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Scholarship Contribution



CASI would like to extend special thanks to the Pod on the Pedernales for their generous contribution to the CASI Scholarship Fund. The presentation of \$500.00 was made at the Texas Hill Country Pod Cookoff held in Waring, Texas, on December 6 and 7. Pictured (above) is Jim Stateczny, CASI Treasurer, accepting the check from Barbara Taylor, Great Pepper of the Pod on the Pedernales.

It should be noted that this type of contribution has become an annual event with the Pod on the Pedernales, and we can only hope this will continue long into the future.

Once again, special thanks to the members of the Pod on the Pedernales for your continued support of the CASI Scholarship Program.

Jim Stateczny
CASI Treasurer



Important Notice

Cookoff referees – In order to complete processing of cookoffs, the referee must forward the Results Sheet, Entrants List, Cookoff Registration Fee(\$5), and \$3 per cook to the CASI Tallymaster within one month of the cookoff date.

The complete package must be received for the awarding of points.

Cooks can help by reminding the referee at each cookoff that the correct fee is now \$3.00 per cook.

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

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President's Message

By the time you read this, for the most part the holiday season will be over for another year. Diane and I really enjoyed the chance to visit our families and friends during the holidays. We hope everyone had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year. For many, the cold weather has taken over, which sometimes makes for a real challenge to cook chili outside. Whatever the weather, it usually doesn't stop cooks from getting out and getting those points.

I want to again thank all the volunteers at TICC this past year. I wish I could name everyone who put forth the extra effort to help when needed, but I know I would forget someone. I do want to personally thank Lynn Hejtmancik, Tom and Dorothy Williams, and my wife, Diane. Lynn comes out a week or so before the cookoff, the rest of us are already there. Weed cutting, general cleanup, putting up fence posts and festoons and anything else we can do gets done before most people arrive. Maintaining the Ranch goes on all year long; February, April, August and October, you will find CASI members at the Ranch having some fun and working to make TICC better each year. Again, thanks to everyone for helping out.

Those who attended the recent cookoff held at the Irving Elks Lodge for Wendell Rankin enjoyed a great time; a big thanks to all those who showed up. I know Wendell was surprised at the large turnout. He has done so much for CASI over the years, and the stoves he has painted for the many cookoffs throughout the country have raised a lot of money for charity. This was Wendell's first, and from what he told me, will be his last cookoff to sponsor. He told me he didn't realize how much preparation and work goes into putting on a cookoff. He was fortunate to have Bruce and Dru Stewart to help him, as well as many good volunteers, with which I know Bruce will agree. The hundreds of cookoffs held each year throughout the country require the same preparation and work, so please volunteer to help out if you can when you are attending cookoffs. I know your help will be very much appreciated by everyone, and it is also fun as well as helpful.

Those CASI members who make the extra effort to run the many cookoffs each year deserve special thanks. Please remember if you are responsible for conducting a cookoff that is sanctioned by CASI, it is up to you to see that all the proper forms are used, the rules are followed, and all the proper and necessary forms as well as fees are sent to the Tallymaster within thirty days following the event.

I asked Bill Pierson to copy me on all the cookoffs he has to contact due to improperly completed forms, lack of proper fees, not sent in within thirty days, or not sent in at all. I list just four problem areas with which Bill contends. There are others, but those four will cause Bill extra work which is not fair to him. He doesn't get paid for doing the job and having to chase down problems with paperwork, I believe, is asking a little much. I am surprised at the number of cookoffs where the awarding of points are put on hold due to problems. Those of you who place in the top ten at a cookoff, I would think should be aware of who is responsible for your points being awarded to you. Winners are not winners until the proper paperwork is sent to the Tallymaster. Try to help Bill. If you place, be sure those responsible for sending in the paperwork do just that and do it properly and in a timely manner. Sorry about the soapbox, but we are having trouble at times with this area.

The Director's Meeting is set for Feb 15th at the Irving Elks Lodge in Irving, Texas. If you have suggestions or comments to help CASI and TICC, please contact a Director. We appreciate your support and input. Have a great new year on the chili trail!

Mel FitzHenry



ED Ponderings

As we begin 2003, I'd like to take a look at the roles we play in the CASI world. CASI is the world's greatest chili organization – maybe the world's greatest organization – because of the dedicated involvement of so many people. If we articulate with an understanding of who does what, we can have appropriate expectations and we can accomplish amazing things.

Cooks – The cooks are the most important part of CASI. We must remember that we're all cooks. Cooks populate wonderful events called chili cookoffs that enhance the quality of life in many communities by providing fun and raising funds for worthy charities. Cooks are the frontline ambassadors of CASI. They're the ones who interact with the public as they visit our cookoffs. They're the ones who make contact with people who might like to become cooks or who would like to have cookoffs. Most of all, cooks add life to the whole process with the spirit of competition.

Referees – The referees provide a critical service to the cooks. It is through the efforts of the Regional Referees and the Area Referees that cooks get their points. Referees act as observers and help to insure that cookoffs conform to CASI rules. Referees carefully complete the appropriate results forms and submit them to the Tallymaster in a timely manner along with the sanction fees, in order to allow for processing of the cookoff.

Great Peppers – The Great Peppers form the top rung of middle management in the CASI world. They are corporate officers with responsibilities that flow in both directions. The Great Peppers are directly responsible for the needs and concerns of their cooks. It is their job to listen, do what they can, and keep the Board involved. The Great Peppers, on behalf of their cooks, propose and vote on rules changes and vote in the annual CASI elections.

On the other hand, Great Peppers are the representatives of CASI to their cooks. They need to be advocates and keep their cooks informed about what is happening with CASI. They are the local spokespersons for CASI. They are charged with the responsibility of being the principle promoters of CASI chili.

Board of Directors – Members of the Board of Directors have two responsibilities. They are responsible for conducting TICC, and they are responsible for the welfare of CASI as an organization. My experience, during these first few months on the Board, is that Board members communicate daily. There is a constant effort to improve what we have and to find new initiatives that will provide additional benefits to CASI members. Through email and telephone calls, Board members are always working as a team, through consensus-building, to carry out their responsibilities.

Once again, we are all cooks. We are not professionals. We have different styles and different strengths we bring to the execution of our jobs. This is the beauty of CASI. We all own it. We all want the benefits and we all have a responsibility in making it happen. You're all doing a great job. Be proud of yourselves.

See you on the chili trail.

Alan Dean



Tallymaster's Report

STATE	REQ PTS	COOKOFFS HELD	CHILIS JUDGED	MONEY RAISED
ALABAMA	6	1	15	\$500.00
ARKANSAS	12	7	160	\$7,410.00
ARIZONA	12	6	120	\$8,810.00
CALIFORNIA	6	1	21	\$20,000.00
COLORADO	6	1	17	\$3,000.00
FLORIDA	9	3	71	\$8,648.00
IOWA	9	2	30	\$3,100.00
ILLINOIS	9	2	44	\$619.00
KANSAS	6	1	51	\$1,605.22
MARYLAND	12	2	30	\$4,850.00
MISSOURI	6	2	33	\$5,200.00
NORTH CAROLINA	9	3	58	\$5,500.00
NEW MEXICO	12	3	134	\$7,375.00
OKLAHOMA	12	3	53	\$2,100.00
OREGON	6	1	15	\$637.00
TENNESSEE	12	3	48	\$15,971.00
TEXAS	12	64	2,560	\$111,197.50
VIRGINIA	6	2	30	\$225.00
WEST VIRGINIA	6	1	20	\$1,500.00
GRANDTOTAL		108	3,510	\$208,247.72

DELINQUENT COOKOFFS

These are Cookoffs held before 11/01/02 that results have not been received for!

Oct 6, 2002-006 - Wylie TX
7th Annual Long Star Cajun Buzzard

Oct 13, 2002-006 - Keyport NJ
6th Annual Country Jamboree

“It is impossible to defeat an ignorant man in an argument, they take you down to their level and beat you with experience.”—William G. McAdoo



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Corporate Member Spotlight

CASI has 44 Corporate Members who support the organization with their membership, and often in donations of product or service, to make our events a little more successful. Support them when you are in their areas and need a product or service they provide. Be sure to tell them you are a CASI member and thank them for being a Corporate Sponsor.

Out on the East Coast, we have a Corporate Sponsor who makes more chili in a month than all of us do in one year!!!!

HARD TIMES CAFÉ **Washington, DC Metro**

Jim Parker and his brother, Fred, opened their first "Chili Parlor" in Alexandria, Virginia, in 1980 taking a recipe from an aunt in Oklahoma who got it from her father who was a "trail drive" cowboy out of Grapevine, Texas. Currently, there are 14 "Hard Times Cafés" mostly around the Washington, DC area. The Hard Times Café also hosts its own cookoff in Alexandria, Virginia, each spring. The Hard Times Café in College Park, Maryland, now hosts the Maryland State CASI Chili Championship in June. Jim also ensures that all the Hard Times Cafes support and promote CASI Chili Cookoffs in their areas.

The website for the Hard Times Café is www.hardtimes.com. Take a few minutes when you're at the computer to visit their web site. I did, and it is most interesting. Makes you want to stop by for a cold one and a bowl of chili – or go to one of their "special events". Make sure you drop Jim an email from the web site and let him know you stopped by. He'll appreciate knowing you took the time.

So, you need some "WINNING" spices? Well, our next Corporate Sponsor can claim the CURRENT TICC WINNER uses the spices they sell.

MILD BILL'S SPICES **Bulverde, Texas**

Tamara & Bill Dees have been selling Jalapeno Jelly, Jalapeno Relish, and Hot Peach Preserves called "Texas Twist" (just to name a few) since 1998. Then in April 2002 they jumped on the opportunity to purchase P & R SPICES (a CASI Corporate Member) from Pat and Raymond Pilchick. Tamara and Bill are taking care of customers in the same manner as Pat and Raymond did (like in the old neighborhood store) by simple, friendly, fast service with a smile.

While in Florida last fall, I was mixing spices on Monday for a Saturday cookoff and was missing one. I called Tamara and my order was delivered in Winter Haven, Florida, on Wednesday – so you can rely on them knowing the importance of getting fresh spices to you right away.

Mild Bill's web site is www.mildbills.com. Not only can you order spices on line, but their calendar also advises what cookoffs they will be attending. They also have Mild Bill's Winners Circle. If you use their spices, maybe you should be included. The phone number for Bill & Tamara is 830-980-4124. Tell them you want to try the "winner's special".

Ken Rodd



From the Alcalde

Howdy! Hope everybody had a great Christmas and Happy New Year.

I need to say a big thanks to Ruby Ross for getting the granite markers to Terlingua for the Old 320 members who ordered them. Thanks, Ruby.

I am still looking for spots that people may want to donate back to CASI. Anyone who has any leads, please let me know. I, again, want to thank everyone who donated their sites back. THANKS!

Well, I'll let you go. See you on the chili trail; be safe out there.

Robert E. Schrader

Thanks for the Support

I never dreamed of such a large cookoff! There were 116 cooks, and we had wonderful weather. Bruce Stewart and crew did a great job running the cookoff. Everything went smooth.

I can't thank everyone enough for all the help. A special thanks to the Irving Elks who were there to help with anything we needed. I have never painted so many stoves in my life, but it was nice to hand out the stoves to the top ten chilis and 1st place show.

Thanks, again, to the cooks, judges, helpers and the ones who just came to show support. God bless all of you and may you have a Happy New Year.

The old wino painter,

*Wendell Rankin
and Glenda Williams*

**“All are lunatics, but
he who can analyze his
delusion is called a phi-
losopher.”** - Ambrose Bierce



Chili Bites

This is going to be a short article, as I have only gone to one cookoff and I don't know when I will get another one. I miss seeing everybody, especially gossiping with Norma. Actually I think she listens to me and probably has a hard time getting a word in the conversation.

I did cook at the Seguin Pecan Festival and bought a lot of stocking gifts from the Arts and Crafts. That was all I brought home. I usually do well there, but this year the judges left me behind; must have been a loaded table.

Congratulations to all of those who have already qualified. We've had many qualify early this year, and Joyce Jowers not only got one point but two. Ever since Joyce came in second at Terlingua, she has not been able to grab a point. The ice is broken, and hopefully, she will start placing again.

I hope all of you have your Christmas shopping done. My daughter did mine for me, as I had no quarter for the energy meter. I think that she's just about finished. Even Terri has to get tired of shopping sooner or later. Like mother, like daughters. I think that my family has a bad case of shopping fever. I will take the girls out to buy Terri something for Christmas. It comes as a big surprise every year. The girls have usually been informed what would be nice on Christmas morning, and I get to hear, too, just in case someone (like Christina and Jessica) forgets what the hint (ha) was.

Since I was a month early in wishing everybody happy everything, I think that I will do it again. Practice makes perfect. I hope that everyone has a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year filled with happiness and good health and that the credit card doesn't take too long to pay off. Maybe that should be a New Year's resolution.

I also hope that Cindy Reed has a wonderful wedding and enjoys her honeymoon with a hundred of her best friends. I do wish that she and Bruce have a long and happy life together.

Start thinking of those New Year's resolutions that you aren't going to keep (but it's nice for a day or two to think that you will). I gave up on them many years ago. I got tired of feeling guilty about not losing that weight that I always said that I would every year. Right, and I am going to win the lottery. One is just as likely as the other. So don't get carried away and swear that you are going to stop doing one thing and start doing another. You will end up doing neither.

Think instead of all of those points you are going to win this year, all the beer you are going to drink, and all of the fun you are going to have with all of those great friends of yours and don't forget, hangovers do come along with all of the above.

To all of my friends - I love you all and I hope that I soon will see you on the chili trail. Staying in bed instead of standing behind a chili pot is for the birds.

Take care,

Irene Duffield



Bess's Best

Greetings to all from beautiful Lamar, Missouri, where we have 9 inches of snow on the ground, and the temperature is a balmy 18 degrees with a nice breeze out of the north bringing down the chill index to 0 or below. Harry stuffed newspapers in the cracks around the doors and windows, along with towels along the bottom of the doors, so with the heat coming off the good old kerosene lamp, I will be able to write a few lines.

As you know, material for The Trails is submitted the month prior to when you receive it, so here I am writing without any of my Christmas shopping completed. That is okay; it will get done in time as it always does, usually with a lot of impulse or panic buying. The outdoor decorations are up thanks to Harry, Duct Tape and Zip Ties. Climbing the 40-foot extension ladder, walking all over the roof of the house and trying to find that one bulb in a string of one hundred are all part of it. But it's all worth it to see the enjoyment it brings others.

Our daughter who was married in April (yes, the one who was married in the airplane hangar with Harry & I standing ankle deep in water) called to tell us they would be coming down by airplane this year for Christmas dinner. Her husband owns a business of restoring antique airplanes and is a pilot. I don't think either one of them have good sense! Flying home for Christmas - nothing wrong with that - but flying all the way across the state of Missouri in a 1929 model open air cockpit airplane in the middle of winter? I don't know. Harry calls it a Snoopy plane as it has two sets of wings, and he can just see them climbing out of the plane dressed like Snoopy and the Red Baron.

Take home chili once again saved the day and made about twenty Street Department workers very happy this week when the snow and cold hit Lamar, some who had worked almost 24 hours straight. To the workers it didn't make any difference if the chili was a #1 winner or never made it off the first table of judging, it was warm and someone cared about them.

In closing, Harry and I want to thank all who supported us with our column over the past year, and our apologies to any we upset. Yes, I know perhaps we strayed off center a little, but maybe we needed to. If we brought a smile to your face, a chuckle or two, or maybe brought back a memory then we accomplished what we wanted to do.

In this New Year, I want you to continue to support CASI, the Directors, Pod Officers, the Pods and their cookoffs, regardless of size. Not all of us see eye-to-eye on everything, but give your support. Just remember - United We Stand/ Divided We Fall.

The best of everything to each of you in 2003! Thank You For Your Time This Time and Remember To Start Slow And Then Taper Off.

Bess & Harry

Seen on a resume: "I am an expert proofreader."



The Tejas Medicineman Presents: "Chili Chants"

After several devastating occasions this last year when both a few chili friends and I have had valuable property stolen, I thought we might discuss security for our possessions in the chili world. During the past year, we have had tools, cameras, generators, and finally the whole truck and trailer stolen at one time.

I wrote to Ancira to see what innovations they had for RV theft deterrents, but no answer yet. Maybe by next month they will have something. Meanwhile, most people I know who have RVs, the motorhome type, don't have alarms in them. Somehow, I guess they think that the things are just too big to want to steal. But the real thinking of the thieves is that what's in them is an easy mark, and something's there to fence and get some quick drug money. Perhaps one reason motorhomes don't get hit as often as other chili-type vehicles is that they are either in lockup storage or they are occupied most of the time. I do know of one cook who kept his motorhome on a deck next to his house. He was being watched and when he left the house, they broke into the motorhome and not the house. They got everything from liquor to VCRs, TVs, and hunting equipment. There was no alarm and no theft deterrent.

When Bob and Ava Horan were on the way home from Terlingua, they had had enough trailer time for a week so they decided to stay in a motel and wait out the horrible rainstorms. Their whole rig - truck and trailer - were stolen during the night. Fortunately, the police noticed a shiny new rig in the wrong part of town and investigated. The rig and most things were recovered, but there were heavy losses from possessions in the trailer.

A few months prior, I had been the victim of a car break-in, not once but twice in one month. I lost over \$3,000 in tools and my prized camera. The first time I had an alarm. The second time, the alarm was just a joke. Common denominator for all those thefts? Cars that were easy to break into. It only takes an ice pick and two seconds to break into a car nowadays. Some of the cars now have "smart" magnetic keys that make it difficult to actually steal a car, so what we have found is that the thieves will cruise until they can spot an easy car, then check to see if anything of valuable is visible in the car. They drop a guy off and the other keeps in touch with a cell phone. It's over in less than 60 seconds when the strike is made! In one of my cases, they pulled a large truck up to my vehicle and blocked the view from the office windows and any security cameras.

Fortunately, I live in a one-way in and one-way out heavily patrolled area; theft is low for house break-ins. But not so for one of my friends who lives in a rural area. Over the last year, he has been hit twice by roving gangs who pick on rural community houses. This last time they got one of the most prized possessions of a chili cook - his generator; in fact, more than one generator.

