. Contact Chuck Spishock 281-802-7034 or Bruce Wilkins 713-728-0785.

Jun 6, 2004-001 - El Paso TX CASI. Annual Pod of the Pass Cookoff. Benefits Pod of the Pass charities Cooks meeting 10 AM. Turn-in 2 PM Entry fee \$13. Details to follow. Contact Carol Straughan phone 915-852 3599, C 915-491-2766 carolelptx@aol.com.

Jun 6, 2004-002 - Converse TX CASI. 10th Annual Ladies Auxillary Chili Cookoff at American Legion Post 593 Entry fee \$18, turn in 2 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Benefits Ladies Auxillary Programs. Contact Post 210-658-1111 or Ken Rodd phone 210-887-8827, casihotrodd@aol.com Cookoff previous day same location.

Jun 6, 2004-003 - Houston TX CASI. Space City Pod Second Day CCO. Details to follow. Blancos Alabama & Buffalo Speedway. Contact Chuck Spishock 281-802-7034 or Bruce Wilkins 713-728-0785.

Jun 11, 2004-001 - Parkers Crossroads TN CASI. Cannons and Cookpots Cookoff. See directions to June 12, 2004 10th Annual Battleground Cookoff (3 day event). Benefits Ladies Auxillary PCBA. Entry fee \$15 turn-in 8 PM. Make checks payable to Hot Pod CASI. Contact Preston Shaw 731-847-7208 or Richard Knight 615-449-6676. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

Jun 12, 2004-001 - Parkers Crossroads TN CASI. 10th Annual Battleground Cookoff & Mid-South Regional Open. Exit 108 On I-40 North on Hwy 22 to Parkers Crossroads City Park on right. Benefits Parkers Crossroads Battle-field Assn. Entry fee \$20, turn-in 1 PM. Checks payable to Hot Pod CASI. Contact Preston Shaw 731-847-7208 or Richard Knight 615-449-6676. More details to follow in future ads.

Jun 12, 2004-002 - Owego NY CASI. Owego Kiwanis New York State Championship. Held at Hickories Park, Route 17C Owego Exit 65 from NY 17 (15 miles west of Binghamton and I-81). Benefits Owego Kiwanis. Entry fee \$17 turn-in 3 PM. Live music, children's activities. Set up 10 AM. Public to attend from noon - 6 PM. Sign up on line at www.nyschili.com. Contact Bob Griffin 914 Cheryl Dr. Endicott, NY 13760. 877-791-1943, 607-757-0952. Registration deadline June 9th. Meat, USDA Approved.

Jun 12, 2004-003 - Iraan TX CASI. Alley Oop Chili Cookoff. Held in Iraan Park. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Jackpot beans \$5 turn-in 12:30 PM. Benefits the Ex-Students Scholarship Fund. Contact Venetia Smith P.O. Box 933 Iraan, TX 79744. 432-639-2761 H 432-639-2543 W. margaritavenitia@yahoo.com.

Jun 13, 2004-001 - Parkers Crossroads TN CASI. Hot Pod Cookoff. See directions to June 12, 2003 10th Annual Battleground Cookoff. (3 Day event). Benefits Hot Pod. Entry fee \$15 turn-in Noon. Make checks payable to Hot Pod CASI. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Preston Shaw 731-847-7208 or Richard Knight 615-449-6676.

Jun 19, 2004-001 - Chugwater WY CASI. 19th Annual Chugwater Chili Cookoff held in Staats Park on 2nd & Bowie downtown Chugwater. Benefits Chugwater Economic Development, Community Center, Ambulance, Fire Dept, & Historical Group. Make checks payable to Chugwater Chili Cookoff. Entry fee TBA, turn-in 12:30 PM. New for 2004 - lots of camping spots for RV's. Contact Chugwater Town Hall 307-422-3345 307-422-3493, chugwater@coffey.com

Jun 19, 2004-002 - Greer AZ CASI. Greer Cookoff. Held at Snowy Mt. Lodge. Dry Camping. Entry fee \$15 turn-in 3 PM. Make checks payable to Alpine Chili Society. Contact Dick Seehusen, P.O. Box 77 Alpine, AZ 85920. 928-339-1840.

Jun 19, 2004-003 - Carlsbad NM CASI. 11th Annual CD104 Chili Cookoff. Held in Carlsbad Beach Area on the Pecos River. No RV parking, RV parks 5 miles away. Entry fee turn-in 2 PM. Charity TBA Contact Jerry Flores 505-887-7563.

