

CASI Awards Four Scholarships

Seventy students from 8 states applied for a CASI scholarship this year. Because of the number and the outstanding achievements of these applicants, the Scholarship Committee had a difficult assignment. Twenty-five (25) of the applicants received a final ranking of from one (1) to five (5), ending up with a tie for the third (3rd) top place. I contacted the CASI treasurer and explained the situation, along with my recommendation for solving it. It was decided to award four (4) scholarships this year based on the circumstances.

The four recipients, ranked by the committee, are as follows:

- #1. Amber Goodall - Sierra Vista, AZ.
- #2. Jessica Barton - Round Rock, TX
- #3. Amanda Matheson - Amarillo, TX
- #4. Kris Hudspeth - Irving, TX

The difference this year from last is that we have three young ladies and one young man as compared to three young men last year. I sent each of the four selected a letter of congratulations. I also sent a note to the other 66 applicants thanking them for their interest and efforts in applying for a CASI scholarship.

I believe that we had a very successful second year of the scholarship program and that it will continue to grow in the future. Applications were received from Arizona, Colorado, Illinois, Michigan, Nebraska, New Mexico, Texas, and the Virgin Islands. The word is getting out via the Pods and Great Peppers. A great big thanks to all of you!

Hut Brown



Easter Trash Pickup

This year the Easter trash pickup at Rancho CASI de los Chisos featured some most unlikely participants in Tom Williams and Jim Stateczny (pictured above). These two stood in for Hut Brown and Bobby Elliott, regular volunteers who were unable to attend. Pictured below is the entire crew. Top row, from left to right is Jim Stateczny, Doug Seelig, Mel FitzHenry, Carolyn Seelig, Bruce Stewart, and Tom Williams. In front are Diane FitzHenry and Dru Stewart. The final member of the crew was Shirley Stateczny. Due to recent knee replacement she had the job of truck driver and photographer.



Receive your Terlingua Trails via E-Mail

As the Managing Editor of the Terlingua Trails, and on behalf of the CASI Board of Directors, I am proud to announce this new service to our members. In addition to receiving your paper copy of the Terlingua Trails, you may now have an advanced copy of the Terlingua Trails sent to you via E-Mail. You will receive the Terlingua Trails in "pdf" format, which can be easily read using Acrobat Reader. This can be downloaded free of charge via the world wide web. Look for articles in this issue which will provide you with all necessary information.

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



President's Message

I'm sure most of you didn't miss hearing from me in the April issue of the *Trails*. I figured a double dose of what I had to say in the March issue was enough for two months. I know those involved in assembling the *Trails* didn't intend for my article to appear twice, let alone on the front page. The *Trails* has been undergoing some big changes recently, so a little problem here and there is bound to happen during this time. I know

everyone will be pleased with the *Trails* as each month brings a better newspaper, and one we all hope will be delivered in a timely manner.

I would like to comment on just what purpose the *Terlingua Trails* serves as the CASI newspaper. I know there are some members that feel differently, but the *Trails* is used to promote the CASI organization and its mission to have fun and raise money for charity; that mission is accomplished by sanctioning chili cookoffs throughout the country. The newspaper also informs our members and friends, as well as sponsors and anyone who reads it by way of UPCOMINGS, about where and when cookoffs are being held, as well as other information of interest. The promotion of CASI and our causes comes from articles and other items that appear in the *Trails*.

There are many great and interesting happenings in the world of chili cooking. Some of my best memories have come from being a CASI member, traveling to a chili cookoff, while at the cookoff, or returning from a cookoff. Articles in the *Trails* are wonderful avenues to tell others about all the good CASI members do. Promoting chili, raising money for charity, having fun and good times is all CASI. The *Trails* welcomes articles that are informative, upbeat and sometimes even funny.

I imagine everyone has some experience they can remember relative to being a CASI member that would make a great story for the readers. One of these days I will have to tell you about the trip to Terlingua during which Diane and I bought and changed seven tires for our motorhome. It is a good and bad memory we will never forget, and one we have told from time-to-time while sitting around with a group of old and new friends.

So, I challenge everyone to put some memory you have into words and send it to Renee Moore. I know she will enjoy receiving the article, and many of our readers will surely enjoy reading about memories you have being a CASI chili cook. I look forward to reading some great articles in the upcoming issues of the *Trails*.

Just a quick note on the recent trip we made to Terlingua for the Easter holidays and to take care of the semi-annual highway trash pickup. Bruce Stewart commented on the event in the AiDE's e-mail, but this is for those who don't get e-mail. Nine of us showed up for the Saturday pickup. This was the smallest number of people we have had in a number of years, but the job got done with the Seeligs, Statecznys, Stewarts and Tom Williams taking care of business; even Jim walked the road. We also unloaded all the materials in the old trailer and moved them into the concession stand, so the trailer can be moved out of the way for the new building to be built in its place. This new building will allow for easier moving of the tables and chairs in and out during TICC. It will also allow for more and better storage of items kept at the Ranch. Bruce also mentioned the leftover TICC trash in the CASI cooks area; maybe we should use some of those highway volunteers to cover our own property.

Until next time, thanks to all of you for being great CASI members and friends. Remember our sponsors, and support them when you can.

Mel FitzHenry
CASI President

On Site

It's that time again. The Great Peppers' Meeting is just a few months away. What that means for you is that it's time to make your hotel and travel reservations. You'll see an article in this issue from the Great Pepper Meeting Committee. Phoenix is wonderful in September!

It is also time to think about running for the CASI Board of Directors. The Director Qualification Form has been developed and has been mailed to the Great Peppers. The form is available from a member of the Nominating Committee or me (in hard copy or via email). If you are interested in running for the Board – and I sincerely hope you are – there are five positions up for election/re-election this year, including that of Executive Director. If you are interested, start thinking about declaring your intentions.

I have set an August 10, 2002 deadline for return of the Qualification forms. This will allow the information on all candidates to be mailed to the Great Peppers so they may discuss the upcoming election with their Pod members. According to our Bylaws, no nominations for Director will be permitted at the Annual Meeting in Phoenix.

To add even more fun into the mix, 2002 is a "rules change year". There is an article and a "reduced size" form in this issue. Please, please submit your suggested changes in this format. It will make my life a lot easier. The deadline for rules proposals is July 26, 2002, which will allow me to collate the proposals and get them back out to the Pods for their August meetings.

The Pod Credentials packet and preliminary agenda and itineraries will be mailed in June.

Have a wonderful month. Happy Mother's Day to all our Mothers, Grandmothers, Greats, and Godmothers. I never really considered myself a "mother" until one day in church a few years back the priest asked all the mothers, grandmothers and godmothers to stand. It was very nice being included in that group.

Be safe out there - Johnye Harriman

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Pepperdean's Pondering

Welcome to May! After hibernating for the winter months here in the East, the spring cookoff season is under way, and we're havin' fun.

As CASI Pods, we are obligated to promote CASI and chili cookoffs in our respective areas. I believe, though we have unique challenges in our different locations, many of us face similar problems. Not very long ago at the Mason Dixon Pod, we had only a couple of Maryland cookoffs and very few Maryland cooks. This was not satisfactory. Now we are well on our way to being a 12-point state, we are gaining new cooks each year, and chili enthusiasm is way up.

Some of this growth has come from marketing through the Internet, as I discussed in a previous column. This month, I'd like to share another of our fun programs with you: the Mason Dixon Pod Championship series. It's simple and easy for any Pod to do. All it requires is for someone to do a little record keeping.

We wanted to find a way to reward Pod members for coming out to more cookoffs, for helping at cookoffs, and for bringing us leads for new cookoffs. We also wanted to spur a little friendly competition between Pod members. To do this, we established the Pod Championship Series where we award Pod Points for the following:

Pod members will accrue points on the following basis at each Mason Dixon Pod supported cookoff:

Entered and cooking - 1 point

10th place - 2 points

9th place - 3 points

8th place - 4 points

7th place - 5 points

6th place - 6 points

5th place - 7 points

4th place - 8th place

3rd place - 9 points

2nd - place - 10 points

1st place - 11 points

Organizing an ongoing cookoff - 5 points

Organizing a new cookoff - 10 points

Conducting and participating in a chili cooking seminar to promote a cookoff - 5 points

Head Judge - 5 points

Table monitor - 5 points

Referee - 5 points

Entered and cooking or acting as an official in a Mason Dixon Pod-supported cookoff outside of Maryland/DC/Virginia - 5 bonus points in addition to placing/helping points.

Only Mason Dixon Pod members will earn points. Cooks joining the Pod mid-year will accumulate points from the start date of their membership.

We plan to award the Pod Champion a plaque and \$100 reimbursement of their TICC expenses.

This is how we do it. For next year, I'd like to add something for someone who brings a new cook to a cookoff. We're just five cookoffs into our first year of this program, and we already have new cookoffs and new cookoff helpers. Even better, we're starting to hear comments like, "Hey! How did she get all those Pod Points?"

I've written a simple program in Microsoft Excel to easily keep track of points. If you'd like a copy, send me a note and I'll send you a copy of it.

Comments and suggestions are welcome at: pepperdean@comcast.net

Now, let's go cook.

Alan Dean

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Chili Bites

The first cookoff that I attended was in Blanco with a friend who was a member of The Country Bumpkins chili team. It was quite an experience.

I met Joanne and Richard Horton, Shorty Fry and Yeller Dog and Nan. I might also add, it was an exciting cookoff. A man parked close to us had a gun out that was not loaded - so he thought. He pulled the trigger to show that it was not, and found out it was. As the bullet came our way, I did the fastest duck behind a car that has ever been done. It went over us and landed in a car parked behind us. I almost decided to give up chili cookoffs for good, but am glad now that I didn't.

Cookoffs were not as serious then as now. You cooked, you either won or lost, and then you partied. The point system was a necessary 6:3 for first, 2 for second and 1 for third. 4th through 10th places did not receive points. Duff and our daughter, Terri, qualified for Terlingua on the 6-point system.

Getting back to Blanco. There was a band after the cookoff, and this man in a pair of overalls grabbed me and off we danced. Unfortunately, he didn't dance any better than I did. This was Yeller Dog. When we stopped before falling, I met Joanne and Richard. I still remember they were wearing Willie Nelson t-shirts. I got to know Shorty Fry, too, and we spent a lot of time together at cookoffs over the years. I had a lot of fun with this group for many years. When I got home I thought about my day and decided that chili cookoffs were a lot of fun with a lot of very friendly people. I still feel that way today.

Some of those that were around then are not cooking anymore. I guess they have grown up. Others have left us for a better place. Many are still around, still enjoying cookoffs and all of the many friends that we have bonded with over the years.

There were not any cookoffs in Blanco for many years. I can see why as that much excitement would be hard on a body.

This also reminds me of another cookoff that I went to in New Berlin. Pat Moriarty dressed up as a bunny. He would hide behind the fence and when a car came by would pop up. I saw at least one car turn around and go back the way it came. They probably couldn't believe they really saw a bunny lurking behind a fence, or maybe they had too much to drink the night before and thought they were seeing pink bunnies instead of pink elephants.

We arrived at the New Berlin Cookoff after having been pulled out of the mud at the Houston Pod Cookoff at Bear Creek Park in Houston. We decided since we were out that we might as well go on to New Berlin that night and cook on Sunday. A motley crew of us stopped at the store to get things with which to cook. We had people following us around to see what we were buying as we discussed it with each other in rather loud tones - the finer points of meat, tomato sauce, etc. I can't remember if any of us placed, but we did have fun.

That reminds me of something else. We were with the El Jefes' in New Orleans for the World's Fair to cook chili against cooks from New Orleans. In those days there were not many chili cooks, so we were really cooking against chefs from some of the restaurants. We knew there was a problem when we learned that one of the judges was Miss Texas, and she was a vegetarian. We did beat them, however.

While in New Orleans, we went out to eat at a nice restaurant. We behaved at dinner. How about them apples! After dinner was another story, however. We decided to take a trolley back to the hotel after one of us walked into a light pole, and no, it was not I. In the trolley, we were sitting all over and someone (again not me) decided that we would hijack the trolley and take it to San Antonio. We discussed it from the front, sides, and the back. No one got off; they probably couldn't decide if we were crazy or not and didn't want to risk getting off because of what we might do. I will never understand why people don't trust chili cooks. We do some silly things but we are honest, law abiding people. At least, I think so. We really wouldn't have hijacked that trolley. A trolley can't fly; we knew that. We are not stupid after all. We decided we

wouldn't hijack it and when we next stopped and got off, so did all of the rest of the folks on the trolley. I think that they wanted out of the way of those crazy folks.

Life as a chili cook is fun. Hope to see you at Ladies' State. My daughter, who cooks only once a year, came in third last year. Her mother has made final table so many times. When will it be my turn to get a chair? Probably never. I am a good chili cook but not one of those who win the big cookoffs unless Terri lets me use hers. She also won a stove with five dollars worth of tickets. I have spent enough money to buy at least ten stoves and never won! I think that we need to take that woman to Las Vegas.

By the time you get this, Ladies' State will be over. I will congratulate all of the winners now. (Nothing like doing things early.) I also want to thank all of the workers that volunteer their time to this cookoff every year. It is hard work.

I guess that is it for this month. All of you get out there and get those points. I know that most of you will be at Terlingua anyway, but it is much more fun to be able to cook. So cook that meat, mix those spices, and drink that beer or whatever drink strikes your fancy.

Irene Duffield

“Tales From Along The Trails To Terlingua” by Donn Shands Tejas Medicineman, CASI

“D. T.”

If you were ever to look in a CHILI box,
And rummage all about.

You'll find a certain something in there
That no CHILI HEAD would be without.

It has nothing to do with CHILI powders,
and cans of beef broth and such...

In fact its rather ugly,
And doesn't look like much.

Its said to repair just about any thing.
Its strong as a hairy ape.

I'm talking about the CHILICOOK's friend,
A roll of duct tape!

I've seen it hold together trailers,
Make bandages and splints.

Hold together stove lids.
Even repair holes in tents.

There isn't much of it
That we haven't used to repair a motor home,

We even used it once to duct tape a drunk to a lawn chair,
Preventing her to roam.

It must be a billion uses for that gooey roll of grey.
I'm thankful for its existence
And for all the times that it has saved my day.

I always keep a roll of the gooey grey
In a zippy bag in a special place.

Just like every other CHILIHEAD,
In the bottom of my CHILI case.

The Tejas Medicineman Presents: "Chili Chants" - Let's talk about

What's in your chili case? Or, you might ask, "what's a chili case?"

Most every cook carries some sort of case with them to a cookoff that has most the essentials that will be needed for the cookoff that day. A chili case has taken the form of a lowly cardboard box, yea, even a paper sack, all the way to a custom wooden hand- built brass-hinged carryall locker. Over the years, it has been interesting and amusing at times to see some of the cases and some of the contents that are carried to cookoffs. It has been just since the new century that the cheap plastic tote boxes made their appearance at cookoffs. The Rubbermaid Company has created some of the most useful and rugged of the lot.

First a little history. The earlier of chili cookoffs, as we know chili competition today, was mostly done out of the back of the trunk of a car or off the tailgate of a truck. More than 90% of the cooks did not have campers and motor homes and pitched tents or slept in, under, or around their vehicles with nothing more than a bedroll. Those times with campfire gatherings, songfests, and tale swapping were the beginning of many of the still close friendships that exist today in the chili world.

As time went by, the contents of chili cases migrated to the cupboards in motorhomes and trailers, and chili cases were not seen very often. It was just the new cook or a cook that did not own a camper that carried the chili case to cookoffs. It usually got interesting when a dyed-in-the-wool motor home cook would have to do without their motor home while it was in the shop for repairs. There was always something that was forgotten that had to be borrowed to fix the pot that day. The makeshift "chili case for the day" was always lacking.

The original basic chili case was dedicated to just carrying one group of things: chili powders, spices, and basic other mixin's. Most chili cases were just open wooden boxes with handles on them. Nestled inside would be jars of chili powders, glass spice bottles, a box of salt, assorted types of white and black pepper, onion and garlic powder, and stuck in one corner - a set of measuring spoons. The earlier contest winners were very secretive about their recipes and did not want anyone to know what type of mixin's they were using. They would collect themselves a matched set of screw lid jars and label and fill them with their own special blends. Some crafty cooks would deliberately put in a "decoy" or two just to throw off snoopers. The chili case was closely guarded, and it was sort of understood that you did not explore a chili case unless invited. The more experienced cooks would purchase their powders in quantities and keep them refrigerated, only taking what they needed for the day in the jars in the chili case.

Next month we'll continue looking at the evolution of chili cases, but mean while, I want you all to do some homework. Those that have access to the Internet, go to www.pineywoodspod.com

Look for the section, "For New Cooks". Click on it and then find the section on "Preparation". There you will find a 28-page book on "Preparing Competition Chili".

This was written by one of our all-time favorite cooks, Ray Calhoun. While this dissertation was first published years ago, the information is timeless.

Got comments or suggestions, tales to tell? Write to me.... tejasmed@ev1.net

*Donn Shands
Tejas Medicineman CASI*

The Chili Frontier - Part 5

Now we start doing one of the more difficult tasks in starting a new cookoff in a new area - finding the people to cook. There is no easy way to accomplish this task; it takes time, talking to people, and getting out in the new area.

Where do you think you might find some people that at least like chili? Well, how about a local lounge? Not a bad idea. Even better when you walk in and see a pool table and maybe darts and shuffleboard. Start out sitting at the bar, because the bartender will notice you're new and ask where you're from, what you're doing in town, or something along those lines. I respond, "I am trying to meet people that like 'chili'". Or you could say, "Do you know any place in town that serves good chili?" Or how about "I collect chili recipes and wonder if anyone has a good one." Whatever you use, hang on cause there will be people coming up to talk with you. I say this is one of the more difficult tasks because the more people I having talking to me, the more I have to pace myself drinking beer. Also, don't try to visit all these type places in town the same night. Spread them out (for obvious reasons).

You can find sponsors, as well as potential cooks, in these local establishments. The interest level might be such in some places that you have to go back a couple of times. The next trip, take a copy of the Terlingua Trails or the Goat Gap Gazette. Each time you visit, take something different to build their interest. This is nothing more than basic public relations, marketing, sales, or whatever you want to call it.

Oh yes, at some point the chili with beans/no beans discussion becomes alive and well. Tell them why chili has no beans in it. It's a great story or at least sounds authentic, and they will agree with you in the end. Talk chili, talk chili cookoffs, and tell them what is going to happen in their town - A CASI CHILI COOKOFF. I still have lots of other things to do looking for cooks, and next month I'll go over some of them.

Ken Rodd

JOHNSONS MEET THE PRESIDENT

On Monday, January 14, Dixie and Junior Johnson had the honor of meeting President George Bush in Aurora, Missouri, on his farm tour of the United States.

Dixie was introduced to The President as a retired 35-year Department of Agriculture employee and past TICC 2000 Champion, as well as current CASI Chilihead of the Year.

Junior was introduced as Dixie's husband, a Fireman for the City of Lamar, Missouri, veteran chili cook and member of the Houston Pod Hall of Flame.

The President wished Dixie and Junior "good luck" and encouraged them to keep up what they were doing. He stated he would certainly remember them the next time he had chili to eat.