It has gotten so bad that the crooks are even into hit-and-run purse snatching. A secretary I work with recently had a guy drive by in a car and snatch her purse. Before the strap broke, she was almost thrown down on the pavement.

Let's face it, they are everywhere and they will get you. But, you can lessen your chances of being ripped off if you learn to take some precautions.

Next month we will discuss some of the ways to help prevent loss from theft. We would like to hear about how you have handled theft deterrent accessories. Please write tejasmed@ev1.net

Before we go, I will give you a few tidbits. Of course, a good alarm for your big rig is a start. The alarm should be good enough to also have a timed kill switch on it. They won't go far with a dead electrical system. Usually they will abandon

the vehicle within just a block of where it was stolen. You may lose some contents, but the vehicle can be recovered.

Lo Jac, Satellite recovery - expensive, but effective. Your vehicle can be recovered, sometimes before it hits the chop shop.

Then there is the alarm that pages you up to two miles. The problem with that is they are stealing that special thing in the glove box that you usually carry to keep people from stealing stuff from you. But you can get the authorities involved and let them handle it.

More next month; how to secure generators and other temptations. Then some notes on insurance against the financial losses.

Donn Shands

True Tales

I have a problem providing personal information in order to satisfy a store/company's operating policy, especially when it is a cash sale. Recently, I had purchased a small item for under a dollar, and the store clerk asked for my zip code, apparently as part of their market research. Rather than just saying, "No," I told the young person at the cash register that it was unlisted. The clerk looked at me with obvious confusion and said, "I didn't know that you could do that."

I replied, "Of course, but like telephone numbers, it costs extra." I looked back as I was leaving, and observed the clerk still lost in thought, and the next customer impatiently waiting for service.

A former boss of mine was collecting contributions for a political cause. One day we found him making photocopies of \$5, \$10 and \$20 bills, front and back. When questioned, he said, "My accountant told me to make copies of everything, for tax purposes." I tried to explain that his accountant was only referring to receipts and deposit slips, but he could not be dissuaded. You da Man!

Many years ago, I learned never, NEVER, order off the menu; a fact lost on a friend of mine recently:

At a restaurant, my slightly toasted friend was inspired to order fried mushrooms, an item not found on the menu. The server, resembling the one exasperated by Jack Nicholson's character in "Five Easy Pieces," tried to resist taking the special order. She finally gave in to my friend's disjointed insistence and recorded his detailed instructions for preparing the mushrooms.

Weeks later, we returned to the restaurant, equally toasted, and spring-loaded to order the mushrooms again. The very same server came to take our order. My friend, a bit flustered at the prospect of providing a long explanation, said, "Hi, uh, we're the mushroom people."

The server replied with cold satisfaction: "Yes, I thought so."

This Month's Safety Message

**Never attempt to warm your styrofoam coffee cup in a toaster oven,
no matter how much it resembles a microwave.**

Tales from the Ranch

Due to my inability to track time, I missed last month's issue so this month you'll get a 2 in 1.

I hope everyone made it home okay from TICC. It took 2 vacuum cleaner bags to clean the carpet in my R.V. Inventory revealed about \$100.00 of unused groceries, several pounds of clothing that I never did use, and you know the rest. I'm sure I'll do the same thing next year. One thing though, I ate well.

My hat's off to all the winners. Everyone deserved it. Once again, our Board pulled off another successful TICC. If you are a new chilihead, lots of people go through a lot of hard work to make all this happen. Just follow a Board member for a couple of hours. Many behind the scenes people also need to be commended. Thanks to everyone involved on behalf of my fellow Black Gold members and myself.

It seems that while the Rosebud ladies were having their annual pilgrimage, a bunch of men gathered under the pavilion next door and a new organization was formed. This club was named the Tequila in Terlingua Society. Now if you will remove the last letters from each of the 4 words, you will see the acronym of our new club.

It appears that Bruce Stewart and Preston Shaw were sort of in charge of this meeting, and somehow, yours truly was appointed El Presidente of this here gathering of TICC's finest. First of all, none of us has a clue as to what we're supposed to do and when. As far as membership, all of that was erased with a wet towel. You see, all of the members signed their names on one of the tables with a Sharpie, and it was later discovered that we were defacing TICC property so the names had to go. Maybe next year at TICC those of you who became members can come up with a game plan.

Meanwhile back at the ranch, deer season is in full swing. Sometimes late in the evening, I'll walk out back behind the house and I'll see a herd of deer running crazy through the wheat field going west. About 20 minutes later, you'll see the same deer running crazy going east. Kind of reminds me of 2 p.m. turn-in at a chili cookoff.

Other than that, things are pretty quiet here at the Matthiesen ranch. Brown eggs are still outnumbering green eggs. For those who didn't read my last article, my fellow colleague and rancher, Dave Boone, seems to think that I may have a DNA problem in the hen house. We haven't had much time to do any research on this because I have been going to Dave's ranch down in Marathon helping with the toad roundup. The horned toad cookoff is in February, so we're going to be pretty busy trying to herd those toads to Rankin by cookoff time. I'll stop on this. Mr. Boone has a monthly column on the subject, so he will keep everyone informed on the toad herd progress.

If you're ever around the San Angelo area, the Matthiesen ranch is located 5 miles west of Paint Rock, Texas, on FM 380 between San Angelo and Paint Rock. Stop by and visit. Barbara cooks a mean country breakfast consisting of your choice of either fresh green or brown eggs and homegrown red Brangus steaks. I do the biscuits and gravy plus county fries.

Well, I guess I'd better let my arm rest. I don't write much since I retired; can't cook chili either. The way my chili has been scoring lately, I may just be a spectator next year. One thing for sure, I'll be there rooting for those who made it. Gotta go for now; time to earn my keep around here. Hope your scoville units turn out right. See ya next month.

Louis Gonzales

Black Gold Pod
Matthiesen Ranch

Remember Your First Cookoff?

I'd like to share a story. Do you remember your first cookoff? This may sound familiar. The names have been changed to protect the innocent...and embarrassed!

My friend and I went to a CASI cookoff almost a year ago. This was cool. They looked like they were having so much fun, such nice, friendly people. We're good cooks, reasonably bright. How hard can it be to cook a pot of chili?

We announced to a friend and very experienced chili cook ("ECC") that we were interested. Great! Find a recipe, practice at home, and cook what you like. The "ECC" we knew was more than just a cook; this "ECC" is a past Terlingua champion! We had a head start before we began. There's even a website. Hey, how much easier can they make it?

We felt sure that those spices named in the recipe could easily be substituted for our favorites. We even know some things they probably don't. We made a few adjustments, bought a stove, found pots, and we were ready. Planning our wardrobe and snack foods was very time consuming. Then there were the cooking accessories to consider. We had to consult and buy two of each. Minutes quickly disappeared from our cell phones. Okay, we're ready!

Our first cookoff was finally here. We brought a "retired cook" with us to help us along. We had the "ECC" close by but didn't want to appear stupid so we proceeded to do it ourselves. Well, sort of. With timers, square-tipped spoons and great snacks at hand, we tried to light our stoves. Am I glad my friend thought to practice at home first. I didn't even know how to light the darn thing. With help, we fired up our first pot of chili.

Our first clue that we were in trouble should have been when our "retired cook" helper was asking us questions. Are those people watching us? They must know we're new. Oops, that said 1/2 can of broth. Oh well, I'm sure a full can won't hurt. The boiling pots of red, lumpy liquid quickly took on lives of their own. Thank goodness we can turn it off for a few minutes and hit our snack buffet.

I look at my watch and realize that it's time to be cooking again. Up we jump and fire up again...all 3 of us! Cooking, this is so much fun. The "ECC" walks by to find us happily stirring our pots and asks what we are doing. My friend proudly announces, "We're cooking chili!" "ECC" responds, "It's not time to start cooking again". We had an hour to go yet. Oops! Mental note, remember to look at the watch correctly next time. But we're a team, and each mistake was made in stereo.

Fast forward to turn in. It doesn't quite look or taste like we thought. One pot was salty, one was sickly thin, and the other was just there. With tickets in hand, we agree we don't care about winning. You know the rest. We're clutching our tickets and listening anxiously. Our numbers are not called. What a surprise. So maybe we did want to win, just a little. But it was a lot of fun. Everyone was so nice and very encouraging. The "ECC" and all those nice chili cooks were sharing so much information. I hope my cookoff partner is listening, and by the way, when is that next cookoff?

Anonymous

NOTE: The above was received simply addressed to the *Terlingua Trails* (postmarked Fort Worth, Texas.)

Suicide? Or Murder? Or Suicide?

At the 1994 annual awards dinner for Forensic Science, AAFS president Dr. Don Harper Mills astounded his audience with the legal complications of a bizarre death. Here is the story:

On March 23, 1994, the medical examiner viewed the body of Ronald Opus and concluded that he died from a shotgun wound to the head. The decedent had jumped from the top of a ten-story building intending to commit suicide.

He left a note to that effect indicating his despondency. As he fell past the ninth floor, his life was interrupted by a shotgun blast passing through a window, which killed him instantly. Neither the shooter nor the decedent was aware that a safety net had been installed just below the eight floor level to protect some building workers and that Ronald Opus would not have been able to complete his suicide the way he had planned.

Ordinarily, Dr. Mills continued, "a person who sets out to commit suicide and ultimately succeeds, even though the mechanism not be what he intended" is still defined as committing suicide. Mr. Opus was shot on the way to certain death nine stories below at street level, but his suicide attempt probably would not have been successful because of the safety net. This caused the medical examiner to feel that he had a homicide on his hands.

An elderly man and his wife occupied the room on the ninth floor from whence the shotgun blast emanated. They were arguing vigorously, and he was threatening her with a shotgun. The man was so upset that when he pulled the

trigger he completely missed his wife and the pellets went through the window striking Mr. Opus.

When one intends to kill subject A, but kills subject B in the attempt, one is guilty of the murder of subject B. When confronted with the murder charge, the old man and his wife were both adamant. They both said they thought the shotgun was unloaded. The old man said it was his long-standing habit to threaten his wife with the unloaded shotgun. He had no intention to murder her. Therefore the killing of Mr. Opus appeared to be an accident, that is, the gun had been accidentally loaded.

The continuing investigation turned up a witness who saw the old couple's son loading the shotgun about six weeks prior to the fatal accident. It transpired that the old lady had cut off her son's financial support and the son, knowing the propensity of his father to use the shotgun threateningly, loaded the gun with the expectation that his father would shoot his mother.

The case now becomes one of murder on the part of the son for the death of Ronald Opus.

Now comes the exquisite twist. Further investigation revealed that the son was in fact Ronald Opus. He had become increasingly despondent over both the loss of financial support and the failure of his attempt to engineer his mother's murder. This led him to jump off the ten-story building on March 23rd, only to be killed by a shotgun blast passing through the ninth floor window. The son actually murdered himself, so the medical examiner closed the case as a suicide.



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A man walks into a bar. He sees a good-looking, smartly dressed woman sitting on the bar stool.

He walks up behind her and says, "Hi there, how's it going?"

Having already had a few drinks, she turns around, faces him, looks him straight in the eyes and says, "Listen! I'll screw anybody, any time, anywhere, your place, my place, it doesn't matter."

He says, "No kidding, I'm a lawyer too! What firm are you with?"

A cab driver reaches the Pearly Gates and announces his presence to St. Peter, who looks him up in his Big Book. Upon reading the entry for the cabby, St. Peter invites him to grab a silk robe and a golden staff and to proceed into Heaven.

A preacher is next in line behind the cabby and has been watching these proceedings with interest. He announces himself to St. Peter. Upon scanning the preacher's entry in the Big Book, St. Peter furrows his brow and says, "Okay, we'll let you in, but take that cloth robe and wooden staff."

The preacher is astonished and replies, "But I am a man of the cloth. You gave that cab driver a gold staff and a silk robe. Surely I rate higher than a cabby. uot; St. Peter responded matter-of-factly: "Here we are interested in results. When you preached, people slept. When the cabby drove his taxi, people prayed."

As a new bride, Aunt Edna moved into the small home on her husband's ranch near Snowflake. She put a shoe box on a shelf in her closet and asked her husband never to touch it.

For fifty years Uncle Jack left the box alone, until Aunt Edna was old and dying. One day when he was putting their affairs in order, he found the box again and thought it might hold something important. Opening it, he found two doilies and \$82,500 in cash. He took the box to her and asked about the contents.

"My mother gave me that box the day we married," she explained. "She told me to make a doily to help ease my frustrations every time I got mad at you." Uncle Jack was very touched that in 50 years she'd only been mad at him twice. "What's the \$82,500 for?" he asked.

"Oh, that's the money I made selling the doilies."

A man calls home to his wife and says, "Honey I have been asked to go fishing at a big lake up in Canada with my boss and several of his friends. We'll be gone for a week. This is a good opportunity for me to get that promotion I've been wanting, so would you please pack me enough clothes for a week and set out my rod and tackle box. We're leaving from the office and I will swing by the house to pick my things up. Oh! Please pack my new blue silk pajamas."

The wife thinks this sounds a little fishy but being a good wife she does exactly what her husband asked.

The following weekend he comes home a little tired but otherwise looking good. The wife welcomes him home and asks if he caught many fish? He says, "Yes! Lot's of Walleye, some Bluegill, and a few Pike. But why didn't you pack my new blue silk pajamas like I asked you to do?"

The wife replies; "I did, they were in your tackle box."



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CASI COOKOFF WINNERS

Oct 5, 2002-004 - Denton TX

Eagle Fire Chili Cookoff, 15 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Ed Green, Lewisville TX
- 2 Brian K MacDonough, Garland TX
- 3 Mike Silvaggio, Denton TX
- 4 Tori Green, Lewisville TX
- 5 Amber Black, Denton TX
- 6 Norman Nieves, Denton TX
- 7 Wendell Rich, Gordonville TX
- 8 Matt Graham, Denton TX
- 9 John Flippin, Denton TX
- 10 Jason Trahan, Dallas TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Techs-Mex Chili, Denton TX
Matt Graham
- 2 Crazy From The Heart, Denton TX
Mike Silvaggio
- 3 Lone Star Chili, Gordonville TX
Wendell Rich

Oct 5, 2002-010 - Port Aransas TX

South Texas Music Fest & Chili, 39 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Karl F. Buechler Jr., Kerrville TX
- 2 Linda J. McDonald, Victoria TX
- 3 LaFon Roessler, Victoria TX
- 4 Don Hoy, Cuero TX
- 5 Barry Karnei, Weesatche TX
- 6 Wayne Roessler, Victoria TX
- 7 Ronald D. Charlton, Houston TX
- 8 Tommie W. Wedel, Comfort TX
- 9 Betsy Schulze, Yorktown TX
- 10 Marvin Schulze, Yorktown TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Hell Fire & Brimstone, Ingleside TX
Margo Smith
- 2 Hill Billy Shit House
Port Aransas TX
Tod Vogt
- 3 Damn Yankee, Weesatche TX
Nadine Karnei

Oct 5, 2002-012 - Hallsville TX

6th Annual Hallsville Western Days, 39

CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Mary Martin, Quinlan TX
- 2 Bill Martin, Shreveport LA
- 3 Rex W. Jones, Dallas TX
- 4 Jerry R. Hunt, Shreveport LA
- 5 Mavis Nelson, Crawford TX
- 6 Dawn Martin, Addison TX
- 7 Glenn Martin, Quinlan TX
- 8 John Comte, Garland TX
- 9 Robert Nelson, Crawford TX
- 10 Dani C. Medlin, Rowlett TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Picnic Table, Hughes Springs TX
Tom Megason
- 2 Dr. Dave's VooDoo Stew
Hallsville TX
David (Dave) Trice
- 3 Grizzly Head Gravy, Hallsville TX
Chuck Darden

Oct 12, 2002-008 - West Memphis AR

Main Street Chili Cookoff, 26 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Rodney A. Jones, Walls MS
- 2 Janie Rains, Proctor AR
- 3 Wendy Rains, West Memphis AR
- 4 George Kunkle, Memphis TN
- 5 James Murry, Como MS
- 6 Tanna M. Jones, Walls MS
- 7 Gary Hicks, Memphis TN
- 8 Preston Shaw, Parsons TN
- 9 Kelly Rains, Memphis TN
- 10 Jean Shaw, Parsons TN

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Chili Chili's, Memphis TN
Kelly Rains
- 2 Heavenly Pig, West Memphis AR
Angie Grant
- 3 Jumpin' Bean, West Memphis AR
Foster Rash

Oct 12, 2002-009 - Marshall TX

Fire Ant Festival Chili Cookoff, 15 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Robert Bilnoski, Marshall TX
- 2 Terri Jackson, Garland TX
- 3 Bubba Duncan, Woodlawn TX
- 4 Joy McCarty, Arkadelphia AR
- 5 John D. Oswalt, Marshall TX
- 6 Don Woods, Marshall TX
- 7 Jeanie Atherton, Grandview TX
- 8 Charlie Atherton, Grandview TX
- 9 Lynette R. Graff, Allen TX
- 10 Kathy Dorman, Garland TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Vagabond Charlie, Grandview TX
Charlie Atherton
- 2 Danger Men Cooking II, Marshall TX
Don Woods
- 3 D & J Chili, Marshall TX
Dallas C Rogers Jr.