Jun 26, 2004-001 - Grand Lake CO CASI. Colorado State CASI Chili Championship. Cook at 8,400 feet adjacent to Rocky Mt. Park. This event is held under trees, on grass, in the Town Park in beautiful Grand Lake. Awards for top ten CASI red, top three green and top three show. \$25 for CASI red or green chili, \$10 for green when also entering CASI red competition. All cooks who register and pay their fee by June 5, 2004 will receive a special 21st year memento. Checks payable to Colorado Chili Pod. Mail to John Montgomery 1600 Broadway, Suite 2500, Denver CO 80202. For info please contact Lyman Wilkinson 720-890-9600 or John Montgomery 303-831-5000. Red turn-in 1 PM, 2 PM for Green.

Jun 26, 2004-002 - Bastrop TX CASI. Int'l River Runner's 3rd Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at American Legion Post 533, 3003 Loop 150 E. Across from State Park & Golf Course. Charity TBA. Make checks payable to American Legion Aux. Entry fee \$18, turn-in 2 PM. Cooks party Saturday night indoor hall. Raffle & silent auction. RV parking no hookups. Strong rumor River Runners will cook also. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Crystal 512-321-5555. See Sunday cookoff same location.

Jun 26, 2004-003 - Garland TX CASI. Elk's Lodge 3rd Annual Chili CCO. Held at 3825 Duck Creek Drive. Benefits Jonathan's Place for Children. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. 50/50 Jackpot Beans \$5 turn in Noon. 25 RV hookups with elec/ water w/reservations @ \$10/night pre-pay w/chili entry. Plenty of shade trees. Cook's party Friday night w/band. Entertainment also Saturday night. Washers and Tonk Games.

Makes checks payable to Elks #1984 (Mark for Chili Cookoff) Mail to Kay Watson 3825 Duck Creek Drive Garland, TX 75043. Contact for directions and information Neta Rohr 972-495-3305, or email neta27@comcast.net. Moss 972-571-7870, or Roy Harper 972-226-6989 during business hours. See cookoff next day same location.

Jun 27, 2004-001 - Bastrop TX CASI. Int'l River Runner's 3rd Annual Sunday Cookoff. Held at American Legion Post 533, 3003 Loop 150E, across from State Park & Gold Course. Charity TBA. Makes check payable to American Legion Aux. Entry fee \$12, turn-in 1 PM. RV parking no hookups. Cook's party Saturday night. Contact Crystal Dear 512-321-5555. See Saturday cookoff same location. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

Jun 27, 2004-002 - Garland TX CASI. Elks Lodge #1984 Second Day 3rd Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at 3825 Duck Creek Drive. Benefits Elk's Sweetheart Charity. Entry fee \$18 turn-in Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Bloody Mary breakfast (donations) at 8 AM. Plenty of parking under shade trees and RV parking with reservations w/elec/water. Make checks payable to Elks #1984 (mark for Chili Cookoff). Mail to Kay Watson 3825 Duck Creek Drive Garland, TX 75043. Contact for information or directions Neta Rohr 972-495-3305, neta27@comcast.net Moss 972-571-7870 or Roy Harper 972-226-6989 during business hours. See cookoff previous day same site.

Jul 3, 2004-001 - Englewood FL CASI. 2nd Annual Burr Smidt Memorial Chili Cookoff. Held at Chadwick Park. Turn at McDonald's off Hwy 776, on to Beach Road, go over two bridges to Manasota Key, turn left at "Y" on Gulf Blvd, then left again into park. No glass bottles please. Covered cooking area. Entry fee \$20, turn-in 12 Noon. Park open 8 to 5 PM. For overnight parking contact Scott Johnson 941-266-3799 or Denise Saunders 941-587-1608 for details. Walking distance to stores and watering holes. No pets. Charity TBA.

Jul 3, 2004-002 - Rockport TX CASI. 3rd Ever Estes Flats Annual CCO. Held at 4427 Hwy 35 South. For local charities. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Beans \$5, turn-in 1 PM. Contact Alice Reynolds 361-729-3078. See Sunday cookoff same location.

Jul 4, 2004-001 - Sierra Blanca TX CASI. Annual 4th of July Celebration. Held in City Park Hwy 1111. Benefits Chamber of Commerce Scholarships. Cooks meeting 9 AM Entry fee \$13 turn-in 1 PM. Contact Carol Straughan phone 915-852-3599, c 915-491-2766 Details to follow.

Jul 4, 2004-002 - Rockport TX CASI. Next Day 3rd Ever Estes Flats CCO. Held at 4427 Hwy 35 South. For local charities. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Contact Alice 361-729-3078. See cookoff previous day, same location.