CASI COOKOFF WINNERS

Feb 9, 2002-005 - Hernando MS
Lions Club CCO, 19 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Judi Cassini, Memphis TN
- 2 Linda Nickle, North Little Rock AR
- 3 Harold Carpenter, Marion AR
- 4 Debbie Blanks, Little Rock AR
- 5 Elizabeth (Bettye) Kemp, Memphis TN

- 6 Lynn Murry, Como MS
- 7 Preston Nickle

- North Little Rock AR
- 8 Billy Kidd, Conway AR
- 9 Joe R. Cassini, Memphis TN
- 10 Preston Shaw, Parsons TN

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Jamaica Spice, Little Rock AR
- Debbie Blanks
- 2 Love Me Tender, Memphis TN
- Joe R. Cassini
- 3 Kings Hot Chili, Como MS
- Lynn Murry

Feb 10, 2002-002 - Southlake TX
McChili McVan-In, 30 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Rex W. Jones, Dallas TX
- 2 Linda Buschel, Irving TX
- 3 Tina Barnes, Euless TX
- 4 Mark Sanders, Ennis TX
- 5 Stan Moore, Lucas TX
- 6 Ron Barnes, Euless TX
- 7 Robert E. (Bob) Coats, Irving TX
- 8 Sandra Watts, Garland TX
- 9 Doris Coats, Irving TX
- 10 Debbie Kriska, Ennis TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Ain't Yo Mama's Chili, Southlake TX
- Lisa Andazola
- 2 Dr. Ray, Waxahachie TX
- Ray Calhoun
- 3 Alamo Chili Show, Fort Worth TX
- George F. Roof III

Feb 16, 2002-006 - Mitchell NE
4th Annual Winter Chili Polkafest, 20 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Mike Parker, Trinidad CO
- 2 Ken VanDer Veen, Gering NE
- 3 Lyman Wilkinson, Loveland CO
- 4 Calvin Carr, Gering NE
- 5 Linda Wilkinson, Loveland CO
- 6 Laurie Parker, Trinidad CO
- 7 Paul Snyder, Gering NE
- 8 Bernie Sibal, Gering NE
- 9 John Montgomery, Golden CO
- 10 Mick Joplin, Miles City MT

Feb 23, 2002-002 - Yoakum TX
Land of Leather CCO, 56 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Phil Greenlees, Houston TX
- 2 Angie Blache, Houston TX
- 3 Jenifer Danysh, Edna TX
- 4 Greg Martin, Cedar Park TX
- 5 Dorothy Spishock
- Clear Lake Shores TX
- 6 Wayne Roessler, Victoria TX
- 7 Gretchen Kaveney, Cedar Park TX
- 8 Nigel Delgado, Houston TX
- 9 Nadine Borgfeld, Yorktown TX
- 10 Glen Volkmer, Victoria TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Moonshine Chili, Yoakum TX
- Corky Fitzpatrick
- 2 Uncle Sam's Chili, Yoakum TX
- Jeanette Dierschke
- 3 B-Bopping Chili, Yoakum TX
- Mike Nobles

Feb 23, 2002-005 - Wichita Falls TX
Graham Central Station 5th Annual, 43 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Ron Barnes, Euless TX
- 2 Kathy Wyatt, Wichita Falls TX
- 3 Shirley Sexton, Dallas TX
- 4 Tina Barnes, Euless TX
- 5 Suzie Manske, Arlington TX
- 6 Mary Lee Wooster, Wichita Falls TX
- 7 George D. Ralston, Wichita Falls TX
- 8 Neta Rohr, Garland TX
- 9 Kyle Adams, Iowa Park TX
- 10 R.D. (David) Wyatt
- Wichita Falls TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Caliente Chili, Wichita Falls TX
- Don Walker
- 2 Bag Lady, Wichita Falls TX
- Jackie Ralston
- 3 Heartburn Chili, Wichita Falls TX
- Don Barfield

Mar 2, 2002-004 - Wichita Falls TX
Eagles 3580 Annual CCO, 20 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Roy Huston, Wichita Falls TX
- 2 Jackie Ralston, Wichita Falls TX
- 3 Dennis H. Jackson, Iowa Park TX
- 4 George D. Ralston, Wichita Falls TX
- 5 Judy Walker, Wichita Falls TX
- 6 Mary Lee Wooster, Wichita Falls TX
- 7 Anne Gager, Wichita Falls TX
- 8 Glyn Gaines, Wichita Falls TX
- 9 Kathy Wyatt, Wichita Falls TX
- 10 Kyle Adams, Iowa Park TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
1 Bag Lady, Wichita Falls TX

- Jackie Ralston
2 Caliente Chili, Wichita Falls TX
Don Walker
3 Papa Smurf, Iowa Park TX
Dennis H. Jackson

Mar 2, 2002-007 - Houston TX
5th Annual Hot Stuff CCO, 16 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Malcolm Williams, Beaumont TX
- 2 Brenda Bishop, San Augustine TX
- 3 Bill Bishop, San Augustine TX
- 4 LaDon Whitton, Nacogdoches TX
- 5 Paul Whitton, Nacogdoches TX
- 6 Pat Krenek, Houston TX
- 7 Sam Marshall, Coldspring TX
- 8 Tracy Burks, Cleveland TX
- 9 Jamie White, Cleveland TX
- 10 Janet Martin, Coldspring TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Blazing Trails, Coldspring TX
- Kenneth R. Munger
- 2 UNCLAIMED
- 3 UNCLAIMED

Mar 3, 2002-002 - Issaquah WA
Texas Independence Day
Celebration, 30 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Barbara (Barb) Sigler, Chehalis WA
- 2 Grier Goldsby
- Pt. Coquitlam, BC V3 BC
- 3 Nick Fadich, Everett WA
- 4 Robert (Bob) Palombi
- Pt. Coquitlam, BC V3 BC
- 5 Perry Sigler, Chehalis WA
- 6 Fred Roycroft
- Pt. Coquitlam, BC V3 BC
- 7 Gordon Forbord, Portland OR
- 8 Judie Anderson, Olympia WA
- 9 Betty Duff, Pt. Coquitlam, BC V3 BC
- 10 Dennis Bloomfield, Issaquah WA

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Blood Sweat & Beers
- Pt. Coquitlam, BC V3 BC
- Grier Goldsby
- 2 Aggnyen & ExTexasy, Lynnwood WA
- Mack Yarbrough
- 3 Neversweat, Seattle WA
- Joe Canavan

Mar 9, 2002-001 - Grapevine TX
33rd Texas Mens State Championship, 224 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

26TH ANNUAL COWTOWN CASI CHILI COOK-OFF

Benefiting Kash For Kids

June 15, 2002

Traders Village

Grand Prairie, Texas




Entries: \$20 Chili, \$5.00 Jackpot Beans (dry pintos only)
Turn-in: Beans - 12:00 p.m., Chili - 1:00 p.m.
Cooks Party Friday Night – Goody bags for 1st 75 entries
RV's and campers welcome – No Hook-ups

For more information, contact Ron Barnes (817) 685-0160 or Mike Sweet (972) 256-1776

CASI Chili Beans Showmanship

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

CHILI TEAM: _____

SHOW TEAM: _____

Send entries to: Cowtown CASI, 110 Arnett Drive, Euless, Texas 76040

- 1 Michael McGarity, Houston TX
- 2 Roy Huston, Wichita Falls TX
- 3 R. Bruce Stewart, Hurst TX
- 4 Jamie Rohr, Celina TX
- 5 Fread E. Cieloncki Sr.
San Antonio TX
- 6 Clif Dugan, Dennison TX
- 7 G. Taylor Miller, Baytown TX
- 8 David E. Baker, Fort Worth TX
- 9 Dan Grannan, Waxahachie TX
- 10 John Bobo, Haltom City TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Spice Boyz, Amarillo TX
Chris Reed
- 2 Mr. Goodwrench Chili
Wichita Falls TX
George D. Ralston
- 3 Whiskey River Show Team
Clear Lake Shores TX
Chuck Spishock

**Mar 9, 2002-002 - Caballo NM
Del Valle FOE 4308 CCO, 15
CHILIS**

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Hugh "Cheech" Hughes,
Alamogordo NM
 - 2 Marion "Bud" Barrick, Organ NM
 - 3 David Trujillo, Arrey NM
 - 4 Larry (Doc) Daugherty
Alamogordo NM
 - 5 Baltazar Vizciano, El Paso TX
 - 6 Carol Straughan, El Paso TX
 - 7 Hut Brown, El Paso TX
 - 8 Cathy Daugherty, Alamogordo NM
 - 9 Bobby Elliott, El Paso TX
 - 10 Donna Von Gentz, El Paso TX
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS**
- 1 More Hal'acious & Momma Mina
Alamogordo NM
Hal Etter
 - 2 Asheep At The Wheel, El Paso TX
Carol Straughan
 - 3 N.Y. N.Y., Alamogordo NM
Hugh "Cheech" Hughes

**Mar 9, 2002-004 - Nicksville AZ
16th Annual Nick's Place St. Pat's,
35 CHILIS**

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 John C. Johnson, Sierra Vista AZ
 - 2 Wayne R. Jolliffe, Tucson AZ
 - 3 Jim Tomlin, Sierra Vista AZ
 - 4 Dick Bruce, Tucson AZ
 - 5 Fran Phillips, Sierra Vista AZ
 - 6 Charles C. (Chuck) Dugan
Sierra Vista AZ
 - 7 Myrl Coultas, Tucson AZ
 - 8 Norm Dunn, Sierra Vista AZ
 - 9 Leo Lemelson, Sierra Vista AZ
 - 10 Nancy Coultas, Tucson AZ
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS**
- 1 Redneck Olympics, Sierra Vista AZ
Douglas L. (Doug) Thuma
 - 2 Hang 'em High, Sierra Vista AZ
John C. Johnson
 - 3 Cave Man Chili, Hereford AZ

Don Mendenhall

**Mar 9, 2002-005 - Memphis TN
VFW Post 4935 Chili Cookoff., 27
CHILIS**

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Sara Garrett, Senatobia MS
- 2 Wanda Cassini, Memphis TN
- 3 Elizabeth (Bettye) Kemp, Memphis TN

4 James Mosley, Little Rock AR

- 5 Rodney A. Jones, Walls MS
- 6 Tanna M. Jones, Walls MS
- 7 Sandy Mashburn, Southaven MS
- 8 Brian Powers, Cordova TN
- 9 Debbie Blanks, Little Rock AR
- 10 Bruce Smith, Little Rock AR

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Debbie's All American
Little Rock AR
Debbie Blanks
- 2 Lowboy Chili, Macon TN
Robert Crone
- 3 VFW Loonies, Como MS
Robert Gross

**Mar 10, 2002-001 - Grapevine TX
Morning After Men's State CO, 73
CHILIS**

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Linda Harper, Ennis TX
- 2 Mark Sanders, Ennis TX
- 3 Larry Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
- 4 Neta Rohr, Garland TX
- 5 Blue Kriska, Ennis TX
- 6 Kary Fieseler, Irving TX
- 7 Anne Roberts, Red Oak TX
- 8 George D. Ralston, Wichita Falls TX

9 Shirley Sexton, Dallas TX

10 Dan Grannan, Waxahachie TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Bag Lady, Wichita Falls TX
Jackie Ralston
- 2 Rock And Roll Chili, Crawford TX
Mavis Nelson
- 3 Dr. Ray, Waxahachie TX
Ray Calhoun

**Mar 16, 2002-002 - Bartlett TN
2nd Annual Bartlett CCO, 22
CHILIS**

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Wanda Cassini, Memphis TN
 - 2 Preston Nickle
North Little Rock AR
 - 3 Tanna M. Jones, Walls MS
 - 4 Rodney A. Jones, Walls MS
 - 5 George Kunkle, Memphis TN
 - 6 Judi Cassini, Memphis TN
 - 7 Lynn Murry, Como MS
 - 8 Carol Knight, Lebanon TN
 - 9 Bill Slegbayer, Memphis TN
 - 10 Richard Knight, Lebanon TN
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS**
- 1 Love Me Tender, Memphis TN
Joe R. Cassini

- 2 Attitude Chili, Walls MS
Rodney A. Jones
- 3 Kings Hot Chili, Como MS
Lynn Murry

**Mar 16, 2002-003 - Odessa TX
American Indian CCO., 20 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS**

- 1 B.J. McDonald, Odessa TX
- 2 Al McDonald, Odessa TX
- 3 Gary Brant, Odessa TX
- 4 Patsy Childress, Midland TX
- 5 Wesley W. (Wes) Watson, Midland TX

- 6 Roger Bains, Rankin TX
- 7 Keith Coffman, Odessa TX
- 8 Louis Gonzales, Paint Rock TX
- 9 Barbara Herrin, Odessa TX
- 10 Karen Bains, Rankin TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Red Savage, Odessa TX
B.J. McDonald
- 2 UNCLAIMED
- 3 UNCLAIMED

**Mar 16, 2002-004 - Tacoma WA
St. Patrick's Red and Green CCO.,
27 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS**

- 1 Al Ruskin, Spanaway WA
- 2 Dave McKay, No. Vancouver, BC
V7 BC
- 3 Betty Duff, Pt. Coquitlam, BC V3
BC

- 4 Gordon Forbord, Portland OR
- 5 Ruth H. Peach, Tacoma WA
- 6 Grier Goldsby
Pt. Coquitlam, BC V3 BC

- 7 Barbara (Barb) Sigler, Chehalis WA
- 8 Perry Sigler, Chehalis WA
- 9 Steven (Steve) Price, Portland OR
- 10 Fred Roycroft
Pt. Coquitlam, BC V3 BC

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Aggieny & ExTexasy, Lynnwood WA
Mack Yarbrough
- 2 Blood Sweat & Beers
Pt. Coquitlam, BC V3 BC
- Grier Goldsby
- 3 Clown, Kent WA
Stan Sons

**Mar 16, 2002-005 - Emory TX
Rains County Farmers Market
CCO., 29 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS**

7th Annual

City of White Settlement Chili Cookoff

June 1, 2002



Prizes Awarded To

1st, 2nd & 3rd Local Winners
1st thru 10th CASI Winners
Goodie Bags for first 20 entries
\$17 Entry Fee

Register At
White Settlement Recreation Center
8213 White Settlement Road

Cookoff Site:
White Settlement Municipal Complex
8211-15 White Settlement Road
Southwest corner of White Settlement Rd and Meadow Park Drive

For more information call 817-246-5012

- 1 Bill Buschel, Irving TX
 - 2 Amy Lambright, Irving TX
 - 3 Jackie Grose, Quinlan TX
 - 4 Blue Kriska, Ennis TX
 - 5 Jamie Rohr, Celina TX
 - 6 Kent Reed, Edgewood TX
 - 7 Andrew (Andy) Hardin, McKinney TX
 - 8 Debbie Kriska, Ennis TX
 - 9 Candy Schultz, Quinlan TX
 - 10 Charles Breeden, Alvarado TX
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 No Name Yet Chili, Lancaster TX
Frank Gadberry
 - 2 No Brag Chili, Longview TX
Betty Arnold
 - 3 Picnic Table, Hugh Springs TX
Tom Megason

Mar 16, 2002-006 - San Angelo TX
St. Patrick's Day Chili Cookoff., 15
 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Sherry J. Maus, San Angelo TX
 - 2 Donna Hill, San Angelo TX
 - 3 Weldon Lloyd, Robert Lee TX
 - 4 Jason Cowart, San Angelo TX
 - 5 Laura L. Coad, San Angelo TX
 - 6 Cindy Childress, San Angelo TX
 - 7 Sue Yates, San Angelo TX
 - 8 Fred Lazarus, Mertzen TX
 - 9 Donald "Don" Boswell, San Angelo TX
 - 10 Dwayne O. Ogden, San Angelo TX
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Sug's Shack Chili, San Angelo TX
LaVerne Boswell
 - 2 Pot Bellies Chili, San Angelo TX
Sue Yates
 - 3 Pepper-up, San Angelo TX
Sherry J. Maus

Mar 17, 2002-001 - Seguin TX
Country Caberet Spring Fling, 35
 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Jennifer Kosub, San Antonio TX
 - 2 R. Bruce Jones, Canyon Lake TX
 - 3 Larry Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
 - 4 Julie Darley, Canyon Lake TX
 - 5 Angie Blache, Houston TX
 - 6 Maxine Reed, Schertz TX
 - 7 LaFon Roessler, Victoria TX
 - 8 Annell Causey, Seguin TX
 - 9 Sally Lee, San Antonio TX
 - 10 Tommy Blache, Houston TX
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Cheyenne Lady's Chili, Victoria TX
LaFon Roessler
 - 2 The Cutting Edge, Marble Falls TX
Ronelda Wendler
 - 3 Tall Girl Frog, Rockdale TX
Sue Caffey

Mar 17, 2002-003 - Alvarado TX
5th Annual American Legion Post
426, 23 CHILIS

- CHILI WINNERS
- 1 Suzie Manske, Arlington TX
 - 2 Dee Palmer, Mansfield TX
 - 3 Charles Breeden, Alvarado TX
 - 4 Judy Walker, Wichita Falls TX
 - 5 Billy Hutson, Granbury TX
 - 6 Tina Barnes, Euless TX
 - 7 Nick L. Roberts, Red Oak TX
 - 8 Donell Dickerson, Shawnee OK
 - 9 Walt Moshier, Whitney TX
 - 10 Jerry D. Dickerson, Shawnee OK
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Potential Goat Ranch Cooker
Weatherford TX
Scott Campbell
 - 2 Caliente Chili, Wichita Falls TX
Don Walker
 - 3 Puzzle Time Chili, Hurst TX
Bill Sweigart

Mar 23, 2002-001 - Las Cruces NM
FOE Aerie CASI CCO, 21 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Norman Wilke, El Paso TX
 - 2 Donna Von Gentz, El Paso TX
 - 3 Janie Owen, El Paso TX
 - 4 R.E. (Clem) Clement, Alamogordo NM
 - 5 Bill McNeil, Las Cruces NM
 - 6 Hut Brown, El Paso TX
 - 7 Eloy Salamanca, El Paso TX
 - 8 Myrna McNeil, Las Cruces NM
 - 9 Susan Douglass, El Paso TX
 - 10 Hal Etter, Alamogordo NM
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Black Garter Chili, El Paso TX
Marcia Gamino
 - 2 Surf Chili, El Paso TX
Jason Douglass
 - 3 Asheep At The Wheel, El Paso TX
Carol Straughan

Mar 23, 2002-002 - Pasadena TX
Annual Pasadena Pod CCO, 67
 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Mikie McGarity, Southlake TX
 - 2 Jessie Elshick, Austin TX
 - 3 James B. "JB" Barker, Crosby TX
 - 4 Ralph Hay, Pasadena TX
 - 5 G. Taylor Miller, Baytown TX
 - 6 Edna Thompson, Houston TX
 - 7 George Thompson, Houston TX
 - 8 Karin Barnes, Houston TX
 - 9 Angie Blache, Houston TX
 - 10 Chuck Spishock
Clear Lake Shores TX
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Lizard Lick'n Chili, Houston TX
Bruce Wilkins
 - 2 Chingale Chili, Austin TX
Jessie Elshick
 - 3 Gorilla Man, Houston TX
Irvin Heminger

Mar 23, 2002-003 - Somerset TX
7th Annual Cheap Charlie's
Cabrito, 27 CHILIS

- CHILI WINNERS
- 1 Randy Evans, Canyon Lake TX
 - 2 Laura McDaniel, San Antonio TX
 - 3 Jim McKee, Canyon Lake TX
 - 4 Marvin Schulze, Yorktown TX
 - 5 Karl F. Buechler Jr., Kerrville TX
 - 6 Reva Weatherly, Canyon Lake TX
 - 7 Mary Ellen Gillen, San Antonio TX
 - 8 Barbara C. Taylor, Johnson City TX
 - 9 Robert E. Schrade, San Antonio TX
 - 10 Clyde Rogers, San Antonio TX
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Ace In The Hole, San Antonio TX
Clyde Rogers
 - 2 Home Brew II, Yorktown TX
Betsy Schulze
 - 3 Copenhagen Lady, San Antonio TX
Connie Sue Schrade

Mar 23, 2002-004 - McGregor TX
First Annual Central Texas Pod
CCO, 19 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Linda Buschel, Irving TX
 - 2 Alan Cawthon, Garland TX
 - 3 Sam Henderson, Garland TX
 - 4 Mark Sanders, Ennis TX
 - 5 Robert Nelson, Crawford TX
 - 6 Maxine Reed, Schertz TX
 - 7 Amy Lambright, Irving TX
 - 8 Russell E. Harriman, Belton TX
 - 9 Johnnie Harriman, Belton TX
 - 10 Vicki Sanders, Ennis TX
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Spook Show, The, Belton TX
Johnnie Harriman
 - 2 Tall Boy, Rockdale TX
John Caffey
 - 3 Monkey Bars, Belton TX
Roger Stout

Mar 23, 2002-005 - Parker AZ
People's Choice Chili Cookoff., 18
 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Norman Schoenrad, New River AZ
 - 2 Sylvia Demske, Phoenix AZ
 - 3 David J. (MadJack) Garner
Chandler AZ
 - 4 Roylene Johnson, Ottumwa IA
 - 5 Jan Ployhar, Brainerd MN
 - 6 Roy Ployhar, Brainerd MN
 - 7 Dick Smith, New River AZ
 - 8 Willie Raven, Phoenix AZ
 - 9 Lylah Raven, Phoenix AZ
 - 10 Genee R. Jolliffe, Tuscon AZ
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Coyote Ugly, Phoenix AZ
Lylah Raven
 - 2 R2 Chili, Phoenix AZ
Roland Regeon
 - 3 Mamacita Caliente, Kingman AZ
Shirley Yeargin

Mar 23, 2002-006 - Grand Prairie TX
HRA Chili Cookoff., 20 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Tina Barnes, Euless TX
 - 2 Tammy Williams, Mesquite TX
 - 3 Dee Palmer, Mansfield TX
 - 4 Kenneth Robbins, Lewisville TX
 - 5 Ray Medlin, Rowlett TX
 - 6 Johnnie L. Sullivan, Ennis TX
 - 7 John Comte, Garland TX
 - 8 Charles Breeden, Alvarado TX
 - 9 Chris Cook, Dallas TX
 - 10 Dani C. Medlin, Rowlett TX
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Tool Time, Rowlett TX
Dani C. Medlin
 - 2 South Side Chili, Dallas TX
Chris Cook
 - 3 Red Robin Roadshow, Waxahachie TX
Robin Goodman

Mar 23, 2002-007 - Wichita Falls TX
3rd Annual Elks Children's
Hospital, 32 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Anne Gager, Wichita Falls TX
 - 2 Debbie Canon, Wichita Falls TX
 - 3 Kathy Wyatt, Wichita Falls TX
 - 4 Dennis H. Jackson, Iowa Park TX
 - 5 R.D. (David) Wyatt
Wichita Falls TX
 - 6 Donell Dickerson, Shawnee OK
 - 7 Michelle Adams, Iowa Park TX
 - 8 Jan Hodge, Wichita Falls TX
 - 9 Joe Spears, Shawnee OK
 - 10 Kyle Adams, Iowa Park TX
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Mr. Goodwrench Chili
Wichita Falls TX
George D. Ralston
 - 2 Bag Lady, Wichita Falls TX
Jackie Ralston
 - 3 Caliente II, Wichita Falls TX
Judy Walker

Mar 23, 2002-008 - Odessa TX
4th Annual St Anthony's BBQ &
CCO, 50 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS
 1 Wesley W. (Wes) Watson, Midland TX

- 2 Darrell Hopper, Odessa TX
 - 3 Patsy Childress, Midland TX
 - 4 Kevin Larson, Odessa TX
 - 5 Dennis Brackeen, Lamesa TX
 - 6 Gwyn Brackeen, Lamesa TX
 - 7 Al McDonald, Odessa TX
 - 8 Jim Crain, Crane TX
 - 9 Connie Collier, Snyder TX
 - 10 Lee Roy Childress, Midland TX
- SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
- 1 Cherokee Lady, Odessa TX
Joyce Yarbrough
 - 2 River Rat Chili, Lamesa TX
Dennis Brackeen
 - 3 TLC, Odessa TX
Joann Scott

Mar 24, 2002-001 - Pasadena TX
Pasadena Cook-off, 43 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS
 1 Don Meehan, Houston TX
 2 Al Austin, Houston TX
 3 G. Taylor Miller, Baytown TX
 4 Larry Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
 5 Sherrie Davis, South Houston TX
 6 Karin Barnes, Houston TX
 7 Jessie Elshick, Austin TX
 8 James B. "JB" Barker, Crosby TX
 9 Ralph Hay, Pasadena TX
 10 Joe Braden, Houston TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Faded Love, Houston TX
 Joe Braden
 2 Gorilla Man, Houston TX
 Irvin Heminger
 3 Blazen Chili, Houston TX
 Tommy Blache

7 Mavis Nelson, Crawford TX
 8 Bill Buschel, Irving TX
 9 Glenn Martin, Quinlan TX
 10 Russell E. Harriman, Belton TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Spook Show, The, Belton TX
 Johnye Harriman
 2 Tall Boy, Rockdale TX
 John Caffey
 3 UNCLAIMED

