



**Chili  
Cookoff**  
MOUNT VERNON

# 15TH ANNUAL CHILI COOKOFF

**Uptown Mount Vernon • Saturday, Oct. 2, 2021**

**Cash prizes for Top 5 People's Choice**

Chili Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Team captain: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Space is limited. Please register your team early. Early Bird deadline is Sept. 24,  
Questions may be directed to Matt at margheim65@yahoo.com or Joe at 319-210-9935

## Early Bird Registration

Register by Sept. 24 and get:

- Entry Fee returned
- Gary's Foods gift card worth \$25

**\$25 Entry Fee** (early bird entries returned)

- \_\_\_\_\_ I'm cooking with propane -- Free  
 \_\_\_\_\_ I need electricity to cook -- \$10  
 \_\_\_\_\_ I need a 10x10 -- \$50  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Total entry fee - Make checks payable to CCDG

Please send your completed registration  
form and entry fee to:

**Matt Margheim**  
**603 Fifth Ave. N. W.**  
**Mount Vernon IA 52314**

Teams that meet the early bird deadline will  
have \$25 entry fee returned at the cookoff.

### RELEASE

Entrants and participants by execution of this Entry Form release and discharge the State of Iowa, Linn County, the City of Mount Vernon, the Mount Vernon-Lisbon Community Charitable Development Group Chili Cookoff and anyone else connected to the management or presentation of this contest from any and all known and unknown damages, injuries, losses and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by any entrant or participant to their person or property. We also agree to follow the rules and guidelines of this contest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of team captain

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Chili Cookoff Guidelines

Thanks for taking part in the 15th annual CDG Chili Cookoff. These are a few guidelines to help make the cookoff a success for teams and for the public.

The cookoff takes place on First Street East in uptown Mount Vernon. Portable restrooms and a handwashing station will be on site.

**Please note that food safety is critical.** Use sanitary practices and keep chili hot. The Linn County Department of Health will inspect each team's set up.

- Chili must be cooked on site.
- 5 gallons minimum.
- Camp stove/propane use/turkey fryer pot recommended
- Limited electricity is available. Power strips are not allowed.

## You'll need to bring:

- Extension cord – if you are using electricity. **No power strips are allowed.**
- Heat source
- Hats/Hairnets.
- Food thermometer(s)
- A 10x10 tent is required. Please bring your own if you have one.

## You'll be provided:

The cookoff committee will provide each team with one 8-foot table; a handwashing station; a sanitizing sprayer/paper towels; a bucket for compostables and a recycling bin; gloves, cups, napkins and spoons for serving. In addition the cookoff committee will provide a common rinsing station for utensils.

There will **NOT** be a place to wash dishes, so please plan accordingly. Please bring extra utensils.

## Timeline:

- 11 a.m. – Set up
- 11:30 a.m. – Cooking begins
- 4 p.m. – Public arrives
- 6:30 p.m. – Voting ends for People's Choice
- 6:45 p.m. -- Announcement of the winners

Finally, we are endeavoring to make this a waste-free event. All supplies provided by CDG can be recycled or composted. We ask you to participate by avoiding styrofoam and other non-recyclable, non-compostable trash as well.