Jul 10, 2004-001 - San Angelo TX CASI. Firecracker Chili Blow Out. Held at Water Valley Park. For the Concho Valley Pod

Charities. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Dry Pinto Beans \$5, turn-in 1 PM. Raffle & 50/50 Drawing. Contact Donna Hill 325-657-2979 d\_dhill@hotmail.com, or Pat Holland 325-655-7463.

Jul 10, 2004-002 - Gering NE CASI. Oregon Trail Days Chili Cookoff State Championship. Details to follow. Scott Nazarene, phone 308-436-7499.

Jul 10, 2004-003 - Midwest City OK CASI. Oklahoma State Chili Cookoff. Held East Reno and Douglas Blvd in the City Park. Benefits Midwest City Park & Rec. Entry fee \$25 turn-in 1 PM. Make checks payable to Hooch Pod. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Jerry Dickerson 131 Amber Ridge, Shawnee, OK 74801. Phone 405-214-9395.

Jul 10, 2004-004 - Schertz TX CASI. VFW Post 8315 Chili Cookoff. Held at 1000 FM 78. Benefits Voice of Democracy. Entry fee \$20 turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to VFW. Contact Bud Dieter 3413 Wimbledon Dr., Cibolo, TX 78108-2244. nbdieter@world-net.net. 830-624-1404. Register by 11:30.

Jul 11, 2004-001 - Schertz TX CASI. VFW Post 8315 Sunday Cookoff. Held at 1000 FM 78. Benefits the Youth Activities. Entry fee \$18 turn-in Noon. Make checks payable to VFW. Contact Bud Dieter 3413 Wimbledon Dr., Cibolo, TX 78108-2244. nbdieter@world-net.net. 830-624-1404. See cookoff previous day same location.

Jul 17, 2004-001 - Olive Branch MS CASI. Olive Branch Shrine Cookoff. Held on Goodman Rd. Benefits Shrine Children's Charities. Make checks payable to Olive Branch Shrine. Entry fee \$20, turn-in 2 PM. Info Tanna Jones 6500 River- birch, Walls MS 38680. Phone 662-781-1414.

Jul 17, 2004-002 - Golden City MO CASI. Missouri State Chili Cookoff. Held in City Park. Entry fee \$20 turn-in Noon. Junior chili \$5, Salsa \$5. Party Friday night at 601 Truman, Lamar, Mo. Contact Dixie Johnson 417-682-5432 email jrj8@ipa.net.

Jul 17, 2004-003 - Cash TX CASI. 6th Annual Greenville Elks Lodge Chili Cookoff. Held 6 miles south of Greenville, eight miles North of Quinlan on Hwy 34 (Cash TX area) Entry fee \$18, turn-in 1 PM. Jack pot beans \$5 turn-in noon, 50/50 first place only. Goodie bags to first 30 paid entries. Limited paid electric hookups. Checks payable to Greenville Elks Lodge. Mail checks & info to Carl or Jackie Grose 5640 Hwy 34, Quinlan TX 75474-3228. Phone 903-883-4916 days & nights til 9 PM. Also, see Sunday cookoff. Benefits local improvements.

Jul 17, 2004-004 - Laramie WY CASI. Butch Cassidy Classic Chili Cookoff Held at the Wyoming Territorial Park, 975 Snowy Range Rd. Entry fee \$15 turn-in 2 PM. \$5 additional for Open Beans turn-in Noon, or Green Chili turn-in 1 PM. Car Show horseback rides, hay rides, bow and arrow range, fly casting school/contest, beverage stands, music and band performances. Contact Amie Petrie 1956

Franklin St. Laramie, WY 82070. 307-742-6861 home, or work 307-755-3302, 307-760-2508 cell. Make checks payable to Wyoming Territorial Park.

Jul 18, 2004-001 - Cash TX CASI. 6th Annual Morning After Greenville Elks Lodge Chili Cookoff. Held 6 miles south of Greenville and 8 miles north of Quinlan on Hwy 34 (Cash, TX area). Benefits the Children's Hospital Charities. Entry fee \$15 turn-in noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to Greenville Elks Lodge. Mail checks & info to Carl or Jackie Grose 5640 Hwy 34 Quinlan TX 75474-3228. 903-883-4916 days or evening until 9 PM. Limited paid electric hookups.

Jul 24, 2004-001 - Memphis TN CASI. VFW 4935 Ladies Auxiliary Cookoff. Held at 1942 Lynnbrook. Make check payable to charity VFW 4935 Entry fee \$20, turn-in 1 :30 PM. Salsa contest turn-in Noon, \$5 entry with chili, \$15 without. Friday night cooks party 7 PM til. Tanna Jones 6500 Riverbirch, Walls MS 38680. RV parking no hookups.