Oct 12, 2002-010 - Cuero TX

Cuero Turkeyfest CCO, 23 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Bert "Bubba" Reinke, Martindale TX
- 2 Dee Horton, Inez TX
- 3 Wayne Roessler, Victoria TX
- 4 Doris Greenlees, Houston TX
- 5 Marvin Schulze, Yorktown TX
- 6 Betsy Schulze, Yorktown TX
- 7 Nadine Karnei, Weesatche TX
- 8 Linda J. McDonald, Victoria TX
- 9 Ronald D. Charlton, Houston TX
- 10 Henry Danysh, Edna TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 South Texas Saddle Tramps
Victoria TX
Patrick McLaughlin
- 2 Royal Flush, Weimar TX
Jean H. Barkley
- 3 Taz's Road Kill Chili, Inez TX
Dee Horton

Oct 12, 2002-015 - Hawkins TX

Chili Cookoff at Oil Fest, 23 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 John Comte, Garland TX

2 Carl L. Grose, Quinlan TX

- 3 Roger Foltz, Mesquite TX
- 4 Brenda Bishop, San Augustine TX
- 5 Rex W. Jones, Dallas TX
- 6 Candy Schultz, Quinlan TX
- 7 Jackie Grose, Quinlan TX
- 8 Rob Higgins, Dallas TX
- 9 Darrell Johnson Tubb, Tyler TX
- 10 David (Dave) Trice, Hallsville TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 No Brag Chili, Longview TX
Betty Arnold
- 2 Hot Mama, Hawkins TX
Cindy Montgomery
- 3 Dr. Dave's VooDoo Stew
Hallsville TX
David (Dave) Trice

Oct 19, 2002-011 - Meyersville TX

David & Sons' 2nd Annual Chili, 30 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Dee Hay, Pasadena TX
- 2 Don Hoy, Cuero TX
- 3 Doris Greenlees, Houston TX
- 4 Nadine Karnei, Weesatche TX
- 5 Dee Horton, Inez TX
- 6 Teena G. Miller, Baytown TX
- 7 Wayne Roessler, Victoria TX
- 8 Robert Lowery, Victoria TX
- 9 Chuck Spishock
Clear Lake Shores TX
- 10 Ronald D. Charlton, Houston TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Hell Fire & Brimstone, Ingleside TX
Margo Smith
- 2 Damn Yankee, Weesatche TX
Nadine Karnei
- 3 Taz's Road Kill Chili, Inez TX
Dee Horton

Oct 19, 2002-013 - Jacksonville TX

Reynolds Ranch Chili Cookoff, 15 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Rex W. Jones, Dallas TX
- 2 Mitchell Reynolds, Jacksonville TX
- 3 Don Woods, Marshall TX
- 4 John D. Oswalt, Marshall TX
- 5 Candy Schultz, Quinlan TX
- 6 Maxie Moore, Lindale TX
- 7 Sharron Sullinger, Jacksonville TX
- 8 Jack Schultz, Quinlan TX
- 9 Stan Moore, Lindale TX
- 10 Cheri Pryor Reynolds
Jacksonville TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Mis Da' Meaner Chili, Quinlan TX
Candy Schultz
- 2 Danger Men Cooking II, Marshall TX
Don Woods
- 3 UNCLAIMED

Oct 19, 2002-014 - Caruthersville MO

5th Annual Carruthersville Cookoff, 18 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Frank Hollomon, Caruthersville MO
- 2 Suzie Stallings, Caruthersville MO
- 3 Rhonda Horn, Caruthersville MO

4 Toni Jones, Caruthersville MO

- 5 Charlie Jones, Caruthersville MO
- 6 John P. "Jack" Ware, Cordova TN
- 7 Eric Campbell, Senath MO
- 8 Jerry Hart, Caruthersville MO
- 9 Susan Faulkner, Caruthersville MO
- 10 Francis Manz, Caruthersville MO

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Hillbilly Bankers
Caruthersville MO
Toni Jones
- 2 The Witches Brew, Caruthersville MO
Lee Lowman
- 3 2 Deva's, Caruthersville MO
Suzie Stallings

Oct 19, 2002-015 - Castroville TX

2nd Annual J & J Rhins Country, 15 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Happy Hinman, San Antonio TX
- 2 Fread E. Cieloncki Sr.
San Antonio TX
- 3 Josh Rihn, Castroville TX
- 4 Janet Cieloncki, San Antonio TX
- 5 Karl F. Buechler Jr., Kerrville TX
- 6 Clyde Rogers, San Antonio TX
- 7 Ron W. Black, Somerset TX
- 8 Connie Sue Schrade, San Antonio TX
- 9 Robert E. Schrade, San Antonio TX
- 10 Jody Rihn, Castroville TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Copenhagen Lady, San Antonio TX
Connie Sue Schrade
- 2 Crispy Critter, San Antonio TX
David Richardson
- 3 Windy's Chew Choo Chili
San Antonio TX
Robert E. Schrade

Oct 19, 2002-019 - Lenexa KS

16th Annual Williams Foods Chili, 51 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Nick Nichols, Spring Hill KS
- 2 Karen Putnam, Kansas City MO
- 3 Donna McClure, Lenexa KS
- 4 Jan Weber, Shawnee KS
- 5 Tom Lowery, Spring Hill KS
- 6 Paul Ostrom, Overland Park KS
- 7 Bill Peterson, Lenexa KS
- 8 Virgil Johnson, Ottumwa IA
- 9 Gerald(Gary) Christensen
Cedar Rapids IA
- 10 Larry Malotte, Lenexa KS

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Hot Roots, Lenexa KS
George Sallas
- 2 Chili Chiefs, Shawnee KS
Jan Weber
- 3 Toad Chokin' Chili
Shawnee Mission KS
Colleen Lintner

Oct 20, 2002-003 - Meyersville TX

David & Sons' 2nd Annual Day After, 30

CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Healani Bethke, Weesatche TX

2 Teena G. Miller, Baytown TX
 3 Marvin Schulze, Yorktown TX
 4 LaFon Roessler, Victoria TX
 5 Dee Hay, Pasadena TX
 6 Bert "Bubba" Reinke, Martindale TX
 7 Ralph Hay, Pasadena TX
 8 Robert Lowery, Victoria TX
 9 Dorothy Spishock
 Clear Lake Shores TX
 10 Wayne Roessler, Victoria TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Taz's Road Kill Chili, Inez TX
 Dee Horton
 2 Patriotic Chili, Rockport TX
 Alice Reynolds
 3 Damn Yankee, Weesatche TX
 Nadine Karnei

Oct 26, 2002-004 - Cassville MO
 2nd Annual Cassville Fall Festival, 15 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 Junior Johnson, Lamar MO
 2 Dixie Johnson, Lamar MO
 3 Fred Fazzini, Cassville MO
 4 Bob Luney, Iowa Park TX
 5 Jean Sturgell, Cassville MO
 6 Stan Kelley, Cassville MO
 7 UNCLAIMED, ZZ
 8 Angela Horner, Cassville MO
 9 John Sullivan, Cassville MO
 10 Mark Lawrence, Cassville MO
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Armings Bourban St Chili
 Cassville MO
 Angela Horner
 2 Dead Eye "De", Cassville MO
 Jean Sturgell
 3 Hot Willie's Chili, Cassville MO
 Mark Pry

Nov 9, 2002-001 - Odessa TX
 Veterans' Day CCO, 20 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 Doug Hill, Odessa TX
 2 Gary Shook, Lamesa TX
 3 B.J. McDonald, Odessa TX
 4 Bob Stangby, Odessa TX
 5 Al McDonald, Odessa TX
 6 Tim Collier, Snyder TX
 7 Doretta "Dodie" Simpson, Odessa TX
 8 Beverly Maynard, Odessa TX
 9 Mike Tracy, Odessa TX
 10 Sissy Hill, Odessa TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Udderly Ridiculous, Snyder TX
 Connie Collier
 2 Red Savage, Odessa TX
 B.J. McDonald
 3 None, Odessa TX
 Sissy Hill

Nov 9, 2002-002 - Corona AZ
 Veterans' Day Chili Cookoff, 22 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 John C. Johnson, Sierra Vista AZ
 2 Leo Lemelson, Sierra Vista AZ
 3 Larry Rau, Hereford AZ
 4 Charles C. (Chuck) Dugan
 Sierra Vista AZ
 5 Carson Smith, Tucson AZ
 6 Mike Haskins, Tucson AZ
 7 Greg Monger, Sierra Vista AZ
 8 Wayne R. Jolliffe, Tucson AZ

9 Nancy Coultas, Tucson AZ
 10 Genee R. Jolliffe, Tucson AZ
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Rubber Chicken Chili, Woodland WA
 Perry Sigler
 2 Sarge's Mess Hall, Sierra Vista AZ
 Charles C. (Chuck) Dugan
 3 Jack-O-Lantern Chili
 Sierra Vista AZ
 Guy Tennisson

Nov 9, 2002-003 - Edgewood TX
 Log Cabin Chili Cookoff, 37 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 Andy Causey, Wylie TX
 2 Angie Nelson, Ennis TX
 3 Jackie Grose, Quinlan TX
 4 Bill Buschel, Irving TX
 5 Rex W. Jones, Dallas TX
 6 Stan Moore, Lindale TX
 7 John Comte, Garland TX
 8 Kent Durham, Scurry TX
 9 Chris Cole, Granbury TX
 10 Suzie Manske, Arlington TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Mis Da'Meaner Chili, Quinlan TX
 Candy Schultz
 2 Gone Fishing Too, Mesquite TX
 Tammy Williams
 3 Dr. Ray, Waxahachie TX
 Ray Calhoun

Nov 9, 2002-004 - Edna TX
 Texana Chili Spill, 39 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 Diane Spence, Henderson NV
 2 Teena G. Miller, Baytown TX
 3 Chuck Spishock
 Clear Lake Shores TX
 4 James B. "JB" Barker, Henderson NV
 5 Dee Hay, Pasadena TX
 6 Betsy Schulze, Yorktown TX
 7 G. Taylor Miller, Baytown TX
 8 Karen Reinke, Martindale TX
 9 Ralph Hay, Pasadena TX
 10 Ronald D. Charlton, Houston TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 True Blue Redneck Road Kill Cookers
 Schulenburg TX
 Sally Hoot
 2 Bounty Hunters, Lolita TX
 Mike Yaws
 3 Jackson Electric Co-op, Edna TX
 Margaret Woodring

Nov 9, 2002-005 - Culpepper VA
 OLD HOUSE VINEYARDS, 15 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 Patti DeiTos, Fairfax VA
 2 Bonnie Walstrom, Fort Washington MD
 3 Charlie Walstrom
 Fort Washington MD
 4 Alan Dean, Bel Air MD
 5 Daniel E. "Dan" Bauer
 Alexandria VA
 6 Bruce Baker, Falls Church VA
 7 Susan Dean, Bel Air MD
 8 Dick DeiTos, Fairfax VA
 9 Beverly King, Woodbridge VA
 10 Monica Parker, Alexandria VA
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Chilicago Fyre, Fairfax VA
 Dick DeiTos

2 Flamingo Chili, Falls Church VA
 Bruce Baker
 3 UNCLAIMED

Nov 16, 2002-001 - Bethany OK
 Bethany Chamber of Commerce, 18 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 Gene Bond, Jones OK
 2 Sonja Spears, Shawnee OK
 3 Mavis Nelson, Crawford TX
 4 Donell Dickerson, Shawnee OK
 5 Mike Mayenschein, Tulsa OK
 6 Robert Nelson, Crawford TX
 7 David Brown, Catoosa OK
 8 Deborah (Debbie) Bond, Jones OK
 9 Milley Horn, Oklahoma City OK
 10 Jerry D. Dickerson, Shawnee OK
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Pig Pen Chili, Jones OK
 Deborah (Debbie) Bond
 2 Rock And Roll Chili, Crawford TX
 Mavis Nelson
 3 Two Babes Chili, Shawnee OK
 Sonja Spears

Nov 16, 2002-002 - Lebanon TN
 National Sheepdog Finals Chili, 15 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 Jean Shaw, Parsons TN
 2 Nan Neeley, Lebanon TN
 3 Lisa Knight, Lebanon TN
 4 Jim Kidwell, Watertown TN
 5 Susie Shaw, Parsons TN
 6 Kristina (Kristi) Knight
 Lebanon TN
 7 Julie Netser, Seymour IN
 8 Gary Neeley, Murfreesboro TN
 9 Jeff Netser, Seymour IN
 10 George T. Tubb, Jackson TN
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 G.I. Joe Chili, Jackson TN
 George T. Tubb
 2 Bottom Of The Barrel, Lebanon TN
 Lisa Knight
 3 Go Vols Chili, Watertown TN
 Jim Kidwell

Nov 16, 2002-003 - Glendale AZ
 1st Annual Viet Nam Veterans' Chili, 19
 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS
 1 Dick Smith, New River AZ
 2 Myrl Coultas, Tucson AZ
 3 Nancy Coultas, Tucson AZ
 4 Lylah Raven, Phoenix AZ
 5 Tom J. Klug, Gold Canyon AZ
 6 Patricia M. (Pat) Jones
 Chino Valley AZ
 7 Karen Banas, Queen Creek AZ
 8 Nancy Klug, Gold Canyon AZ
 9 Willie Raven, Phoenix AZ
 10 Mary Ellen Scott, Glendale AZ
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Ring The Bell, Chandler AZ
 Bob Bell
 2 Chicken Lips Chili, Mesa AZ
 David J."MadJack" Garner
 3 Messy Chili, Glendale AZ
 Mary Ellen Scott

Nov 16, 2002-004 - Seguin TX
 Pecan Festival Chili Cookoff, 65 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 Patricia K. King, Seguin TX
 2 Steve Nadeau, Boerne TX
 3 Douglas "Bucky" Seelig, Austin TX
 4 Larry Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
 5 Ron W. Black, Somerset TX
 6 Marvin Schulze, Yorktown TX
 7 Phil Greenlees, Houston TX
 8 Janita Hinds, Del Rio TX
 9 Carrie Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
 10 Sally Lee, San Antonio TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Chillionaire Chili, Manchaca TX
 George Odum
 2 Royal Flush, Weimar TX
 Jean H. Barkley
 3 Ace In The Hole, San Antonio TX
 Clyde Rogers

Nov 16, 2002-005 - Indian Springs TX
 6th Annual Chili Cookoff, 15 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 Mary Roe, Huntsville TX
 2 Ava Horan, Tomball TX
 3 Marcia Headrick, Huntsville TX
 4 Ronald D. Charlton, Houston TX
 5 Diane Spence, Henderson NV
 6 G. Taylor Miller, Baytown TX
 7 Peggy Bocanegra, Houston TX
 8 Bob Horan, Tomball TX
 9 Teena G. Miller, Baytown TX
 10 Don Woods, Marshall TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Danger Men Cooking II, Marshall TX
 Don Woods
 2 Terlingua Bounders, Baytown TX
 Teena G. Miller
 3 UNCLAIMED

Nov 16, 2002-006 - El Paso TX
 VFW Post #812, 15 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 Eloy Salamanca, El Paso TX
 2 Earl Campbell, El Paso TX
 3 Baltazar Vizciano, El Paso TX
 4 Cheryl Campbell, El Paso TX
 5 Hut Brown, El Paso TX
 6 Jason Douglass, El Paso TX
 7 Kelli Wilson, El Paso TX
 8 Carol Straughan, Horizon City TX
 9 Donna Von Gentz, El Paso TX
 10 Jackie Brown, El Paso TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Asheep At The Wheel
 Horizon City TX
 Carol Straughan
 2 Texas Wrangler Chili, El Paso TX
 Donna Von Gentz
 3 Surf Chili, El Paso TX
 Jason Douglass

Nov 16, 2002-007 - Wichita Falls TX
 Fraternal Order of Eagles, 33 CHILIS
 CHILI WINNERS

1 Dennis H. Jackson, Iowa Park TX
 2 Jackie Ralston, Wichita Falls TX
 3 Chuck Hawthorne, Wichita Falls TX
 4 Anne Gager, Iowa Park TX
 5 Kevin Wooster, Wichita Falls TX
 6 Drucella "Dru" Stewart, Hurst TX
 7 Judy Hawthorne, Wichita Falls TX
 8 Rick Canon, Wichita Falls TX
 9 Terry Graves, Wichita Falls TX
 10 Mary Lee Wooster, Wichita Falls TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Bag Lady, Wichita Falls TX
Jackie Ralston
2 Canon Ball Red, Wichita Falls TX
Debbie Canon
3 Heartburn Chili, Wichita Falls TX
Don Barfield

Nov 16, 2002-009 - Alamogordo NM
Alamogordo Eagles #4101, 15 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Mark Barrick, Organ NM
2 Dottie Bower, Alamogordo NM
3 Hope Evans, Alamogordo NM
4 Hal Etter, Alamogordo NM
5 Ann Hanson, Las Cruces NM
6 Di Hughes, Alamogordo NM
7 Marion "Bud" Barrick, Organ NM
8 Gail Jones, Alamogordo NM
9 Rick Hanson, Las Cruces NM
10 R.E. "Clem" Clement, Alamogordo NM

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 More Hal'acious & Momma Mina
Alamogordo NM
Hal Etter
2 N.Y. N.Y., Alamogordo NM
Hugh "Cheech" Hughes
3 Team Organ, Organ NM
Marion "Bud" Barrick

Nov 16, 2002-010 - Gilchrist TX

Gilchrist VFD Cookoff, 15 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Gilbert Butschek Jr., Houston TX
2 Dee Hay, Pasadena TX
3 Beverly B. Butschek, Houston TX
4 Marolyn Blair, Houston TX
5 Al Austin, Houston TX
6 Donna Leird, Galveston TX
7 Keith Karaff, Houston TX
8 Brenson Abbott, Houston TX
9 Kevin Foley, Galveston TX
10 Ralph Hay, Pasadena TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Nite Owl Chili, Houston TX
Al Austin
2 Cajun Kay's Chili, Baytown TX
Kay Mallet
3 Corkscrew Chili, Houston TX
Beverly B. Butschek

Nov 23, 2002-001 - Irving TX

Wendell Rankin First Ever Chili, 114 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Vicki Sanders, Ennis TX
2 Tommy Bennett, Benbrook TX
3 William E.(Bill) Riordan
Wichita Falls TX
4 Kevin Wooster, Wichita Falls TX
5 Clif Dugan, Dennison TX
6 Carol Lilly, Amarillo TX
7 Kathy LeGear, Dallas TX
8 Mary Lee Wooster, Wichita Falls TX
9 Suzie Manske, Arlington TX
10 Roger Foltz, Mesquite TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Bull Rush, Irving TX
Ginny Williams
2 Caliente Chili, Wichita Falls TX
Don Walker
3 Hawg Wild, Amarillo TX
Rodney Lilly

