

# CROSSROADS CHILI COOK-OFF

Corinth, Mississippi ■ Saturday, April 10, 2010

Historic Corinth Depot ■■ 215 North Filmore St. ■■ Corinth

## Red Chili

\$35 Entry Fee

## Chili Verde

\$25 Entry Fee

## Salsa

\$20 Entry Fee

## Homestyle

Local Entries Only  
\$25 Entry Fee + 1  
gallon minimum

International Chili Society Membership Fee: \$50

**Deadline:** Entries will be accepted up until 9 a.m. the day of the event. Pre-registration is suggested, however, so that space can be reserved. Mail application and entry fees to: Corinth Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, 215 North Filmore, Corinth, MS, 38834.

## EVENT PRIZES:

### Red Chili

1st: \$750  
2nd: \$300  
3rd: \$100

### Chili Verde

1st: TBD  
2nd: TBD  
3rd: TBD

### Salsa

1st: \$150  
2nd: TBD  
3rd: TBD

### Homestyle

1st: \$300  
(Judged category)

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Local Favorite:  
Trophy  
(Selected by ballot)

To Be Determined prize awards will be based on number of entrants. First three places in each category are guaranteed a trophy. The Homestyle category (for locals only) will award prize money and trophy for first place, as well as a trophy for the Local Favorite winner, selected by ballot. Ballots cost \$2 per person, which includes a chili tasting from Homestyle contestants.



### Schedule of Events

8 a.m.	Set up
9:30 a.m.	Cooks Meeting
10 a.m.	Light fires for Verde
11 a.m.	Turn in Homestyle
Noon	Turn in Salsa; Light fires for Red Chili
1 p.m.	Turn in Verde
3 p.m.	Turn in Red Chili
4:30 p.m.	Winners Announced

### Activities

All Day	Green Market
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Live Music
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Local Favorite Tasting
1:30 p.m.	Hot Pepper Eating Contest



Regional Cook-Off  
sanctioned by the  
International Chili Society

Net proceeds benefit the Corinth Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. For more info, contact Steve Knight at (731) 607-3432.

# CROSSROADS REGIONAL CHILI COOK-OFF

Corinth, Mississippi

## Arrival / Setup

All cooks should plan to set up between 7am-9am, Saturday, April 10th. There will be volunteers to guide you to your set up area. Please unload equipment and move your vehicles outside the cook-off area. Vehicles should be out of the cook-off area by 9:00am.

## Equipment

Stoves will need to be of the “Coleman” type, which means fuel or propane stoves, as limited electricity is available. You will need to bring your own tents, tables, chairs and extension cords.

## Registration

ICS event registration will be from 8am-9am at the large judging tent just outside the cooking area. You will receive your official ICS judging cup and hospitality kit at the time you register. Following registration you may return to your cooking area to begin preparing ingredients. If you are participating in home style be sure and ask for your sampling cups. Verification of ICS membership will take place at registration. If you are not yet a member, fee and membership application will be collected at registration.

## Rules

See “Official Contestant Rules and Regulations” enclosed along with contestant application and ICS membership application.

## Cooks Meeting

The cooks meeting will begin at 9:30am at the registration tent. A final roll call will take place to assure that registered participants are in attendance and to verify the official number of your judging cup. Final instructions will be given and questions may be posed at this time.

## Judging

The decisions of the judges will be final. Judging of ICS sanctioned Red, Verde and Salsa will follow ICS guidelines. The ICS chief judge is Luke Doehner. The official score keeper is Charlotte Doehner. You will receive official schedule stating times for each category entry to be turned in at the time you register. Winners will be announced on the main stage at approximately 4:30pm.

## Prizes

This is a regional competition. All first-place ICS winners will move on to the world championship chili cook-off.

For more information or should you have questions feel free to contact Steve Knight  
Cook-Off Chairman at (731) 607-3432 or Email: [sknight@telesouth.com](mailto:sknight@telesouth.com)

**CROSSROADS CHILI COOK-OFF  
CONTESTANT APPLICATION**

Contestant Name \_\_\_\_\_

ICS Member # \_\_\_\_\_ (circle one) Life Charter Applied for Exp Date \_\_\_\_\_

Business  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any use of commercial business name requires approval of cook-off chairman and/or ICS)

List in detail any planned activity \_\_\_\_\_  
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Will you be sponsored by anyone? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, fully disclose who and all details \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The above information is correct to the best of my knowledge. I have read the ICS official rule and regulations and hereby agree to abide by such rules and regulations.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted By \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Cook-Off Chairperson)

**Please circle all contests you will enter:**

Entry Fees	Red Chili	Chili Verde	Salsa	Home Style (Locals Only)
ICS Member	\$35	\$25	\$20	NA
Non-Member	\$85	\$75	\$75	\$25

Total amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Return application and payment to: Corinth Area CVB  
Attn: Chili Cook-Off  
PO Box 2158  
Corinth, MS 38835



## International Chili Society Official Contestant Rules & Regulations

The following rules and regulations for cooks at the World's Championship, State, Regional and District Cook-offs are as follows.

