



## *4<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul*

### *Rules and Application*

#### *Cooking Rules:*

Single entry or teams welcome, team max, 5 people. Contestants must furnish own ingredients, large crock pot or electric roasting pan to transport chili to the event. SVDP will supply spoons, cups and napkins for serving to the general public, and roasting pans along with ladles to serve your chili.

#### *People's Choice:*

1<sup>st</sup> place people's choice winner will be awarded the grand prize of \$300 plus a traveling trophy to be brought back the following year to present at the next annual cook-off. Trophy will include a name plate that will be etched with the winner's name for all to see at the next competition. 2<sup>nd</sup> place people's choice winner will be awarded a prize of \$150. 3<sup>rd</sup> place people's choice winner will be awarded a prize of \$50.

#### *Entry:*

The entry fee will be \$25 per chili entered. Contestants may enter as many batches of chili as they wish.

### Ingredients:

Use your favorite recipe, with or without meat, with or with beans, with or without noodles. Meat may be any kind. Veggie (meatless) chili is acceptable. Ingredients may be cut, shredded, or ground to any size. Please include a name for your chili. The name should include a "hint" of what is included in the chili for allergy purposes. You may NOT use can, store bought chili or mixes. Precooked beans are okay. All ingredients must be precooked prior to the event, chili is to be brought "ready to eat." Please include if you have used peanut butter or nuts as an ingredient in your chili. This is very important for those who have allergies.

### Chili rules:

Each contestant must provide a *minimum* of two gallons of chili. Please note- if you run out of chili, there is a chance that not everyone will get to sample it. Therefore, it could receive less votes. Your chili can only be voted on if it can be tasted. Each contestant or team will be given a number. Your number will be visible to the public but they will not know who the number belongs to. The public voters each get 5 votes to be dropped into containers that will be sitting in front of the chili.

### Chili cook off schedule:

Set up will begin at 3:00PM- bring your chili and find a volunteer who will help you with set up and assign you a number. All entries will remain anonymous. Chilis will not be accepted after 4:45PM. This will allow volunteers time to set up your chili.

Tasting will begin at 5:00PM and last until 7:30PM. People may taste and vote during that entire two hours and thirty minutes. Please make sure your pot has enough chili to stay in the contest.

Award ceremony will be shortly after the tasting has ended and votes have been counted. Stick around to see if you won and collect your crock pot/roaster! Please make sure you have all of your belongings before exiting the building.

**Raffle/Silent Auction:**

The Knights of Columbus will be having a 50/50 raffle going on during the chili cook off and SVDP will have a silent auction. Bring Cash! Bring your friends! The more people who participate in the raffle, the better!

**Donations**

Thank you for participating in our annual Chili Cook-off. We will be accepting monetary donations that evening to help support those who are in need of assistance in Shelby County.