Nov 23, 2002-002 - Katy TX

4th Annual Katy Elks Lodge CCO, 55

CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 George Thompson, Houston TX
2 Dee Hay, Pasadena TX
3 Chuck Spishock
Clear Lake Shores TX
4 Lynn Delgado, Houston TX
5 Beverly B. Butschek, Houston TX
6 Karin Barnes, Houston TX
7 G. Taylor Miller, Baytown TX
8 Nathan Roe, Huntsville TX
9 Ralph Hay, Pasadena TX
10 Phil Barnes, Houston TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Moravian Czili Mooners, Weimer TX
Heather Hubenak
2 Tie One On, Houston TX
Rich McIntosh
3 Ranger Rick, Brookshire TX
Rick McCool

Nov 23, 2002-003 - Green Valley AZ

Green Valley/Basha's CCO, 22 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Larry Rau, Hereford AZ
2 Dick Bruce, Tucson AZ
3 Pat Rau, Hereford AZ
4 Jim Tomlin, Sierra Vista AZ
5 John C. Johnson, Sierra Vista AZ
6 Wayne R. Jolliffe, Tucson AZ
7 Dimas Cabello, Tucson AZ
8 Nancy Coultas, Tucson AZ
9 Leo Lemelson, Sierra Vista AZ
10 Ted Fichtl, Sierra Vista AZ

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Sarge's Mess Hall, Sierra Vista AZ
Charles C. (Chuck) Dugan
2 G Bar W Ranch, Tucson AZ
Wayne R. Jolliffe
3 Chili Bear Chili, Sierra Vista AZ
Leo Lemelson

Nov 23, 2002-004 - Rowlett TX

5th Annual Texas, 37 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Frank Gadberry, Lancaster TX
2 Carl L. Grose, Quinlan TX
3 Rex W. Jones, Dallas TX
4 John Strange, Gunter TX
5 Shannon Knight, Rowlett TX
6 Beth Moon, Hurst TX
7 Richard Kelley, Rockwall TX
8 Jan Frisch, Allen TX
9 Howard Dahl, Shoreacres TX
10 Andrew (Andy) Hardin, McKinney TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Grizzly Head Gravy, Hallsville TX
Chuck Darden
2 Road Warriors Road Kill Chili Brew
Terrell TX
Larry Wampler
3 No Name, Longview TX
Mark Gibson

Nov 23, 2002-005 - Marble Falls TX

Rodeotown Chili Cookoff, 67 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Larry Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
2 Steve Nadeau, Boerne TX
3 Tom Cook, Marble Falls TX
4 Sean Rasbury, Humble TX

5 James Bauer, Leander TX

6 Ken Rodd, Austin TX

7 Robert E. Schrade, San Antonio TX

8 Ronelda Wendler, Marble Falls TX

9 Gretchen Kaveney, Cedar Park TX

10 Barbara C. Taylor, Johnson City TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Boozin' Buddies Sun City
Georgetown TX
George Hampton
2 Chillionaire Chili, Manchaca TX
George Odum
3 Ace In The Hole, San Antonio TX
Clyde Rogers

Nov 23, 2002-006 - Lake Guntersville AL

Covenant Cove Marina, 15 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 James T. (J.T.) Pittman
Douglasville GA
2 Carolyn Oliver, Pace FL
3 Randal D. (Randy) Moore
Gulf Shores AL
4 Larry Joe Oliver, Pace FL
5 Mark Snider, Guntersville AL
6 Jimmy Kitchens, Guntersville AL
7 George T. Tubb, Jackson TN
8 Paula Arsement Tubb, Jackson TN
9 Renee F. Moore, Gulf Shores AL
10 Joey Duncan, Guntersville AL

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Chalakee's Chili Peppers
Guntersville AL
Joey Duncan
2 G.I. Joe Chili, Jackson TN
George T. Tubb
3 Teddy Bears-R-US, Jackson TN
Paula Arsement Tubb

Nov 23, 2002-007 - El Paso TX

El Paso Trans Mountain Optimist's, 15

CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Chris Elliott, El Paso TX
2 Eloy Salamanca, El Paso TX
3 Carol Straughan, Horizon City TX
4 Bobby Elliott, El Paso TX
5 Eve DuMond, El Paso TX
6 Cheryl Campbell, El Paso TX
7 Patsy Elliott, El Paso TX
8 Jim Lunsford, El Paso TX
9 Mickey Fischer, El Paso TX
10 David Elliott, El Paso TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Black Garter, El Paso TX
Eve DuMond
2 Asheep At The Wheel
Horizon City TX
Carol Straughan
3 Bowl Of Sun, El Paso TX
Patsy Elliott

Nov 23, 2002-009 - Odessa TX

Captain Ellery Stowell Benefit, 24 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Roxana Patton, Odessa TX
2 Ken Large, Odessa TX
3 Lee Roy Childress, Midland TX
4 Al McDonald, Odessa TX
5 Karen Bains, Rankin TX
6 B.J. McDonald, Odessa TX
7 Doug Hill, Odessa TX
8 Roger Bains, Rankin TX

9 Kathy Boone, Odessa TX

10 Phyllis Patton, Odessa TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Texas Chili & Tattoo Parlor
Odessa TX
Phyllis Patton
2 TLC, Odessa TX
Joann Scott
3 Udderly Ridiculous, Snyder TX
Connie Collier

Nov 29, 2002-001 - Victoria TX

Day After Thanksgiving CCO, 23 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Karin Barnes, Houston TX
2 Pete Drake, Houston TX
3 Phil Barnes, Houston TX
4 Healani Bethke, Weesatche TX
5 Henry Danysh, Edna TX
6 Robert Lowery, Victoria TX
7 Dee Horton, Inez TX
8 Nadine Karnei, Weesatche TX
9 Lil Drake, Houston TX
10 Karen Reinke, Martindale TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Taz's Road Kill Chili, Inez TX
Dee Horton
2 Damn Yankee, Weesatche TX
Nadine Karnei
3 Home Brew 1, Yorktown TX
Marvin Schulze

Nov 30, 2002-001 - Victoria TX

21st Annual VASA Pod Cookoff, 29 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Nadine Karnei, Weesatche TX
2 Bert "Bubba" Reinke, Martindale TX
3 Phil Barnes, Houston TX
4 Glen Volkmer, Victoria TX
5 Karen Reinke, Martindale TX
6 Janita Hinds, Del Rio TX
7 Dee Horton, Inez TX
8 Randy Ordner, Corpus Christi TX
9 Barry Karnei, Weesatche TX
10 Lil Drake, Houston TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Hell-If-I-Know, Martindale TX
Bert "Bubba" Reinke
2 Taz's Road Kill Chili, Inez TX
Dee Horton
3 Damn Yankee, Weesatche TX
Nadine Karnei

Nov 30, 2002-002 - Wichita Falls TX

40-8 Voiture 939 Cookoff, 28 CHILIS

CHILI WINNERS

- 1 Dennis H. Jackson, Iowa Park TX
2 Danielle Hansen, Boys Ranch TX
3 Don Walker, Wichita Falls TX
4 Chuck Hawthorne, Wichita Falls TX
5 Kathy Wyatt, Wichita Falls TX
6 Jackie Ralston, Wichita Falls TX
7 R.D. (David) Wyatt
Wichita Falls TX
8 Kevin Wooster, Wichita Falls TX
9 Linda Harper, Ennis TX
10 Mary Lee Wooster, Wichita Falls TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

- 1 Nurse Ophilya Good
Wichita Falls TX
Jan Hodge
2 Heartburn Chili, Wichita Falls TX
Don Barfield

3 Caliente Chili, Wichita Falls TX
Don Walker

Nov 30, 2002-003 - Southlake TX
Gobbler Gathering Chili Cookoff, 51 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

1 Mack Walker, Arlington TX
2 Robert E. (Bob) Coats, Irving TX
3 Frank Gadberrry, Lancaster TX
4 Sherree Duncan
North Richland Hills TX

5 Sharon Neff, Irving TX
6 Reed Strickland, Alvarado TX
7 Mel Neff, Irving TX
8 R. Bruce Stewart, Hurst TX
9 Druella "Dru" Stewart, Hurst TX
10 Linda Buschel, Irving TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Bull Rush, Irving TX
Ginny Williams

2 Red Robin Roadshow, Waxahachie TX
Robin Goodman

3 Hell's Fury, Dallas TX
Shirley Sexton

Dec 1, 2002-001 - Victoria TX
Morning After Chili Cookoff, 25 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

1 Wayne Roessler, Victoria TX
2 Don Hoy, Cuero TX
3 Elaine Harrington, Victoria TX
4 Henry Danysh, Edna TX
5 Healani Bethke, Weesatche TX
6 Dee Horton, Inez TX
7 Janita Hinds, Del Rio TX

8 Bert "Bubba" Reinke, Martindale TX
9 Karl F. Buechler Jr., Kerrville TX
10 Glen Volkmer, Victoria TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Hell-If-I-Know, Martindale TX
Bert "Bubba" Reinke

2 Damn Yankee, Weesatche TX
Nadine Karnei

3 Taz's Road Kill Chili, Inez TX
Dee Horton

Dec 1, 2002-003 - Ocean City MD
Hots for Tots Chili Cookoff, 15 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

1 Dick DeiTos, Fairfax VA
2 Alan Dean, Bel Air MD
3 Monica Parker, Alexandria VA
4 Susan Dean, Bel Air MD
5 Daniel E. "Dan" Bauer
Alexandria VA
6 Lloyd Phillips, Spotsy VA
7 Lew Wheeling, Reading PA
8 Ron Rice, Ocean City MD
9 Jim Parker, Alexandria VA
10 Winn Booth, Berlin MD

Dec 6, 2002-001 - Angleton TX
3rd Annual Christmas on the Square, 38
CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

1 Richard Wallace, La Porte TX
2 Lee Roy Childress, Midland TX
3 Ronald D. Charlton, Houston TX
4 Dorothy Spishock
Clear Lake Shores TX

5 Bruce Wilkins, Houston TX
6 Don Mueller, La Porte TX
7 Jesse Graham, Angleton TX
8 Charlie Lancaster, Katy TX
9 Pat Krenek, Houston TX
10 Vickie Trevino, Angleton TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Midnight Smokers, Danbury TX
Sue Mercado

2 Chenango Smokers, Angleton TX
Thelma Keels

3 Bo's Boys, Angleton TX
R. L. Boles

Dec 7, 2002-002 - Houston TX
12th Annual Special Olympian, 45 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

1 Sherrie Davis, South Houston TX
2 Karin Barnes, Houston TX
3 Phil Barnes, Houston TX
4 Maxine Reed, Schertz TX
5 Donna Leird, Galveston TX
6 Sheldon Guidry, Youngsville LA
7 Ralph Hay, Pasadena TX
8 Howard Dahl, Shoreacres TX
9 Dorothy Spishock
Clear Lake Shores TX
10 Ava Horan, Tomball TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Lone Star Chili Chix, Houston TX
Pat Krenek

2 Terlingua Yacht Club
Clear Lake Shores TX
Walter Caldwell

3 Katy Cowgirl Kookers, Katy TX

Kemah Blair

Dec 7, 2002-007 - Waring TX
10th Annual Texas Hill Country, 60 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

1 Carrie Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
2 Pat Dreibrödt, Comfort TX
3 Joyce Jowers, San Antonio TX
4 Kim Hiley, George West TX
5 Traci Nix, Harper TX
6 Jennifer Lee, San Antonio TX
7 Ruby Ross, Marble Falls TX
8 Larry Kinnison, Marble Falls TX
9 Norma L. Homesley, Manchaca TX
10 Tommie W. Wedel, Comfort TX

SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

1 Silly Chili Golf, Georgetown TX
George Hampton

2 Shoot-A-Mile, Comfort TX
John Goforth

3 Ace In The Hole, San Antonio TX
Clyde Rogers

Dec 7, 2002-009 - North Little Rock AR
Rudy's Oyster Bar Cookoff, 18 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS

1 Tanna M. Jones, Walls MS
2 Preston Nickle
North Little Rock AR
3 Clifton Nickle, Philadelphia MS
4 Allen Light, Little Rock AR
5 Debbie Blanks, Little Rock AR
6 Erma W. Smith, Fort Smith AR
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 3 Waggle T's, Little Rock AR
 Dick Wagner

Dec 7, 2002-010 - El Paso TX
 Saturn of El Paso Cookoff, 15 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS
 1 Hut Brown, El Paso TX
 2 Janie Owen, El Paso TX
 3 Daniel Camacho, El Paso TX
 4 Carol Straughan, Horizon City TX
 5 Eve DuMond, El Paso TX
 6 Baltazar Vizciano, El Paso TX
 7 Patsy Elliott, El Paso TX
 8 Norman Wilke, El Paso TX
 9 David (Red Bean) Boone, Odessa TX
 10 Bobby Elliott, El Paso TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Black Garter, El Paso TX
 Eve DuMond
 2 Asheville At The Wheel

Horizon City TX
 Carol Straughan
 3 Texas Wrangler Chili, El Paso TX
 Donna Von Gentz
 Dec 8, 2002-001 - Houston TX
 3rd Annual Galena Park ISD Special, 23
 CHILIS
CHILI WINNERS
 1 Kevin Foley, Galveston TX
 2 Beverly Caldwell
 Clear Lake Shores TX
 3 Keith Karaff, Houston TX
 4 Pat Krenek, Houston TX
 5 G. Taylor Miller, Baytown TX
 6 Ralph Hay, Pasadena TX
 7 Sherrie Davis, South Houston TX
 8 Ava Horan, Tomball TX
 9 Peggy Bocanegra, Houston TX
 10 Pete Drake, Houston TX
SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS
 1 Foley's Follies, Galveston TX
 Kevin Foley
 2 Lone Star Chili Chix, Houston TX
 Pat Krenek
 3 NDC Chili, Houston TX
 Keith Karaff

2nd ANNUAL "N.O.W." POD Chili Cook-off

Saturday, February 1, 2003
 Waxahachie, TX. - Ellis Co. Expo. Center

Benefiting Ellis Co. Children's Advocacy Center

Saturday, Feb 01, 2003	50/50 Beans	12:00 Noon \$5.00
	Novice Chili	1:00 PM \$15.00
	CASI Chili	1:00 PM \$20.00

Saturday Night "Barn Bash" Live Band Special Cook's Price
 \$15 per Couple


Silent Auction & Raffle, Goody Bags to first 50 registered CASI cooks. Plenty of RV parking; no hook-ups. Inside or outside cooking; your choice. DIRECTIONS: Using 35E, exit 403 to Ft. Worth. STAY ON SERVICE ROAD. Coming from Ennis, using US 287 North, exit 35E, STAY ON SERVICE ROAD. From Ft. Worth on US 287 South, exit FM 664, turn LEFT over bridge. Turn LEFT, STAY ON SERVICE ROAD.

Contact Dan Gramman, 972-938-3489 or Robin Goodman 972-938-8506. Make checks payable to: E.C.C.A.C., c/o PO Box 982, Waxahachie, TX 75168.

Best Western Waxahachie, TX	IH 35E, Exit 481B 972-837-4282	Single: \$78.88 Dbl.: \$77.97
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BENEFITING THE
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Saturday, January 18, 2003
 140 Applewhite • Katy, Texas

Discount room rates being negotiated with Comfort Inn at this time.
 RV Parking - No Hookups

Ashley Wexler, 26, was killed in a multiple injury car accident in October, 2002. Because of the actions of a volunteer fireman at the scene and the generosity of the Westlake Volunteer Fire Department helping with her funeral expenses, we would like to say "Thank You" with a Festival and Chili Cookoff!

JackPot Beans (100% payback) - \$5.00 entry fee, turn-in 12:00 noon
CASI Chili - \$17.00 entry fee, turn-in 2:00 p.m.

- Friday night Community Dinner •
- Moonwalk • Chili and Frito Pies for Sale •
- Silent Auction • Drawing for Trip •

Trips donated by Trips Members (must be present)

For more information call: MAYO BLAIR 713-443-8040 travelmblair@yahoo.com

First ANNUAL "N.O.W." POD, TOO Chili Cook-off

Sunday, February 2, 2003
 Waxahachie, TX. - Ellis Co. Expo. Center

Benefiting "N.O.W." Pod and the Ellis Co.
 Children's Advocacy Center

CASI CHILI (GRIND ONLY)	1:00 PM Turn-in	\$18.00
Saturday Night "Barn Bash"	Special Cook's Price	\$15 per Couple
	Live Band, Food and Fun!!	

Contact Dan Gramman, 972-938-3489 or Robin Goodman 972-938-8506. Make checks payable to: NOW Pod, c/o PO Box 982, Waxahachie, TX 75168.

