Keg and Barrel's 14th ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF RULES

February 17th 2024

- 1. The Chili competition will consist of TWO categories; Traditional & Non-Traditional. You may enter meatless, beanless, sausage, vegetarian, chicken, turkey chili or any kind you like with as many or as few ingredients! We generally define traditional as tomato base & no beans. It is up to your discretion which category you would like to place it in.
- 2. Your chili will be judged two ways. There will be an onsite judging, where judges will come to your table, ask questions & taste. There will also be a blind judging. **PLEASE NOTE** For the BLIND JUDGING Do NOT put anything in the bowl except chili; no garnish, no bread, no crackers, etc. For the ONSITE judging you MAY include any garnish.

Judging will be based on: 1. Taste 2. Ingredients 3. Texture

- 3. Chili must be cooked on site the day of the cook off, out in the open and sanitary as possible.
- 4. If asked, contestants must be willing to first try their own chili. Refusal to do so will result in disqualification.
- 5. There will be a first, second and third place winner in each category decided by the judges & a Chili People's Choice winner.
- 6. All Chili competition teams must provide 1 gallon of chili for public tasting and judging. Of course bringing more to ensure everyone gets a taste (& vote in the People's Favorite Chili) is encouraged.
- 7. Setup will begin at 7am. Chili must be ready to go at 12 pm and teams must be there no later than 9 am.
- 8. Contestants will be assigned a space. Someone will direct you to a spot during set up. Sampling cups, spoons, and napkins will be provided. Teams are responsible for supplying all ingredients, cooking devices, coolers, serving utensils, tables, tents (recommended) etc..
- 9. Teams must file a Registration Form with the Keg and Barrel by Feb 13, 2024. Registration fee is \$14 for 2 team members and will include 2 tshirts OR \$28 for 4 team members and will include 4 shirts (no additional registration fee for entering both categories). Max number of team members is 4