Jul 24, 2004-002 - Cloudford NM CASI. Annual Cloudford Cookoff. Held at Ski Cloudford Lodge. Benefits NMCS. Make checks Payable to NMCS. Entry fee \$15, turn-in 2 PM. Contact Bud Barrick P.O. Box 268, Organ NM 88052-0268 502-382-5107 teamorgan@zianet.com.

Jul 24, 2004-003 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. American Legion Auxiliary Unit 120. Held at 4601 Lakeshore Dr. Benefits Auxiliary Charities. Entry fee \$20 turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to American Legion Auxiliary 120. Contact Jan Hodge P. O. Box 3441 Wichita Falls, TX 76301. Friday night cook's party. Saturday breakfast good but cheap. RV park no hookups. CHILI GRIND ONLY. See cookoff Sunday next door at Post 169. Contact Jan Hodge 940-704-0565. wfcitygal@yahoo.com.

Jul 25, 2004-001 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. American Legion Auxiliary Unit 169. Held at 4650 Lakeshore Dr. Benefits American Legion Auxiliary. Entry fee \$20 turn-in 1 PM. Make checks payable to American Legion Auxiliary CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Yvonne Jones 3711 S H 258 East, Wichita Falls, TX 76301. 940-692-0939. RV parking no hookups. Cooks party Saturday night, breakfast Sunday morning. See cookoff previous day next door at Post 120.

Jul 31, 2004-001 - Schulenburg TX CASI. Schulenburg Festival Chili Cookoff. Held in Wolters Park. Entry fee \$18, turn-in 3 PM. Check in begins 4 PM Friday. Cooks swim party Saturday night. Major Nashville Recording Artist to perform Friday night. New to cookoff this year, jackpot bean contest to be held Saturday in conjunction with chili and BBQ. Check out web site for info www.schulenburgfestival.org Make checks payable to charity, Schulenburg Festival Assn. Contact Virginia Meyer, 1714 FM 1579 Schulenburg, TX 78956 or Sharon Bunjoch 825 CR 227 Schulenburg, TX 78956. sbunjoch@ctv.net. Phone 979-561-8573 or 979-562-2410.

Aug 7, 2004-001 - Tombstone AZ CASI.

Tombstone Vigilante Days Cookoff. Held on 4th St. between Allen and Toughnut St. Benefits Tombstone Charities. Entry fee \$10 turn-in 3 PM. Make checks payable to HDP. Free dinner Friday night at Vigilante Hall. Contact Roy Fisher 3364 Wheelan Loop Sierra Vista, AZ 85635. 520-803-9934, 520-378-1311 royfisherAZ@cs.com.

Aug 14, 2004-001, Conroe, TX. CASI. TEXAS OPEN Held at Lone Star Convention and Expo Center, 9055 Airport Rd, Conroe, TX. Top 3 Chili & Top Show Qualify for TICC. Ralph Hay - Head Judge. Cook where you camp. Plenty of RV space, plenty of shade trees, no hookups. Park Opens 9:00 AM Friday Morning for Set-Up. Cooks Party Friday Night - Hosted by The Original Pearl Cookers BBQ Team, Hondo's Hog Leg BBQ Team, and Blanco's Bar & Grill. Pot Luck Dinner Saturday Night, Music provided by Nigel 'Taco' Delgado both nights. CASI Chili (Awards to 1-20 Chili, and 1-3 Show): \$30 (guaranteed cook's gift if postmarked by 07/01/2004), 2 PM Turn-In. Benefiting Montgomery County Food Bank. Canned or non-perishable Food Items will be collected Friday and Saturday. Cook's Pot: \$2. Juniors Chili (Awards to 1-10 & Finalists, Top Junior Show): \$10, 12 Noon Turn-In (Benefits Big Bend Youth Center - Kids Cooking For Kids). Corporate Challenge Cookoff (Awards to 1-3 Chili), \$50 (includes CASI entry), 1 PM Turn-In. Novice Chili (Awards to 1-3 Chili) - included with CASI Entry, 1 PM Turn-In. Checks payable to: Texas Open, c/o Bob Horan, PO Box 1115, Tomball, TX 77377-1115. Special motel rates for cookoff - see www.PineyWoodsPod.org, for reservation information and details. Further Information: Bob Horan at (281)357-0175(D/e) or, email: TexasOpen@PineyWoodsPod.org. See 4th Annual Piney Woods Pod cookoff on 8/15/2004.

