## The Great Chili Cook-off

# Hosted by: Kendall Heights Church of God

## November 10

#### **RULES & REGULATIONS**

- The Great Chili Cook-off will take place on Saturday, November 10, at Depot Disc Golf (814 Linton Road South, Sandersville, Ga. 31082)
- A \$20 entry fee is required per chili.
  - More than one recipe may be entered per participant, however, a separate entry fee must be paid per recipe.
- Registration must be completed online at: www.kendallheightscog.org or at the Washington County Chamber of Commerce.
- All registration forms (including Health Department Form) must be completely filled out and submitted by the deadline in order to participate.
- The deadline to register is Friday, October 26.
- Upon arrival participants must check in to receive their cook station number.
- Participants must be set up at their cook station by 9 a.m. for a Health Department Inspection of ingredients and work space. Public and Judging tasting will begin at 11 a.m. Winners will be announced at 12:00 p.m.

#### Making the Chili

- Participants must provide their own portable gas or electric cooktop or propane cooker and propane along with all ingredients, cooking utensils, chairs and supplies that will be needed to prepare the chili. If participants wish to set up a tent over their cook station they may do so.
- We will provide a table, electrical hook-up, washing station, serving gloves, tasting cups, spoons and napkins.
- Before participants begin cooking all ingredients will have to go through a check by an on site official.
- Competition chili must be cooked from scratch on site the day of the cook-off.
  No ingredients may be pre-cooked in any way prior to the beginning of the official cook-off.
  - Cooked from scratch "scratch" is defined as a starting with raw meat (no wild meats), No marinating is allowed. Commercial chili powder is

- permissible, but complete commercial chili mixes ("just add meat" mixes that contain premeasured spices) are not permitted.
- Use your own favorite recipe, with or without meat, with or without beans. Canned beans are permitted.
- Participants my not use venison (no wild meats) or any meat that is labeled "not for resale" or "for home use only". Meat must be purchased at a grocery store, meat market or state inspected butcher.
- Participants are allowed to pre-chop and premeasure all ingredients.
  Ingredients may be cut, shredded, or ground into any size.
- If peanuts or peanut oil is used, a warning sign must be displayed.
  Participant must provide sign if needed.
- Each participant must prepare a pot of chili no less than 3 gallons.

# **Judging**

- We will have 3 Judges, they will be wearing a Judge pin so you know who they are.
- How judging will work for the \$200 Grand Prize: Each Judge will have a scoring sheet with 6 categories (Aroma, Flavor, Heat, Texture, Uniqueness & Overall Impression), they will score each category on a 1-10 scale, each category will be added together and the winner will be the participant with the highest score. In the event of a tie the Judges will deliberate and choose the winner.
- How judging will work for the People's Choice Winner: Each cook station will have a mason jar for judging. The people who pay to taste (they will have a stamp on their hand) will receive one ticket for voting. After they taste each chili they will deposit their ticket in the jar of their favorite chili. The participant with the most tickets will be the winner.

#### **General Rules**

- Participants must be respectful to others, no offensive displays, excessive noise or music.
- Lewdness, nudity is prohibited.
- Interfering with other participant's ingredients or cook stations is prohibited.
- Failure to comply with the rules and regulations set forth herein may result in disqualification of an individual participant from the cook-off. Decisions of the Judges are final.