



9th Annual Elk Grove Chili Festival

Saturday May 21, 2016

Sponsored by Old Town Elk Grove Foundation & The Red Door Antiques



Homestyle Chili Contestant Application

1st Place \$500 ~ 2nd \$250 ~ 3rd \$100

Application Must Be Received by May 18, 2016

2 Chances to win ~ ICS Homestyle (Judges' Panel) & People's Choice (Public Vote)

Contestant's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Home Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Team Name: _____

Additional Team Member Names: _____

ICS Homestyle Membership Required \$20.00 Annual fee

NO current or past ICS members are eligible - Local (Sacramento region residents ONLY)

Deadline to receive application is May 18, 2016.

Mail Entry Form & Payment to: The Old Town Elk Grove Foundation c/o The Red Door Antiques, 9056 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, CA 95624

LIABILITY CLAUSE: I, the undersigned, have read the official rules and regulations and hereby agree to abide by such rules and regulations. I hold the Old Town Elk Grove Foundation Officer and committee members and the City of Elk Grove harmless of any injury I may sustain or cause to others. I hold the Old Town Elk Grove Foundation harmless for any loss of property that may occur with any activity at, or associated with the Elk Grove Chili Festival on May 21, 2016. By signing below, I understand and acknowledge reading and agreeing to these terms and conditions and the below Contestant Rules & Regulations.

Print Name: _____

Head cook must be 18 years of age or older to be eligible.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Homestyle Chili Contestant Rules & Regulations

1. Homestyle Chili shall be defined as any kind of meat or combinations of meats, cooked with chili peppers, various spices, beans and/or any other ingredients. **HOMESTYLE CHILI MUST INCLUDE EITHER BEANS OR PASTA.**
2. Homestyle Chili shall be judged by local individuals that have purchased a tasting kit. Tasting kits shall include tickets for samples and one voting ballot. Contestants must receive a ticket from each public taster in order to give out a sample. Public tasters shall vote for the best contestant's chili. Ballots shall be tallied by the judging panel and the winner shall be determined by the contestant with the most votes. Each contestant's chili shall also be judged in a separate category by Professional Chili Judges' Panel.
3. Contestants shall be assigned a 10x10 space. Contestants must provide "ALL" equipment and ingredients for their space and team. OTEGF has a small supply of extra long gas hoses for use by contestants on 5-gallon propane tanks that comply with fire regulations. **All Contestants MUST attend a Pre-Event meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 2016 @ 6:00 pm to be conducted by a Chief Judge.** The location of this meeting will be held at the Old Town Plaza located at the corner of Elk Grove Blvd & Railroad Street.
4. No ingredient may be pre-cooked in any way prior to the commencement of the official cook off. Meat may be treated, pre-cut, or ground. **MEAT MAY NOT BE PRE-COOKED.** All other ingredients must be chopped or prepared during the cooking/preparation period.
5. **Homestyle Chili must be ready to serve by 12 noon.**
6. Each contestant **must cook a minimum of SIX (6) gallons of Homestyle Chili.**
7. The Chief Judge shall conduct a contestant's meeting on the morning of **May 21st at 8:30am at the Judges area in Old Town Place** where any final instructions shall be provided and questions may be answered. **All contestants MUST attend this meeting or be disqualified.**
8. Contestant will be responsible for cleaning up their area at the end of the event; including but not limited to wiping down and folding tables and chairs and removing all garbage.