NAME: _____ TEL# _____
 ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____
 STATE/ZIP: _____ CHILI NAME: _____

CASI CHILI \$18 _____ (Grind ONLY) SHOWMANSHIP _____ YES _____ NO

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

34th Annual Texas Men's State Championship Texas Motor Speedway Fort Worth, Texas March 8, 2003



Entry fee \$30.00
Chili Turn-in: 1:00 p.m. - Show: 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
On-site, overnight parking - No hook-ups
Food & Craft Booths
Entertainment
Friday Night Hospitality Party
Raffle (You don't have to be present to win)
All Former Winners Comped
People's Choice \$\$ Awards (bring your throw down chili)
Guaranteed Goody Bags for entries postmarked by 2/1/03
Top 5 Chili & 1st Place Show qualify for TICC
Sunday cook-off, grind only, 12:00 turn-in - \$20.00

Checks payable to: Grapevine AMBUCS, 2050 N. Shady Oaks., Southlake, Texas 76092

Visit our web site: www.grapevineambucs.com

Inquires to: Nick McGarity, 817-975-0484 or email nick@mcgarity.org

Name: _____		Chili Name: _____	
Address: _____		City: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____		email: _____	
Shirt size:	XXXL <input type="checkbox"/>	XXL <input type="checkbox"/>	XL <input type="checkbox"/> L <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/>
CASI: <input type="checkbox"/>	Local: <input type="checkbox"/>	Showmanship: <input type="checkbox"/>	People's Choice: <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday: <input type="checkbox"/>
RV Information: Manufacturer _____		Length _____	

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Terlingua Area Recipients



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**THIRD HORN TOAD ROUND-UP & CHILI COOK-OFF
RANKIN, TEXAS
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2003**

ENTRY FEE: \$17.00
BENEFITS THE RANKIN MUSEUM

FISH FRY FRIDAY NIGHT
TURN IN: 2:00 p.m.
FREE COOK'S BREAKFAST

SAT. NIGHT - STEW
FIRST PLACE: BRONZE HORN TOAD
2 - 30 NICE TROPHIES

CASI RULES APPLY



LOCATION:
TOMMY WORKMAN
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COVERED PAVILLION
CHAIRS AND TABLES FOR
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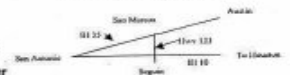


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**SATURDAY
April 12, 2003
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South Edge of Seguin off
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ON THE BANKS OF THE BEAUTIFUL
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- Automatic CASI Qualifiers to 1st, 2nd and 3rd Chili
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- Trophies to Top 10 Chili and Top 3 Show Winners
- Free Overnight Camping under the Pecan Trees
- No Hook-ups No Open Fires
- Friday Night Cooks Party
- Entry Fee - \$25.00
- Guaranteed Goodie Bag for all entries postmarked by March 8, 2003
- No Entry Fee for Current and Former Texas Ladies State Champions
- Make Checks Payable to: Texas Ladies State Championship
c/o Anne Roberts
3700 S. Hampton Rd.
Red Oak, TX 75154



Friends of Ladies State

For Additional Information - Boomer Kington 915-366-1777

Head _____ Email _____
Cook _____ Address _____
Chili Name _____ Showmanship: Yes _____ No _____
Address _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____
Home Phone (____) _____ Work (____) _____
Shirt Size _____
Team Member(s) to help Judge or Monitor 1. _____
2. _____

You will receive confirmation of your entry in the mail
Donations of canned goods for the Seguin Christian Cabinet will be collected Saturday



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27TH ANNUAL ARKANSAS STATE OPEN CHILI COOKOFF

Arkansas State Junior Cookoff

FRIDAY NIGHT COOKS PARTY
 Goody bags for 1st. 75 paid cooks
 Free admission to the Big Buck Classic
 Special Room rates at La Quinta Inn
 11701 Hwy I-30 501-455-2300
 Top 3 Arkansas winners qualify for TICC.
 If the top 3 Ark winners are Cap-Casi pod
 members they will qualify for TICC
 expense money also same for top Ark
 show team



Indoor cooking
 No large propane bottles-20 lb.
Fire extinguisher required
 Large crowd expected
 1 gal. Of give away chili requested
 (may be donated to community
 pot)
 Motor Home space limited-no
 hookup
 Ark State Jr. CCO, Friday night ages



WHERE: The Little Rock EXPO Center
 13000 HWY I-30 Little Rock, AR 72209
WHEN: Sat. Jan 25th, 2003 entry fee \$25.00
 No entry fee for 1st. 5me cooks
 Cooks meeting 10:00am-tun in 1:00 pm (LOCAL JUDGING) CASI rules
 Benefits local charities of CAP-CASI
SUN. Jan. 26th POD CCO same location
 Ground meat only-entry fee \$13.00
 CASI rules apply- tun in 12 noon
 INFO: Bo Prentiss 501-771-1704

Cooks meeting 10:00am-tun in 1:00 pm (LOCAL JUDGING) CASI rules

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INFO: Bo Prentiss 501-771-1704



TRI-STATE OPEN CHILI CHAMPIONSHIP

Benefiting the
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CHILI COOK-OFF

SATURDAY • JANUARY 11, 2003
 Rex Baxter Bldg. – Tri-State Fairgrounds,
 Amarillo, Texas

Sponsored by:



CASI • Goodie Bags - First 100 Cooks
Cooks Free Breakfast - 8:30 a.m.
Cooks Party (Friday) 7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Trophies - Top 3 Shows & 1 Humanitarian
Awards - Top 20 Chilies (First 10 will receive Jackets)

AMARILLO'S LARGEST CHILI COOK-OFF

Turn In 1:00 p.m. • Show Time 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Top 3 chilies and 1st place show qualify for TICC

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
GARNIER ALBUS (806) 353-0500 or VICKIE CHILDERS (806) 355-7387

ENTRY FORM

(\$25.00 Entry Fee - Payable to Tri-State Open Chili Championship)
 1st place chili and 1st place show will receive travel money to TICC!

Head Cook _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____
 Name of Chili Team _____
 Showmanship Yes No Chili Judge Yes No

*(Please bring give away chili or an extra pot
 and we will furnish the give away chili)*

TABLE & CHAIR RENTAL	Quantity	Amount
• Chairs @ \$1.00 ea.	_____	_____
• Tables @ \$5.00 ea.	_____	_____
TOTAL RENTAL COST		=====
ENTRY FEE	No. of Entries	Amount
• Chili Entry Fees @ \$25.00 ea.	_____	_____
TOTAL AMOUNT TO REMIT		\$ _____

MAIL TO: Vickie Childers • 4300 Olsen • Amarillo, Texas 79106

(NO ANIMALS ALLOWED IN THE BUILDING AT ANY TIME)



“COOKING” WITH CASI CALENDAR



Jan 1, 2003-001 - Bel Air MD CASI. Polar Bear Chili Cookoff. Held Wednesday in Bel Air. Charity, Mason Dixon Pod. Entry \$18. Checks payable to Mason Dixon Pod. Turn-in 2 PM Contact Alan Dean 410-879-6410. Email pepperdean@comcast.net.

Jan 1, 2003-002 - Gilchrist TX CASI. Gilchrist EMS Chili Cookoff. The fun starts Friday night with a P.E.A.Off Turn-in 9 PM. Blackeye Pea Jackpot \$5. New Year's Day Chili Cookoff turn-in 12 Noon. Entry fee \$18. Benefits EMS. HELD AT MALLETS BEACH HOUSE. At Austin 281-808-7476. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Bring covered dish for New Years Day, snack food for New Years Eve. Bring fire works to celebrate New Years and your win. RV parking no hookups. On Advertising Probation Per CASI Rule V.A.2.

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: \$18. CHILI GRIND ONLY. RV parking on solid ground. Cooks' party Saturday night. Info: Crystal, (512)321-5555. Cookoff next day same location.

Jan 4, 2003-002 - Sedona AZ CASI. Los Abrigados & Sedona Charter School Cookoff. Held at Los Abrigados Resort, Sedona. Az. Charity, Sedona Charter School. Make checks payable to CASA Pod. Turn-in 3 PM. Entry fee TBA. Contact Lyndia Slawson or Roland Regeon 602-277-7306 home, or 602-269-0694 work (Lyndia). Lyndiatxza@aol.com.

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: \$12. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Cooks' party Saturday night. Info: Crystal, (512)321-5555. Cookoff same location previous day.

Jan 10, 2003-001 - Amarillo TX CASI. Tall in Texas Pod Cookoff. Held Friday night before Tri-State Open Chili Championship. Turn-in 8 PM., at Amarillo Tri-State Fairgrounds-Rex Baxter Bldg. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Benefits Tall In Texas Pod Charities. Entry fee \$18. Contact Chris Reed VP Coors of Amarillo. 806- 376- 5674 806-681-7801 Cell, 806-374-4552 Fax, chris_reed@coors-ama.com. Cooks Party.

Jan 11, 2003-001 - Houston TX CASI. 14th Annual Cy-Fair Metro-Go Texan Chili &

BBQ Cookoff. Held at Traders Village, 7979 N Eldridge Parkway. Benefits the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo Scholarship Fund. BBQ on Sunday. Details to follow. Info: Suzanne Bush, (713)820-2523, (713)417-8227, email: txpurplelady@hotmail.com.

Jan 11, 2003-002 - Amarillo TX CASI. TRI-STATE OPEN CHILI CHAMPIONSHIP. Cook inside the Rex Building on the Tri-state Fairgrounds. Entry fee \$25. Turn-in 1 PM Benefits MAKE- A- WISH of the Texas Plains. Top 3 cooks and 1st show from Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas will qualify. Drawing for Free Rooms with early registration deadline Dec. 16th. Cooks meal Friday night and breakfast Saturday morning. Checks payable to Tri State Open Contact Vickie Childers 806-355-7387 vickiefromtx@aol.com or Garnier Albus 806-353-0500.

Jan 11, 2003-003 - Buchanan Dam TX CASI. Fuzzy's Corner Chili Cookoff. Held at Fuzzy's Corner Hwy 29 Buchanan Dam. Entry fee \$18. Turn in 2 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Toya Rybaski 512-793-6420. Checks payable to Fuzzy's Corner.

Jan 18, 2003-001 - Orland Park IL CASI. Chilly Willie Chili Challenge. Held at 14750 So. Ravinia Ave. Benefits Special Needs Program of Orland Park. Entry \$18. Turn-in 2PM. Checks payable to Village of Orland Park. Contact Lee Ann Fisk 708-403-7275.

Jan 18, 2003-002 - Johnson City TX CASI. January In Johnson City Chili CCO. Held at EMS Barn. From 281 turn east on Airport Drive, immediately North of Cattleman's Bank at Old Airport Site. Entry fee \$17, Beans \$5., BBQ \$15 per entry. Turn-in 2 PM. Bean turn-in Noon, BBQ 60/40 split. 1/2 chicken turn-in 12:30 pork ribs turn-in 1 PM brisket turn in 3 PM. Cool trophy for best-all round BBQ. RV parking no hookups, asphalt, no mud! Music by Jim Statesczny. Judging and partying inside bldg. Contact Barbara C. Taylor 830-868-2223 Ken Large for BBQ 915-381-0897. Friday night cooks party, Saturday night Pot Luck. CHILI GRIND ONLY. e-mail taylor@moment.net.

Jan 18, 2003-003 - Rocky Point MX CASI. Annual Rocky Point International Chili Cookoff. Rocky Point, Sonora Mexico On the beach in front of Manny's Beach Club. Entry \$25. Benefits Local Elementary School. Checks payable to High Desert Pod. Turn-in 2 PM. T-shirt guaranteed if registered by Dec. 20 Fish fry on beach Thursday. Friday night cook's dinner at Manny's free to cooks,

guests dinner fee is \$7. Contact Ben Berry 520-378-3692 or tberry@C2I2.com.

Jan 18, 2003-004 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. 10th Annual Wichita East Volunteer Fire Department Chili Cookoff. Held at 2070 State Hwy. 79 North. Wichita East Volunteer Fire Dept. Entry fee chili \$20, brisket \$15, jackpot beans \$5. Contact James or Carolyn King 940-767-4823 or 940-322-3145.

Jan 18, 2003-005 - Bay City TX CASI. Matagorda County Cookoff. Being held at Matagorda County Fairgrounds, FM 2668 Bay City. For Matagorda County 4-H Mounted Drill Team. Entry fee \$17. Turn-in 2 PM, also Homestyle Chili (additional \$5) turn-in 2 PM, Spare Ribs \$15 turn in 11 AM, Jackpot Beans (Dry Pinto) \$7 turn-in 12 Noon, BBQ Brisket \$15 turn-in 4 PM. Contact Ray 979-245-5932 or Henry 261-782-0129 email lorgar@quik.com.

Jan 18, 2003-006 - Houston TX CASI. Applewhite Place Cookoff & Ashley Wexler Memorial held at 140 Applewhite, Katy, Texas. Benefits Westlake Volunteer Fire Dept. Entry \$17. Turn-in 2 PM. Contact Mayo Blair 713-443-6040 travelmjblair@yahoo.com. Friday nite community dinner. RV parking. On Advertising Probation per CASI Rule V. A. 2.

Jan 19, 2003-001 - Rocky Point MX CASI. Rocky Point Baja Cantina Day After Chili Cookoff. Held just around the corner from Manny's at the Baja Cantina. Benefits Penasco Children's Christmas Fund. Entry \$20. Checks payable to High Desert Pod. Turn-in 3 PM. T-shirt to first 50 registered cooks. Free cook's breakfast day of cookoff. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Ben Berry 520-378-3692 or tberry@C2I2.com.

Jan 25, 2003-001 - Las Cruces NM CASI. Annual VFW 6917 Indoor CCO. Held at Hwy 70 7325 N. Main St. Las Cruces, NM. Turn-in 2 PM. Benefits VFW charities. Entry \$15. Check payable to NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick 505-382-5107, or TeamOrgan@zianet.com.

Jan 25, 2003-002 - Canyon Lake TX CASI. 9th Annual Super Bowl of Chili CCO Held at (Sattler)VFW Post 8573 on SR 2673 & River Rd. Benefits VFW charities. Entry \$18. Turn-in 2 PM. Cooks breakfast 8 AM-food and beverage available. Entertainment, auction. RV parking no hookups. Cookoff next day same location. Contact Joanne 830-964-3334.

Jan 25, 2003-003 - Sierra Vista AZ CASI. High Desert 4H Fun Show & Chili CCO held at Sierra Vista Riding Club across from Wal Mart. From Tucson I-10 to Sierra Vista/Ft. Huachuca exit (Hwy 90). South on Hwy 90 to Hwy 90 Bypass just before entering town. Turn left on Bypass. Follow until you see Wal Mart. Riding Club is across the street. Turn right at stoplight. Entrance on right past bleachers. Turn-in 2 PM Entry \$10. Charity High Desert 4H Club. Cooks potluck dinner Friday night 6 PM on site. Contact Don or Arlette Mendenhall 520-452-1145 work, 520-378-6969 Home.

Jan 25, 2003-004 - Little Rock AR CASI. Arkansas State Championship CCO. Held at 13000 Hwy I-30, Little Rock. Checks payable to CAP-CASI. Turn-in 1 PM (No large propane bottles-20lb.) Fire extinguisher required. Contact Bo Prewitt pbau@aristotle.net, 501-372-2800, evening 501-771-1704. Day After Cookoff on 1/26.

Jan 25, 2003-005 - Minden LA CASI. Louisiana State Championship. 12th Annual St. Jude Auction Chili Cookoff. Held at Minden Civic Center, 520 Broadway. Turn-in 1 PM. Entry fee \$20. Checks payable to St. Jude Chili Cookoff. Gumbo supper Friday night. Band Saturday Goody bags to 1st 50 cooks. Charity St. Jude Children Research Hospital. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact George E. French III at 318-371-5601 day, 318-377-8369 Nite.

Jan 25, 2003-006 - Statesville NC CASI. Pre-Superbowl Cookoff. Held at Elks Lodge #1823, 1251 Radio Rd. Benefits Elks Charities. Entry fee \$25, Pod Members \$20. Freestyle \$15. Turn-in 2 PM Make checks payable to Piedmont Pepper Pod. Contact Bill Lundy 704-872-5652 or Brent Lundy at 704-252-0517.

Jan 25, 2003-007 - Pensacola FL CASI. Warrington Cookoff. Warrington Elementary School 220 N. Navy Blvd. Pensacola, Fl. Benefits Warrington Kiwanis Club. Turn-in 1 PM. CASI and Open Chili. Entry fee \$20. Contact Larry Oliver 850-995-9517 or email doubleshotchili@aol.com

Jan 25, 2003-008 - New River AZ CASI. 6th Annual Roadrunner Steakhouse Cookoff. Red chili turn-in 2 PM. Lots of games and raffles. Great trophies! Contact Ken Holmes 623-465-8971. On Advertising Probation per CASI Rule V.A.2.

Jan 26, 2003-001 - Canyon Lake TX CASI. 3rd Friends of Texas Ladies State. Held at

(Sattler) VFW Post 8573 on SR 2673 & River Rd. Benefits Texas Ladies State Chili Championship. Entry \$12. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Turn-in 1 PM Cookoff previous day same location Info: Joanne 830-964-3334.

Jan 26, 2003-002 - Little Rock AR CASI. CAP-CASI Day After Cookoff. Held at 13000 Hwy I-30 Little Rock Charity TBA. Entry fee \$13. Turn in 12 Noon. Checks payable to CAP-CASI. (no large propane bottles-20 lbs) fire extinguisher required. Contact Bo Prewitt pbau@aristotle.net. 501-372-2800 evening 501-771-1704. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

Feb 1, 2003-001 - Waxahachie TX CASI. 2nd Annual "N.O.W." POD Chili Cookoff. Ellis Co. Expo.Center. Benefiting Children's Advocacy Center. 50/50 Beans Turn-in 12 noon. Entry \$5. Novice Chili Turn-in 1 PM \$15. CASI Chili turn-in 1 PM \$20. Saturday night "Barn Bash" \$15 per couple. Contact Dan Grannan 972-938-3409 or Robin Goodman 972-938-8500. Also, Sunday Cookoff next day.

Feb 1, 2003-002 - Rankin TX CASI. 3rd HORN TOAD ROUND-UP & CHILI CCO. Held at Tommy Workman Park. Entry \$17. Benefits Rankin Museum. Turn in 2 PM. FIRST PLACE, BRONZE HORN TOAD, 2ND- 10TH NICE TROPHIES. Fri nite, fish fry. Saturday AM cooks breakfast. Saturday nite, stew. Covered pavilion with chairs and tables. Contact Dave Boone at 915-367-8423 or 915-333-8907, or Karen Bains 915-693-2242 or 915-693-2796.

Feb 1, 2003-003 - Nuevo Laredo MX CASI. 18th Annual Mexico Int'l CCO. Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, Mx. Held at Fiesta Inn (formerly Hacienda)***Chili grind-furnished***. Entry fee \$50./person. Benefits CASA HOGAR a home for girls in Nuevo Laredo. Cookoff entry deadline is post marked by Jan.27, 2003. Rooms and a bus trip are available Contact Larry Burruss for more information. 512-353-8895 or 1004 Crepe Myrtle, San Marcos, Tx. 78666.

Feb 1, 2003-004 - Goodyear AZ CASI. Arizona Women's Open Chili Cookoff. Held at 1572 S. Cotton Lane, Goodyear, Az. Turn-in 2 PM. Charity, Women's Moose Charities. Entry fee \$20. Checks payable to RT. 66 Chiliheads. Contact Doyle Dancy, 623-640-6317

Feb 1, 2003-005 - Goodyear AZ CASI. Arizona Men's Open Chili Cookoff. Held at 1572 S. Cotton Lane, Goodyear, AZ. Turn-in 2 PM. Charity Men's Moose Charities. Entry fee \$20. Checks payable to Rt. 66 Chiliheads. Contact Doyle Dancy 623-690-6317.