Aug 14, 2004-002 - Mormon Lake AZ CASI. Mormon Lake Lodge Chili Cookoff. Cancelled.

Aug 15, 2004-001 - Conroe TX CASI. 4th Annual Piney Woods Pod CCO. Held at Lone Star Convention and Expo Center, 9055 Airport Rd. Plenty of RV space, plenty of shade trees, no hookups. Pot Luck dinner Sat. night, with music by Nigel 'Taco' Delgado. CASI chili (awards to 1-10 Chili, 1-3 Show): \$20, Cooks pot \$2. Benefits The Rose Breast Cancer Center. Checks payable to Piney Woods Pod, c/o Bob Horan, P.O.Box 1115, Tomball, TX 77377-1115. Special motel rates for cookoff see www.PineyWoodsPod.org, Texas Open Tab-Motel information, for Reservation information & details. Contact Bob Horan 281-357-0175, email webmaster @pineyWoodsPod.org. See Texas Open listing on 8/14/04 for cookoff on same site.

Aug 21, 2004-001 - Terlingua TX CASI. Bronze Buzzard Chili & BBQ CCO. Details to follow. Contact Dorothy Williams 432-371-2595.

Aug 21, 2004-002 - Red River NM CASI. Four Corners Regional Chili Cookoff and Red River Music Festival. Held in beautiful Brandenburg Park. Open to all chili cooks, hosted by Colorado Chili Pod, the New Mexico Chili Society and

the Town of Red River and the Red River Conference Center. Entry fee \$20 for CASI Green or Salsa. Fees in each additional competition after entering CASI, Green or Salsa division is \$5 per additional competition. Chili turn-in 2 PM. Cook's party Friday night. Benefits Red River Valley Charter School. Make checks payable to Colorado Chili Pod, c/o John Montgomery, 1600 Broadway Suite 2500. Denver, CO 80202. 303-831-5000 ColoradoChili@aol.com Kim Buchanan Red River Conference Center P.O. Box 1020 101 W. River St. Red River, NM 87558. Toll free 877-754-1708. meetings@redriver.org www.redriver.org/meet. Other events on Sunday.

Aug 21, 2004-003 - Alpine AZ CASI. Alpine Cookoff. Held at Rodeo Grounds, dry camping Benefits Alpine Volunteer Fire Dept and Elementary School Projects. Make checks payable to Alpine Chili Society. Entry fee \$15 turn-in 1 PM. Contact Dick Seehusen P.O. Box 77, Alpine, AZ 85920. 928-339-1840.

Aug 21, 2004-004 - Will's Point TX CASI. 9th Annual CASI Cookoff. Held at B.B.'s Hideaway. This is a Nudist Resort, clothing optional. 3.2 miles north of I-20 on Hwy 64, left on CR 3403. Camping and RV hookups. Rooms Also. Clubhouse restaurant, swimming pool. Benefits Myrtle Springs VFD. CASI or local entry fee \$20, turn in 2 PM. Jack pot beans \$5, turn-in 1 PM. Free ground fees for head cooks and one assistant, also 4 persons on show team. Guests \$30 for the weekend. For RV & room Rsvns 903-873-3311 or webpage b.b.s.hideaway@airmail.net.

Aug 28, 2004-001 - Anthony TX CASI. 2nd Annual American RV & Marine Border Chili Cookoff. Vinton exit west of El Paso. Cooks meeting 10 AM. Entry fee \$13 turn-in 2 PM Charity TBA. All day activities details to follow. Full RV hookup Contact Carol Straughan phone 915-852-3599 c 915-491-2766. caroleptx.aol.com.

Aug 28, 2004-002 - Jackson TN CASI. West Tennessee STAR Center Third Annual KidsFEST Chili Cookoff. Held in Fairgrounds, about 70 miles east of Memphis and 140 miles west of Nashville, off I-40 exit 80A eight miles south on Hwy 45 Bypass. Entry fee \$22 turn-in 1 PM. Make checks payable to The Star Center. CHILI GRIND OR GROUND ONLY. Please bring extra throwdown chili. Goodie bags for first 15 paid cooks RV parking limited hookups. Site open 27th after 5 PM and Saturday after 7 AM. Cooks meeting 10 AM. Please bring anything chili and children related for silent auction Benefits Star Center, largest non profit assistive technology center in country. Petting zoo, kids crafts, live entertainment, kids rides, health screening, vendors, games, clowns, puppets, finger painting. Bring the kids. CASI and open chili. Showmanship. Contact George Tubb 731-664-6339.