Mar 24, 2002-003 - Wichita Falls TX
Texas Elks Children's Services
CCO., 29 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS
 1 Chuck Hawthorne, Wichita Falls TX
 2 Glyn Gaines, Wichita Falls TX
 3 Anne Gager, Wichita Falls TX
 4 Donell Dickerson, Shawnee OK
 5 Joe Spears, Shawnee OK
 6 Sylvia Riordan, Wichita Falls TX
 7 Judy Hawthorne, Wichita Falls TX
 8 Jerry D. Dickerson, Shawnee OK
 9 Judy Walker, Wichita Falls TX
 10 Don Walker, Wichita Falls TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Bag Lady, Wichita Falls TX
 Jackie Ralston
 2 Papa Smurf, Iowa Park TX
 Dennis H. Jackson

3 Caliente Chili, Wichita Falls TX
 Don Walker
Mar 30, 2002-001 - Converse TX
9th Annual "Half Way Point" CCO,
27 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS
 1 Keith Karaff, Houston TX
 2 Tommy Blache, Houston TX
 3 Angie Blache, Houston TX
 4 Norma L. Homesley, Manchaca TX
 5 Happy Hinman, San Antonio TX
 6 Connie Sue Schrade, San Antonio TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 7 R. Bruce Jones, Canyon Lake TX
 8 Charmaine Rogers, San Antonio TX
 9 Laura McDaniel, San Antonio TX
 10 Robert E. Schrade, San Antonio TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Spine Tingling Chili
 Marble Falls TX
 Carrie Kinnison
 2 Southern Girl, Houston TX
 Angie Blache
 3 Copenhagen Lady, San Antonio TX
 Connie Sue Schrade
Mar 30, 2002-002 - Irving TX
9th Annual Lost Patrol CCO, 36
CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

1 Doris Coats, Irving TX
 2 Dale Reinecker, Bedford TX
 3 Dusty Sweet, Irving TX
 4 David I. Sexton Sr., Dallas TX
 5 David I. Sexton Jr., Arlington TX
 6 Suzie Manske, Arlington TX
 7 Dawn Martin, Addison TX
 8 Sherree Duncan
 North Richland Hills TX
 9 Mikie McGarity, Southlake TX
 10 Mike Parker, Trinidad CO
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Southside Foggy Mountain
 Grand Prairie TX
 Jim Johnson
 2 Bull Rush, Irving TX
 Ginny Williams
 3 Outhouse Chili, Trinidad CO
 Laurie Parker
Mar 30, 2002-003 - Wichita Falls TX
American Legion Post 169 CCO, 18
CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS
 1 William E.(Bill) Riordan
 Wichita Falls TX
 2 Jo Ann Gaines, Wichita Falls TX
 3 Sylvia Riordan, Wichita Falls TX
 4 Jack Mason, Wichita Falls TX
 5 Debbie Canon, Wichita Falls TX

Mar 24, 2002-002 - McGregor TX
First Annual Central Texas Chili, 21
CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS
 1 Mark Sanders, Ennis TX
 2 Debbie Kriska, Ennis TX
 3 Linda Buschel, Irving TX
 4 Billy Hutson, Granbury TX
 5 Kay Hutson, Granbury TX
 6 John Comte, Garland TX

Southwest Open Chili Championship & NOB POD Cook off Memorial Day Weekend May 25 & 26, 2002

Location: MPEC RV Park, Burnett St.
Announcer: Boomer Kingston
Contact People: Glyn Gaines - 940-767-2273
 Don Walker - 940-691-0108
 Roy Huston - 940-691-5643
Information: Drawing for room cutoff April 30
 Friday Night Cook's Party
 Entertainment Provided
 Dinner - Friday and Saturday
 Breakfast - Saturday and Sunday
Lodging: Hampton Inn 940-766-3300
 \$55 per night
 Pets are accepted
 *****Ask for Southwest Open CCO Rate

AWARDS

Glyn and JoAnn Gaines Traveling Trophy
 Chili 1st - 10th place:
 Coleman Stoves and Chairs
 Chili 11th - 20th place:
 Stove Bags & Coleman Chairs
 Top 3 CASI and 1st Show:
 Qualify to TICC
 1st - 3rd Chili and 1st show:
 Expense money to TICC
NO PETS ALLOWED

Mail entry to:
Judy Walker
6650 Kovarik Road
Wichita Falls, TX 76310

 Name:
 Address:
 Phone:
 CASI Chili \$25
 S.W.O. Shirt \$25
 S.W.O. Hat \$10
 NOB POD CCO \$17
 BEANS \$10, \$200 added money

NOB POD CCO Sunday May 26 - 12 noon turn in

Amount Enclosed

6 Mary Lee Wooster, Wichita Falls TX

7 Jan Hodge, Wichita Falls TX

8 Robert E. Bell, Aubrey TX

9 Arvol Hodge, Wichita Falls TX

10 Anne Gager, Wichita Falls TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Heartburn Chili, Wichita Falls TX

Don Barfield

2 UNCLAIMED

3 UNCLAIMED

Mar 30, 2002-004 - Canton TX

3rd Annual Buffalo Girls CCO, 34

CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 Al Austin, Houston TX

2 Ginny Matthews, Willis TX

3 Nathan Roe, Willis TX

4 Betty Arnold, Longview TX

5 Darrell Johnson Tubb, Tyler TX

6 Frank Gadberrry, Lancaster TX

7 Rick Matthews, Willis TX

8 Stan Moore, Lucas TX

9 Marcia Headrick, Huntsville TX

10 Neta Rohr, Garland TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Snowman, Kemp TX

Portia Rogers

2 Wild Girl Chili, Scurry TX

Karen Sanders

3 No Name Yet Chili, Lancaster TX

Frank Gadberrry

Mar 30, 2002-006 - Dalhart TX

Dalhart Rotary Roadkill Chili, 17

CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 Carol Lilly, Amarillo TX

2 Garnier Albus, Amarillo TX

3 Margaret Lopez, Rio Rancho NM

4 Pam Matheson, Amarillo TX

5 Dub Poyner, Fritch TX

6 Susan Campbell, Amarillo TX

7 Cam Poyner, Fritch TX

8 Beverly Southard, Amarillo TX

9 Scott Campbell, Amarillo TX

10 Steven A. Lopez, Rio Rancho NM

Mar 30, 2002-007 - Conowingo MD

3rd Annual Conowingo Chili, 17

CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 Kim Archer, Pylesville MD

2 Bill Henderson, Forest Hill MD

3 Kevin (Dewey) Mullins

Middletown VA

4 Lew Wheeling, Reading PA

5 Susan Dean, Bel Air MD

6 Alan Dean, Bel Air MD

7 Dave E. Cleary Jr., Conowingo MD

8 Robert Cooper, Nottingham MD

9 Debbie Henderson, Forest Hill MD

10 Jim Parker, Alexandria VA

Mar 31, 2002-001 - Converse TX

8th Annual Ladies Auxiliary CCO,

22 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 R. Bruce Jones, Canyon Lake TX

2 Maxine Reed, Schertz TX

3 Jean H. Barkley, Weimar TX

4 Richard Hinds, Del Rio TX

5 Cynthia A. (Cindy) Reed, Houston

TX

6 Tommy Blache, Houston TX

7 Bruce Wilkins, Houston TX

8 Angie Blache, Houston TX

9 Norma L. Homesley, Manchaca TX

10 Dan Grannan, Waxahachie TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Blazen Chili, Houston TX

Tommy Blache

2 Lizard Lick'n Chili, Houston TX

Bruce Wilkins

3 Doc's Backbone Chili

Marble Falls TX

Larry Kinnison

Apr 6, 2002-003 - Granbury TX

Canyon Creek CCO, 50 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 Harvey Johnson, Arlington TX

2 Charles Breeden, Alvarado TX

3 Charles E. (Chuck) Dolan

Columbus OH

4 Judy Dyer, Tomball TX

5 Billy Hutson, Granbury TX

6 Jo Ann Gaines, Wichita Falls TX

7 Sue Yates, San Angelo TX

8 Don Walker, Wichita Falls TX

9 Amy Lambricht, Irving TX

10 Cody Day, Glen Rose TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Buck N Chili, Fort Worth TX

Carl LeClaire

2 Scrubboard Chili, Cleburne TX

Mabel Griffin

3 Weat Of The Week, Weatherford

TX

Scott Campbell

Apr 6, 2002-004 - Gulf Shores AL

Alabama State Chili Cookoff, 24

CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 Melanie Sutton, Gulf Shores AL

2 Marolyn Blair, Houston TX

3 Eric Bernard, Pace FL

4 Randy English, Douglasville GA

5 Renee F. Moore, Gulf Shores AL

6 Lisa Owens, Byron GA

7 Kevin Frazier, Brewton AL

8 James T. (J.T.) Pittman

Hiawassee GA

9 Darren Moore, Houston TX

10 Bob Horan, Cypress TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Bama Slammer - Roll Tide

Guntersville AL

Jimmy Kitchens

2 Hot Cow Chili, Tyler TX

Darrell Johnson Tubb

3 Wisers Landing Chili, Niceville FL

Jimmy L. Maturo

Apr 6, 2002-005 - Odessa TX

4th Annual MCM Elegante Hotel

Chili, 21 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 Chuck Spishock

Clear Lake Shores TX

2 Keith Coffman, Odessa TX

3 Pat Krenek, Houston TX

4 Ken Large, Odessa TX

5 Roger Bains, Rankin TX

6 Kathy Boone, Odessa TX

7 Joyce Yarbrough, Odessa TX

8 Bruce Wilkins, Houston TX

9 Darrell Hopper, Odessa TX

10 Joann Scott, Odessa TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Whiskey River Show Team

Clear Lake Shores TX

Chuck Spishock

2 Dos Gringos, Midland TX

Guy McKenzie

3 Nalani's, Odessa TX

Teresa Wagon

Apr 6, 2002-006 - Weesatche TX

2nd Annual Vol. Fire Dept. CCO.,

33 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 Ronald D. Charlton, Houston TX

2 Don Causey, Seguin TX

3 LaFon Roessler, Victoria TX

4 Betsy Schulze, Yorktown TX

5 Karen Reinke, Martindale TX

6 Dianna Hoy, Cuero TX

7 Jenifer Danysh, Edna TX

8 Marvin Schulze, Yorktown TX

9 Wayne Roessler, Victoria TX

10 Russell Bethke, Weesatche TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 County Line Cookers, Yorktown

TX

Linda Willms

2 Damn Yankee, Yorktown TX

Nadine Borgfeld

3 Coyote Chili, Goliad TX

Shawn Hoff

Apr 6, 2002-008 - Kingman AZ

Arizona Veterans Open CCO and,

16 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 Lenn Deevers, Henderson NV

2 Virgil Johnson, Ottumwa IA

3 Frank Head, New River AZ

4 Tim Wasik Sr., Hualapai AZ

5 Guy Tennison, Sierra Vista AZ

6 Roylene Johnson, Ottumwa IA

7 Frances Staples, Swans Island ME

8 Tom Vinson, Kingman AZ

9 Shirley Yeargin, Kingman AZ

10 Phyllis E. Foreman, Kingman AZ

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Sixty-six/'66" Best, Kingman AZ

Genie Ortiz

2 Jack-O-Lantern Chili

Sierra Vista AZ

Guy Tennison

3 Mamacita Caliente, Kingman AZ

Shirley Yeargin

Apr 6, 2002-009 - Kingsland TX

Kingsland/Lake LBJ Chamber of,

25 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 Mike Monte, Cedar Park TX

2 Nick L. Roberts, Red Oak TX

3 Marion "Rusty" Paske, Kingsland

TX

4 Anne Roberts, Red Oak TX

5 Jessie Waguespack, Austin TX

6 Barbara Taylor, Cedar Park TX

7 James Bauer, Leander TX

8 Ruby Ross, Marble Falls TX

9 Barbara Schueler, Leander TX

10 John Goforth, Comfort TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Dr. See Good, Brainerd MN

Roy Ployhar

2 Shoot-A-Mile, Comfort TX

John Goforth

3 Copenhagen Lady, San Antonio TX

Connie Sue Schrade

Apr 7, 2002-001 - Granbury TX

Canyon Creek CCO, 29 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 Linda Buschel, Irving TX

2 Billy Hutson, Granbury TX

3 Larry Kinnison, Marble Falls TX

4 Sue Yates, San Angelo TX

5 Maxine Reed, Schertz TX

6 Harvey Johnson, Arlington TX

7 Judy Dyer, Tomball TX

8 Andy Causey, Wylie TX

9 Mavis Nelson, Crawford TX

10 Jenny Causey, Wylie TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Hawg Wild, Whitney TX

Walt Moshier

2 Scrubboard Chili, Cleburne TX

Mabel Griffin

3 Rock And Roll Chili, Crawford TX

Mavis Nelson

Apr 7, 2002-003 - Kingsland TX

Kingsland/Lake LBJ Chamber of,

21 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

1 Barbara Taylor, Cedar Park TX

2 Anne Roberts, Red Oak TX

3 Nick L. Roberts, Red Oak TX

4 John Comte, Garland TX

5 Ruby Ross, Marble Falls TX

6 Jessie Waguespack, Austin TX

7 Melba Fae Paske, Kingsland TX

8 Gayle A. Cook, Marble Falls TX

9 Larry Burruss, San Marcos TX

10 Ronelda Wendler, Marble Falls TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Dr. See Good, Brainerd MN

Roy Ployhar

2 UNCLAIMED

3 UNCLAIMED

YEAR-TO-DATE COOKOFF STATISTICS

STATE	REQ PTS	COOKOFFS HELD	CHILIS JUDGED	MONEY RAISED
ALABAMA	6	2	39	1,800.00
ARKANSAS	12	12	338	27,504.00
ARIZONA	12	15	411	22,277.00
CALIFORNIA	6	1	20	10,000.00
COLORADO	6	2	31	2,000.00
FLORIDA	9	6	82	2,660.00
IOWA	9	2	33	3,100.00
ILLINOIS	9	3	76	783.00
INDIANA	6	1	23	2,500.00
KANSAS	6	1	48	4,500.00
LOUISIANA	6	1	39	1,522.00
MARYLAND	9	5	83	3,971.00
MISSOURI	6	2	45	4,180.00
MISSISSIPPI	9	4	73	200.00
MEXICO	6	3	248	4,920.00
NORTH CAROLINA	9	3	56	1,094.00
NORTH DAKOTA	6	1	15	300.00
NEBRASKA	6	1	20	2,000.00
NEW MEXICO	12	8	227	9,600.00
OKLAHOMA	12	6	138	7,873.00
OREGON	6	1	16	719.00
TENNESSEE	12	6	113	10,990.00
TEXAS	12	152	5,774	294,110.30
WASHINGTON	9	2	57	500.00
WEST VIRGINIA	6	1	15	350.00
GRAND TOTAL		241	8,020	419,453.30

DELINQUENT COOKOFFS - These are
Cookoffs held before 03/01/02 that
results have not been received for!

NONE

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Tales from the Pub

- Q: How can you tell if a lawyer is well hung?
A: You can't get a finger between the rope and his neck!
- Q: If you are stranded on a desert island with Adolph Hitler, Attila the Hun, and a lawyer, and you have a gun with only two bullets, what do you do?
A: Shoot the lawyer twice.
- Q: What do a lawyer and sperm have in common?
A: They both have a one in a million chance of being human.
- Q: What do you call 5000 dead lawyers at the bottom of the ocean?
A: A good start!
- Q: How can you tell when a lawyer is lying?
A: His lips are moving.
- Q: What's the difference between a dead dog in the road and a dead lawyer in the road?
A: There are skid marks in front of the dog.
- Q: Why won't sharks attack lawyers?
A: Professional courtesy.
- Q: What do you have when a lawyer is buried up to his neck in sand?
A: Not enough sand.
- Q: How do you get a lawyer out of a tree?
A: Cut the rope.
- Q: Do you know how to save a drowning lawyer?
A: Take your foot off his head.
- Q: Do you know how to save a drowning lawyer?
A: No? Good!
- Q: What is the definition of a shame (as in "that's a shame")?
A: When a busload of lawyers goes off a cliff.
- Q: What is the definition of a "crying shame"?
A: There was an empty seat.
- Q: Where can you find a good lawyer?
A: In the cemetery.
- Q: What's the difference between a lawyer and a gigolo?
A: A gigolo only screws one person at a time.
- Q: What's the difference between a lawyer and a vampire?
A: A vampire only sucks blood at night.
- Q: What is the difference between a lawyer and a rooster?
A: When a rooster wakes up in the morning, its primal urge is to cluck defiance.
- Q: How many law professors does it take to change a light bulb?
A: Hell, you need 250 just to lobby for the research grant.

Proposed Rule Changes

For all of you who have been holding onto suggested changes to the CASI rules, now is your chance. This year is a "rules change" year, and Pods are encouraged to submit any changes they may have. Please use the format outlined below. If you would like a full-sized paper copy of this form, please get with your Great Pepper or let me know; I can also email it to you.

Because it is important that the Pods discuss how their Great Peppers will vote with regard to specific proposals, I have set July 26 as the deadline for return of these forms. This will (hopefully) let me assemble, photocopy and get these proposals back out to the Pods prior to their August meetings. There will be no proposals accepted from the floor of the Great Peppers Meeting.

To facilitate the process of rules review, earlier this year the Great Peppers were mailed a copy of the "round four" document prepared last year by the Rules Review Committee. Please get with your Great Pepper if you would like to review a copy of this document.

Thanks for your careful review of the rules and your continuing efforts to make CASI better.

Johnye Harriman



2002 CASI RULES
Rule Change Proposals

Pod Submitting: _____

Current Rule: _____ Page Number in 2002 Rule Book: _____

Proposed Change (Retype proposed rule, if necessary)

Rationale:

This form must be returned to Johnye Harriman prior to July 26, 2002.

Terlingua Kiss Leads to Marriage 24 Years Later

On a crisp, star-studded night - November 17, 2001 - Mike Sweet and Dusty Kitterman were united in marriage. Hosted by CASI Director Mikie McGarity and husband Nick, the Country & Western style ceremony took place at PepperTop Ranch, site of the annual McHogin Cookoff, with at over 100 'cookin' friends in attendance. Mr. Sweet and Miss Kitterman's children served as attendants.

Those are the facts...but with apologies to Paul Harvey, this is the rest of the story.

The year was 1978. At age 24, Mike had qualified and was participating in the TICC, (don't we all wish we could have qualified that young) accompanied by his girlfriend at the time. It just so happened that Doris Kitterman (now Coats) was also participating at the TICC and brought her teenage daughter, Dusty, and Dusty's then boyfriend to help with the show team. Mike had seen the young Miss Kitterman around at local cookoffs, and they knew each other and had talked but were no more than just friends; but Mike noticed that she was there. The bustle and preparations of cooking, showing, and generally having a great time gave no hint of the lightning that was about to strike!

Now according to Mike, it was another one of those clear, moonlit, magical nights for which Terlingua is famous. The activities of the day were over (and oh yes, Mr. Sweet won 2nd place that day), and people were congregating at the top of the hill at Glen Pepper's Ranch to listen to and sing along with Kent Findlay and the High Cotton Express.

Mike and Dusty found themselves walking up that hill, alone, together in the moonlight under a dazzling clear sky. His girlfriend and her boyfriend had already gone up the hill to join the group.

She was wearing blue jeans and a turtleneck. (Does Mike remember that night? Oh yea!) And it happened. The KISS! "There was no premeditation, no pre-planning, it just happened" Mike said. This wasn't one of those "just friends, buss on the cheek kind of kiss - oh no, this was a full flush-on-the-mouth, "cross your eyes and see stars" type of kiss. Who initiated the kiss is debatable, but Dusty recalls, "Mike's soul was in his eyes. We stepped back after we kissed and did a little "wow", and even in the starlight, I could see his eyes, and I could tell that he'd let me in". (Does Dusty remember that night? Oh yea!) However regardless of the magic of the moment, it was off to the hill where their friends were waiting. The flame that was to smolder for over two decades had been ignited.

Back in the real world, they remained just good friends and Mike says "I never forgot that kiss; it was one of those heart-imprints that never go away. From that moment on Dusty was my standard, and I guess nobody ever quite measured up."

As life has a way of doing, it took them down different highways. Mike got married and started his family. A couple of years later Dusty married and started hers. It wasn't like they never saw each other again, because they did. In fact Mike's wife and Dusty became close friends. And when they were apart for a while, they kept up with each other through casual inquiries of friends and family. And this went on for over 19 years!

Dusty explained, "We'd always be glad to see each other and have a "hi, how are you type of hug" between just good friends. I came to know him as a really good guy, but when we did see each other, he never really could look me in the eye"

As the years rolled by, both eventually divorced their spouses. They saw one another at social events and cookoffs but that was about it. Then at the 2000 Arlingua Cookoff in Arlington, TX, they again bumped into each other and started talking. "As we talked, I realized he was actually looking into my eyes, and I knew and he knew that we were going to be together", explained Dusty.

In the February 2001 issue of the Goat Gap Gazette, Mike published his proposal of marriage on the front page. Dusty accepted in the March issue and as they say, the rest is history.

At the 2001 TICC, they made a special trip back to the hill at Glenn Pepper's Ranch to revisit the site of the first kiss 24 years ago and to reaffirm their future together. And on November 17th, they completed the journey that had been started so long ago.

And now you know the rest of this Sweet Sweet story. And so it goes on the chili trail.

Dale Reinecker, TOT and Cowtown Pods

Scholarship Contribution

At the recent Bobby Aldridge Memorial Cook's Reunion Cookoff, \$305.00 was raised for the CASI Scholarship Fund. Thanks go to the Rose City Chili Pod and La CASI Louisianne Pod for this generous donation.

Terlingua, The Horse

Johnye had a request in January from Patricia McQueen in Massachusetts wondering if Terlingua posters were available. Johnye started an email exchange with her and found out some interesting information. Below is Ms. McQueen's narrative of Terlingua (the horse).

"Most of the info is old news, really, at least from the horse racing industry standpoint. It would be interesting to see how many people familiar with the chili cookoffs know about the horse. Certainly people following horse racing back in 1978-79-80, myself included, learned about the chili cookoffs, because there were the inevitable "where did her name come from" questions.

"Terlingua is a Thoroughbred horse, born in 1976. You may have heard of her famous sire, Secretariat, who raced in 1972-73. She was one of the first of his offspring to do well on the racetrack. Texans owned her, and she was of course named after the city where the chili cookoffs are held!

"But her real claim to fame has been as a broodmare, since she is the mother of one of the world's most valuable Thoroughbred stallions, a horse named Storm Cat. He was born in 1983. His current stud fee is \$400,000, if you can even get a booking, and his overall worth is in the hundreds of millions.

