

## Whitley County Chamber Fire & Ice

### *Winter Fest 2012*

### *"Chili Challenge for Charity"*

January 22, 2012 at The Center for Whitley County Youth  
(201 W. Market) Corner of Chauncey and Market Streets, Columbia City, IN

#### CONTEST RULES

##### SANITATION

Cooks are to prepare and cook in as sanitary manner as possible. Cooking conditions are subject to the Whitley County Health Department codes. A copy is available upon request. Please review the codes prior to the contest. A five gallon bucket with soap & water for washing cooking utensils may be useful. Contestants are responsible for policing & cleanup of their area.

##### EVENT SET-UP/TEAR DOWN

Participants may arrive for booth set up beginning at 9:00 a.m. The event ends at 3:00 pm. For safety reasons, no tear down will be allowed until 3:00 pm (even if you are out of chili before that time). **This year, there is an additional award for most creative booth! So have fun!**

##### COOKING

Cooking chili at the event is recommended, however pre-cooking of ingredients will be permitted. Contestants need to furnish their own prep table (maximum size 8 ft.) and are responsible for supplying all of their own utensils, including cooking unit,\* extension cord & products relating to their chili submission and maintenance of its proper temperature for serving. Overall size of "booth"/cooking space will be about 5 X 10 ft. **\*Open flame cooking is prohibited by the Indiana Fire Dept. and the Whitley County Building Codes.**

Each cook must have a minimum of 4 gallons of chili for the competition ready for sampling by noon. There is **only one** chili recipe permitted per registration. Power sources (electric) will be furnished, as well as paper products including bowls, cups, napkins, spoons, etc. for the contest. **Please bring your own extension cords.** You may draw water from the kitchen, but no rinsing of any food containers (cans and jars) will be permitted.

##### JUDGING

Every adult person with a paid admission will be given three tickets to use as votes for the chili(s) of their choice. The chili submission with the most votes will be declared the "People's Choice." There will be prizes awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners, and 50% of the event proceeds will be donated to the winner's designated Whitley County Charity. "Best-Dressed Booth" award and other specialty awards will be determined by a special panel of judges.

**Contest judging and voting - 12:00 to 3:00 pm. Winners announced - 3:30 pm at the gazebo.**

##### PUBLIC

The public will be admitted for a **\$5.00** entrance fee that entitles them to sample any or all chili entries, and adult persons will be given 3 tickets to vote for their favorite chili recipe(s) of 2012. Children 6 to 12 sample for \$2.00 and 5 and under are FREE. **Only** the \$5.00 entrance fee recipient will be given tickets to vote.