Sep 4, 2004-001 - Aransas Pass TX CASI. 4th Annual Labor Day Chili Cookoff. Held at ICW RV Park, 427 Ransom Rd. Great bird watching & fishing 360 FT. pier. AC Rec. room. Ransom Rd is located approx 2 miles south of Port

Aransas highway intersection, State Highway 35 and downtown Aransas Pass on State Rd 361, same as going to Ingleside. On corner of Ransom Rd & State Rd 361 is the Sun Rise Market & Exxon, turn east onto Ransom, the RV park is 1/4 mile on right. For RV & cookoff info contact Bobbie Jo at 361-758-1044. For other info contact Bubba Reinke at 512-357-6227. Details to follow. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

Sep 5, 2004-001 - Aransas Pass TX CASI. 4th Annual Day After Labor Day CCO. Held at ICW RV Park, 427 Ransom RD see directions on previous day cookoff same location. Details to follow. RV Park reservations and cookoff info call Bobby Jo phone 361-758-1044. Other info call Bubba Reinke 512-357-6227. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

Sep 11, 2004-001 - West Tawakoni TX CASI. 10th Annual Chili By the Lake Cookoff. Held at Tawakoni City Park, 9 miles east of Quinlan on Hwy 276. Benefits Tawakoni Park Board for park improvements. Entry fee \$18, turn-in 1 PM. Jackpot Beans entry \$5, turn-in Noon, 50/50 1st place only. Cooks party Friday night 7 to 9. Limited paid electric hookups, first come first serve. Info Carl & Jackie Grose 5640 Hwy 34 South, Quinlan, TX 75474-3228, 903-883-4916. Also, See Sunday cookoff same location.

Sep 12, 2004-001 - West Tawakoni TX CASI. Morning After 10th Annual Chili By the Lake Chili Cookoff. Benefits Merchants Association for merchants local charities. Entry fee \$15, turn-in Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to City of West Tawakoni. No beans cookoff on Sunday. Info Carl or Jackie Grose 5640 Highway 34 South, Quinlan, TX 75474-3228 903-883-4916. Saturday cookoff same location.

Sep 18, 2004-001 - Jarrettsville MD CASI. Cow Chip Chili Cookoff. Turn-in 3 PM. Cookout party for cooks and guests, hay rides and more. More information please call Brenda Robinson 410-692-2112.

Sep 18, 2004-002 - Sierra Vista AZ CASI. Windemere Hotel Chili Cookoff. South Hwy 92, across highway from the Mall at Sierra Vista. Benefits Boys & Girls Club. Make checks payable to High Desert Pod. Entry fee \$15, turn-in 2 PM. Dry camping Cook where you camp. Room discounts Details later. Contact Larry Rau LPRAU@hotmail.com. 520-378-7247

Sep 25, 2004-001 - West Memphis AR CASI. Main Street Fall Festival Cookoff. Held at 231 E. Broadway. Take Missouri St. until it dead ends into Broadway, take a left, it will be on the right. Benefits Main Street. Entry fee \$25, turn in 2 PM. Salsa contest \$10. Cook's Party Friday night. Come early and enjoy. Next to contest site limited motorhome space, first come first served. Contact Debra Griggs 870-735-8814 or Kelvin Hazel 870-735-4443.

Sep 25, 2004-002 - Columbus NM CASI. Pancho Villa's Last Chance CCO. Held in Pancho Villa State Park. Benefits Friends of the Pancho Villa State Park. Make checks payable to NMCS. Entry fee \$15 turn-in 2 PM. Contact Bud Barrick

P.O. Box 268, Organ NM 88052-0268 502-382-5107, teamorgan@zianet.com

Sep 26, 2004-001 - San Angelo TX CASI. Blaine's Last Chance Chili Cookoff. Held at Blaine's Pub. Benefits Meal's on Wheels. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM, Dry Jackpot pinto beans \$5, turn-in 1 PM. Contact Laura Coad 325-944-7715 or Blaine Martin, Blaine's Pub 325-653-7074.

Oct 2, 2004-001 - Blytheville AR CASI. 25th Annual Chickasaw Cookoff. Held in downtown Blytheville. Entry fee \$30, turn-in 12 Noon. Makes checks payable to Mainstreet Blytheville. Contact Bret Sparks 210 W. Main St. Blytheville, AR 72315.

Oct 9, 2004-001 - Pine Bluff AR CASI. Pine Bluff Cookoff

Oct 23, 2004-001 - San Angelo TX CASI. Concho Valley Fall Festival. Held at Water Valley Park. For the Great Pepper's Meeting. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Dry Jackpot Pinto Beans \$5 turn-in 1 PM. Raffle, 50/50 drawing, cake raffle. Contact Donna Hill 325-657-2979 or Pat Holland 325-655-7463.