"Both horses currently live at Overbrook Farm in Lexington, Kentucky. Terlingua is getting older (just turned 26 years), and was retired from breeding a few years ago, so she just enjoys the good pasture life. Storm Cat is, obviously, still a highly desirable active breeding stallion.

"My reason for wanting one of the Terlingua posters is that this mare is very special to me. I've been lucky enough to see her a few times. I grew up watching Secretariat, and have been hooked on horse racing ever since. And because Terlingua was one of his first good daughters, I fell in love with her.

"After all these years, I recently saw a Terlingua poster in one of the Chili's restaurant locations. That's what made me start to pursue this whole thing. You'll notice the years I mentioned initially are the year she was born and her racing years. But really, any old year would do quite nicely, and I'd be forever grateful."

Think Chili!

Bess's Best



Once again I send you greetings from beautiful downtown Lamar, Missouri on this the 3rd day of spring or at least the calendar tells me that. My body tells me differently. I had to change Mister Witty Kitty's water bowl on the porch twice yesterday, because it froze solid. Then you look around and see all the beautiful flowers that made their appearance for Easter. Well they got ZAPPED and didn't make it.

Now to show you how far behind I am and trying to make the May deadline; here it is a week later and the Ole Cabin Fever that I wrote about previously is starting to really set in. As I sit here and type tonight, the morning temperatures are supposed to be in the upper teens. I have our daughter's wedding to help prepare for in two short weeks and, as usual, Harry is no help!

I am running all over the four state area putting miles on the silver GMC trying to find the right thing to wear, and Harry's biggest concern is which would look better - his black or green coach's shorts. Harry's thinking when it comes to clothes is coach's shorts and a polo shirt from the first of April till Thanksgiving.

Our daughter's wedding is going to be held at an Airport. I think she called it a Fly In Wedding. I guess that is all right; sure a lot different than when Harry and I got married but times change. We got married on a Friday night, and Harry went back to work the next morning. (I had to loan him the money to pay the preacher and am still waiting on a honeymoon.) Harry keeps telling me we will go on a honeymoon to a nudist colony on our 50th Anniversary.

I am sure each of you has memories of your marriage and the early days. Those should be cherished and remembered.

In the April 3 edition of Johnye's AiDE, I read where Bruce Stewart had been to Terlingua and I got upset at his comments on the condition of the Ranch. It has been a few years since we lived in Washington, but now that we are back home here in Missouri we are proud of our little house, and I like to show it off for company when they come to visit.

I try to keep clean burlap sacks on the floor, and when company comes I take the feed sacks off the chairs. Harry does not smoke in the house anymore, so if someone comes that smokes they usually ask for an ashtray. If we have something to drink while watching television, I never find aluminum cans thrown all over the living room or in a pile over in the corner, or paper plates and food wrappers scattered all over. When the meal is finished, I always hear "now let us help clean up" or "are you sure there isn't something we can do to help."

Guests know that it is Harry and my house, and they respect it. Damn it, the Ranch is a part of CASI's house, and we should respect it also. WE - and I include Harry and I in the word "WE" - are all adults and don't need signs or reminders to tell us what we should and should not do, where to put our cigarette butts, etc. When you are walking around and that beer can becomes empty, it's just as easy to walk up to the closest trash can or cook site and leave it instead of just throwing it down on the ground. Besides, this will give you a chance to say HI to someone who is maybe a new cook.

Bruce, I have to agree with you. I think by the time things were over and Harry and I walked back to the car on Saturday night last year, there was everything on the ground but money. Each year as we meet for the Great Peppers' Meeting, we talk of how many more people have qualified to come to TICC and

how we have grown. Now I am not placing blame on everyone, so don't read that into what I am saying. If we don't start to follow what Bruce said - If You Carry It In, Carry It Out, Or To A Trash Can - it is only going to increase the work for a few and take away the beauty for many.

It was not that long ago that every cook site had a butt can, and everyone was more self-conscious of the trash problem. But like so much of what is going on in this country now, everyone means well and it is not forgotten but sort of placed on the back burner.

Perhaps CASI should do what a property owner does that has rental property. Charge a deposit on the cook site, and if the site is left clean that is good; if not, retain the deposit and put it toward the Scholarship Fund. Oh, I can just hear your comments on that, but get into someone's pocket and it doesn't take long to get his or her attention. End of topic, cooks you take it from here.

I told you about the wedding, and I've got a million things to do tomorrow so I am going to get out of here and let Harry finish this, if I can get him away from baseball and his CUBS.

Hello All! Ole Harry T here. Well, this is a first. Usually when Bess turns the column over to me I have a million things to say, and no problem telling you about any subject. But for some reason this month, my mind is a blank.

Each year about this time our town has what they call a City Wide Garage Sale. Just so happens my Doctor seems to think I should not be traveling right now, so Bess decides that we will partake in it. This is good because you spend all your free time for a week or two going through everything that you should have thrown away years ago but kept thinking that someday you might use.

All those new bottles of gas and rolls of paper towels that we thought we had used or lost all of a sudden show up. Then there were all kind of items that I thought had gone by the wayside months and years ago. It was just like Christmas or a birthday finding and seeing them all over again, but that sure didn't last long!!!

Yep, you're right, the treasure in my eyes I guess was junk or sale items to Bess. Thank goodness I couldn't sleep last Saturday morning. I don't know if Bess stayed up all night or got up extra early, but by the time I got over to the shop where she was holding her part of the sale, she had our 20 foot flat bed trailer loaded with everything including those long lost items of mine. Well, after a heated discussion I gave in and let her sell some of the items (this was to make her happy and make her think she was selling something). I assure you she did not sell enough to put us in a higher income bracket for next year.

I don't think I would make a good Arthur Anderson employee; I tore up my paper shredder. Then when Bess told me to get out of the house before I tore anything else up, I decided to clean and repaint our Coleman stoves, but I ran out of energy and that will come some other day.

Hey boys and girls, as they used to say on the Mickey Mouse Club, "looking at the big clock on the wall, it is time to say 'So Long Till Next Month'".

Here's hoping that the next time we pull out in that big silver GMC pickup that we will be pulling into a cook-off site and someone will say, "there is Harry and Bess", and we won't be heading out for my doctor's office.

Thank you for your time until next time and remember To Start Out Slow And Then Taper Off!

Bess & Harry

TICC Qualified Cooks

66 Janita Hinds, Del Rio TX
 67 Irene Duffield, San Antonio TX
 68 H. Ray King, Seguin TX
 69 Patricia K. Irvine-King, Seguin TX
 70 Carrie Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
 71 Bob Lanford, Austin TX
 72 Raymond Pilchick, Bluffton TX
 73 George "Rocky" Rockwell, Berryville VA
 74 Kevin Wooster, Wichita Falls TX
 75 Johnnie L. Sullivan, Ennis TX
 76 B.J. McDonald, Odessa TX
 77 Diane Spence, Crosby TX
 78 Wes Carlson, Loves Park IL
 79 April Frazier, Brewton AL
 80 Janet Cielencki, San Antonio TX
 81 Pam Matheson, Amarillo TX
 82 Sally Lee, San Antonio TX
 83 Carol Straughan, El Paso TX
 84 Steve Nadeau, Boerne TX
 85 Mike Monte, Cedar Park TX
 86 Kimberly A. (Kim) Dunn, Sierra Vista AZ
 87 Wayne R. Jolliffe, Tucson AZ
 88 Kathy "Kat" Tomlin, Sierra Vista AZ
 89 Nancy Klug, Gold Canyon AZ
 90 R. Bruce Stewart, Hurst TX
 91 Drucella (Dru) Stewart, Hurst TX
 92 Fred E. Cielencki Sr., San Antonio TX
 93 Dee Hay, Pasadena TX
 94 Jessie Elshick, Austin TX
 95 Sue Caffey, Rockdale TX
 96 Preston Nickle, North Little Rock AR
 97 Rex W. Jones, Dallas TX
 98 Lyman Wilkinson, Loveland CO
 99 Shirley Sexton, Dallas TX
 100 Jackie Ralston, Wichita Falls TX
 101 Brenda Bishop, San Augustine TX
 102 Bill Bishop, San Augustine TX
 103 Jim Tomlin, Sierra Vista AZ
 104 Wanda Cassini, Memphis TN
 105 Wesley W. (Wes) Watson, Midland TX
 106 Michael McGarity, Houston TX
 107 Roy Huston, Wichita Falls TX
 108 Jamie Rohr, Celina TX
 109 Hugh "Cheech" Hughes, Alamogordo NM
 110 Suzie Manske, Arlington TX
 111 Jennifer Kosub, San Antonio TX
 112 Glyn Gaines, Wichita Falls TX
 113 Mark Sanders, Ennis TX
 114 Linda Buschel, Irving TX
 115 Tina Barnes, Euless TX
 116 Chuck Spishock, Clear Lake Shores TX
 117 G. Taylor Miller, Baytown TX
 118 Jo Ann Gaines, Wichita Falls TX
 119 Keith Karaff, Houston TX
 120 Lew Wheeling, Reading PA
 121 LaFon Roessler, Victoria TX
 122 Sue Yates, San Angelo TX
 123 Melanie Sutton, Gulf Shores AL
 124 Renee F. Moore, Gulf Shores AL
 125 Kevin Frazier, Brewton AL
 126 Jenny Causey, Wylie TX
 127 Nick L. Roberts, Red Oak TX
 128 Barbara Taylor, Cedar Park TX
 129 Keith Coffman, Odessa TX
 130 Bruce Wilkins, Houston TX

Dugan, Charles C. (Chuck)
 34 Asheep At The Wheel, El Paso TX
 Straughan, Carol
 35 Texas Chili Company, Houston TX
 Foley, Kevin
 36 Red Savage, Odessa TX
 McDonald, B.J.
 37 DJ's Darling, Hobbs NM
 Henderson, "Wild" Bill
 38 Windy's Chew Choo Chili
 San Antonio TX
 Schrade, Robert E.
 39 Alchemist Chili, Peoria AZ
 Lee, Jerry D.
 40 TLC, Odessa TX
 Scott, Joann
 41 Spice Boyz, Amarillo TX
 Reed, Chris
 42 Buzzard Back Chili, Harper TX
 Nix, Traci
 43 Cracked Pot Chili, San Antonio TX
 Steinle, Bob
 44 Iron Horse Chili, Kerrville TX
 Buechler Jr., Karl F.
 45 Hang 'em High, Sierra Vista AZ
 Johnson, John C.
 46 Club Chili, Houston TX
 Blache, Angie
 47 Whiskey River Show Team
 Clear Lake Shores TX
 Spishock, Chuck
 48 Love Me Tender, Memphis TN
 Cassini, Joe R.
 49 Alamo Chili Show, Fort Worth TX

Roof III, George F.
 50 Caliente Chili, Wichita Falls TX
 Walker, Don
 51 Heartburn Chili, Wichita Falls TX
 Barfield, Don
 52 More Hal'acious & Momma M
 Alamogordo NM
 Etter, Hal
 53 Cheyenne Lady's Chili, Victoria TX
 Roessler, LaFon
 54 Red Robin Roadshow, Waxahachie TX
 Goodman, Robin
 55 Cherokee Lady, Odessa TX
 Yarbrough, Joyce
 56 Blood Sweat & Beers
 Pt. Coquitlam, BC V3 BC
 Goldsby, Grier
 57 Doc's Backbone Chili
 Marble Falls TX
 Kinnison, Larry
 58 Bama Slammer - Roll Tide
 Guntersville AL
 Kitchens, Jimmy
 59 Hot Cow Chili, Tyler TX
 Tubb, Darrell Johnson
 60 Wises Landing Chili, Niceville FL
 Maturro, Jimmy L.
 61 Surf Chili, El Paso TX
 Douglass, Jason
 62 Copenhagen Lady, San Antonio TX
 Schrade, Connie Sue
 63 Dr. See Good, Brainerd MN
 Ployhar, Roy

"Love the Camera!"

by Steve "Esteban" Nadeau

"Whassup with *Chiliphoto.com*?" I've heard this a lot over the last few months and for good reason. *Chiliphoto.com* has gone through a lot this year and now the dust has finally settled and the website is 100% updated. The website went through a number of moves in a short period of time and this created some downtime and impacted the functionality of some of the links. *Chiliphoto.com* is now happily residing at its new home.

There are currently thousands of pictures to look through at *Chiliphoto.com*. This being said, it still only represents a very small portion of the cookoff's that take place worldwide. Something I would like to see happen, is the expansion of chili cookoff's represented at *Chiliphoto.com*. Doing this would require some participation by others. I would like to extend an offer to publish photos at *Chiliphoto.com* from "your" cookoff. To achieve this, I would need you to send me the photos and I will then add them to the website. I have received photos in the past from various cookoff's, but I would like to bring it up a notch and capture many more of the events being held. There are a few ways to accomplish this.

If you are using a standard camera (not digital), you can order a "Photo CD" in addition to your standard prints when you take your film in to be developed. Most stores provide this service for less than \$10. You would then have the ability to email your friends and do a multitude of other things with the pictures, if you so desired. You could then mail me the CD and I would then add your photos to *Chiliphoto.com* for the entire world to see! My mailing address is PO Box 2366 Boerne, TX 78006. Please be sure and copy the photos from the CD before sending it if you like, as it will most likely be a one-way trip. Please do not mail hardcopy prints if at all possible, as unfortunately there are not enough hours in my day to do the individual scanning required.

If you already have a digital camera, you can get the photos to me a couple of different ways. If you have the ability to copy the photos to a CD, you could simply do this and mail the CD to me. If you do not have the ability to do this and/or have no idea what I am talking about, you can email the photos to me at steve@chiliphoto.com. Drop me a line if you have any questions regarding the size or resolution of the photos to be sent.

Also, if you have an upcoming cookoff and would like to get it online. Please email me your flyer and I would be happy to put a link to it on the Calendar section of *Chiliphoto.com*. One last note, if you sent any correspondences via www.chiliphoto.com in the last couple of months or so, please resend your message to steve@chiliphoto.com. I discovered that using the previous "Contact Page" on the site was a black hole and unfortunately the messages never made it to me.

TICC Qualified Show Teams

31 Rock And Roll Chili, Crawford TX
 Nelson, Mavis
 32 Sarge's Mess Hall, Sierra Vista AZ



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Ronelda takes the "Monkey Bike" for a spin during Chiliphoto.com's showmanship at the SAP CCO



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Mickey Standefer of the Horseshoe Pub in Comfort, Texas is awarded a Corporate Membership



Submitted by John Montgomery

Colorado Chili POD members Mike and Laurie Parker, celebrating a recent chili victory!



Photo by Donn Shands

Pat Krenak and Mike McGarity take a break from their pillaging to pose for their dominions



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El Wappo and Mike Monte discuss marketing plans for their combination Ear Warmer / Pot Holder

Send photos for the Terlingua Trails to: steve@chiliphoto.com



Jimmy Harper on the prowl at Austin Sightfest CCO



John "bubble boy" Goforth entertains the masses



Submitted by John Montgomery

Colorado POD on roadtrip to PolkaFest in Nebraska



Photo by Donn Shands

Security is called in to protect Mikie's 1st Pace trophy



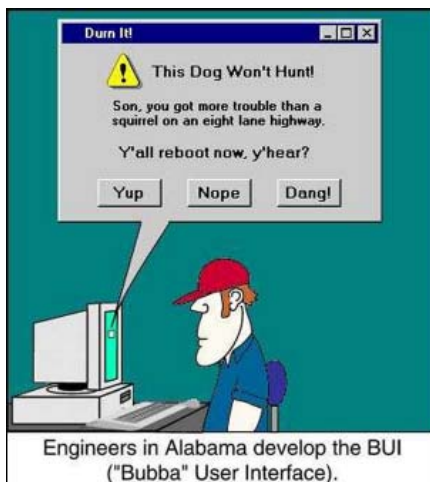
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Albert from Ancira spreads a little love at the Pub!



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Jeannette models the latest trends in chili fashion



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So you would like CASI to send you an advance copy of the Terlingua Trails? This is something that is very easy to do and requires very little effort on your part. The first step in receiving an advance copy of the Terlingua Trails is to send an e-mail message to Jim@hillcountrysoftware.com requesting that we add to our e-mail list. Your e-mail

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Jim Stateczny
Managing Editor
Terlingua Trails

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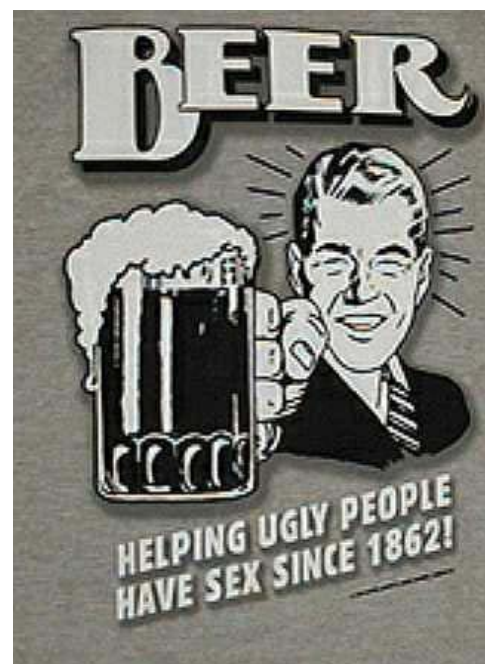
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Picture and Article Selection Process

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"A View From The Top of An Old Chilihead"

I'm writing this article a week before the Texas Ladies State Championship - CASI is to be held under the beautiful pecan trees at Starcke Park in Seguin, Texas. I have recently been asked several questions about Ladies State, Southwest Ladies Regional etc. So I decided to change my article for this issue and write some of the history of these cookoffs.

We all have memories of the past and each of our reminiscences are different from each others. But, the past is history and to progress we must live for the future. History is based on fact and documentation. So let's delve into the past and review a little history of the Texas Ladies State Chili Championship.

Hondo Crouch started the Ladies only cookoff in Luckenbach in 1971 so the ladies would have their own cookoff in response to the men's cookoff at Chilympiad in San Marcos. When Hondo passed on, Luckenbach belonged to Kathy & Ken Morgan and Ladies State became their responsibility to continue. Kathy limited the cookoff to only fifty (50) cooks. A lot of ladies were left out. It helped to get in if you knew the right people. In 1978 C.A.S.I. was created as an organized and incorporated organization. I wrote the first official rules in 1978 based on what the cooks said they wanted. The rules were created to make cooking chili fair and equal for all cooks. The only reason CASI was organized was to protect all cooks and see that they were all competing on a level playing field. If the promoters had run all cookoffs fairly, or even 85/90 percent of them, CASI would never have become a reality. CASI would have remained a state of mind. Chili cookoffs and CASI would have faded away. CASI as we know it today would not exist. In 1979 all cookoffs had to use the CASI rules to be sanctioned to cook in Terlingua. Kathy Morgan would not change the 50 only limit. Although several cookoffs had reservations about the new rules and organization they went along with CASI. Frank Tolbert, Paul Smith and I met to discuss the chili year. Luckenbach was the only problem we had in conforming to the new chili rules. Frank Tolbert said we could not recognize this cookoff. If you knew Frank, that was not the normal outlook for him. Frank said 'Let's start another one for the ladies and call it "The Southwest Ladies Regional Chili Championship"'. The ladies can qualify in this one for Terlingua. Now that sounds like the Frank we know.

We were running out of time to get a cookoff organized and put together for the 1979 Terlingua World Championship. Terlingua was the second weekend in October at that time. We had approximately three to four weeks to find a site and organize

this event. We met at my home in Dallas. Doris Kitterman, Richard and Carol Knight, Paul Smith and Judie and I were there. Frank had commitments that prevented him from being there. Tolbert was smart and dodged as many work details as possible. We made plans, formed the KKK Productions (Kitterman, Knight, King) to run the cookoff. We put up the start up money for the cookoff. Doris was our treasure. She went to her bank and opened an account for KKK. Her bank was reluctant, but did open an account. That night the police came to Doris' house to question her. We put the cookoff together and held it at the stockyards in Ft. Worth. Even with the limits, frustrations and pressure it turned out to be a good cookoff. The theme was pink and pink is still used today at Texas Ladies State. In 1979 and 1980 CASI had Southwest Ladies Regional Winners, but no Texas Ladies State Champions recognized by CASI.

In September 1980 we held the first Great Peppers meeting at Paul Smith's ranch in Weatherford, Texas. It was by invitation only. Great Peppers, spouse, Hal John and Judy Wimberly, Frank Tolbert, plus the CASI referees and officers of CASI attended. This was the first opportunity for the Great Peppers to present their proposals for additions or deletions to the CASI rules, this would be for the 1981 rules. Houston was there in force to protest the Luckenbach situation. Jim Atherton was the Great Pepper and their spokesman. The first question I asked Jim was if Kathy Morgan was willing to lift the 50 cook limit. He replied that she would. I said 'great'! Without the limit the Texas Ladies State Championship will be recognized as a sanctioned CASI event. I'm looking forward to returning. Next proposal please. Poor Jim was left speechless. He had come for a fight and did not have an opponent. CASI needs to remember Jim for what he did do that day. He proposed that every cookoff start sending CASI fifty cents per cook to help pay the expenses of CASI. The Great Peppers agreed and then I was almost left speechless. Up until that time Paul Smith and I had funded all of the expenses for CASI.

As a side note on Luckenbach. I still attended the Hug-In in February those years when there was no Ladies State recognized by CASI. I don't know if I was stupid or masochistic. I thought I needed to let people know what the problem was. Besides, Luckenbach was a great place to go for a large time. There were a lot of beer drinkers, dope smokers and guitar pickers. No, chili cookoffs today are not the same. Is that all bad?