Feb 2, 2003-001 - Waxahachie TX CASI. First Annual "N.O.W." POD, Too. Benefiting "N.O.W." POD and Children's Advocacy Center. CASI Chile (Grind Only) \$17. Turn-in 1 PM. See Saturday Cookoff same location. Contact Dan Grannan 972-938-3409 or Robin Goodman 972-938-8500.

Feb 8, 2003-001 - Gulf Shores AL CASI. Bloody Mary Mix-Off, Salsa Competition and Chili Cookoff. Held at the Beach Club 182 West (Fort Morgan Rd) Gulf Shores, Al. Benefiting Fort Morgan Volunteer Fire Dept. Bloody Mary Mix-off entry \$5, turn-in 11 AM, Salsa entry \$5, turn-in noon. CASI chili entry \$17 and open chili entry \$15, turn-in 12:30 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Randy Moore 251-949-7000, rmoore@ci.gulf-shores.al.us.

Feb 8, 2003-002 - Tucson AZ CASI. 23rd Old Tucson Studio CCO. Held at Old Tucson Studio's, 201 S. Kinney Rd., Tucson. Charity to be announced. More details to follow. Turn-in 2 PM Entry fee \$15. People's choice \$10 if not cooking Red, \$5. if cooking Red. Tasting 11 to 1 PM. Info: contact Nancy Coultas at 3640 Saguaro Shadows, Tucson, Az. 85730. Phone 520-298-6838.

Feb 8, 2003-003 - Fort Smith AR CASI. BELCH Amateur Chili Cookoff. Being held at 1022 Dodson Avenue at Wild Wing Club. Entry fee \$20. Turn-in 1 PM. Benefits Gregory Kistler Treatment Center for Handicapped Children. Make checks payable to Kistler Treatment Center Contact Guy Smith 479-646-9444. Cooks bags for first 50 cooks.

Feb 8, 2003-004 - Medina Lake TX CASI. Alamo Area Pod Charity Chili Cookoff on Alamo Beach. Benefits Wildlife Refuge. Entry fee \$20 or \$35 for both days. Turn-in 2 PM. CUT MEAT OR CHILI GRIND, cooks choice. Cooks party Friday night. Checks payable to Alamo Area Pod. Contact Ray King 830-303-1755 or Sally Lee 210-490-4436. AA Pod P O Box 701105 San Antonio, Tx 78232.

Feb 8, 2003-005 - Southlake TX CASI. 14th Annual McChili McHog-In. Held at McGarity's Pepper Top Farm 2050 N. Shady Oaks Dr., Southlake Texas 76092. Charity North Texas Chili Family Relief Fund. Turn-in 2 PM Entry fee \$18. Payable to Pepper Top Farm. Contact Mikie McGarity email mikiem@flash.net. 817-975-2200 day or night. Located SH 114 East or West through South-lake to Dove Exit-South to Shady Oaks-left to 2nd driveway (2050)- turn right-cook in back pasture.

Feb 8, 2003-006 - Mitchell NE CASI. 5th Annual Winter Chili Polkafest. Held at the Mitchell Event Center. West 13th Street. Benefits Scotts Bluff County Ag Society. Entry fee \$20. Turn-in 3 PM. Checks payable to Pepe's Pod 1455 11th Street, Gering NE 69341. Info Ben Mosier 308-436-0530 or benm21@nefb.com.

Feb 8, 2003-007 - Lancaster TX CASI. Chili On The Square Cookoff. On Historic Lancaster Town Square, 100 N Dallas Ave. Lancaster, Tx. Benefits American Heart Assn. Chili turn-in 1 PM, entry fee \$17. Jack pot beans (must cook chili) entry \$5. turn-in 12 Noon. Show 1:30-2 PM Trophies 1-10 chili,

1-3 beans and show. Checks payable to Lancaster C of C 100 N Dallas Ave. Lancaster Contact Obie Obermark 972-227-0686 obiecue@flash.net.

Feb 8, 2003-008 - San Angelo TX CASI. Valentine's Day Massacre Cookoff. Held in Water Valley Park. Benefits CV Regional Food Bank. Chili entry \$20, Jackpot beans, cooked on site, \$5. BBQ Chicken, Ribs, Brisket \$15 each category. 80% payback on BBQ. Contact Laura Coad 915-944-7715.

Feb 8, 2003-009 - Meyersville TX CASI. Happy Times Recovery Cookoff. Held at David & Son Store, Hwy 183 & FM-237, 12 miles south of Cuero. Benefits Rebekah Noack Medical Fund. Entry fee \$18, turn-in 2 PM. Homestyle chili also. Contact Don Hoy 3680 FM-3157. Phone No. 361-277-8687

Feb 9, 2003-001 - Mansfield TX CASI. Texas Wildlife Farm Chili Cookoff. Held at 7836 County Road 526, Mansfield. Entry fee \$18. Charity Texas Wildscape Rehabilitation. Turn-in 1 PM. Contact Tom Lane Cell 817-456-7553 or 817-473-8132. CHILI GRIND ONLY. For directions see www.wildscapefarm.com.

Feb 9, 2003-002 - El Paso TX CASI. 13th Annual Southwest International Livestock & Rodeo Cookoff. Held at 4100 East Paisano. Benefits SWILS Scholarship Program. Turn-in 1 PM. Entry fee \$17. Contact Hut Brown 915-772-2379 or Earl Campbell 915-755-1041.

Feb 9, 2003-003 - Medina Lake TX CASI. Alamo Area Pod Charity Chili Cookoff on Alamo Beach. Benefits MS. Entry fee \$20 or \$35 for both days. Turn-in 1 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Cooks party Friday night. Checks payable Alamo Area Pod. Contact Ray King 830-303-1755 or Sally Lee 210-490-4436. AA Pod P O Box 701105 San Antonio, Tx 78232.

Feb 15, 2003-001 - Spring TX CASI. Old Town Spring Frontier Days CCO. Held at Preservation Park in Old Town Spring, Spring School Rd. at Preston Ave. Benefits Old Town Spring Preservation Society. Entry fee \$17. Checks payable to OTS Preservation League. Turn-in 2 PM See next day cco 2/16/03. Contact Bob Horan 713-705-3784 evenings at 281-357-0175. CHILI GRIND ONLY. email:shelty246@houston.rr.com RV parking no hookups.

Feb 15, 2003-002 - Jacksonville TX CASI. Jacksonville Jaycees 7th Annual CCO held at Showbarn Loop 456 West Jacksonville, Tx. Entry fees: BBQ beans \$5., Chili beans \$5., Chili \$17., Chicken, Ribs, Brisket \$30. each or \$75. for all BBQ meats. Turn-in Beans noon, Chili 1 PM, Chicken 1 PM, Ribs 2 PM, Brisket 2 PM. Benefits HOPE Local Food Pantry and Mission Inn. Arts and crafts booths, Gun Safety Class for children. Contact Jennifer Cook 903-586-3632.

Feb 15, 2003-003 - El Paso TX CASI. American Legion Post #58 Cookoff. Held at 4724 Vulcan. Benefits Post #58 charities. Turn-in 2 PM. Entry fee \$15. Contact Carol Straughan 915-852-3599. E-mail caroleptx@aol.

Feb 15, 2003-004 - Bastrop TX CASI. LBA's Cupid Cookoff. To be held at Indian Oaks and Cool water Sts., under the water tower. Entry fee \$15. Turn-in 2 PM. Checks payable to Lake Bastrop Acres VFD. Contact Lorie Coody 512-680-8616. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

Feb 15, 2003-005 - Kokomo IN CASI. Red Hot & Wild Kokomo Chili Cookoff held at Johanning Civic Center, US 31 North, Kokomo, In. Entry fee \$22 individual, \$150 corporate. Charity Chamber LK. Turn-in 1 PM Beer and Margarita Garden. Contact Melanie Showalter 765-457-5301, email address mshowalter@kokomochamber.com.

Feb 15, 2003-006 - Homosassa FL CASI. 2nd Annual Manatee Mania CCO. Held at Seagrass Pub and Grill. Benefits Make-A-Wish. Turn-in 2 PM. Entry fee \$15. Payable to Sunshine State Chili Pod. Welcome Party Friday eve. Free Manatee watching tours for cooks. Crab races all day Saturday. There will be an "open chili" category so please bring extra chili for the crowd. Some cabins are available at cookoff site. Camping and hotels nearby. Contact Susan Crowley amriver@seagrasspub.com, phone 866-732-4727 office or 352-628-2551 or fax 352-628-2118 or Bill Garbutt 941-235-1303, chilibill@comcast.net

Feb 15, 2003-007 - Nacogdoches TX CASI. Hot to Trot Chili Cookoff 2003. Held at Nacogdoches Expo Center. Entry \$20. Turn-in 2 PM. Novice chili \$20. Turn-in 1 PM. Jackpot beans \$5. Turn-in 11 AM. Piney Woods Lawn Mower Races. Friday night cook's party. Charity is Nacogdoches Co. Heritage Festival. Information contact Leisha Bryant 936-560-4359, Pamala Russell 936-564-6016. CHILI GRIND ONLY. On advertising probation.

Feb 15, 2003-008 - Hernando MS CASI. Hernando's Lions Club Valentines Cookoff. Held at M & H Barn, Hwy 51, Hernando, Miss. Turn-in 1 PM entry fee \$20. Benefits Hernando Lions Club. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Make checks payable to Hernando Lions Club. Contact Ed Daniels, 3845 Hwy 51 S. Hernando, Ms. 38632.

Feb 15, 2003-009 - Mineral Wells TX CASI. Crazy Chili Showdown CCO. Held at Palo Pinto County Livestock Assoc. Bldg, on FM 1821 Beans, Brisket, Ribs & Chicken. Info Carolyn Harrison, PO Box 292 Mineral Wells, TX 76068. 940-325 1522. Entry fee \$18.

Feb 15, 2003-010 - Weesatche TX CASI. Sweetheart Cookoff. Held at Weesatche Dance Hall. Entry fee \$18. Turn-in 3 PM Beans \$5. Turn-in 1 PM. Charity Goliad Dare Program.

Contact Nadine Karnei 361-564-3148.
Sunday cookoff same location.

Feb 15, 2003-011 - Apache Junction AZ CASI. 5th Annual Superstition Mountain Cookoff held at the Goldfield Ghost Town. Benefits Nancy Rutledge Foundation. Cooks party Friday night. Cooks meeting 10 AM. Peoples Choice Chili starts 11:30 AM. Salsa turn-in 12 Noon. Green Chili turn-in 1 PM and CASI Red Chili turn-in 2 PM. Free camping for cooks. No hookups. Entry fee \$10. Contact Tom Klug 480-288- 4375; email chiliklug@msn.com or Craig Hardy @ 480-507-2035.

Feb 16, 2003-001 - Spring TX CASI. Old Town Spring CCO held at Preservation Park. Spring School Road at Preston Ave. Old Spring Town. Benefits Old Town Spring Assn. Entry \$17.turn-in 1PM CHILI GRIND ONLY. RV parking no hookups. Contact Bob Horan 713-705-3784 evening 281-357-0175.

Feb 16, 2003-002 - Weesatche TX CASI. Second Day Sweetheart Cookoff. Held at Weesatche Dance Hall. Charity Goliad Senior Citizens Center. Turn-in 12 Noon. Entry fee \$18. Contact Nadine Karnei 361-564-3148.

Feb 16, 2003-003 - Seattle WA CASI. 1st Annual Pike Place Market Chili Cookoff. Held at First and Pike Market Place. Entry fee \$17.50 Turn-in 2 PM. Also light BBQ, ribs, chicken, salmon and sausage. Under-cover cooking area. Details call Joe Canavan 206-623-3678.

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.

Feb 22, 2003-002 - Yoakum TX CASI. Land Of Leather Chili Cookoff. Held downtown Yoakum, 123 West Grand Ave-Lott St Benefits Blue Bonnet Youth Ranch. Entry \$18. Payable to Yoakum Area Chamber of Commerce. Turn-in 2 PM. Jackpot beans turn-in 11 AM Dessert turn in 8 AM Contact Chamber of Commerce 361-293-2309.

Feb 22, 2003-003 - Terlingua TX CASI. Bronze Roadrunner Cookoff & BBQ. Being held at La Kiva. Benefits Terlingua School. Entry fee \$17. Bronze Roadrunner for first place Chili and BBQ Champion. BBQ \$20 per category, chicken, ribs, Brisket 50% payback, 1st - 3rd places. Chili turn-in 2 PM. WTBA BBQ turn in times, Chicken 12:00, ribs 1 PM Brisket 3 PM. Checks payable to Sotol Pod. Contact Dorothy

Williams 915-371-2595 or Boomer 915-563-5499

Feb 22, 2003-004 - Arlington TX CASI. 4th Annual Texas Independence Chili and Chuckwagon Cookoff. Held at Pavilion at The Ballpark in Arlington, 800 Stadium Drive. Join us for food, fun & entertainment. Benefits Helping Restore Ability. Turn-in 12 Noon Beans, 1 PM Novice and 2 PM CASI. Entry fee \$20.CASI, \$18 Novice,\$10 Beans, payable to Helping Restore Ability. Info Shelley Caballero at metro 817-469 1977. www.helpingrestoreability.org Email scaballero@sbcglobal.net. Goody bags for first 50 cooks to register. Overnight parking no hookups.

Feb 22, 2003-005 - San Antonio TX CASI. 2nd Annual VFW-7108 Cookoff. Held at 8795 FM 1560. Benefits VFW 7108 Scholarship Fund. Entry fee \$18. Turn-in 2 PM. Make check payable to VFW. Cooks party Friday night-no cover for cooks. Contact Bob Steinle 830-931-2125.

Feb 22, 2003-006 - Bel Air MD CASI. Shiverfest Chili Cookoff. Held at Rockfield Mansion, Churchville Road, Bel Air. Charity Rockfield Foundation. Entry fee \$18. Turn-in 3 PM. Checks Payable to Mason Dixon Pod. There will be vendors on site with crafts, pit beef, hot dogs, etc. The Barn will be showing movies for the kids periodically thru the day; farmers market will be selling honey and various products, hay rides for the kids, music with a DJ, Boy Scouts will man a bonfire for the day. After the cookoff, enjoy the warmth of chili friendship and hearty home-made soup at CASA Pepperdean. Info Alan Dean 410-879-6410 or pepperdean@comcast.net. Evening 410-879-6410.

Mar 1, 2003-001 - Irving TX CASI. Irving Elks Annual Cookoff. Held at the Elks Lodge, 2015 N Britain. Benefits Elks charities. CASI chili: \$17. CASI and Elks turn-in: 2:00 p. Beans turn-in: 12:00 Noon. Checks payable to Elks Lodge # 2334. Cooks' party Friday night. Info: Horace Jones, (972)579-0005. This Lodge is a big supporter of CASI and its members - let's return its kindness and have a big turn-out for this cookoff.

Mar 1, 2003-002 - Casa Grande AZ CASI. Arizona State Open Championship. Held at Dave White Mountain Municipal Park. Classic Car Show. Red and Peoples choice. Entry fee \$25. Includes T-shirt. Registration forms will be available in January. Dry camping. Friday and Saturday cooks party. Friday night bring your own meat to be barbecued. Info Casa Grande Chamber of Commerce, 575 N. Marshall St. Casa Grande, AZ 85222 1-800-916-1515, Nancy Coultas 3640 Saguaro Shadows Tucson, AZ. 85730. 520-298-6838.

Mar 1, 2003-003 - Austin TX CASI. 21st Annual Austin Lions Sightfest Chili and Bean Cookoff. Held at Travis County Sheriff's Posse Rodeo Arena, S. Hwy 183 (just South of 812-183 intersection.) Benefits Austin

Lions Sight Conservation Committee. Entry fee \$17. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Turn-in 2 PM. Bean entry fee \$5. Turn-in 1 PM (60/40 payback). Cooks party Friday night, potluck Saturday night. See cookoff Sunday with cooks breakfast. Auction and silent auction and raffle. Bring your old eyeglasses. Contact John Caffey 512-446-2364 or email caffeycasa@msn.com. Come one, come all, we will feed you.

Mar 1, 2003-004 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. Eagles #3580 13th Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at 1625 Archer City Hwy. corner of Archer City HWY #79 and Professional Dr. Benefits Eagle Charities. Entry fee \$18. Turn-in 2 PM. Bean turn-in 1 PM, show 12 to 1 PM. Cooks party Friday night 28th at 7 PM. Contact Linda Kent at 940-692-9816.

Mar 1, 2003-005 - Amarillo TX CASI. Flint Robbins Memorial Chili Cookoff. Location to follow. Benefits Amarillo, Potter, Randall Law Enforcement Benefit Fund. Turn in 6 PM. Entry fee \$20. Checks payable to APR Benefit Fund, 9100 S. Georgia, Amarillo. Contact Richard Weathers 806-378 3038 or Vickie Childers 806-355-7387. Dance to follow cookoff. Bring extra chili for the tasting cups they sell.

Mar 2, 2003-001 - Austin TX CASI. Lions No Frillfest. Held at Travis County Sheriff's Rodeo Arena. Same location as Saturday cookoff. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Turn-in 12 Noon. Entry fee \$17. We will feed you John Caffey's famous sausage gravy and biscuits Sunday morning. This alone is worth the trip to Austin. Come Friday and eat and meet with us all weekend. Contact John Caffey 512-446-2364. Come roar with us.

Mar 8, 2003-001 - Caballo NM CASI. Del Valle Eagles CCO. Held at Caballo Eagles Aerie. Entry fee \$15. Benefits Eagles Charities. Turn-in 2 PM. Contact Bud Barrick 505-382-5107. or TeamOrgan@zianet.com. Checks payable to NMCS.