Oct 31, 2004-001 - Terlingua TX CASI. Last Stop On The Road to Terlingua. Held at the American Legion Post 653. 60 Miles South of Alpine on HWY 118. Turn in Noon, entry fee \$18. Contact Dorathy Williams 432-371-2595, dorathy@brooksdata.net CHILI GRIND ONLY. Benefits the American Legion Post 653.

Nov 2, 2004-001 - Terlingua TX CASI. Sotol Pod Cookoff. Held at Rancho CASI de le Chisos. Entry fee \$18, turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to Sotol Pod. Info dorathy@brooksdata. 1-888-227-4468 This is your chance to experiment with your recipe using the new 32 OZ cup that will be used at TICC Saturday.

Nov 6, 2004-001 - Terlingua TX CASI. 38th Annual Terlingua International Chili Championship. Must qualify to earn invitation to cook. Friday is National Scholarship Day, with hot wings, beans and salsa open competition. Saturday chili turn in 12 Noon. See www.chili.org for more details and schedule of events Phone for info 1-888-227-4468 or dorathy@brooksdata.net, or Alan Dean pepperdean@comcast.net.

Dec 4, 2004-001 - Crawford TX CASI. Toys for Tots 2nd Annual Cookoff. Cancelled, date changed to 12/18/04

Dec 5, 2004-001 - Crawford TX CASI. CTC Pod Cookoff. Cancelled, date changed to 12/19/04

Dec 11, 2004-001 - El Paso TX CASI. 4th Annual Cowboy Christmas at La Hacienda 1720 W. Paisano. Cooks meet 10 AM. Entry fee \$13 turn-in 2 Pm announcements 4 PM. From Noon to sundown entertainment. Charity TBA. Contact Carol Straughan 915-852-3599 c 915-491-2766 or Elvia Hernandez 915-533-1919 c 915-253-6171.

Dec 18, 2004-001 - Crawford TX CASI. Toys for Tots 2nd Annual Cookoff. Held at Tonkawa RV Park. Full hookups. Benefits Toys for Tots. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 2 PM. Junior chili \$10 turn-in 1 PM. Beans \$5 turn-in noon. Contact Donna Conrad or Dianne Stimson 330 S. Ave. B, Crawford, TX 76638. 254-486-9206. dangergirl@aol.com. CHILI GRIND ONLY. See next day cookoff same location.

Dec 19, 2004-001 - Crawford TX CASI. CTC Pod Cookoff. Held at Tonkawa RV park full hook-ups. Charity TBA. Entry fee \$18 turn-in 1 PM. Contact Donna Conrad or Dianne Stimson, 330 S. Ave. B Crawford, TX 76638. 254-486-9206. dangergail@aol.com. CHILI GRIND ONLY. See cookoff previous day same location.

Jan 8, 2005-001 - Bastrop TX CASI. American Legion Auxiliary 4th Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at 3003 Loop, 150 East. Across from State Park. Benefits Lincoln Clinic. Turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to American Legion Aux.533 Contact Crystal Dear, P.O. Box 717 Bastrop, TX 78602. CHILI GRIND ONLY. 512-321-5555 or 253-6335. Entry fee \$20. Saturday nite cooks party 5 PM to 6:30 PM free to cooks \$5.50 to all others. Music from 7:30 to 11:30 PM. Raffle and silent auction. RV parking no hookups. See cookoff following day same site

Jan 9, 2005-001 - Bastrop TX CASI. 2nd Day American Legion Auxiliary 4th Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at 3003 Loop 150 East. Across from State Park. Entry fee \$15 turn-in 1 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Crystal Dear P. O. Box 717 Bastrop, TX 78602 512-321-5555 or 253-6335. See cookoff previous day same location. Charity TBA.