The Texas Ladies State Championship was returned to Luckenbach in 1981. Everyone was happy for several years. This is a very brief synopsis of

what transpired without going into the long drawn out details of the negotiations. In the late eighties the ladies began to get irritated with Luckenbach and the State Championship. They did not get the recognition accorded the men at Chilympiad. There were no neat goody bag items. None actually (unless you count a jar of Blue Star Ointment). They never knew what the trophies were going to be. One year they were made out of cardboard glued into a pyramid shape and spray painted. The ladies were unhappy and CASI had nothing to do with it. As the old saying goes "Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned". The ladies wanted to move the cookoff and have a committee run it like the Mens State. Rex Jones was the CASI president at that time. He said CASI would do what ever the majority of the women of Texas wished, but it was it was their decision. Numerous meetings were held in Texas for the ladies to come and make their recommendations and to suggest what they wanted. They did and their decision was to leave if Luckenbach would not meet their needs and wishes. Luckenbach would not agree, so the cookoff was moved. Rex had promised to work with them when they made a decision. A site was needed. Everyone knew that Seguin had a terrific location in Starcke Park for a cookoff. Most of the women were familiar with the location from attending the Classic Pod cookoff there in years past. Rex Jones called Pat Irvine and asked if Starcke Park would be available for the women. She said it could be arranged. Rex told her to get it. Ladies State was a done deal. Someone had to have the guts to make the final decision. CASI leadership did make the site decision. Personally I think Rex would have agreed to anything at that time to get a hundred women off his butt.

The first cookoff was held in 1990 and was a great success. Twice the number of ladies entered to cook as Luckenbach had ever had.

Today the majority of the Texas ladies are happy with their cookoff and the site. If they have a problem they know they can correct it to benefit the majority. In closing I have to tell you from experience, if these ladies are even close to happy don't even think about messing with them.

Until next month, I will see you on the trail to Terlingua.

H. Ray King



Wild Chili Cookoff

Nothing to it, easy as pie, beginner's luck, or right place at the right time with great people! It all started a few months back when my friend from the Air Force days, Col. Jim Wyatt, visited me in Niceville, Florida.

I asked him to go to a chili cookoff with me for company, and he was anxious to go but said he would just look on. I told him "No way, he was going to cook". So I pulled up a recipe from the CASI website and got him started. We shared all the equipment, tables, chairs, stoves, spices, drinks, etc. At the end of the day, he got a 9th place and a CASI point. I got 8th place.

Well, when he got home he was on top of the world getting a point the first time cooking. I cooked all year and was able to get 2 points. After New Year's, the Wyatts came back to Florida for a visit. I told him there was another cookoff at The Zoo, the same place he cooked last year and did he want to come. Again he said yes and he would just tag along and help me. I said no way and he had to cook. I told him our Great Pepper Larry Oliver was helping me refine my chili, and I would help him as much as possible.

We arrived at The Zoo in plenty of time to set up. As I was out late the night before I had to get up early to load my equipment and did not have time to mix my spices - which is the first rule. Get organized!! So I just brought everything with me including the kitchen sink. After we set up, I told Jim to put all the goods on the table like a country store with the decorations all around.

When the time came to start cooking, it took me an inordinate amount of time to find the spices I needed. The Great Pepper chewed me out! What was I doing the night before?? Anyway,

I gave Jim my Open Recipe and asked Randy & Renee Moore to help Jim if they would and had time. By this time the weather was turning bad and starting to rain. What fun! This was my first time in the rain, and what a mess it can make.

At 2:00 pm everyone turned in his or her secret winning chili. At the time of awards, 10th place went to the Great Pepper; to my surprise I was 9th. As the numbers went on I was feeling bad because Jim was not going to win anything, but I hoped he would not be too discouraged. The numbers got up to No. 2 Open, and I was lucky; still no Jim. They called us for 1st Place Showmanship! I thought this would help my guest some. Then the judge called out Jim for 1st Place Open Chili. That was great except I should have been 1st and he 2nd.

Then the moment came for Numero Uno, 1st Place CASI. Would you believe Jim Wyatt's number was called? I thought there was some mistake. If there were a taxi around he would have had to take it home. What made it worse is that he is from Maryland and that is a 6-point state. He only needs 2 more points! Where in the world will I ever get 8 more points?

On the way home and after analyzing what Jim did, I realized this was only possible at Florida-Alabama chili cookoffs. Randy Moore, our international champ, and Renee Moore, a top American chili cook, took Jim under their wing and helped him succeed. The top 10 included many chili winners including Alabama, Florida state winners and top Terlingua placers. On the way home Jim told me he would be glad to give me some pointers if I liked. Jim doesn't even have a pot to cook in. Only in America!

Jim Maturo

Get the Rest of the Chili Cookoff Story

The following is an excerpt from the "Dear Boss" column of Burnis Lawrence, Alpine Avalanche.

Chili fever has cooled down some in South Brewster County, but before we place the lid on the last pot, let's take a closer look at the "other side of the story." Let's go behind the rowdy, boisterous and lewd reputation attributed to the annual event by many and examine a more charitable, beneficial side.

"It is true that thousands of people come to the annual CASI Terlingua International Chili Championship Cookoff," says Mel FitzHenry, who serves as president of the organization. "It is an event that allows them to blow off steam at least once a year. Some of them go too far, but thousands just have a good time with friends. They revel in the fact that their efforts, or call them antics if you must, also help the community and especially the education of young people."

Statistics show what FitzHenry is talking about. This year, approximately \$23,400 in cash benefited students in Terlingua Common School District, the Terlingua Fire Department, the Terlingua Medics and Brewster County Sheriff's Department.

But no estimate can be made on the thousands of dollars spent by chili cookoff participants in this county. Alpine and Marathon, as well as South Brewster County, benefit greatly. If you are reluctant to believe this, ask the motels, the RV parks, the grocery stores and the gas stations. Twelve to 14,000 visitors cannot help but leave significant economic benefits in the area.

Big Bend High School FHA members and Tennessee chili cooks have one thing in common: biscuits. Each year at the cookoff, the Tennessee Pod serves up a scrumptious breakfast and the tasty biscuits which top off the meal are baked by FHA members. Pod

members supply the ingredients and the students do the cooking.

Each year at Thanksgiving, the FHA class also prepares a big Thanksgiving meal at the school. This year, they will have an added treat: hot wings!

The hot wing cookoff this year did not draw as many cooks as it did last year and CASI planners, who supply the wings to the cooks, had some left over. They were donated to the high school and thus the added treat at Thanksgiving.

Another group who added flavor to this year's cookoff was the Big Bend High School Drill Team. The team marched through the gate on the Friday Scholarship Day and presented the colors. Craig Carter sang the National Anthem for the event.

The Terlingua school book sale reaped a pleasant benefit this year. A number of the chili cooks toured the school and not only bought some books, but donated money for new ones.

Again, this year, the cooks brought school supplies such as pencils and paper. And Tom Williams was proud to announce that it took two pickups to haul the Christmas gifts donated for the school.

Okay, Boss, I guess I did get carried away, but I did want to tell "the rest of the story" as far as the annual cookoff is concerned.

P.S. This past Friday, November 9, motels were still filled with visitors. I was in Study Butte talking to FitzHenry and Tom Williams when a couple stopped by. "Did you find a room last night?" FitzHenry asked.

"We found one room," the woman answered, "but they wanted \$100, so we drove back to Alpine and spent the night."

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“COOKING” WITH CASI CALENDAR



May 4, 2002-001 - Pyote TX CASI. 12th Annual Aunt Jackie's Place Chili & Barbecue Cookoff. Held at Aunt Jackie's Place, 111 Highway 80 East, Pyote. CASI Chili: \$17. WTBA barbecue: \$17, 50% payback. Beans: Jackpot with \$10 entry. Raffles, auction, cooks' party Friday night and dance Saturday night. Benefits Christmas in July. Contact: Aunt Jackie's Place, (915)389-5569, Mark Zoicher, (915)389-5722, or Connie Zoicher, (915)580-0541.

May 4, 2002-002 - Aransas Pass TX CASI. Smoke on the Water Chili Cookoff. Held at Johnson Community Park, 200 E Johnson off Commercial St (State Highway 361). Sponsored by Aransas Pass Chamber of Commerce and City of Aransas Pass, and benefits Aransas Pass for Youth, Inc. Cooks' meeting 10:00 a. CASI Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in 2:00 p. Outlaw chili: entry: \$3, turn-in 3:00 p. Show judging at Noon. People's choice award from "tastes" sold to benefit AP for Youth - Separate competition. Special Friday Night Shrimp Gumbo Cookoff, \$5 entry (minimum of 5 entries needed for

this event). Info: Brian Bondy, (800)633-3028 or info@aransaspass.org. Celebrate this new event in South Texas!

May 4, 2002-003 - Midwest City OK CASI. Springin' Into Summer Chili Cookoff. Held at Joe B. Barnes Regional Park, 8700 East Reno (Exit I-40 at Douglas Blvd., North on Douglas 2 miles to Reno; West (left) on Reno. Park is on south side of Reno). Entry: \$15, turn-in: 1:00 p. Registration: 8:00-8:30 a., showmanship 12:00 p. Checks payable to MWCAF. Info: Amy Evans, (405)739-1293 or (405)739-1288, PO Box 10570, Midwest City, OK 73140-1570.

May 4, 2002-004 - Garland TX CASI. Elks Lodge #1984 First Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at the Elks Lodge, 3845 Duck Creek, 1/8 mile south of Centerville Road. Benefits Elks' Charities. 25 RV spaces with full water & electric hookups -\$5/day. Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Jackpot beans: entry: \$5, turn-in: 12:00. Cooks' party on Friday, May 3. Raffles, silent auction. Reservations and info: Roy Harper, (972)226-6989; Neta Rohr,

(972)495-3305; or Gary Kennedy, (214)868-5112. Checks to Elks Lodge #1984, 3825 Duck Creek, Garland, TX 75043, Attn: Kay Watson. Goody bags to first 20 cooks signed up. Sunday morning Bloody Marys and breakfast. Elks Lodge, (972)278-5300, overnight camping allowed.

May 4, 2002-005 - Accokeek MD CASI. 3rd Annual Watch Your Step CCO. Held at Hard Bargain Farm. Entry: \$17, payable to Mason Dixon Pod. Benefits Alice Ferguson Foundation. Turn-in: 2:00 p. For info and directions: Charlie Walstrom, (301)292-5403, email: walstrom@comcast.net.

May 4, 2002-006 - Marble Falls TX CASI. 31st Annual Howdy-Roo Chili Cookoff & Jackpot Bean Cookoff. 7th Annual CTBA Bar-B-Q Cookoff (ribs, brisket, chicken). 5th Annual Business Chili Cookoff. Held at Johnson Park. Limited hookups. Cooks' party Friday night. Pot luck Saturday night.

Entertainment Friday and Saturday nights. Pot luck Thursday night for early arrivals. Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Beans: entry: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Bar-B-Q: entry: \$20 each meat, or \$50 for all three, turn-in: Chicken: 1:00 p, ribs: 2:30 p, Brisket: 3:00 p. Golf tournament at 1:00 p. on Friday (must sign up before 11:00 a. Friday). \$35 includes cart, green fees, and practice balls. Contact Larry Kinnison for golf (830-693-5502); fees paid to Larry Kinnison. All other event fees payable to Highland Lakes Chili Pod (HLCP). Charity is the Marble Falls Boys and Girls Club. Arts & Crafts -\$25 for booth space. Info: Larry Kinnison, (830)693-5502, PO Box 78, Marble Falls, TX 78654.

May 4, 2002-007 - Memphis TN CASI. Variety Club Cookoff. Held at the Variety Club, 3294 Poplar. Benefits Children's Charities. Entry: \$25, payable to Variety Club. Chili turn-in: 2:00 p. Hot Wings contest (wings furnished): \$10, turn-in: 1:00 p. Friday night cooks' party, 7:00 - 11:00 p., with live music. Some RV parking, or contact Tanna or George for more info on RV parking. 1st place chili - TV;



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May 4, 2002-008 - Angleton TX CASI. Brazoria County Fair Spring Fair. Held at the Brazoria County Fairgrounds on Downing Road. Benefits Brazoria County Fair Assn. Chili: entry: \$20, turn-in: 2:30 p. Gumbo: entry: \$20, turn-in: 3:00 p. Cooks' meeting at 10:00 a. RV parking available at site (no hookups). Boiled crawfish - \$6 per plate. Entertainment from Noon until 10:00 p - 4 different groups. T-shirts to first 25 entries. Info and registration available at www.BCFA.org. Info: Jerry Powell, (979)848-8333 or chile@mastnet.net.

May 4, 2002-009 - Pasco WA CASI. 13th Annual Preston Premium Wines CCO. Held at 502 E Vineyard Drive. Benefits Tri-Cities Hospice Center. Entry: \$12, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Preston Premium Wines. Info: Cathy Preston-Mouncer, (509)545-1990, 502 E Vineyard Dr., Pasco, WA, or email: cp@prestonwines.com.

May 4, 2002-010 - Amarillo TX CASI. 12th Annual Goodwill CCO. Held at 4600 South Georgia, South Georgia Shopping Center. Benefits Goodwill Industries. Entry: \$20, turn-in: 2:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Info: Larry, (806)654-5155 or Pam, (806)353-3578.

May 4, 2002-011 - Castroville TX CASI. J & J Rihn's Third Annual CCO. Held at 2405 Highway 90 West (2 miles west of Castroville). Benefits Medina County Disaster Relief Fund. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Country Bumpkin. Cooks' Party Friday night, RV parking (no hookups). Info: Bob Steinle, (830)931-2125 or Jody Rihn, (830)931-2973.

May 4, 2002-012 - St. Charles IL CASI. Tenth Annual Chillini Pod Chili Cookoff. Held at St. Charles VFW Post 5036, 119 Third Street. Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 1:00 p. "Jackpot" salsa: entry: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Checks payable to the Chillini Pod. Info: Bill Pierson, (630)879-7934 or Larry Gabriel, (630)406-1949, email: chillinipod@aol.com.

May 5, 2002-001 - Garland TX CASI. Elks Lodge #1984 Morning After Chili Cookoff. Held at the Elks Lodge, 3845 Duck Creek, 1/8 mile south of Centerville Road. Benefits Sweethearts Children's Diagnostic Center. Full water and electric hookups for RVs \$5/day. Breakfast and Bloody Marys. Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 12:00. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks

payable to Elks Lodge #1984, Attn: Kay Watson, 3825 Duck Creek Rd., Garland, TX 75043. Info: Roy Harper, (972)226-6989; Neta Rohr, (972)495-3305; or Gary Kennedy, (214)868-5112. Elks Lodge, (972)278-5300.

May 5, 2002-002 - Marble Falls TX CASI. Backbone Creek Chili Cookoff. Held at Johnson Park. Benefits local charity. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to Highland Lakes Chili Pod. Info: Larry Kinnison, (830)693-5502, PO Box 878, Marble Falls, TX 78654.

May 5, 2002-003 - El Paso TX CASI. KBNA Cinco de Mayo Chili Cookoff. Held at 4100 E Paisano. Benefits St. Jude's. Entry: \$12, turn-in: 1:00 p. Info: Earl Campbell, (915)755-1041, 4617 Tumbleweed, El Paso, TX 79924.

May 5, 2002-004 - Scottsdale AZ CASI. 2nd Annual Cinco de Mayo CCO. CANCELED.

May 5, 2002-005 - Amarillo TX CASI. Annual Hotter Than Fire Chili & BBQ Cookoff. Held at Club 26, 26th Street and Paramount. CASI chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Beans entry: \$5. Brisket, ribs or both, \$15 each. Info: Larry, (806)654-5155.

May 11, 2002-001 - Odessa TX CASI. Black Gold Pod CCO. Held at Becky Sam's Tropical Bar & Grill, 2458 FM 1936. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. More info to follow. Info: Wes Watson, 4904 Melville Dr, Midland, TX 79705, (915)687-2170.

May 11, 2002-002 - Greensboro NC CASI. TRIAD County Cookoff. Held at Farmer's Market, Exit 208, I-40, Sandy Ridge Road. Benefits Epilepsy Foundation of N.C. Entry: \$15 for Pod members, \$20 for non-members and restaurants; payable to Piedmont Pepper Pod. Turn-in 1:00 p. Info: Dick Steinert, (336)292-6580 (home) or (336)335-6930 (business), 3221 Forsyth Dr., Greensboro, NC 27407.

May 11, 2002-003 - Gulf Shores AL CASI. 2nd Annual Mo's Landing Cookoff. Held at Mo's Landing, 18068 Highway 182. Benefits local charities. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 1:00 p. Checks payable to State of Alabama Pod. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Info: Renee Moore, (251)949-7000 or rmoore@ci.gulf-shores.al.us.

May 11, 2002-004 - Victoria TX CASI. Colet Inn Chili Cookoff. Held at the Colet Inn on Camp Colet Road (call for detailed map, or visit www.coletinn.com.)

Benefits Pod expenses to GP Meeting and Victoria County Go-Texan Committee. Chili entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Jackpot beans (dry pintos only): entry: \$5, turn-in: 11:00 a. Pork spare ribs: \$15, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. BBQ brisket - "Go Texan brisket" and "Open", \$15 each, both turn-in: 4:00 p. Junior chili: entry: \$5, turn-in: 1:00 p. Checks payable to VASA Pod. Info: Linda McDonald, (361)578-2575, 619 Springwood, Victoria, TX 77905; Robert Lowery, (361)575-6066; Colet Inn, (361)578-1360.

May 11, 2002-005 - Winthrop WA CASI. 16th Annual CCO and BBQ. Held at City Park, benefits local charities. CASI entry: \$22, and \$5 for People's Choice. Turn-in: 2:05 p. Checks payable to PNWBA. Info: Bob Lyon, (425)643-0607, 4244 134th Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA 98006, email: bslyon@att.net.

May 11, 2002-006 - Cholla Bay MX CASI. JJ's Cantina's Santa Claus Club Chili Cookoff. Cooks' party Friday night, Fish Fry Saturday. Entry: \$10, turn-in: 2:00 p. Goodie bags, Tequila, Bikinis, Sun, Ocean, Beach. Good public turnout. Road has been mostly paved. Info: Mad Jack, (480)726-3849, email: azmadjack@prodigy.net.

May 11, 2002-007 - Tahlequah OK CASI. Send Them Back Home Cookoff. Held at the Cherokee Heritage Center, 21672 S Keeler Road (two miles east of Hwy 62). Check out the website at www.cherokeeheritage.org or call (918)456-6007 for directions. Benefits travel fund for Eastern Band of Cherokees' Fall Festival in Cherokee, NC - the original home of the Cherokee Nation before the Trail of Tears. Entry: \$20, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Cherokee Heritage Center (and we take credit cards, too). Fry bread and corn bread available. Info: Kathy Harmon or Curtis Dirteater, (918)456-6007, PO Box 515, Tahlequah, OK 74465-0515.

May 11, 2002-008 - Denton TX CASI. 8th Annual Elks Cookoff. Held at the Denton Elks Lodge, 228 East Oak. Benefits Aubrey Youth Sports. Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Jackpot beans: entry: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Info: Robert Bell, (940)382-5360-day or (940)365-2504 - evenings.

May 17, 2002-001 - Sierra Vista AZ CASI. Relay for Life Cookoff. Held at Veterans' Memorial Park on Fry Boulevard. Benefits American Cancer Society. Entry: \$10, turn-in: 8:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to High Desert Pod. Info: Trudy Berry, (520)378-

3692, PO Box 1298, Sierra Vista, AZ 85636.

May 18, 2002-001 - Kemah TX CASI. 2nd Annual FOE Eagles Lodge 4175 CO Benefits FOE charities. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry: \$17. Sorry, no RV parking available. More information to follow. Info: Bob Horan, (281)376-4817 or email us at: pineywoodspod@mindspring.com.

May 18, 2002-002 - White Sands MR NM CASI. WSMR Sizzler CASI CCO. Held at Highway 70. Entry: \$15, payable to the NMCS. Benefits Army Morale charities. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Info: Teamorgan@zianet.com.

May 18, 2002-003 - Manchaca TX CASI. 2nd Annual Giddy-Ups Chili Cookoff. Held at Giddy-Ups Saloon, Manchaca Road. Entry: chili only, \$17; chili and showmanship: \$14. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Turn-in: 2:00 p. RV parking (no hookups). Info: Nancy, (512)280-4732 or Ken Rodd, (210)887-8827. Chili cookoff same location next day.

May 18, 2002-004 - Sierra Vista AZ CASI. Sierra Vista West End Fair CCO. Held in the parking lot next to the VFW parking lot (behind the World Famous Sorry Gulch Saloon), 549 West Harvey Drive. Entry: \$15, turn-in: 1:00 p. Checks payable to High Desert Pod. First-time cookoff. First-time cooks' entry waived. This is the second of back-to-back cookoffs in Sierra Vista - first is Friday night at Veterans Memorial Park for the Walk for Life. Space limited, so arrive early!! Benefits the Sierra Vista Chapter of Habitat for Humanity. Info: Greg Monger, (520)417-9948, mongo@theriver.com, 4930 Marconi Dr, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635.

May 18, 2002-005 - Ennis TX CASI. Top of Texas Pod Annual Cookoff. Held at Knights of Columbus Hall, 850 S Interstate 45. CASI chili: entry: \$25, turn-in: 2:00 p. Local chili: \$20, turn-in: 1:00 p. Junior chili: \$5, turn-in: 1:00 p. Jackpot beans: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Salsa: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Friday night cooks' party, entertainment, raffle, morning after cookoff, goody bags to first 100 registered cooks. Plenty of RV space (no hookups). Benefits Knights of Columbus charities. Directions: From I-45 in Ennis, Exit #251-A (Creechville Rd). Get on service road going north (east side). Knights of Columbus Hall is on service road approx. 1/4 mile north of Creechville Road. Mail entries to: Top of Texas, 1254 Hidden Ridge, #1012, Irving, TX 75038. Info: Coby Davis, (214)727-7445, coby_davis@hotmail.com.

May 18, 2002-006 - Cloverdale, BC CN CASI. Canadian International Chili Championship. Held at the Cloverdale Rodeo Grounds, 176 Street. Benefits Surrey Association for the Mentally Handicapped. Entry: \$15 (US) or \$20 (CDN), turn-in: 4:00 p. Contact: Fred Roycroft, (604)464-3472, email: chili4fred@telus.net.

May 18, 2002-007 - Yarnell AZ CASI. Yarnell Chili Cookoff. Held at 22857 S Highway 89 (lot next to doctors' offices). Benefits Yarnell Chamber. Entry: \$10, turn-in: 1:00 p. Cooks' meeting: 9:00 a. Checks payable to Yavapai Chili Society. Parade starts at 10:00 a. People's choice chili starts serving at 11:00 a. Info: Jerry D. Lee, (623)486-4515, 7832 W Canterbury Dr, Peoria, AZ 85345.