Mar 8, 2003-002 - Ft. Worth TX CASI. 34th Annual Texas Men's State Chili Championship. Texas Motor Speedway, NW corner I-35 W & SH-114 Benefits Grapevine American Business Club. Turn-in 1 PM, Show 1:30-3:30 PM. Entry fee \$30. Payable to Grapevine AMBUC's. Contact Nick McGarity 817-975-0484 nick@mcgarity.org. Major goody bag item guaranteed, if entry postmark by 02/01/03. Include chili name, RV mfg. and length, shirt size. Top five Texas residents (chili) & top show team qualify automatically for TICC. All past Texas State Champions are comped. Cooks party Friday night. Overnight parking No hookups. People's choice, cash prizes, bring throwdown. Also Sunday Cookoff. No pre-registration deadline.

Mar 8, 2003-003 - Memphis TN CASI. Memphis VFW 4935 Chili Cookoff. Held at VFW 493, 1942 Lynn Brook Pl. Charity Men's & Womens VFW. Entry fee \$20. Turn-in 2 PM. Wings competition \$5 with Chili entry \$10 without. Turn-in 1 PM. RV parking

no hookups. Cooks party Friday night. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Lynne Murry, 11CR 529, Como Ms. 38619. Checks payable to VFW Post 4935.

Mar 8, 2003-004 - Comfort TX CASI. Hermann Sons Retirement Home's 14th Annual Chili Cookoff for sanction cooks and amateurs and 9th Annual Bean Cookoff. Held at Hermann Sons Retirement Home, benefiting their Scholarship Fund. Entry fee \$16, turn-in 2 PM. Beans \$5. turn in 1 PM. Amateur Chili \$10, turn in 2 PM. Checks payable to Hermann Sons Retirement Home. Cooks' and visitors' party Friday night, food drinks and dancing. RVs welcome no hook ups. Info Edward Albrecht at 830-995-2724 or Tubby Wilson 830-995-4351.

Mar 8, 2003-005 - Burton TX CASI. Burton Cotton Gin Cookoff. Held at the Cotton Gin Museum in scenic downtown Burton. Turn-in 2 PM. Entry fee \$17. Benefits the Cotton Gin Museum. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Plenty of RV parking limited elec. hookups. Contact Pete Little littlepete@chilitech.com or Menta Webb 979-289-3378.

Mar 9, 2003-001 - Ft. Worth TX CASI. Morning After Men's State Cookoff. Held at Texas Motor Speedway, NW corner I-35W & SH-114. Benefits Big Hats Club. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry \$20. Turn-in Noon. Payable to Grapevine AMBUC's. Contact Nick McGarity 817-975-0484. Email nick@mcgarity.org. Also Saturday Cookoff.

Mar 15, 2003-001 - Las Cruces NM CASI. Las Cruces Eagles Aerie CCO Held at North 17th Street, Las Cruces. Benefits Eagles Charities. Turn-in 2 PM, entry fee \$15. Check payable NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick 505-382-5107, TeamOrgan@zianet.com.

Mar 15, 2003-002 - Haughton LA CASI. Fred Raymond Memorial Chili Cookoff held at American Legion Post 388 5401 Hwy. 527, Haughton, La. Entry fee \$15. Benefits American Legion Fund. Turn_in 2 PM. Contact Carol Hudson. 318-987-2591

Mar 15, 2003-003 - Converse TX CASI. SAP-CASI 29th Annual Chili Cookoff. Held at Converse American Legion Hall. RV Parking no hookups. Entry fee \$18. Turn-in 2 PM. Entry jackpot beans \$5. Turn-in Noon. Plenty room for day cooks. Friday night cook's party 7 PM. Margarita Off 8 PM. Saturday Irish Coffee 9 AM. Bloody Mary Off 10 AM Contact George Jowers 210-696-2555

Mar 15, 2003-004 - Emory TX CASI. Rains County Farmers Market CCO. Held at Hwy 276 from Lake Tawakoni or off Hwy 69 So., 1/4 mile West in Emory at Rains Co. Heritage Center Benefits local charities. Friday night supper 7-9. Entry fee \$18. Turn-in 1 PM, CHILI GRIND ONLY. Beans entry \$5. 50/50 payback for first place, turn in 12 Noon. Checks payable to Rains Farmers Mkt. RV parking - no hookups. Contact Carl or Jackie

Grose at 5640 Hwy 34 S. Quinlan, TX 75474-3228. Phone 903-883-3228.

Mar 15, 2003-005 - Goliad TX CASI. Goliad County Fair & Rodeo Cookoff. Hwy 183 (south of Goliad) at the Goliad Fair Grounds. Plenty of RV parking. PRCA Rodeo Friday and Saturday night. Benefits local charities. Entry fee \$18, turn-in 2 PM. Make checks payable to Goliad County Fair Assn. Contact Healani Bethke 361-564-9606.

Mar 15, 2003-006 - Rockport TX CASI. 2nd Annual Rockport American G.I. Forum Chili Cookoff. Held at 1911 South Hardee off Old 35 So. & 12th Street, Rockport. RV parking no-hookups. For local charities. Entry fee \$17, turn-in 2 PM. Dry Beans \$5, turn-in 1 PM. Local chili \$5, turn-in 2 PM. Checks payable to G.I. Forum Ladies. Contact Alice Reynolds 361-729-3078 4427 Hwy 35S Rockport, Tx. 78382

Mar 15, 2003-007 - San Angelo TX CASI. St. Patrick's Day Cookoff. Held at Water Valley Park. Benefits CVP Charities. Chili entry \$20, Jackpot beans \$5. Contact Donna Hill 915-657-2979.

Mar 15, 2003-008 - San Angelo TX CASI. St. Patty's Day Chili Cookoff. Held at 31st & No. Chadbourne. Entry fee \$20. Hot wings \$10. Jackpot pinto beans \$10. More info to follow 915-656-8258 or 915-655 2147.

Mar 16, 2003-001 - Seguin TX CASI. Country Cabaret Spring Fling Chili Cookoff. Held at 839 FM 467. Charity TBA. Entry \$18 turn-in 1 PM CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Pat Irvine-King 830-303-1755.

Mar 21, 2003-001 - Pasadena TX CASI. Pasadena Pod's 25th Annual Chili CCO Friday night kickoff celebration. Held at Michael J's, 2900 South Shaver. Entry fee \$20, turn-in 8:30 PM. Contact Ralph Hay 713-475-1660. rdhay16@juno.com or Teena Miller 281-576-5033, laskasc@aol.com. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

Mar 22, 2003-001 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. 4th Annual Elks Cooks Children's Hospital. 4205 Seymour Hwy. Friday night catfish. All you can eat breakfast \$5. Inside cooking. Benefits Children's Hospital. Turn-in 2 PM CASI entry fee \$18. Jackpot beans \$5. Turn-in 12 noon. Checks to Elks Lodge #1105. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Glyn Gaines 940-767-2273 or Ray at Cell 781-5262. Saturday night dinner with super entertainment.

Mar 22, 2003-002 - Crawford TX CASI. St. Paul Memorial Park Cookoff. Held at Tonkawa RV Park, on Hwy 185 Entry fee \$18, turn-in 2 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Beans \$5., dry pintos only, 50/50 split. Turn-in 12 Noon. Silent auction and raffle. Cooks party Saturday night. Benefits St. Paul Memorial Park. Working on cost of RV hookups. Info Mavis Nelson 254-486-2487,rdnmrn@hotmail.net Also, see cookoff next day same location.

Mar 22, 2003-003 - Somerset TX CASI. Cheap Charlie's Chili & BBQ Cookoff Held at 20295 Somerset Rd. On the right side of Somerset Rd., 1 mile () South of Loop 1604, 4 miles East of IH-35 South toward Laredo. Charity American Legion Post 443, Children's Charities. Turn-in time Beans 12 noon, Whole chicken 1 PM, Chili 2 PM. Pork Ribs 2:30 PM, Brisket 3 PM., Entry fees, Chili \$17, CHILI GRIND ONLY. Beans \$10, BBQ \$15 each category. Beans 100% payback. BBQ 70/30 Payback. BBQ TWBA Rules. Ken Large. Contact Nora Casias at 210-622-3011 or 210-722-3058 Cell. Cooks party Friday Night, 7 PM Tamales, Rice and Beans.

Mar 22, 2003-004 - Pasadena TX CASI. Pasadena Pod's 25th Annual Cookoff Celebration. Held at Michael J's 2900 South Shaver. Entry fee \$20. Turn-in 2 PM. Beans (100% payback) \$5. Turn-in 12 noon. Contact Ralph Hay 713-475-1660. rdhay16@juno.com or Teena Miller 281-576-5033 email laskadc@aol.com.

Mar 23, 2003-001 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. Elks National Foundation. Entry \$18. Turn-in 12 Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Glyn Gaines or Ray 940-767-2273 or 781-5262. Benefits Megan Ledue Gaurdian Angel Foundation. Breakfast Sunday morning. Checks payable to Elks. See you there, Glyn.

Mar 23, 2003-002 - Crawford TX CASI. Central Texas Pod Cookoff. Held at Tonkawa RV Park on Hwy 185. Entry fee \$14 turn-in 1 PM. Benefits the CTC Pod. Also, see cookoff previous day same location. Info Mavis Nelson 254-486-2487, rdnmrn@hotmail.net. CHILI GRIND ONLY.

Mar 29, 2003-001 - Converse TX CASI. 10th Half Way Point Chili Cookoff. Held at American Legion Post 593, West Legion Drive. Benefits Legion charities. Entry \$18. Turn in 2 PM. RV parking no hookups. Cake Walk. Auction & more. Cookoff next day same location. Info: Call 210-658-1111.

Mar 29, 2003-002 - Houston TX CASI. 1st Annual Paws for Chili Cookoff. Held at Blanco's Bar and Grill, 3406 W. Alabama (Buffalo Speedway and W. Alabama). Benefits Noah's Ark Sanctuary. Junior chili \$5. turn-in 12 Noon. Jackpot Pinto Beans (50%) payback) \$10. Turn-in 1 PM. CASI Chili turn-in 2 PM entry fee \$17. CHILI GRIND ONLY. RV parking, no hookups, no open fires. Checks payable to Piney Woods Pod. Info Bob Horan 281-357-0175, 14242 Turnervine, Tomball, TX 33735-4049, email shely246@houston.rr.com. Further info at www.pineywoodspod.com or www.noahs-ark-sanctuary.org.

Mar 29, 2003-003 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. American Legion Post #169. Held at American Legion Post 4005 Lake Shore Drive. Benefits Legion charities. Entry fee \$18. Turn-in 2 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Beans \$5. turn-in 12 Noon. Friday night cooks party, RV parking

no hookups Contact Glyn Gaines 940-767-2273. Checks payable to American Legion.

Mar 30, 2003-001 - Converse TX CASI. 9th Ladies Auxillary Chili Cookoff. Held at American Legion Post 593. West Legion Drive. Benefits Ladies Auxillary charities. Entry \$12. Turn-in 1 PM. Cookoff previous day same location. Info: 210-887-8827.

Mar 30, 2003-002 - Scottsdale AZ CASI. 2nd Annual Balloon & BBQ Festival- Fiesta Chili Cookoff. Held at West World of Scottsdale. Pima Rd and Frank Lloyd Wright Blvd. Entry fee \$15. Charity Events West. Turn in 2 PM. Also, People's choice chili \$1000. prize money. BBQ AZ State Championship KCBS Rules \$20,000. in prize money on 3/28 & 3/29. For BBQ info and packet call Roland Regeon 602-277-7306 or email R2chili@aol.com or fax 1-288-277-4468

Mar 30, 2003-003 - Houston TX CASI. Day After Paws For Chili Cookoff. Held at Blanco's Bar and Grill, 3406 W. Alabama (Buffalo Speedway and W. Alabama). Benefits Piney Woods Pod Charities. Entry fee \$17 Turn-in 12 Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. RV parking, no hookups, no open fires. Checks payable to Piney Woods Pod. Info Bob Horan 281-357-0175, 14242 Turnervine, Tomball TX, 33735-4049, or shely246@houston.rr.com. Further info at www.pineywoodspod.com.

Apr 5, 2003-001 - Gulf Shores AL CASI. Alabama State Chili Cookoff held at the Alabama Gulf Coast Zoo, Highway 59, Gulf Shores. CASI and open categories. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Benefiting zoo. Turn in 1 PM. Entry fee \$20. Checks payable to State of Alabama Pod. For more information contact Renee Moore, 251-949-7000 or moore@ci.gulf-shores.al.us.

Apr 5, 2003-002 - Clovis NM CASI. Clovis Elks Lodge #1244. Held at 3rd & Sycamore Street Clovis, NM. Benefits Elks Charities. Turn-in 2 PM Entry fee \$15. Checks payable NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick 505-382-5107 or TeamOrgan@zianet.com.

Apr 5, 2003-003 - Comfort TX CASI. Horseshoe Pub & Pizza Cookoff. Held at 429 Front St. Charity Golden Age/Comfort Youth Baseball. Turn-in 2 PM. Entry \$18. Jackpot beans turn-in 12 Noon. Entry \$10. 100% payback-top three beans. Contact Dennis Bynum 830-995-5150. Checks payable to Horseshoe Pub.

Apr 5, 2003-004 - Granbury TX CASI. Second Annual Canyon Creek Cannonball Chili Plunge. Held at Canyon Creek Clubhouse, 2300 Club Dr. Chili \$18 Turn-in 2 PM. Beans \$5 Turn-in 1 PM. Salsa \$5 Turn-in 12 Noon. Free apron or cap to first 50 cooks registered. Cooks supper Friday nite. Homemade baked goods, sandwiches, drinks & snacks for sale. Pot luck dinner Sat.nite. Benefits Pecan Plantation VFW. From 377 in Granbury take 1445, go 6 3/10 miles turn left on Williamson Rd. Don Ayalas Mexican

Restaurant, go 2 1/2 miles to Canyon Creek entry gate on left. Maps at gate. For info Canyon Creek POA 817-279-9022 or Billy, Kay Hutson 817-279-0465. Sunday cookoff same location.

Apr 5, 2003-005 - Tucson AZ CASI. Chiliheads of Arizona POD Cookoff. Held at 6901 N. Casa Grande Hwy. Turn-in 2 PM, entry fee \$15. The People's Choice 11 AM to 1 PM. Entry fee \$5. with competition or \$10 without competition. Checks payable to CHOA. Contact Peter Braly 520-574-0197, or email Peterjbraly@compuserve.com. Or Nancy Coultas at 520-298-6838. All proceeds from peoples choice entry fee go to charity.

Apr 5, 2003-006 - Katy TX CASI. 2nd Annual Bass Pro Shop Chili Cookoff. Held at Katy Mills Mall. Entry fee \$17. Turn-in 2 PM. Checks payable to Bass Pro Shops. Contact Karla Chando. Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World, 5000 Katy Mills Circle Suite 415. Katy, Texas kchando@basspro.com or phone 281-644-2200. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Pre registration March 29th. For the benefit of Ducks Unlimited Katy Chapter.

Apr 5, 2003-007 - Canton TX CASI. 4th Annual Buffalo Girls Chili Cookoff. Held at historic Buffalo Girls Hotel, (B&B), on The Mountain @ Old Mill Marketplace, HWY 64 East during the world famous 1st Monday Trade Days. Benefits Canton VFD. Trophies by Mountain artists and vendors. Raffle and silent auction items donated by vendors from the Mountain, the Pavillions, and the Villages. Live entertainment, cow boy shootouts, clowns and more. Overnight accommodations and RV hookups on site. Shop til midnight CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry fee \$20. Turn-in 2 PM. Checks payable to Buffalo Girls. Buffalo Girls Hotel 354 VZ CR 4108. Canton, Texas. buffalogirlshotel.com. Click on dancing chili pepper for info & entry blank. For parking discounts visit oldmillmarketplace.com Happy Trails! Calamity Jane.

Apr 6, 2003-001 - Granbury TX CASI. 2nd Day Cannonball Chili Plunge. See Saturday Cookoff listing for directions to 2300 Club Drive. Entry \$18 Turn-in 12 Noon. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Benefits Indian Harbor VFD. Checks payable to Canyon Creek. Contact Canyon Creek POA 817-279-9022 or Billy, Kay Hutson 817-279-0465.

Apr 12, 2003-001 - Seguin TX CASI. Texas Ladies' State Chili Championship. Held at Starcke Park. *This is a change from the usual 3rd Saturday in April due to Easter. Benefits The Rose Breast Cancer Center. Friday nights cooks party. RV parking, no hookups, no open fires. Top 3 Chilies and Top Show - Automatic TICC qualifiers. Guaranteed goodie Bas/shirt for entries postmarked by March 8, 2003. Entry fee \$25 (no entry fee for current and former Texas Ladies State Champions.) Donations of canned goods will be collected for the Seguin Christian Cabinet. Checks payable to Texas Ladies State, c/o Anne

Roberts, 3700 S. Hampton Rd., Red Oak, Tx. 75154. Info Boomer Kingston 915-366-1777.

Apr 19, 2003-001 - Terlingua TX CASI. American Legion Post 653 Family Chili Cookoff. Held 55 miles south of Alpine on Hwy 118. Entry fee \$18. Turn-in 2 PM. Benefits American Legion Building Fund. Food, refreshments, arts and crafts, flea market and dance. Contact Ervin Laird 915-371-2570 or leave message, Ray Clark at 371-3058 before 2 PM.

Apr 19, 2003-002 - Pawnee OK CASI. Pawnee Folk & Springfest Chili CCO. Held at County Court House Lawn. Fee \$15. Turn-in 12:30. Benefits 8th Annual Folk & Springfest. Parade, square dancing, clogging. Contact Trailboss 918-762-4437 or Theodore Morgan 918-762-2493. No alcoholic beverages allowed.

Apr 19, 2003-003 - Tucson AZ CASI. Tucson Saguro Rotary Club Chili Cookoff. Held at 6010 Morth Oracle Rd. Benefits Dunbar Foundation. Turn-in 2 PM Entry fee \$10. Peoples Choice 11 AM to 1 PM. Entry fee \$5. with competition, or \$10 no competition. All proceeds from peoples choice entry fee goes to charity. Contact Peter Braly 520-574-0197. email peterjbraly@compuserve.com.