*Piney Woods Pod would like to compile links to Pod Web sites on their web pages.*

*If your pod would like to participate, please mail your web address (URL) to: webmaster@PineyWoodsPod.org*



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TICC 2004 Expense Money	
1 <sup>st</sup> Chili	\$500.00
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1 <sup>st</sup> Show	\$200.00

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  - MUSIC AND DANCING
- WASHER PITCHING TOURNAMENT

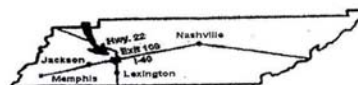
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 731-847-7208  
 or  
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**Day after Men's State Chili Championship**  
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**March 28<sup>th</sup> 2004**

Entry \$18, Chili Grind Only, Turn-In 12:00 Noon  
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Contact: Barbara C. Taylor  
(830) 868-2223, cell (512) 577-5527 or 849 Stonegate Drive Johnson City, Texas 78636  
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Best Western Motel very close to Fairgrounds (830) 868-4044  
Tell them you are a chili cook for discount., make reservations early

## State Of Alabama

**12<sup>th</sup> Annual State Chili Championship**  
**Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo**  
**Highway 59**  
**Gulf Shores, Alabama**  
**April 3, 2004**

Entry \$18, Chili Grind Only, Turn-In 1:00 PM  
Cook inside the Zoo,  
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## State Of Alabama Pod

**Annual Chili Cookoff**  
**Gulf Shores Community House**  
**300 East 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue**  
**Gulf Shores, Alabama**  
**April 2, 2004**

Entry \$18, Chili Grind Only, Turn-In 8:00 PM  
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Cook inside the Zoo,  
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Contact: Renee Moore  
(251) 949-7000 or email:  
[rmoore@ci.gulf-shores.al.us](mailto:rmoore@ci.gulf-shores.al.us)

# San Antonio POD Cookoff

## March 20, 2004

Held at the VFW-7108. Directions: take (Bandera Road) SH 16 to Helotes, take left on (Galm Rd.) FM 1560. Go south to 8795 FM 1560; FM 1560 changes from Galm to Steubing Rd, just before you get there.

Benefits various charities.

Chili entry \$20, turn-in 2 PM. Bean entry \$10, 90/10 split, turn-in 11 AM. Lone Star Barbeque Assn. entry fee \$50 for one or all, 60/40 split. Turn in ½ chicken, Noon; pork spare ribs, 1 pm; beef brisket 3 pm. Friday night cooks party. Friday night 9 pm will be Marguerita-off. Saturday morning Irish Coffee-off, 9 AM, Bloody Mary-off 10 AM. Plenty of RV parking, no hookups.

For further info contact George Jowers 210-696-2555 or GJowersIII@aol.com.

# Thousand Trails Tawakoni Cookoff

## March 13, 2004

### Point, Texas.

Held at 1246 Rains County Rd 1470

Benefits Christmas for Kids.

Turn in 1 PM. Entry fee \$18.

Bean Turn-In 11AM, Entry Fee \$5.

Make checks payable to Thousand Trails Tawakoni.

Free camping Friday and Saturday with full hookups.

Let us know if you plan to attend so we can save spots.

Contact Linda Buschel 2620 Quail Valley, Irving TX 75060, 972-986-6211 or Jack Schultz 903-447-4662. Email Linda blbusch@evl.net. Pot luck dinner Friday night about 7 PM Pod will furnish main dish.

Stay for day after cookoff.



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# KERRVILLE CHILI & BBQ CLASSIC

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**April 10, 2004**  
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**SATURDAY'S ACTIVITIES:**

- 10am Vendors, Games & Rides open, Cook-off Begins
- 11-7pm Local Music Artists Live on Stage
- 12pm Washer Pitching Tourney
- 12-1pm Showmanship Competition
- 1:15pm **EASTER EGG HUNT** for the Kids
- 1-4pm People's Choice Tasting Competition
- 5pm Cook-off Awards Presentation

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**COOK-OFF TURN IN TIMES:**  
12:00PM - Beans  
1:00PM - Chicken  
2:00PM - Chili & Ribs  
3:00PM - Brisket  
  
12:00PM - 1:00PM Show  
1:00PM - 4:00PM People's Choice Tasting

**COOK'S PARTY FRIDAY NIGHT FOR PARTICIPATING COOKS**

**CHILI COOK-OFF ENTRY FEES:**  
• \$18.00 - CASI Chili (Chili Grind Only)  
• \$10.00 - LOCAL (Kerr County) Chili  
• \$ 5.00 - Jackpot Beans

**BBQ COOK-OFF ENTRY FEES:**  
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No Hook-ups

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**Chili Cookoff**



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**ROSE CITY CHILI COOKOFF ENTRY FORM**

HEAD COOK: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CHILI NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ SHOWMANSHIP: YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_  
 HOOKUP NEEDED: YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_  
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 Chili \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Showmanship: YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please list the following Upcoming Cookoff in the Terlingua Trails.

Date and City: \_\_\_\_\_

Cookoff Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

CASI Sanctioned: \_\_\_\_\_ Charity: \_\_\_\_\_

Turn-in Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Entry Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

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Information Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Preregistration Deadline (If Applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Special Meat: \_\_\_\_\_

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