1. Traditional Red Chili is defined by the International Chili Society as any kind of meat or combination of meats, cooked with red chili peppers, various spices and other ingredients, with the exception of BEANS and PASTA, which are strictly forbidden.
2. Chili Verde is defined by the International Chili Society as any kind of meat or combination of meats, cooked with green chili peppers, various spices and other ingredients, with the exception of BEANS and PASTA which are strictly forbidden.
3. Salsa: there are no rules as to the ingredients or how to prepare your Salsa. It may be prepared at home and brought to the site that day, or it may be store bought and brought to the site, or it may be prepared at the Cook off.
4. No ingredient may be pre-cooked in any way prior to the commencement of the official cook off. The only exceptions are canned or bottled tomatoes, tomato sauce, peppers, pepper sauce, beverages, broth and grinding and/or mixing of spices. Meat may be treated, pre-cut or ground. MEAT MAY NOT BE PRE-COOKED. All other ingredients must be chopped or prepared during the preparation period.
5. You must be an ACTIVE ICS member to compete in any ICS competition including Traditional Red Chili, Chili Verde, and Salsa. You must be at least 18 years old.
6. The cooking period will be a minimum of 3 hours and a maximum of 4 hours. The exact starting and ending of the cooking period is to be announced by each local sponsoring organization. Cooking during entire cooking period is at the sole discretion of the contestant.
7. A representative of the sponsoring organization shall conduct a contestant's meeting, at which time final instructions are to be given and questions answered, no later than 1 hour prior to the official starting time of the cook off.
8. Contestants are responsible for supplying all of their own cooking utensils, etc. The sponsors of the cook off will provide an area for each contestant and in some instances stoves and/or electrical outlets.
9. Each contestant must cook a minimum of two quarts of competition chili prepared in one pot, which will be submitted for judging.
10. Contestants will be permitted to sell or participate in People's Choice Chili with the approval of the cook off chairperson and in compliance with State and local agencies. It is at the discretion of each contestant if he or she wants to participate in People's Choice, unless the sponsoring organization requires People's Choice Chili in lieu of the entry fee (2 gal maximum) or in addition to the entry fee (1 gal maximum) may be required, but cooks should not be limited to a specific amount. Contestants may elect to pay a cash entry fee rather than provide People's Choice Chili. PEOPLES CHOICE CHILI MUST HAVE BEANS OR PASTA.
11. Each contestant will be assigned a contestant's number by the Chief Scorekeeper and be given an official 32 oz. ICS judging cup. Each contestant should verify that the number on the bottom of their cup is the same as their assigned contestant number. Each contestant is responsible to deliver their cup, which must be filled to the bottom of the cup's rim, to the judging area at the official time for judging.
12. Judges will be told they should vote for the chili they like best based on the following major considerations: good flavor, texture of the meat, consistency, blends of spices, aroma, and color.
13. The decisions of the Chief Judge shall be final.



# ONE YEAR CHARTER MEMBERSHIP AND ICS NEWSPAPER

**Dear Folks at Chili Headquarters: As a “true lover of chili” I want to become a “card carrying” member of the International Chili Society, and if accepted, agree to comply with the rules, regulations and by-laws. Enclosed is my check, money order or credit card information.**

\_\_\_ U.S. Resident: \$50.00    \_\_\_ Canada/Mexico Resident: \$57.00 U.S.    \_\_\_ Other International Resident: \$70.00 U.S.  
(Non U.S. Bank – send Money Order)  
Enclosed please find \$ \_\_\_\_\_    \_\_\_ Check    \_\_\_ Money Order    Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ for Renewal

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Bus \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable and mail to: International Chili Society • 13938 Tiffany Pines Circle N, Jacksonville, FL 32225-2577  
Phone 877-777-4427 or 949-496-2651 • Fax 904-374-4704

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION: Name as it appears on card \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address (If different from above) \_\_\_\_\_ Master Card    Visa    American Express

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postall Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (as it appears on card) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_