May 18, 2002-008 - Kingston TN CASI. The Chamber Chili Cookoff. Held on the historic Roane County Courthouse lawn, 119 Court St. (I-40 to Exit 352 - Kingston; south on S. Kentucky to the Courthouse.) Benefits Roane County Chamber of Commerce. Entry: \$20, payable to the Chamber Chili Cookoff. Turn-in: 1:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. This is the first annual Chamber Chili Cookoff, which will be a countywide event to promote fun, food and entertainment on Armed Forces Day. Info: Mike Smith, Beth Sams or Jan Fleming, (865)376-5572, Roane County Chamber of Commerce, 1209 N Kentucky St, Kingston, TN 37763.

May 18, 2002-009 - Jourdanton TX CASI. 12th Annual Jourdanton VFW-Malvin Prasifka Memorial Cookoff. Held at the Catholic Church parking lot, next to City Park. Benefits Jourdanton Volunteer Fire Dept. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 3:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to Jourdanton VFW. Info: Marty Prasifka, (830)769-3147, 110 Chaparral Cir., Jourdanton, TX 78026.

May 19, 2002-001 - Manchaca TX CASI. Giddy-Ups Saloon Chili Cookoff. Held at Giddy-Ups Saloon, Manchaca Road. Benefits "Friends of Texas Ladies State". Entry: \$10, turn-in: 1:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Info: Nancy, (512)280-4732. Cookoff previous day same location.

May 19, 2002-002 - Berryville VA CASI. Berryville Barns Festival. Held adjacent to Rose Hill Park, Downtown Berryville. Benefits Barns of Berryville Restoration Project. Entry: \$25, checks payable to Downtown Berryville, Inc. Features \$200 in chili-related gift certificates for the

winner(s). CHILI GRIND ONLY. Hot Rod Car Show, 5K Run, Home Beer Contest, Music, Arts & Crafts, and Children's Activities. Info: Jim Kelly, (540) 955-4632; Downtown Berryville, Inc., (540)955-4001 or DBI@shentel.net.

May 19, 2002-003 - Ennis TX CASI. Top of Texas Pod Morning After Cookoff. Held at Knights of Columbus Hall, 850 S Interstate 45. CASI chili: \$17, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Plenty of RV space (no hookups). Benefits Knights of Columbus charities. Directions: from I-45 in Ennis, take Exit #251A (Creechville Road). Get on service road going north (east side). Knights of Columbus Hall is on service road approx. 1/4 mile north of Creechville Road. Mail entries to: Top of Texas, 1254 Hidden Ridge, #1012, Irving, TX 75038. Info: Coby Davis, (214)727-7445, coby_davis@hotmail.com.

May 19, 2002-004 - Amarillo TX CASI. Tall In Texas Annual Pod Cookoff. LOCATION CHANGE: 13971 Tangleaire Point. Benefits local charities and Tall In Texas Pod. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Tall in Texas Pod. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Info: Randy Reese, (806)373-0393, 1036 Sunrise, Amarillo, TX 79104.

May 19, 2002-005 - Cloverdale, BC CN CASI. Rodeo Roundup Chili Cookoff. Held at the Cloverdale Rodeo Grounds, 176 Street. Entry: \$15 (US) or \$20 (CDN), turn-in: 2:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Charity to be announced. Info: Fred Roycroft, (604)464-3472, email: chili4fred@telus.net.

May 25, 2002-001 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. Southwest Open Chili Championship. NEW LOCATION: Near downtown, with RV hookups (fee for electricity and water). More details to follow. Info: Don Walker, (940)691-0108 or Glyn Gaines (940)767-2273.

May 25, 2002-002 - Spicewood TX CASI. Cast Off Chili Cookoff. Held at Krause Springs, Highway 71 to Spur 191 North. Benefits local charities. Entry: \$15, turn-in: 1:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Cooks' party Saturday night. Checks payable to Highland Lakes Chili Pod. Info: Larry Kinnison, (830)693-5502, PO Box 878, Marble Falls, TX 78654. For camping reservations, call Jane Krause, (830)693-4181.

May 25, 2002-003 - York PA CASI. 13th Annual York Jaycees CCO. DATE

CHANGE from May 26. A great cookoff with a large corporate division. Lots of fun for the whole family. Entry: \$17, payable to Mason Dixon Pod. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Info and directions: Alan Dean, (410)879-6410, email: pepperdean@comcast.net.

May 26, 2002-001 - San Angelo TX CASI. Chili Legends Memorial Chili CO. Held at Water Valley Park. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Chili: \$17, Beans: \$5, Junior chili: \$5. Info: Sue Yates, (915)944-1403. Charity to be determined. More info to follow. On Saturday, May 25, BBQ cookoff - brisket, ribs, chicken -80% payback plus \$250 additional payout. Open category - desserts and whatever. Entry: BBQ: \$15 each category, Open: \$5.

May 26, 2002-002 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. NOB Pod Annual Chili Cookoff. Follows Southwest Open. New location: Near downtown. Details to follow. Info: Don Walker, (940)691-0108 or Glyn Gaines, (940)767-2273.

May 26, 2002-004 - Spicewood TX CASI. Laid Back Chili Cookoff. Held at Krause Springs, Highway 71 to Spur 191 North. Benefits Great Peppers' Meeting. Entry: \$15, turn-in: 1:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to Highland Lakes Chili Pod. Info: Larry Kinnison, (830)693-5502, PO Box 878, Marble Falls, TX 78654. For camping reservations, call Jane Krause, (830)693-4181.

May 26, 2002-005 - Tombstone AZ CASI. Wyatt Earp Days Chili Cookoff. Held at 4th Street, between Allen and Toughnut. Benefits Tombstone Lions Club. Entry: \$10, turn-in: 3:00 p. Checks payable to High Desert Pod. Cooks' party Saturday the 25th at the Helldorado Building - dinner, beer and sodas. T-shirts to the first 40 cooks. Info: Ron Phillips, (520)378-6519 or (520)678-3915, 4273 S Kino Road, Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-9142.

Jun 1, 2002-001 - Alamogordo NM CASI. VFW Post 7686 CASI CCO. Held at 700 Highway 70 West, Alamogordo. Entry: \$15, payable to the NMCS. Benefits VFW charities. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Info: rec@zianet.com.

Jun 1, 2002-002 - Houston TX CASI. Space City Pod 25th Annual CCO and BBQ. Held at 3406 W Alabama (Blanco's). Benefits Houston Food Bank. Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Beans: entry: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 noon. Pork ribs: entry: \$10, turn-in: 1:00 p. Brisket: entry: \$10, turn-in: 3:30 p. Payable to Space City Pod. Raffle and silent auction. Plenty of parking (no hookups). Info: Sandy McIntosh, (281)931-9157, email:

sandymac@ev1.net, 915 Mierianne St., Houston, TX 77088.

Jun 1, 2002-003 - Greer AZ CASI. Arizona Men's Open. Held at Snowy Mountain Inn. Entry: \$15, payable to Alpine Chili Society. Dry camping. Info: Dick Seehusen, PO Box 77, Alpine, AZ 85920, (928)339-1840. More info to follow.

Jun 1, 2002-004 - Greer AZ CASI. Arizona Women's Open. Held at Snowy Mountain Inn. Entry: \$15, payable to Alpine Chili Society. Dry camping. Info: Dick Seehusen, PO Box 77, Alpine, AZ 85920, (928)339-1840. More info to follow.

Jun 1, 2002-005 - College Park MD CASI. Maryland State Championship. Entry: \$17, payable to Mason Dixon Pod. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Info and directions: Alan Dean, (410)879-6410, email: pepperdean@comcast.net.

Jun 1, 2002-006 - Adair OK CASI. Adair's Dalton Days Celebration. Held at Sam's Town USA. Chili: entry: \$20, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. BBQ: entry: \$50 for three events; open turn-in: 12:30 p.; ribs turn-in: 1:00 p.; brisket turn-in: 1:30 p. Car show, tractor pull, music and much, much more. Benefits Adair Chamber of Commerce. Info: Diana Kennedy, (918)785-4242. Preregistration to: Adair Chamber, PO Box 377, Adair, OK 74330-0377.

Jun 1, 2002-007 - Tyler TX CASI. 22nd Annual Rose City Chili Cookoff. Held at East Texas Fairgrounds. Benefits Smith County Sheriff K-9 Unit. More info to follow. Info: Denning Key, (903)596-9061 or Steve Tonjes, (903)566-9146.

Jun 1, 2002-008 - Loves Park IL CASI. Loves Park Backyard Cookoff. Held at 6613 Buckhorn. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Ginny Carlson. Info: Wes and Ginny Carlson, (815)885-3470, 6613 Buckhorn, Loves Park, IL 61111.

Jun 1, 2002-009 - Floris IA CASI. Annual Flag Day Event on Main Street CCO. Turn-in: 1:00 p. Info: Virgil or Roylene Johnson, (641)684-4525, email: roylene1@prodigy.net.

Jun 1, 2002-010 - Miles City MT CASI. Montana State Open Championship, The Big Sky Chili Cookoff Classic. CASI chili, green chili, beans, Junior red chili. Benefits R.S.V.P. COPS program. Cooks' party Friday night. Info: Mick Joplin, (406)232-1742.

CHILI APPRECIATION SOCIETY OF ARIZONA



CASI - 2002

Great Pepper's Meeting

Phoenix, Arizona

YAVAPAI CHILI SOCIETY
FRESQUITO, ARIZONA

It's time to remind everyone that the Great Peppers' Meeting is just around the corner. Yep, look at the calendar. Go to the end of May and take a left. Take 4 short steps to September 7th, and you'll be right on top of CASI's annual meeting date. The **Chili Appreciation Society of Arizona** and **Yavapai Chili Society** are inviting one and all to come to the "Valley of the Sun" to bask in the sun, and enjoy this year's **Great Peppers' Meeting** at the Fiesta Inn Resort in Tempe. Here is some pertinent information to help plan your travel and vacation in the sun. This information can also be found on the **2002 Great Peppers' Meeting Web Page** at <http://members.aol.com/azgreatpepper>. Registration packets for Directors, Great Peppers/Voting Delegates, and Regional Referees will be mailed by the end of May.

DON'T WAIT; MAKE YOUR ROOM RESERVATIONS NOW!!

HOTEL INFORMATION

The hotel for the 2002 Great Peppers' Meeting:

Fiesta Inn Resort
2100 South Priest Drive
Tempe, Arizona 85282-1116
Toll Free Phone: 800-528-6481
Local Phone: 480-967-1441
Website: www.fiestainnresort.com

Reservations:

1. You can start making reservations now!
2. The convention is listed as **CASI**. Be sure to mention CASI to get the correct room rates.
3. The room rates are:
 - a. \$66.00/single
 - b. \$66.00/double
 - c. Room types are 1 King bed or 2 Queen beds.
4. The cut off date for this rate is August 14, 2002.
5. These rates are good for Tuesday 09/03/02 through Sunday 09/08/02.

Transportation:

1. The hotel has complimentary limousine transportation from Sky Harbor Airport to the hotel.

2. After you have claimed your luggage call the hotel, and they will instruct you where to go and how long it will be before the limousine will whisk you away to the hotel.
3. The hotel is only 10 minutes from the airport.

Airline Discounts

We have set up an account with Southwest Airlines for discounts on airline tickets. The discount is 10%. To check airfare prices through this program follow these steps:

1. Call Southwest Airlines at 1-800-433-5368.
2. This reservation line is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM and Saturday and Sunday from 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM.
3. Refer to I.D. code **R3073, CHILI APPRECIATION SOCIETY INTL.**
4. Reservations must be made five or more days prior to travel.
5. These tickets are "tickets by mail" and are not available through "ticketless travel".

I'm not sure if these fares will be lower than any other promotional fares that Southwest might be offering. So check the internet @ www.iflyswa.com for any current promotional discount fares, too.

RV PARK

For those who might want to travel to the Great Peppers' Meeting in their RV, there is a RV park less than 4 miles from the Fiesta Inn Resort.

Apache Palms RV Park
1836 E. Apache Blvd.
Tempe, AZ 85281
480-966-7399
email: www.apachepalmsrvpark.com

They offer a 10% discount to Good Sam and AAA members. Check out their website for rate and amenity information.

If you have any questions or problems contact Tom Klug at 480-926-1667 (days), 480-288-4375 (evenings), email: chiliklug@msn.com

Jun 1, 2002-011 - White Settlement TX CASI. City of White Settlement Chili Challenge. Held at 214 Meadow Park. Benefits Parks and Recreation. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to City of White Settlement. Info: Parks and Recreation Department, 8213 White Settlement Road, White Settlement, TX 76108, (817)246-5012.

Jun 1, 2002-013 - Weatherford TX CASI. Sons of the American Legion Post 163 Chili and BBQ Cookoff. Held at American Legion Post 163, 703 Eureka St. Entries: chili: \$15; beans: \$5; chicken: \$5; brisket: \$10; ribs: \$10. Some electrical hookups (first come first served). Beans and BBQ place 1st - 3rd. Cooks party Friday night. Info: Gary Fife, (817)594-4101 or (940)682-4328.

Jun 1, 2002-014 - Odessa TX CASI. Humane Society of Ector County 3rd Annual CASI Chili and West Texas Barbecue Association Cookoff. Held at Becky Sam's Tropical Bar & Grill, 2458 North FM 1936. This event is held in conjunction with our annual Musicians Reunion. Cooks party Friday night with barbecue and music by some of the best musicians in the country. This has proven to be a very entertaining and successful cookoff. Plenty of RV parking available. CASI chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. \$20 entry each for brisket, pork spare ribs and 1/2 jointed chicken, 50% payback in barbecue and \$100 for Grand Champion. Turn-in: chicken: 12:00 Noon; ribs: 1:00p; brisket: 3:00 p. Chili Show: Noon. The Humane Society volunteers work very hard and do a wonderful job for our four-legged friends and the musicians put on a great show. Come on out and have a great time! Info: Becky or W.C., (915)385-

1908 or Boomer at KGEE 100, (915)563-5999.

Jun 1, 2002-015 - Memphis TN CASI. Ducks Unlimited Cookoff. Held at the Great Outdoors Festival, Agri-Center International, Germantown Parkway Entrance. Benefits Ducks Unlimited. Entry: \$25, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Ducks Unlimited Chili Cookoff. Site opens at 7:00 a. Cooks enter through Gate 4. RV parking on grounds - call for info and prices - (901)756-7433. Info: Steve Baiel, (901)226-2228, 3117 Woodlawn Crest Dr, Lakeland, TN 38002; Preston Shaw, (731)847-7208; or James Brockman, (901)684-7526.

Jun 1, 2002-016 - Midland TX CASI. Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Cookoff. Held in Centennial Plaza, Downtown Midland, 109 N Main. Benefits the Midland Hispanic Chamber

of Commerce Scholarship Fund. CASI Chili: entry: \$15, turn-in: 2:00 p. Fajitas: entry: \$15, turn-in: 3:00 p. Menudo: entry: \$15, turn-in: 4:00 p. Checks payable to Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce or "MHCC". CHILIGRIND ONLY. Info: Diana Cano, (915)683-2194, PO Box 11134, Midland, TX 79702.

Jun 2, 2002-001 - Houston TX CASI. Space City Pod 25th Annual Day After Cookoff. Held at Blanco's, 3406 W Alabama. Benefits various charities. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 1:00 p. Omelets: entry: \$8, turn-in: 10:00 a. Omelet judging: \$10. Open BBQ: \$10, turn-in 12:00 Noon. Payable to Space City Pod. Info: Sandy McIntosh, (281)931-9157, email: sandymac@ev1.net, 915 W Mierianne St, Houston, TX 77088.

Jun 2, 2002-002 - Memphis TN CASI. 8th Annual Great Outdoors Wilderness

Chili Cookoff. See June 1, 2002 information for Ducks Unlimited Cookoff. Benefits Wetland Conservation Association. Entry: \$25, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Ducks Unlimited Chili Cookoff. See site information for June 1 Ducks Unlimited event. Info: Steve Baiel, (901)226-2228, 3117 Woodlawn Crest Dr, Lakeland, TN 38002; Preston Shaw, (731)847-7208, or James Brockman, (901)684-7526.

Jun 7, 2002-001 - Parkers Cross Roads TN CASI. Cannons and Cookpots CCO. Held at Exit 108 on I-40 (same site as 6/8/2002 cookoff). Benefits PCBA - Ladies Auxiliary. Entry: \$15, turn-in 8:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to HOT Pod - CASI. Info: Preston Shaw, (731)847-7208 or Richard Knight, (615)449-6676.

Jun 8, 2002-001 - Parkers Cross Roads TN CASI. Battleground - Mid South Regional Held at Parkers Cross Roads Battlefield, Exit 108 on I-40 (halfway between Memphis and Nashville). Entry: \$20, benefits Parkers Cross Roads Battlefield Assoc.; advance checks payable to HOT Pod. Chili turn-in: 1:00 p. TICC 2002 expense money to Top 3 chilis and Top Show. Civil War reenactment, Saturday night cooks' dinner. Music & dancing. RV space (no hookups). See ad for more details. Info: Preston Shaw, (731)847-7208, or Richard Knight, (615)449-6676. HOT Pod, PO Box 176, Parsons, TN 38363.

Jun 8, 2002-002 - Iraan TX CASI. Alley Oop Chili & BBQ Cookoff. Held at Iraan County Park. Benefits Ex-Students Association. Chili entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Ex-Students Association. CHILI GRIND ONLY. WTBA BBQ, too! 1/2 jointed chicken, pork spareribs, brisket: \$15 each, 80% payback. Dry pinto beans: \$5 entry. Info: Venetia Smith, (915)639-2761 (h) or (915)639-2543(w), PO Box 933, Iraan, TX 79744.

Jun 8, 2002-003 - Trinidad CO CASI. Santa Fe Trail Days CCO. Held at the Fairgrounds. Benefits AADA and Hope Pregnancy. Entry: CASI chili: \$20; green chili: \$15; beans: \$5; salsa: \$5; or all four for \$40. Checks payable to Trinidad Chamber of Commerce. Turn-in times to be announced. Info: Mike or Laurie Parker, (719)846-0494, parkerprop@adelphia.net, 922 Atchison, Trinidad, CO 81082.

Jun 8, 2002-004 - Longview TX CASI. Hundred Acres of Heritage CCO. Held in Downtown Longview. Benefits Hundred Acres of Heritage. Entry: \$25, turn-in:

1:00 p. (Set up at 8:00 a.) Preregistration deadline: May 1. Three-day arts and crafts festival. Info: Stacey Marino, (903)236-0051, email: smarino@fox51.com or Casey Boone, (903)237-4040, email: casey@longviewpartnership.org.

Jun 8, 2002-005 - McDade TX CASI. First Ever Star Ranch CASI CCO. Held at Star Ranch Nudist Resort (clothing optional), 166 Eely Road (32 miles east of Austin off Highway 290; turn on Waco Street, go .25 mile, cross a railroad track and turn left on Brown; 1.9 miles, turn left on Eely Road, bear to your right and follow signs to gate.) Benefits Neighbors for Neighbors. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Camping and RV space, hookups available. Clubhouse, beautiful grounds; swimming pool and hot tub (must be nude for these). Cooks' party Friday night. CASI and local chili. Head cook and one assistant, four members per show team get free ground fees; others \$30 each for weekend. For RV and camping reservations and info: (866)705-5978, email: staranch@onr.com, www.starranch.net/starranchinfo.html; Misty Timms, (512)273-2257.

Jun 8, 2002-006 - Glen Rose TX CASI. 2nd Annual Texas Music Nation Celebration and Chili Cookoff. Held at Bucks on the Brazos, located 5 miles east of Glen Rose off Highway 57. Benefits North Texas Musicians Emergency Fund. Chili entry: \$15, turn-in: 2:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Cooks' meeting at 10:00 a. Music and party start on June 6. Event tickets are \$20, Saturday only \$10 (event tickets separate from chili entry). For camping, music festival info and directions: <http://www.buckbrazos.com/>. Hookups available. Info on cookoff: Terry Austin, (817)249-6841, 1300 Concho, Fort Worth, TX 76126.

Jun 8, 2002-007 - Sperry OK CASI. 4th Annual Old West Fest BBQ and Chili Cookoff. Benefits the Sperry Chamber of Commerce. Entry: \$20, turn-in: 1:00 p. BBQ by IBS rules; \$125, \$75, and \$50 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in BBQ. Turn-in: specialty: 11:30 a, spare ribs: 12:00 Noon and brisket: 12:30 p. Held in downtown Sperry, with street dance and live band Friday night. Parade and citywide garage sale on Saturday. Info: Larry Dedmon, (918)288-7459 or Donny Teel, (918)-288-6725.

Jun 9, 2002-001 - Parkers Cross Roads TN CASI. HOT Pod Cookoff. Held at Parkers Cross Roads Battlefield, Exit 108 on I-40 (same site as 6/8/2002 cookoff). Entry: \$15, payable to and benefiting HOT Pod. Turn-in: 12:00 Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Info: Preston Shaw,

(731)847-7208 or Richard Knight, (615)449-6676. HOT Pod, PO Box 176, Parsons, TN 38363.

Jun 9, 2002-002 - Issaquah WA CASI. 2nd Annual Wildfire Ranch CCO and BBQ. Held at Wildfire Ranch, Gilman Village. Benefits local charities. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:30 p. Checks payable to PNWBA. Info: Ken Peach, (253)537-4591, 3125 148th St E, Tacoma, WA 98446, email: kmpeach@aol.com.

Jun 14, 2002-001 - Fort Smith AR CASI. Miss Laura Friday Nite Social. Held at Columbus Acres, Highway 71 South and Broken Hill. Benefits BELCH Pod. Entry: \$10, turn-in: 7:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to BELCH Pod, mail to Guy Smith, PO Box 5211, Fort Smith, AR 72913. Info: Guy Smith, (479)646-9444.

Jun 15, 2002-001 - Las Cruces NM CASI. BPOE 1119 CASI CCO. Held at 1119 Elk Drive, Las Cruces. Entry: \$15, payable to the NMCS. Benefits BPOE charities. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Info: Teamorgan@zianet.com.

Jun 15, 2002-002 - Grove OK CASI. Smoke on the Water BBQ & Chili Blast. Held at the Grove Civic Center, benefits Grove Area Chamber of Commerce. Chili entry: \$20, payable to Grove Area Chamber of Commerce. BBQ, too - sanctioned by KCBS and will include brisket, pork ribs, chicken and pork shoulder/butt. Info: Doris Trosper, (918)786-5980 (home) or (918)786-2223 (work), 25351 S 603 Road, Grove, OK 74344.