Apr 19, 2003-004 - Kerrville TX CASI. Kerrville Chili & BBQ Classic. Held at Flat Rock Lake County Park 2804 Riverside Dr for Turtle Creek Volunteer Fire Dept. Entry fee \$18 Turn-in 2 PM. CHILI GRIND ONLY Cooks party and dance Friday night. Local chili \$10, jackpot beans \$5. turn in 12 noon. WTBA BBQ cookoff w/cash prizes. Chicken, Ribs, Brisket \$25 each entry or \$65 for all three. Plenty of RV parking, no hookups. Vendors, music, food. Contact Karl Buechler 830-257-7833 day or 830-792-4270 night. Email buechler@ktc.com or tracin@ktc.com

Apr 19, 2003-005 - San Angelo TX CASI. 7th Annual Cooking For Hospice Chili and Bar-B-Que Cookoff. Held at Water Valley Park. Chili \$20 Brisket \$20. Spare Ribs \$20. Chicken \$20. JackPot beans \$10. Junior Chili Cookoff \$10. 50% pay back plus \$3000.00 added money in the Bar-B-Que. Pays top 10 places. Cookoff benefits Hospice of San Angelo. Contact Sammie 915-655- 2147 or 915-656-8258, Teena 915- 659-4951. More info to follow.

Apr 26, 2003-001 - Houston TX CASI. 32nd Annual Houston Pod's Hal John and Judy Wimberly Memorial Cookoff to be held at Trader's Village, 7979 N. Eldridge Parkway, Houston. Multiple events. Details to follow. Contact Keith Karaff, 281-955-2603. Stay over for the cookoff on Sunday.

Apr 27, 2003-001 - Houston TX CASI. Houston's Second Day Chili Cookoff. Come for the Houston Pod's Hal John and Judy Wimberly Memorial CCO on Saturday and stay for more Chili cooking on Sunday. Details to follow. Keith Karaff 281-955- 2603

May 3, 2003-001 - Memphis TN CASI. Variety Club Cookoff. Being held at 3294 Poplar Avenue. Turn-in 1 PM Entry fee \$25. Charity Brave Kids. Hot wings contest turn-in 12 Noon. Entry \$10. 100% payback. Make checks payable to Variety Club Tent #20. Contact George Kunkle 901-327-9674 or Jerry Gwyn 901-323-2220.

May 3, 2003-002 - Aransas Pass TX CASI. 2nd Annual Smoke On The Water Chili Cookoff. Aransas Pass Community Park, 200 E. Johnson Ave. at State Highway 361. Benefits the Aransas Pass Chamber of Commerce. Turn-in 3 PM, entry fee \$18. Outlaw chili \$4. entry fee, turn-in 2 PM. Showmanship judging Noon. Jackpot beans \$10 entry, (80%) payback. Info, Brian Bondy 130 W. Goodnight Aransas Pass, TX 78336 or email info@aransaspass.org. Phone 800-633-3028 or 361-758-2750.

May 17, 2003-001 - Odessa TX CASI. Black Gold Chili Pod Cookoff. Held at Becky Sam's Tropical Bar & Grill 2518 FM 1936, Odessa. Entry \$20. Turn-in 2 PM. Benefits Black Gold Chili Pod. Contact Al McDonald 915-550-3402. Plenty of parking. No hookups. WTBA BBQ Cookoff, Brisket, Ribs, & Chicken. \$20 per category.

May 17, 2003-002 - Manchaca TX CASI. 4th Annual Giddy Ups Chili Cookoff. Held at Giddy Ups Saloon, Manchaca Rd., Manchaca, Tx. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry fee \$18. Turn-in 2 pm RV parking, no hookups. Contact Giddy Ups at 512-280-4732 or Ken Rodd 210-887-8827, sgmken@aol.com. Cookoff next day same location.

May 18, 2003-001 - Manchaca TX CASI. 3rd Annual "FRIENDS OF TEXAS LADIES STATE CHAMPIONSHIP" Chili Cookoff Held at Giddy Ups Saloon, Manchaca Rd, Manchaca Tx. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry \$12. Turn-in 1 PM. Contact Giddy Ups at 512-280-4732 or Ken Rodd 210-887-8827, sgmken@aol.com Cookoff previous day same location

May 25, 2003-001 - San Antonio TX CASI. Return of The Queens Chili Cookoff. Return of the Chili Queens 3-day Festival Memorial Day Weekend, in Market Square in Downtown San Antonio. 30 Bands on 5 stages, Food and drink vendors. Shopping in El Mercado. Cookoff located at corner of Santa Rosa and Commerce Sts. Maps available on request. Turn-in 2 PM. Entry \$17. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Contact Nora Casias 210-622-3011 home, or cell 210-722-3058. Benefits Santa Rosa Children's Hospital and Lulac Scholarship Fund.

May 25, 2003-002 - San Angelo TX CASI. Chili Legends Memorial Cookoff. Held on Sunday at Water Valley Park. Benefits CV Regional Food Bank. Entry fee chili \$20. Jackpot pinto beans \$5. Jr Chili Cookoff \$5. BBQ Cookoff on Saturday May 24 Brisket, Ribs Chicken, Open (any thing except BBQ)

entry \$5. 80% payback on BBQ. Contact Laura Coad 915-944-7715

Jun 7, 2003-001 - Trinidad CO CASI. Santa Fe Trail Chili Cookoff. Held downtown on Main Street. Entry fee \$18. Turn-in 2 PM. Charity Local Volunteer Fire Dept. Cookoff in conjunction with Annual Santa Fe Trail Festival. Also, Bean, Salsa, Green Chili, and Fire House open chili. Contact Laurie or Mike Parker 719-859-3060 Day 719-846-0494 Night. email at parkerprop@adelphia.net. Register by May 15 to receive commemorative goody bag. Checks payable to SFT Chili Cookoff.

Jun 7, 2003-002 - Alamogordo NM CASI. Alamogordo VFW Cookoff. Held at HWY 70 West. Benefits VFW Charities. Entry fee \$15. Turn-in 2 PM. Checks payable to NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick 505-382-5107, teamorgan@zianet.com.

Jun 14, 2003-001 - Chugwater WY CASI. Chugwater State Cookoff. 18th Annual State of Wyoming Chili Championship. Located town park. Entry fee \$15. Turn-in 1 PM. Benefits Chugwater Economic Dev., Ambulance, Community Center and Historical Group. Contact Krista West 307-422-3493 M-W-F.

Jun 21, 2003-002 - Grand Lake CO CASI. 20th Annual State of Colorado CASI Chili Championship. Held in Town Park. Benefits Grand Lake Dive and Rescue Team. \$25 for CASI red or green chili; \$10 for green when entering red competition. Cook at 9,000 feet - all cooks who register and pay their fee by June 2, 2003 will receive a special 20th year momento. Checks payable to Colorado Chili Pod. Info: Lyman Wilkinson, (720)890-9600 or John Montgomery, (303)831-5000.

Jun 21, 2003-003 - Wichita Falls TX CASI. American Legion Post 169 Auxiliary Chili Cookoff. Held at 4605 Lake Shore Drive. RV parking (no hookups). Indoor cooking available. 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 Post 169. Info: Glyn Gaines, (940)767- 2273.

Jul 5, 2003-002 - Mount Snow VT CASI. Base Lodge Rodeo and Chili Cookoff. Friday, July 4: Cook's party at Snow Lake Lodge Cabana Bar 6 PM. Free drinks for cooks and judges. Saturday, July 5: Free coffee, bagels or danish during set up. Held in conjunction with rodeo. Rodeo is 3 day event, cooks get discount tickets. Friday rodeo will be late afternoon. You can view fireworks in Wilmington. On Saturday rodeo will start after cookoff is over. Turn-in 3 PM Entry fee TBA. Charity Mount Snow Adaptive Ski Program, Helping handicapped people ski. Contact Alan Dean 410-879-6410.

Jul 19, 2003-001 - San Angelo TX CASI. July Blowout Cookoff. Held at Water Valley Park. Benefits CVP Great Peppers

Meeting.Chili \$20, Jackpot Pinto Beans \$5. Contact Sue Washburn 915-655-2546.

Jul 26, 2003-001 - Cloudcroft NM CASI. New Mexico Men's State Open CCO. Held at Ski Cloudcroft. Benefits NMCS and Local Charities. Turn-in 2 PM, entry fee \$15. Check payable to NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick 505-382-5107, TeamOrgan@zianet.com

Jul 26, 2003-002 - Austin TX CASI. 2nd Annual LONE STAR WEEKEND. Held at Austin Lone Star RV Resort 7009 S IH-35, Austin. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Entry \$85, includes 2 night full hookup RV site with cable TV, or (two nights in camping log cabin), 2 pancake breakfasts on Saturday and 2 pancake breakfasts on Sunday, 2 - 14 oz Prime Rib Steak Dinners (Grilled to order) on Sat evening. Turn-in 1 PM and 2 chili registrations on Saturday. Limit 30 entries/60 cooks. Contact Yolie Rodd at 512-444-6322 (resort office), Ken Rodd at 210-887-8827, sgmken@aol.com.

Jul 26, 2003-003 - Cloudcroft NM CASI. New Mexico Women's State Open CCO. Held at Ski Cloudcroft. Benefits NMCS and local charities. Turn-in 1 PM. Entry fee \$15. Check payable to NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick 505-382-5107, TeamOrgan@zianet.com

Sep 27, 2003-001 - Columbus NM CASI. Pancho Villa Last Chance CCO. Held at Pancho Villa State Park, Columbus, NM. Benefits NMCS. Entry fee \$15. Turn-in 2 PM. Check payable to NMCS. Contact Bud Barrick 505-382-5107 of TeamOrgan@zianet.com.

Oct 11, 2003-001 - Hockley TX CASI. 3rd Annual Piney Woods Pod Cookoff. Held at Roberts Rd & 290. Turn-in 2 PM. Entry fee \$17. Checks payable Piney Woods Pod. Charity The Rose Breast Cancer Center. More info to follow. Contact Bob Horan shely246@houston.rr.com. phone 281-357-0175.

Oct 11, 2003-002 - Homosassa FL CASI. Southeast Chili Cookoff. Held at Natures Resort on West Halls River Rd. Entry \$20 Turn-in 2 PM. Benefiting Rotary Club Charities. Cooks party Friday eve. Cabin rentals and RV site rsvn call Freita 800-301-7880. Chili Cookoff next day same location. Contact Bill Garbutt 941-235-1303 or Ken Rodd 210-887-8827 email chiliflorida@aol.com.

Oct 12, 2003-001 - Hockley TX CASI. Day After Piney Woods Cookoff. Held at Roberts Rd & 290. Turn-in 12 Noon. Entry fee \$17. More info to follow. CHILI GRIND ONLY. Charity D & D Scholarship Fund. Contact Bob Horan 281-357-0175. shely246@houston.rr.com.

Oct 12, 2003-002 - Homosassa FL CASI. Sunshine State Chili POD Cookoff. Held at Natures Resort on West Halls River Rd. Entry \$15. Turn-in 12 Noon. CHILI GRIND

ONLY. Cookoff previous day same location. Info Bill Garbutt 941-235-1303 or Ken Rodd 210-887-8827, or email chiliflorida@aol.com.

Oct 18, 2003-001 - Lake Dallas TX CASI. First Ever in Lake Dallas Chili CCO Held at Willow Park, Lake Dallas. More info to follow. RV parking available, some hookups. More info to follow. Contact Linda or Bill Buschel 972-986-6211.

Oct 28, 2003-001 - Terlingua TX CASI. Sotol Pod Cookoff. Held at Rancho CASI de le Chisos. Turn-in 3 PM. Entry fee \$17. Make checks payable to Sotol Pod. Contact Dorothy Williams for info 915-371-2595, 1-888-CASI-HOT or Dorathy@Brooksddata.net.

Nov 1, 2003-001 - Terlingua TX CASI. 37th Annual TICC. Must qualify to earn invitation

to cook. National Scholarship Day on Friday October 31, with hot wings, beans and salsa open competition. Saturday chili turn-in 12 Noon. See www.chili.org for more details and schedule of events. Phone for info at 1-888-CASI-HOT or Alan Dean at 410-879-6410. email, pepperdean@comcast.net.

Nov 15, 2003-001 - Llano TX CASI. Llano City Park CCO held at Llano City Park. Benefits Llano County Farm Bureau Scholarship Fund. Entry fee TBA Turn-in 2 PM. Contact Larry or Jessie Otto. 512-627-2581 evening 512-444-6971. Lotto@austin.rr.com

Nov 16, 2003-001 - Llano TX CASI. Llano City Park CCO held at Llano City Park. Benefits TBA Entry TBA. Turn-in 12 Noon. Contact Larry or Jessie Otto 512-627-2581 evening 512-444-6971. lotto@austin.it.com.

An old man lived alone in Ireland. He wanted to spade his potato garden, but it was very hard work. His only son, who would help him, was in Long Kesh Prison. The old man wrote a letter to his son and mentioned this predicament.

The son wrote back. "Don't dig up the garden Dad, that's where the guns are hidden". (Needless to say, the prison did not send the letter to his father.)

The next day the police came to the house and dug up the entire back yard, without finding any guns. Confused, the old man wrote another note the the son telling him what happened and asked him what he should do. His son replied: Now plant your potatoes, that's the best I could do on short notice!

A little girl was talking to her teacher about whales. The teacher said it was physically impossible for a whale to swallow a human because even though it was a very large mammal its throat was very small.

The little girl stated that Jonah was swallowed by a whale.

Irritated, the teacher reiterated that a whale could not swallow a human; it was physically impossible.

The little girl said, "When I get to heaven I will ask Jonah".

The teacher asked, "What if Jonah went to hell?"

The little girl replied, "Then you ask him".



Stella Awards

"Only in America. No wonder this country is in such a mess! The "Stella" awards rank up there with the Darwin awards. Stella Liebeck is the 81-year-old lady who spilled coffee on her lap and sued McDonalds. This case inspired an annual award - The "Stella" Award - for the most frivolous lawsuits in the U.S. The following are previous year's candidates:

1. January 2000: A jury of her peers awarded Kathleen Robertson of Austin, Texas \$780,000 after breaking her ankle tripping over a toddler who was running inside a furniture store. The owners of the store were understandably surprised at the verdict, considering the misbehaving little bastard was Ms. Robertson's son.
2. June 1998: 19-year-old Carl Truman of Los Angeles, CA won \$74,000 and medical expenses when his neighbor ran over his hand with a Honda Accord. Mr. Truman apparently didn't notice there was someone at the wheel of the car while he was trying to steal his neighbor's hubcaps.
3. October 1998: Terrence Dickson of Bristol, PA was leaving a house he had just finished robbing by way of the garage. He was not able to get the garage door to go up since the automatic door opener was malfunctioning. He

couldn't re-enter the house because the door connecting the house and garage had locked when he pulled it shut. The family was on vacation. Mr. Dickson found himself locked in the garage for eight days. He subsisted on a case of Pepsi he found, and a large bag of dry dog food. He sued the homeowner's insurance claiming the situation caused him undue mental anguish. The jury agreed to the tune of half a million.

4. October 1999: Jerry Williams of Little Rock, AR was awarded \$14,500 and medical expenses after being bitten on the buttocks by his next door neighbor's beagle. The beagle was on a chain in its owner's fenced-in yard. The award was less than sought because the jury felt the dog might have been just a little provoked at the time by Mr. Williams who was shooting it repeatedly with a pellet gun.
5. May 2000: A Philadelphia restaurant was ordered to pay Amber Carson of Lancaster, PA \$113,500 after she slipped on a soft drink and broke her coccyx. The beverage was on the floor because Ms. Carson threw it at her boyfriend 30 seconds earlier during an argument.
6. December 1997: Kara Walton of Claymont, Delaware successfully sued the owner of a night club in a neighboring city when she fell from the bathroom window to the floor and knocked out her two front teeth. This occurred while Ms. Walton was trying to sneak through the window in the ladies room to avoid paying the \$3.50 cover charge. She was awarded \$12,000 and dental expenses."



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 Chili Name: _____ Sponsorship: Yes No
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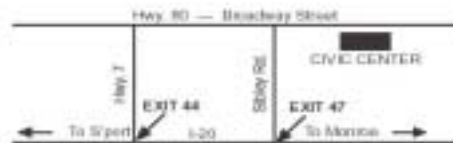
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FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2003

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 25 (C.A.S.I. SANCTIONED)	
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Cooks Meeting	9:30 A.M.
Show	11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
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Membership Report

Thank you to all of our members who have renewed their annual dues. If you have a question about your membership, please call me (817) 975-2200 or email me (mikiem@flash.net).

It is so encouraging to receive all the new membership applications – both individual and corporate. To see our members renew and reaffirm their faith in the CASI organization is very gratifying. Thank you.

New CASI Members

Please welcome our newest CASI members. Make it a point to meet them and greet them.

Bob Damman – Phoenix, AZ
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CASI appreciates your support and hopes that you enjoy every day as a CASI Member.

Mikie McGarity
 Membership Chairman

Address Changes and Updates

To continue to receive your Terlingua Trails and other important information concerning your membership, please send your changes to:

Mikie McGarity
 c/o CASI
 Post Office Box 92906
 Southlake, Texas 76092
mikiem@flash.net

To have your:

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- or
- 3) Update your email address,

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CASI

Post Office Box 92906
 Southlake, Texas 76092

Or go to www.chili.org and join with your credit card

Free Quarter Page Ad to CASI Pods, State, Regional and International Opens

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Individual Membership: North American Annual Dues are \$15.00
(US, US Protectorates, Canada and Mexico), International Annual Dues are \$30.00
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Please Print Clearly

Name: _____ Your CASI No. _____
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Chili Team Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Street Address or PO Box: _____ Telephone No: (____) _____

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Date and City: _____

Cookoff Name: _____

Street Address/Location: _____

CASI Sanctioned: _____ Charity: _____

Turn-in Time: _____ Entry Fee: _____

Checks Payable to: _____

Information Contact: _____

Contact Address: _____

Preregistration Deadline (If Applicable): _____ Special Meat: _____

Mail Judging Packet to: _____

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