

LifePoint Church's

Official Chili Cook-off Rules

Friday, February 3rd, 2012

Setup begins at 1:00 p.m. / Judging begins at 6:30 pm

Winners will be announced on main stage at 7:30 pm

Why are we doing a Chili Cook-Off at church?

The first reason is that we, LifePointers, like to eat and hang out together. A couple times a year, we plan events that give families a chance to simply have fun with other families. This is also a great opportunity to invite friends who wouldn't be open to attending a worship service. Plus, we want to support our kids who want to go to camp. All money raised through the chili cook-off, raffle and silent auction will go toward helping children attend LifePoint's Kids Summer Camp.

General Rules and Regulations

Contestants must pre-register in order to enter contest. There is NO entry fee.

LifePoint Church will sell bowls for the attendees to taste the chili and use for People's Choice judging. The cost for attendees will be \$5.00 for adults/\$3.00 for children 5 years and younger which will include an 8 oz. bowl of chili, side salad, cornbread, dessert and drink. In addition they may also purchase tickets for small tasting bowls of chili for 50 cents each. All proceeds will go toward our children's camp scholarship fund.

A panel of judges will be giving awards to the top 3 teams in the following categories:

- o Fan Favorite (by popular vote)
- o Most Creative, Unusual or Exotic
- o Best Booth Theme & Decorations
- o Best Overall Taste

The decision of the judges will be final.

Contestants are responsible for supplying tables, chairs, or other cooking utensils and supplies needed. We encourage you to have your own fire extinguisher if you will be cooking on site.

Contestants are responsible for furnishing their own cooking means. Gas or propane stoves must be set up outside. No wood or coal burning allowed.

Contestants are encouraged, not required, to name their chili & decorate their cooking area to reflect that name. There is an award given for Best Booth.

This chili cook-off is for cooks who enjoy making great-tasting chili & want to be recognized for their superb culinary skills. Feel free to let your hair down! Dress up, wear a costume & just have fun!

Chili Cooking Rules

- A minimum of 8 quarts (2 gal.) of chili must be cooked.
- Chili is NOT required to be cooked on site the day of the cook-off. Ingredients may be pre-cooked prior to the beginning of the official cook-off.
- Only edible ingredients may be used. Beans are permitted, but no pasta or nuts are allowed.
- Contestants must provide a list of ingredients on display at your table.
- Everything must be prepared in a sanitary manner.
- You must be willing to taste your own chili.
- Chili must be kept at a minimum 140 degrees and covered with a lid when not serving.
- Cooking conditions are subject to inspection.
- Each contestant will be assigned a contestant's number and will be given 5 official judging cups. Each contestant is responsible to deliver their cups with the chili sample to the judging area at the official time for judging.
- Contestants must agree to the terms that LifePoint Church will be selling bowls of contestants' chili to those attending this event.

Best Booth Award

Each team will be given a 10'X10' space in the main auditorium with one 6 ft. long table, plus chairs; the rest is up to you. Teams are responsible for their own cooking utensils, decorations, power cords and any other supplies. You must be respectful to others, no offensive displays, excessive noise or music. The use of firearms, explosives, or pyrotechnics is prohibited. Interfering with other contestants is prohibited. There will also be a Best Booth award. Each chili team is strongly encouraged to decorate their booth to reflect their team's name in their booth decor. Some examples: *Wild West Chili* cooks might dress in western costumes; *Great American Chili Company* cooks might go red, white, and blue; *Nun Better* cooks in full nun's habits. The point is to have fun and be a little crazy!

People's Choice Award

People's Choice Chili is judged only by the people. There are no other judges. The chili with the most votes will be the winner. If you have the friends at the cook-off, you might get the most votes!

All questions can be directed to Tracy Conover, Children's Pastor, at tracy@lifepointnv.com or (775) 450-1628.