Jun 15, 2002-003 - Fort Smith AR CASI. 20th Annual Judge Issac C. Parker Memorial Cookoff and Arkansas State BBQ Championship. Held at Columbus Acres, Highway 71 South and Broken Hill. Benefits Fort Smith Boys' Shelter. Entry: \$20, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Checks payable to Fort Smith Boys' Shelter; mail to Guy Smith, PO Box 5211, Fort Smith, AR 72913. Info: Guy Smith, (479)646-9444.

Jun 15, 2002-004 - Austin TX CASI. 22nd Annual SOT Pod Cookoff. Benefits Central Texas Food Bank. Held at Lago Vista (South Highway 1431 off Highway 183 to Lago Vista; left onto Lohmans Ford, right onto Boggy Ford, right on Lincoln Cove, right into 7 Porticos Housing development - yes, there will be signs). CASI chili: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Junior chili: \$5, turn-in 1:00 p. Beans: \$5, turn-in: 1:00 p. Salsa: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Tonk and

42 tournaments Saturday night. Cooks' party Friday night, Pod breakfast Saturday, pot luck dinner Saturday night. Stay for the Sunday CCO! Info and directions: Greg Martin, (512)257-9799, email: greg@swsystems.com.

Jun 15, 2002-005 - Grand Prairie TX CASI. 26th Annual Cowtown CASI Pod CCO. Held at Traders Village, 2602 Mayfield Road, just off Highway 360 between I-20 and I-30. Benefits "Kash for Kids". RV/campers welcome (no hookups). Friday night cooks party, raffles, goody bags for first 75 registered cooks. Chili: entry: \$20, turn-in: 1:00 p. Jackpot beans (dry pintos only): entry: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Checks payable to Cowtown CASI. Info: Ron Barnes, (817)685-0160 evenings, or email: Ratchili@aol.com.

Jun 15, 2002-006 - Wilmington DE CASI. Kahunaville Chili Cookoff. Kahunaville is a huge restaurant/funhouse with all kinds of games and fun in a tropical setting for the kid in all of us. Chili turn-in: 3:00 p. More details to follow, including entertainment and excellent hotel discounts. Don't miss this one. To get an idea, visit Kahunaville at: <http://kahunaville.com/>. Info: Alan Dean, (410)879-6410, or email: pepperdean@comcast.net.

Jun 15, 2002-007 - Odessa TX CASI. BPO Elks Lodge #1630 Annual Fathers Day Cookoff. CASI chili and West Texas Barbeque Assn rules. Held at 9121 Andrews Highway. Plenty of RV parking (limited electrical hookups). Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. \$20 each for brisket, pork spare ribs and 1/2 jointed chicken. Turn-in: chicken: 12:00 Noon, ribs: 1:00 p, brisket: 3:00 p. Chili show at Noon. Cooks' party Friday night. Benefits various Elk Charities. Info: Becky Sam or W.C. Dixon, (915)385-1908 or (915)381-9966.

Jun 15, 2002-008 - Carlsbad NM CASI. KCDY/CD104 FM 9th Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at Pecos River Village. Cooks receive closer parking/assistance in unloading, and 6 beer chips per cook. Awards for top 10 cooks and top 3 show teams. Info: Jerry "Chili Man" Flores, (505)887-7563.

Jun 15, 2002-009 - Harmony NC CASI. North Carolina State Chili Championship Cookoff. Held at 742 Jerricho Road, Vanhoy's Campground. Benefits Little Miss Statesville Scholarship Fund. Entry: CASI: \$20, freestyle: \$10. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Piedmont Pepper Pod. Info: Brent Lundy, (704)876-2681; or Ralston James, (704)539-4273.

Jun 15, 2002-010 - Pinetop AZ CASI. 3rd Lion's Den CCO. More info to follow. Info: Mary Ellen Smith, (623)435-0291.

Jun 15, 2002-011 - Chugwater WY CASI. 17th Annual CASI State of Wyoming Chili Championship. Held at Town Park. Benefits Chugwater Economic Development, Chugwater Ambulance, Chugwater Community Center and Chugwater Historic Group. Entry: \$15, payable to Chugwater Chili Cookoff. Turn-in: 1:00 p. Info: Krista West, (307)422-3493 (M, W, F), PO Box 243, Chugwater, WY 82210.

Jun 16, 2002-001 - Austin TX CASI. SOT Pod Day After Cookoff. Held at Lago Vista (see Jun 15 listing for directions). Benefits local area charities. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Info and directions: Greg Martin, (512)257-9799, email: greg@swsystems.com.

Jun 22, 2002-001 - Grand Lake CO CASI. 19th State of Colorado Championship. Held in Grand Lake, Colorado. Benefits Grand Lake Dive Team. Top ten CASI places, top 3 Green places and top 3 Showmanship awards. Entry fee \$25.00 for CASI/red or green, or both for \$35.00. Cook at 9,000 feet in the town park. All cooks who sign up and pay their entry fee by June 1, 2002 will receive a special memento. Info Donnie Kern (970)672-8428, Lyman Wilkinson (720)890-9600 (w), or John Montgomery (303)831-5000 (w). Entry to Colorado Chili Pod, c/o John Montgomery, 1600 Broadway, Suite 1600, Denver, CO 80202.

Jun 22, 2002-003 - Bastrop TX CASI. River Runners Chili Cookoff. Held at the Bastrop American Legion. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry: \$17. Benefits Bastrop American Legion. Free cooks' dinner and dance Saturday evening. RV parking (no hookups). Info: Fred Mertink, (512)253-6335 or Crystal, (512)321-5555. Cookoff next day same location.

Jun 22, 2002-004 - San Angelo TX CASI. Rolling Thunder Racetrack Chili and BBQ Cookoff. Benefits Hospice of San Angelo. More info next month. Info: Sammie Plant, (915)655-2147.

Jun 22, 2002-005 - Alsip IL CASI. Chillin' Out at Summerfest CCO. Held at Summerfest Grounds, 119th Street and Kostner. (Take 57 to 127th Street W to Pulaski; Pulaski N to 119th, West to Kostner OR take 294 to 127th Street E to Pulaski, turn North to 119th St, West to Kostner). Benefits American Cancer

Society. Entry: \$17, payable to Alsip Park District. Turn-in: 3:00 p. Tasting is open to the public, and we'll have a People's Choice Award. Info: Meghan Fenlon, (708)389-1003, 12521 S Kostner, Alsip, IL 60803.

Jun 22, 2002-006 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. American Legion Post 169 Auxiliary Cookoff. Held at 4605 Lake Shore Drive. Benefits Legion Charities. Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Jackpot beans: entry: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Checks payable to American Legion. Cooks' party Friday night, June 21. RV parking (no hookups). Indoor cooking available. Info: Glyn Gaines, (940)767-2273, #7 Bandera Circle, Wichita Falls, Texas 76302.

Jun 22, 2002-007 - Ottumwa IA CASI. Annual Pro-Balloon Race CCO. Held in Ottumwa Park. Benefits Hospice. Turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Info: Virgil or Roylene Johnson, (641)684-4525, email: roylene1@prodigy.net.

Jun 22, 2002-008 - Odessa TX CASI. West Side Volunteer Fire Dept CCO. Held at Pat's Place, 7405 W Andrews Highway. Benefits West Side VFD. Auction and raffle. BBQ plates for \$5, proceeds to VFD. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Info: Teresa Wagnon, (915)550-6224 (h) or (915)644-0755 (cell).

Jun 22, 2002-009 - Tucson AZ CASI. La Mesa RV Chili Cookoff. Held at 3255 East Irvington Road. Entry: \$10, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to ChiliHeads of Arizona. Info: Peter Braly, (520)574-0197, 8401 S Kolb Rd, #433, Tucson, AZ 85706, email: peterjbraly@compuserve.com.

Jun 23, 2002-002 - Bastrop TX CASI. River Runners II Chili Cookoff. Held at Bastrop American Legion. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry: \$10, benefits River Runner charities. Cookoff previous day same location. Info: Fred Mertink, (512)253-6335 or Crystal, (512)321-5555.

Jun 23, 2002-003 - Rochester WA CASI. Lucky Eagle Casino CCO. Held at Lucky Eagle Casino. Benefits local charities. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Ken Peach, 3125 148th St E, Tacoma, WA 98446. Info: Ken Peach, (253)537-4591, email: kmpeach@aol.com.

Jun 29, 2002-001 - Stanton TX CASI. 2nd Annual Cookin for Kids Chili Cookoff. Held at 301 N St. Theresa, Martin County Community Center. Benefits Martin County School Activities, and checks payable to same. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Info: Kim Conaway,

(915)756-2669, PO Box 1143, Stanton, TX 79782.

Jun 29, 2002-002 - Flanders NJ CASI. 2nd Annual CCO and Microbeer Festival. Entry: \$17, payable to Mason Dixon Pod. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Info and directions: Alan Dean, (410)879-6410, email: pepperdean@comcast.net.

Jun 29, 2002-003 - Tulsa OK CASI. 5th Annual All American BBQ & Chili Cookoff. Held at American Legion Post 1, 1120 E 8th Street. Benefits Veterans' charities. Chili: entry: \$20, turn-in: 1:00 p. BBQ \$20 per category. Turn-in: poultry: 12:00 Noon; ribs: 1:45 p.; brisket: 2:30 p. Register for all four events -\$70 (\$10 savings!) BBQ by IBS rules. Prize money paid to top 5 BBQ cooks. Info: Jan Barber, (918)599-0386, email: jnbrbr@yahoo.com.

Jun 29, 2002-004 - McKinney TX CASI. 8th Annual Forever Free Chili Cookoff. Held at Towne Lake Park, 1405 West Wilson Creek Parkway. Benefits local children's charities. RV parking (no hookups). Friday night cooks' party. Chili: entry: \$20, turn-in: 1:00 p. Jackpot beans: entry: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Goody bags for first 50 registrations. "We have a really nice location in the trees next to a lake and the best goody bags around." Also Classic & Custom Car Show. Info: Andy Hardin, (214)682-1496 (day), (972)542-1456 (evenings), email: andy_hardin@hotmail.com.

Jun 29, 2002-005 - Tomball TX CASI. 2nd Annual Piney Woods Pod Chili Cookoff. Held at the Red River Dance Hall & Saloon, 23238 SH-249 (Spring Cypress exit). Benefits The Rose Breast Cancer Center. Friday Night Cooks' Party and Mexican Pot Luck Dinner. Southeast Texas Regional Juniors Chili Championship: entry: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Jackpot beans: entry: \$5, turn-in: 1:00 p. CASI Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Hamburger-off: entry: \$10 (includes meat), turn-in: 3:00 p. Pot luck dinner and Tonk tournaments. Old cell phones (any type) will be collected for the Verizon Hopeline project. Entry payable to Piney Woods Pod, 15015 Cypress Ridge Dr, Cypress, TX 77429-1930. Info: Bob Horan, (281)376-4817, email: greatpepper@pineywoodspod.com. Sign-up/pay with credit/debit electronically at www.pineywoodspod.com/electronicentry.htm. Information on the SE Texas Juniors Chili Championship as well as the PWP cookoff may be found at www.pineywoodspod.com.

Jun 29, 2002-006 - Surrey, BC, Canada CASI. British Columbia Chili Championship. Held at the Days Hotel, 9850 King George Highway. Benefits the British Columbia Cancer Foundation. Entry: \$15 US or \$20 CDN. Info: Fred Roycroft, (604)464-3472, 3422 Lancaster St., Port Coquitlam, BC, Canada V3B 4R3, email: chili4fred@telus.net.

Jun 30, 2002-001 - Tomball TX CASI. 2nd Annual Day After PWP Chili Cookoff. Held at the Red River Dance Hall & Saloon, 23238 SH-249 (Spring Cypress exit). Benefits Tomball Emergency Assistance Ministries (TEAM). Friday night Cooks' party and Mexican potluck dinner. CASI chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Old cell phones (any type) will be collected for the Verizon Hopeline project; clothes will be collected for donation to TEAM. Entry payable to Piney Woods Pod, 15015 Cypress Ridge Dr., Cypress, TX 77429-1930. Info: Bob Horan, (281)376-4817, email: greatpepper@pineywoodspod.com. Sign-up/pay with credit/debit electronically at www.pineywoodspod.com/electronicentry.htm. Additional info/flyer at www.pineywoodspod.com.

Jul 4, 2002-001 - Sierra Vista AZ CASI. 12th Annual Welcome Home Desert Storm Celebration and Chili Cookoff. Held at Veterans' Memorial Park on Fry Boulevard, and sponsored by the High Desert Pod and the San Pedro Kiwanis Club. Entry: \$15, benefits Kiwanis charities. Turn-in: 12:00 Noon. There will be potluck party on the evening of July 3. Overnight camping (no hookups). Come join a great hometown Independence Day celebration. Info: Mike Strack, (520)378-7179, PO Box 3204, Sierra Vista, AZ 85636.

Jul 6, 2002-001 - San Angelo TX CASI. 4th of July Blowout Chili Cookoff. Held at Water Valley Park. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry: Chili: \$17, Jackpot Beans: \$5. Charity to be determined. Info: Laura Coad, (915)944-7715. More info to follow.

Jul 6, 2002-002 - Statesville NC CASI. Big Yankee Day Cookoff. Held at 2646 Old Mocksville Road. Benefits Piedmont Pepper Pod. Entry: \$15 for Piedmont Pepper Pod members, \$20 for non-members and \$5 for free-style chili. GROUND BEEF ONLY. Turn-in: 1:00 p. Checks payable to Piedmont Pepper Pod. Info: Charlie Salem, (704)546-2935 or Brent Lundy, (704)876-2681.

Jul 6, 2002-003 - Sierra Blanca TX CASI. White Mountain Chili Cookoff.

Held at Sierra Blanca Park near the Courthouse, Highway 1111 and Brown. Cooks Meeting at 9:00 a., parade at 10:00 a. Benefits Chamber of Commerce charities. Chili: \$15, turn-in: 2:00. Beans: \$5, salsa: \$5, pie: \$5. Checks payable to Sierra Blanca Chamber of Commerce. Info: Earl Campbell, (915)755-1041, 4617 Tumbleweed, El Paso, TX 79924; Billy French, (915)369-3441 or (915)369-2291.

Jul 13, 2002-001 - Ft. Washington MD CASI. 5th Annual Up The Creek CCO and Party. Entry: \$22, payable to Mason Dixon Pod. Turn-in: 3:00 p. Info and directions: Charlie Walstrom, (301)292-5403, email: charles@comcast.net. (Please note revised turn-in time.)

Jul 13, 2002-002 - Schertz TX CASI. Summer Heat. Held at 1000 FM 78. Benefits VOD Scholarships. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Cooks' party Saturday night, July 13. Showmanship: 11:00 a - 1:00 p. Checks payable to VFW Post 8315. Info: Peggy Hale, (210)659-1107, 10312 Flatland Tr, Converse, TX 78109.

Jul 13, 2002-003 - Odessa TX CASI. 8th Annual West Texas Barbecue Association Championship and Chili Cookoff. Held at Becky Sam's Tropical Bar & Grill, 2458 FM 1936. CASI chili: \$20. WTBA Barbecue: brisket, pork spare ribs, and chicken: \$25 per category. Benefits Make A Wish Foundation of West Texas. Great cash prizes for barbecue winners! Info: Boomer Kingston, (915)563-5499 or Becky Dixon, (915)385-1908.

Jul 13, 2002-004 - Gering NE CASI. Nebraska State Open CASI Championship Cookoff. Held at Oregon Trail Park. Benefits Oregon Trail Days. Entry: \$15, turn-in: 3:00 p. Checks payable to Oregon Trail Days Association. Info: Paul Snyder, (308)632-6131, email: chili@oregontraildays.com.

Jul 13, 2002-005 - Crosby TX CASI. Bob & Jeans CCO. Held at 4700 FM 1942. Benefits Shriners Burn Institute. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Bob & Jeans. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Info: Lisa at Bob & Jeans, (281)421-5650, or Diane Spence, (281)328-0553.

Jul 13, 2002-006 - Memphis, TN CASI. VFW Post 4935 Chili Cookoff. Benefits Ronald McDonald House/Memphis. Entry: \$17. This will be an indoor cookoff, seeing how July is so very hot in Memphis. There is motorhome parking (no hookups) in parking lot. Friday night will be a normal VFW night with a band or Karaoke. Come

join the fun. Info: Lynne Murry, (662)526-5722, or VFW Post 4935, (901)398-0157.

Jul 14, 2002-001 - Schertz TX CASI. Summer Heat Sunday. Held at 1000 FM 78. Benefits Youth Activities. Entry: \$15, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Checks payable to VFW Post 8315. Showmanship: 10:30 a. Info: Peggy Hale, (210)659-1107, 10312 Flatland Tr, Converse, TX 78109.

Jul 14, 2002-002 - Irving TX CASI. Irving Elks Lodge Warm Weather Cookoff. Held at 2015 N Britian. Benefits Elks Charities. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 1:00 p. Checks payable to Irving Elks Lodge #2334. Info: Diane or Mel FitzHenry, (254)694-5441; or Horace Jones, (972)579-0005. Mother nature nailed us in March, so let's try to make up for the low turnout due to the cold. Directors' meeting on Saturday the day before this cookoff at the Lodge.

Jul 20, 2002-001 - Vaughan NM CASI. 1st Ever Vaughan CASI CCO. Highway 54 N in Vaughan. Entry: \$15, payable to the NMCS. Benefits local charity. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Info: Teamorgan@zianet.com.

Jul 20, 2002-002 - Greenville TX CASI. 4th Annual Greenville Elks Lodge Chili Cookoff. Held 6 miles south of Greenville and 8 miles north of Quinlan on Highway 34 (Cash, Texas area). Benefits local improvements. Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 1:00 p. Jackpot beans: entry: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon, 50/50 (1st place only). Goodie bags to first 30 paid entries. Limited hookups. Checks payable to Greenville Elks Lodge. Mail checks to and info: Carl and Jackie Grose, 5640 Highway 34 South, Quinlan, TX 75474-3228, (903)883-4916 (days and evenings until 9:00 p). See Sunday cookoff, also.

Jul 20, 2002-003 - Golden City MO CASI. Missouri State Open Chili Cookoff and Second Annual Junior Chili Cookoff. Held at City Park - Golden City. Entry: CASI: \$20, Junior: \$5. Turn-in: 12:00 p. GROUND MEAT ONLY. Novice division: entry: \$20. Salsa: entry: \$5. Checks payable to Golden Harvest Days. Goody bags to first 25 cooks. Overnight camping available (no hookups). Info: Dixie Johnson, (417)682-5432, jrj8@ipa.net, 601 Truman, Lamar, MO 64759.

Jul 20, 2002-004 - Staples TX CASI. 19th Annual Purgatory Creek Pod Chili Cookoff. On the San Marcos River. Overnight camping (no hookups). Move in after Noon on Friday, July 19. Friday night cooks' party. Benefits local charities. *Please - no 4 wheelers or all terrain

vehicles. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 1:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Info: Mike Benold, (512)894-0873 or Karen Reinke, (512)357-6633.

Jul 20, 2002-005 - Odessa TX CASI. Amvet CCO. Held at Pat's Place, 7405 W Andrews Highway. Benefits American Veterans. Auction and raffle. BBQ plates for \$5. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Info: Teresa Wagnon, (915)550-6224 (h) or (915)644-0755 (cell).

Jul 20, 2002-006 - Cheyenne WY CASI. Cheyenne Lion's Club 23rd Annual Cookoff. Held at Lions' Park, at 8th and Carey Avenue. (I-25N to Exit 12, South on Central Ave to 8th Avenue; turn west to Lions' Park - watch for the signs along Central and 8th.) Benefits Lions Club. More info to follow. Info: Kim Withers, (307)633-6414.

Jul 20, 2002-007 - Philadelphia, MS CASI. More info to follow. Info: Clifton Nickle (601)656-3688 or Preston Nickle, (501)791-2191

Jul 21, 2002-001 - Greenville TX CASI. 4th Annual Morning After Greenville Elks Lodge Chili Cookoff. Held 6 miles south of Greenville and 8 miles north of Quinlan on Highway 34 (Cash, Texas area). Benefits Children's Hospital charities. Chili: entry: \$13, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to Greenville Elks Lodge. Mail checks to and info: Carl and Jackie Grose, 5640 Highway 34 South, Quinlan, TX 75474-3228, (903)883-4916 (days and evenings until 9:00 p).

Jul 21, 2002-002 - Fair Hill MD CASI. 2nd Annual Cecil County Fair CCO. Entry: \$17 payable to Mason Dixon Pod. Turn-in: 3:00 p. Info and directions: Alan Dean, (410)879-6410, email: pepperdean@comcast.net.

Jul 21, 2002-003 - Staples TX CASI. 19th Annual Purgatory Creek Pod Chili Cookoff Day II. On the San Marcos River. Overnight camping (no hookups). Move in after Noon on Friday, July 19. Friday night cooks' party. Benefits local charities. Entry: \$12, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Info: Mike Benold, (512)894-0873 or Karen Reinke, (512)357-6633.

Jul 27, 2002-001 - Cloudcroft NM CASI. **New Mexico Men's State Open CCO.** Get a break from the heat! Come and cook in the high pines of New Mexico. Held at Ski Cloudcroft, Highway 82. Entry: \$20, payable to the NMCS. Benefits NMCS and local charities. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Potluck

Friday night. Dry camping only (unless it rains). Motels available close to cookoff site. Info: hcheechughes@hotmail.com.

Jul 27, 2002-002 - Cloudcroft NM CASI. New Mexico Women's State Open CCO. Get a break from the heat! Come and cook in the high pines of New Mexico. Held at Ski Cloudcroft, Highway 82. Entry: \$20, payable to the NMCS. Benefits NMCS and local charities. Turn-in: 1:00 p. Potluck Friday night. Dry camping only (unless it rains). Motels available close to cookoff site. Info: hcheechughes@hotmail.com.

Jul 27, 2002-003 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. American Legion Auxiliary Post 120 Fairway Cookoff. Held at Lake Wichita. Benefits Veterans' Programs. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Inside cooking available. Friday night cooks' feed. Saturday morning breakfast donation. Info: Peggy Gahagan, (940)691-3798.

