



UNITED WAY OF BEMIDJI AREA'S
Nursery Rhyme-Chili Time
19th Annual Chili Cook-off
Wednesday, September 15, 2010
Paul Bunyan Mall

SCHEDULE AND RULES

SCHEDULE:

- 9:30 a.m. Chili cooks check in (with HOT chili)
10:00 a.m. Judging begins
11:00 a.m. Doors open to the public
12:30 p.m. Program begins
Chili winners announced
Door prize winners announced

RULES:

- Each contestant must provide a minimum of two gallons chili to be served.
- Chili must be prepared in accordance with Department of Health regulations.
 1. Chili must be prepared at a licensed facility (e.g. a local church or restaurant.)
 2. All cooking must be completed prior to arrival at the Paul Bunyan Mall and chili **must arrive hot (at least 140 degrees) and remain hot throughout the event.** Chili temperatures will be randomly monitored by volunteers.
- Each contestant must come attired in a **Nursery Rhyme** theme clothing and is encouraged to decorate their cooking area according to the **Nursery Rhyme** chosen. Please keep in mind the limited table space (about 4 ft).
- CHECK IN IS AT 9:30 a.m. Please be prompt because judging will begin soon after.
- Contestants must provide:
 - a) chili made with only USDA approved (store bought) ingredients.
 - b) a table display to place in front of your serving location listing the name of your chili along with a recipe or ingredient list.
 - c) a warming/serving container for your own chili. Crock-pots are not allowed unless the chili is warmed to 140 degrees and stays at 140 degrees throughout the event. Electrical outlets are limited. Chafing dishes with sternos (non-electric) are preferred.
 - d) a chili serving utensil (i.e. serving ladle, cup) and a thermometer for testing chili temp.
 - e) your own clean up.
 - f) any special condiments for your chili.
 - g) a 3-prong no longer than 6 ft. extension cord (if using electric).
- There is NO contest entry fee, but **registration forms must be turned in to the United Way by September 1, 2010**
- Every cook must be sponsored by a business or organization. There is no "Individual" division.
- Two *free* chili tickets will be given to each team entering the contest to sample other chilies at the event. Additional tickets may be purchased \$5 each in advance or \$6 at door. Call the United Way for tickets 444-8929.

JUDGING & WINNERS WILL BE SELECTED IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

Restaurant Business Celebrity Corporation Nonprofit
(winners in each category will receive a commemorative plaque)

Most Creative Best Name Best Presentation Taster's Choice Overall Winner
(winners in each category will receive a memorable and 'creative' award)

All cooks will ALSO be entered into a special DOOR PRIZE drawing!

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**REGISTRATION FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2010**

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CONTACT INFORMATION

Organization

Phone

Contact Name

Email

Mailing Address

City, State Zip

SELECT YOUR DIVISION:

- Celebrity Restaurant Corporation Business Non-Profit

SELECT YOUR HEAT SOURCE:

**ENTRANTS MUST PICK ONE HEAT SOURCE OR REGISTRATION IS INCOMPLETE.
CONTACT UNITED WAY IMMEDIATELY IF A CHANGE IS MADE.*

- Non-Electric (chafing dish) **OR** Electric ~~(limited availability, first request basis)~~ **Electric is no longer available**

I agree that the United Way of Bemidji Area and the Paul Bunyan Mall are in no way liable for any accidents, injuries, and/or illnesses incurred relating to the Chili Cook-off event on September 15, 2010. I also agree to cook the chili in a licensed facility with USDA approved (store bought) ingredients and to keep the chili at 140 degrees throughout the event.

Signature: _____ DATE: _____

**Complete & mail or fax to the United Way no later than
Wednesday, September 1, 2010.**

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