Jul 27, 2002-004 - Batavia IL CASI. Tenth Illinois State Championship Chili Cookoff™. Held at the Batavia Riverwalk and Peg Bond Center, Island Avenue and Houston Street. Benefits the Batavia Teen Center. CASI competition chili: entry: \$22, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Green chile: entry: \$10, turn-in: 1:00 p. Checks payable to Windmill City Chili Cookoff. Info: Bill or Cheryl Pierson, (630)879-7934, 411 Illinois Ave, Batavia, IL 60510, email: WCCCO@aol.com.

Jul 27, 2002-005 - Austin TX CASI. Lone Star Weekend Chili Cookoff. Held at the Lone Star RV Resort. Entry: \$80. Entry includes: 2 nights full hookup, pull thru RV site (30 amps - a few 50 amps available), including cable TV (for Friday and Saturday nights), or tent site for 2 nights (4 available) or one night cabin rental (5 available); 10 oz. prime rib dinner for 2 (grilled to order); pancake breakfast for 2 (Saturday and Sunday mornings); and chili registration for 2. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry deadline is July 10. Info: Ken or Yolie Rodd, (512)444-6322, email: sgmken@aol.com.

Jul 27, 2002-006 - Castle Rock WA CASI. Mountain Mania CCO. Held in Downtown Castle Rock next to the Museum. Benefits the Castle Rock Library. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to Al Ruskin, PO Box 4070, Spanaway, WA 98387. Info: Al Ruskin, (253)847-1897.

Jul 27, 2002-007 - North Little Rock, AR CASI. Arkansas Social Society Pod Cookoff. Held at Rudy's Oyster Bar. Benefits Little Rock Great Peppers' Fund.

Entry: \$20, turn-in: 1:00 p. Info: Preston Nickle, (501)791-2191.

Aug 3, 2002-001 - Bel Air MD CASI. Mason Dixon Pod CCO. Entry fee includes Pod membership dues, party, unique awards. Entry: \$17, payable to Mason Dixon Pod. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Info and directions: Alan Dean, (410)879-6410, email: pepperdean@comcast.net.

Aug 3, 2002-002 - Fort Smith AR CASI. Fun in the Park. Held at 1 Belle Point, Belle Point Park (under Garrison Avenue Bridge). Benefits Great Peppers' Meeting. Entry: \$20. Checks payable to BELCHPod, mail to: Guy Smith, PO Box 5211, Fort Smith, AR 72913. GROUND MEAT ONLY. Info: Guy Smith, (479)646-9444.

Aug 3, 2002-003 - Zuehl (San Antonio) TX CASI. 3rd Annual ACES Pod CCO. Held at Bexar Social Club, Bexar Bowling Lane, off Trainer Hall Road. Benefits St. Hedwig VFD. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to ACES Pod. Info: Laura McDaniel, (210)805-9740; Janet Cieloncki, (210)661-3365; or Jeannie Brogdon, (210)661-3137; mail: PO Box 39033, San Antonio, TX 78218.

Aug 3, 2002-004 - Schulenburg TX CASI. Schulenburg Festival Annual CASI Chili Cookoff. Held at Wolters Park. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 3:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Electrical hookups available on first come, first served basis; may start to check in on Friday, August 2, at 4:00 p. Info: Helen Kruppa, (979)247-4560.

Aug 4, 2002-001 - Zuehl (San Antonio) TX CASI. ACES Pod Sunday CCO. Held at Bexar Social Club, Bexar Bowling Lane, off Trainer Hall Road. Benefits Lavernia Food Pantry. Entry: \$15, turn-in: 1:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to ACES Pod. Info: Laura McDaniel, (210)805-9740; Janet Cieloncki, (210)661-3365; or Jeannie Brogdon, (210)661-3137; mail: PO Box 39033, San Antonio, TX 78218.

Aug 10, 2002-001 - Lewisville TX CASI. Texas Open CASI Chili Championship Held at Lewisville Lake Park. Chili: \$25, turn-in: 1:00 p. Local chili: \$25, turn-in: 1:00 p. Junior chili: \$10, turn-in: 1:00 p. Junior chili competition is CHILI GRIND ONLY. RV reservations: \$17 (Friday & Saturday nights). Charity to be determined. Goodie bag deadline: June 15, 2002. Mail entries to: Texas Open, 2050 N Shady Oaks Dr, Southlake, TX 76092. Info: Doris Coats, (972)254-5920 or Mikie McGarity, (817)975-2200.

Aug 11, 2002-001 - Olympia WA CASI. Washington State CASI Championship CCO. Held at the Farmers' Market. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:30 p. Checks payable to Ken Peach. Info: Ken Peach, (253)537-4591, email: kmpeach@aol.com.

Aug 17, 2002-001 - Alpine AZ CASI. Four Corners Regional CASI CCO. Hosted by the New Mexico Society, being held in the cool pines of Alpine, AZ. CASI chili, jackpot beans and backyard brisket (don't care if there is a smoke ring). Entry: Chili: \$20, brisket: \$5, beans: \$5. Benefits Alpine FD and New Mexico charities. Dry camping only (unless it rains) at the cook site. Pot luck Friday night. Motels close by. Info: alpineinn@cybertrails.com; teamorgan@zianet.com; or hcheechhughes@zianet.com.

Aug 17, 2002-002 - Will's Point TX CASI. 7th Annual CASI CCO. Held at B.B.'s Hideaway Nudist Resort (clothing optional), 3.2 miles north of I-20 on Highway 64, left on CR 3403. Camping and RV hookups available. Rooms also. Clubhouse, swimming pool, jacuzzi, beautiful grounds. Benefits the Myrtle Springs VFD. Entertainment Friday and Saturday nights. Chili: CASI and/or local: entry: \$20, turn-in: 2:00 p. Jackpot beans: entry: \$5, turn-in: 1:00 p. Free ground fees for head cook plus one assistant, 4 members on Showteams. Guests: \$30 each for the weekend. For RV, camping, room reservations: (903)873-3311, b.b.s.hideaway@airmail.net, or www.bbshideaway.com.

Aug 17, 2002-003 - Lamesa TX CASI. Mike Blakeley - Jimmy Sanders Memorial Cookoff. Held at Old Weaver Gin, west of Lamesa on Highway 180 1/4 mile. Benefits Crime Victims Assn. Chili: entry: \$20, turn-in: 2:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. BBQ: \$20 per category; beans: \$5. Checks payable to Crime Victims Association. Info: Dennis or Gwyn Brackeen, (806)872-2376 or (806)759-7268, 202 N 13th, Lamesa, TX 79331.

Aug 23, 2002-001 - Houston TX CASI. Sweetheart Chili Cookoff. Held at Houston Elks Lodge 151, 5230 S Willow Drive. Benefits prosthetic devices for children, children taken from broken homes, and summer camp for handicapped children at Ottine, TX. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 8:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. RV parking available. Info: Bert Hall (713)433-2888 (after 6:30 p) or Elks Lodge, (713)721-1151.

Aug 24, 2002-001 - Timonium MD CASI. 3rd Annual Fire on the Midway

CCO. Held at the Maryland State Fair. Entry: \$22, payable to Mason Dixon Pod. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Info and directions: Alan Dean, (410)879-6410, email: pepperdean@comcast.net.

Aug 24, 2002-002 - Cedar Rapids IA CASI. 19th Annual Iowa State Championship Chili Cookoff. Held at Hawkeye Downs Fairgrounds (new location). Chili: \$20, Junior Chili: \$5, Salsa: \$5. Turn-in: 3:00 p. Proceeds to Tanager Place, an organization for abused children and their families. Hot air balloons in nearby Amana Colonies. Cooks' party following announcements. Checks payable to ICAA Pod, mail to: Jerry Christensen, 374 Cambridge Dr. NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402. Info: Jerry, (319)373-4804, email: jerrychris10sen@Juno.com.

Aug 24, 2002-003 - Terlingua TX CASI. Bronze Buzzard Cookoff. Held at La Kiva. Benefits Terlingua School Activity Fund in memory of Carolyn Hejtmancik. Bronze Buzzard for first place chili and BBQ champion. Entry: Chili: \$17; BBQ: \$20 per category (chicken, ribs, brisket), 50% payback, 1st - 3rd. WTBA BBQ. Turn-in: Chili: 2:00 p.; Chicken: 12:00 Noon; Ribs: 1:00 p.; Brisket: 3:00 p. Checks payable to Sotol Pod. Info: Dorothy Williams, (915)371-2595 or Boomer Kingston, (915)563-5499.

Aug 24, 2002-004 - Houston TX CASI. Auxiliary Chili Cookoff 151. Held at Houston Elks Lodge 151, 5230 S Willow Drive. Chili entry: \$17. Beans entry: \$10 (dry beans only), 50/50 jackpot. Pool party after cookoff. Bring a covered dish! Info: Pat Moffett, (713)721-1151 or (281)437-3328 or Bert Hall, (713)433-2888.

Aug 25, 2002-001 - Tacoma WA CASI. Puget Pod Cookoff. Held at 3125 148th St E. Benefits Puget Pod. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 1:00 p. Checks payable to Ken Peach. Info: Ken Peach, (253)537-4591, email: kmpeach@aol.com.

Sep 7, 2002-001 - Edgerton WI CASI. Chilimania. Held in Downtown Edgerton. CASI chili and "traditional" or open. CASI: entry: \$15, turn-in: 1:30 p., showmanship 11:30 a. Trophies and goody bags. Site open at 7:00 a.; registration and coffee and donuts: 9:00 - 10:30 a.; Cooks' Meeting: 10:00 a. Salsa: turn-in Noon. Traditional: turn-in: 4:30. Cash prizes to traditional, best theme, people's choice and salsa winners. Info: Jennifer Kersten, Chilimania, 1002 S Main St., Edgerton, WI 53534, email: gkersten@charter.net. More info and printable entry form at www.chilimania.com.

Sep 14, 2002-001 - West Tawakoni TX CASI. 8th Annual Chili by the Lake Chili Cookoff. Held at Tawakoni City Park, 9 miles east of Quinlan on Highway 276. Benefits Tawakoni Park Board for park improvements. Chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 1:00 p. Jackpot beans: entry: \$5, turn-in: Noon, 50/50 (1st place only). Goodie bags to first 30 paid cooks. Cooks' party Friday night, 7:00 - 9:00 p. Limited paid electrical hookups - first come, first served. Free camping (no hookups). Info: Carl or Jackie Grose, 5640 Highway 34 South, Quinlan, TX 75474-3228, (903)883-4916. See Sunday cookoff.

Sep 14, 2002-002 - Tucson AZ CASI. Old Tucson Chili Cookoff. Held at 201 South Kinney Road. Charity to be determined. Entry: \$10, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to CHOA. Info: Mike Haskins, (520)748-7464, 6501 E Fordham Dr., Tucson, AZ 85710.

Sep 15, 2002-001 - West Tawakoni TX CASI. Morning After 8th Annual Chili by the Lake Chili Cookoff. Benefits Merchants' Association for merchants' local charities. Entry: \$13, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to the City of West Tawakoni. (No bean cookoff on Sunday.) Info: Carl or Jackie Grose, 5640 Highway 34 South, Quinlan, TX 75474-3228, (903)883-4916. See Saturday cookoff.

Sep 15, 2002-002 - Cornudas TX CASI. Annual Cornudas Chili Cookoff. Held at Cornudas, 63 miles east of El Paso on Highway 62-180. Benefits Reach for a Star. Entry: \$12, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Reach for a Star. Info: Earl Campbell, (915)755-1041 or Carol Straughan, (915)852-3599.

Sep 21, 2002-001 - Del Rio TX CASI. Dave Stichler Memorial Cookoff. Held at Elks Lodge, Highway 90 East. Preregistration: \$15 before September 19; \$17 thereafter. Checks payable to D.R.I.P., benefits local charities. Turn-in: 2:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. John J. Burns, john.j_burns@magna.on.ca, (830)703-3618 (days), HCR 3, Box 25, Highway 90 West, Del Rio, TX 78840-9201. Cooks party Friday night, September 20. Limited RV hookups.

Sep 21, 2002-002 - Lake Zurich IL CASI. Barn Burnin' Chili Cookoff. Held at Paulus Park, off Route 12, 1/2 mile north of Route 12 and Route 22. Entry: \$20, turn-in: 2:00 p. Checks payable to Village of Lake Zurich. Preregister by September 18, 2002. Benefits Recreation Programs and events. Info: Karen Meyers,

(847)438-5146 ext. 10, meyers@volz.org, 400 Whitney Road, Lake Zurich, IL 60047.

Sep 21, 2002-003 - Bel Air MD CASI. Last Blast of Summer Suntrust CCO. Held at the Harford County Equestrian Center. Entry: \$20, payable to Mason Dixon Pod. Turn-in: 3:00 p. Entry fee includes party with DJ, followed by live band, free beer truck and pig roast. Camping spots available (no open fires or showers available). Throw-down chili encouraged. Info and directions: Alan Dean, (410)879-6410, email: pepperdean@comcast.net.

Sep 22, 2002-001 - Oklahoma City OK CASI. Oklahoma State Women's Championship. Held at the Oklahoma State Fair, Gate 26 off May Avenue (I-40 west to May, north on May to Gate 26 - same gate as last year). Benefits C.A.R.E. Entry: \$20, turn-in: 1:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to HOOCH Pod. Goody bags for first 15 entries. Info: Ruthann Newman, (405)282-3082 or Jerry Dickerson, (405)214-9395.

Sep 22, 2002-002 - Oklahoma City OK CASI. Oklahoma State Men's Championship. Held at the Oklahoma State Fair, Gate 26 off May Avenue (I-40 west to May, north on May to Gate 26 - same gate as last year). Benefits City Rescue Mission. Entry: \$20, turn-in: 1:00 p. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Checks payable to HOOCH Pod. Goody bags for first 15 entries. Info: Ruthann Newman, (405)282-3082 or Jerry Dickerson, (405)214-9395.

Sep 22, 2002-003 - St. Thomas, US VI CASI. Texas Society of the Virgin Islands 18th Annual CCO. Held at Sapphire Beach Resort, St. Thomas. Benefits 8 local charities. Entry: \$25, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Checks payable to the Texas Society of the Virgin Islands. Info: Georgeann "Pepper" Peters, (340)775-8011, 6501 Red Hook Plaza, Suite 201, St. Thomas, VI 00802.

Sep 28, 2002-001 - Columbus NM CASI. Last Chance CASI CCO. Held at Pancho Villa State Park. Need a point? Come on down! The best potluck in CASI Friday night. We'll eat leftovers Saturday night. Entry: \$15, payable to NMCS. Benefits NMCS charities. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Info: Teamorgan@zianet.com.

Sep 28, 2002-002 - Llano TX CASI. Llano's Last Chance Bash. Join the fun and get your last points. CASI chili: entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Local chili: entry: \$10, turn-in: 2:00 p. Beans: entry: \$5, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Unique granite trophies. Friday night cooks' party. More info to

follow. Info: Larry Otto or Jessie Elshick, (512)444-6971; Cary Otto, (915)247-3500; or Llano Farm Bureau, (915)247-4161.

Sep 29, 2002-001 - Llano TX CASI. Llano's Really Last Chance Cookoff. This is it! The last day to get points, so don't miss out. CASI chili: entry: \$15, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Not-so-unique trophies, but lots of friendship. Info: Larry Otto or Jessie Elshick, (512)444-6971; Cary Otto, (915)247-3500; or Llano Farm Bureau, (915)247-4161.

Oct 12, 2002-001 - Homosassa FL CASI. Southeast Regional Chili Championship. Held at Nature's RV Campground and Resort, West Halls River Road. Entry: \$20. Cooks' goody bag guaranteed to first 60 entries. "First Southeast Regional Championship" golf shirts to first 25 paid entries. Cooks' party Saturday night. Rental cabins (sleep 6) and full hookup RV sites available. Early registration recommended for cabins (call 800-301-7880). Info: Bill Garbutt, (941)391-1303, email: chilibill@comcast.net or Ken Rodd, (210)887-8827, email: sgmken@aol.com. Cookoff next day at same location.

Oct 12, 2002-002 - Rodanthe NC CASI. 6th Annual Outer Banks Chili Cookoff. Held at the Cape Hatteras KOA Campground, Route 12. Free camp sites for cooks, and reduced cabin rates for cooks (25% off). Benefits Chicama-Comico Vol. Fire Dept. Entry: \$15 for Pod members, \$20 for non-members, \$20 free-style chili. Turn-in: 1:00 p. Checks payable to Piedmont Pepper Pod. Info: Dick Steinert, (336)292-6580, 3221 Forsyth Dr, Greensboro, NC 27407, or KOA Campground - Norma or Leonard Thompson, (800)562-5268 or (252)987-2307 to reserve camp site or cabin. Cooks' party Friday night, Oct 11, 6:30 p. Enjoy a cookoff on the North Carolina beautiful beach. Great fishing and sightseeing.

Oct 12, 2002-003 - Big Lake, TX CASI. 4th Red Neck Chili, Beans and Brisket Cookoff. Held at Reagan County Park (Corner of 12th and Plaza Streets, on north side of Big Lake, near the high school). Benefits Voice of Democracy. Chili: Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. GROUND MEAT ONLY. Beans: entry: \$10, turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Brisket: entry: \$10, turn-in: 3:00 p. Checks payable to VFWL.A. Info: Sandy Armstrong, (915)884-2982; Evelyn Ammons, (915)884-2511, email: blgkcty@wcc.net; or Nancy Jackson, (915)844-2633.

Oct 13, 2002-001 - Homosassa FL CASI. 2nd Annual Sunshine State Pod CCO. Held at Nature's RV Campground and Resort, West Halls River Road. Entry: \$12. Cooks' party Saturday night. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Info: Bill Garbutt, (941)391-1303, email: chilibill@comcast.net, or Ken Rodd at (210)887-8827, email: sgmken@aol.com. Cookoff previous day at same location.

Oct 19, 2002-001 - San Angelo TX CASI. Water Valley Chili Cookoff. Held at Water Valley Park. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Dry pinto beans and BBQ, too! Entry: Chili: \$17, beans: \$5, BBQ: \$15 each category, 80% payback on BBQ. Info: Sue Washburn, (915)655-2546. Charity to be determined. More info to follow.

Oct 19, 2002-002 - Eden NC CASI. CASI Chili Chowdown. Held at Eden Mall on Meadow Road. Benefits Eden Fire Department Auxiliary. Entry: \$15 if Piedmont Pepper Pod member, \$20 if not Pod member. Free-style entry: \$5. Turn-in: 1:00 p. Checks payable to Piedmont Pepper Pod. Preregistration deadline: September 22, 2002. Info: Judy McCrickard, (336)623-4851, 209 Bedford Dr., Eden, NC 27288, or Brent Lundy, (704)876-2681.

Oct 25, 2002-001 - Del Rio TX CASI. Friday Terlingua Bound CCO. Held at Holiday Trav-L Park, Highway 90 West. Preregistration: \$15 before October 23; \$17 thereafter. Checks payable to D.R.I.P., benefits Great Peppers' Meeting. Turn-in: 8:00 p. Info: John J. Burns, john.j_burns@magna.on.ca, (830)703-3618 (days), HCR 3, Box 25, Highway 90 West, Del Rio, TX 78840-9201. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Cooks party Friday night, October 25, during cookoff. RV hookups available - (830)775-7275.

Oct 26, 2002-001 - Del Rio TX CASI. Saturday Terlingua Bound CCO. Held at Holiday Trav-L Park, Highway 90 West. Preregistration: \$15 before October 23; \$17 thereafter. Checks payable to D.R.I.P., benefits local charities. Turn-in: 2:00 p. Info: John J. Burns, john.j_burns@magna.on.ca, (830)703-3618 (days), HCR 3, Box 25, Highway 90 West, Del Rio, TX 78840-9201. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Cooks party Friday night, October 25, during cookoff. RV hookups available - (830)775-7275.

Nov 2, 2002-001 - Terlingua TX CASI. 36th Annual TICC. This is the big one! Must qualify to earn invitation to cook, but plan on being at the party! Info: Johnye

Harriman, 1-888-CASI-HOT or rhjhsow@aol.com.

Nov 9, 2002-001 - Odessa TX CASI. Veterans' Day CCO. Held at Becky Sam's Tropical Bar & Grill, 2458 FM 1936. Entry: \$17, turn-in: 2:00 p. Benefits TPRC. Info: Vic Silvester, PO Box 1712, Odessa, TX 79760.

Jan 4, 2003-001 - Bastrop TX CASI. 2nd Bastrop American Legion Chili Cookoff. Held at Post Home on Loop 150 and Route 21 (across from Bastrop State Park Golf Course). Benefits Legion Charities. Entry: \$17. CHILI GRIND ONLY. RV parking on solid ground. Cooks' party Saturday night. Info: Crystal, (512)321-5555. Cookoff next day same location.

Jan 5, 2003-001 - Bastrop TX CASI. 2nd Bastrop American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Chili Cookoff. Held at Post Home on Loop 150 and Route 21 (across from the Bastrop State Park Golf Course). Benefits Auxiliary charities. Entry: \$10. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Cooks' party Saturday night. Info: Crystal, (512)321-5555. Cookoff same location previous day.

Jan 11, 2003-001 - Houston TX CASI. 1st Annual Houston Area Quad Pod Chili Cookoff. Held at Traders Village, 7979 N Eldridge. Benefits local charities. More info to follow. Info: Bob Horan, (281)376-4817, email: greatpepper@pineywoodspod.com.

Jan 12, 2003-001 - Houston TX CASI. 1st Annual Houston Area Quad Pod Morning After Chili Cookoff. Held at Traders Village, 7979 N Eldridge. Benefits local charities. More info to follow. Info: Bob Horan, (281)376-4817, email: greatpepper@pineywoodspod.com.

Feb 22, 2003-001 - Edmond OK CASI. Mid-Winter Classic. Held at Edmond Elks Lodge, I-35 and Waterloo (north on I-35 to Waterloo, east on Waterloo 3/4 mile, then left into Lodge). Benefits HOOCH Pod and various Elk charities. Entry: \$20, turn-in: 1:00 p. Checks payable to HOOCH Pod. CHILI GRIND ONLY. No alcohol permitted, but cash bar provided. Elks' division - entry: \$5, turn-in: 1:00 p.; may bring from home and enter Elks' division. Info: Ruthann Newman, (405)282-3082 or Jerry Dickerson, (405)214-9395.

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