

MAY 3-4 MINERAL WELLS, TX—VFW Post 2399 Annual Cook Off. TOLBERT. Benefits: Homeless Vets /Veterans Assistance Program. Location: 1400 Veterans of Foreign Wars. Camping no hookups on East side of parking lot, with extra parking on west side if needed. Camping no hookups on East side of parking lot, with extra parking on west side if needed. Friday night Hors Devours Jackpot contest. Entry fee \$20, winner takes the pot. Cooks social Friday at 9 pm. Trophies for the top 3 in each category, recognition for 4th & 5th in all categories and 6th thru 10th for chili. Saturday Cooks Meeting & Registration: 9. Turn in: Jackpot Bloody Marys, 10:00, Salsa-10:30, Beans & Dutch Oven Dessert-11:00, Bloody Mary's & Margaritas-11:30, Chicken-Noon, Ribs-1:00, Pork Butt-2:00, Brisket-3:00, Chili-4:00. Entry fees: Jackpot Bloody Mary's-\$20, Drinks, Salsa & Dutch Oven Dessert-\$5 each, Beans-\$10, Meat Categories & Chili-\$15 each. Info: Jim Bransom 682-239-8544 or Facebook page VFW Post 2399

CANCELLED ON 3/29 OWNER HAS HEALTH ISSUES. MAY 4, PORT O'CONNOR, TX - Josie's Spring Cook-Off. TOLBERT. Info: Terry Wright 512-738-2273

MAY 11, MANCHACA, TX – 19th Annual I.P. "Sarge" Bell VFW Memorial Post 3377 Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: VFW Youth Scholarship Fund. Location: 12921 Lowden Lane. Camping, no hookups. Cooks Meeting 10 am. Cooks Meeting 10 am. Turn in: Bloody Mary's-Noon, Beans-1, Chili-2, Margarita-3. Entry fee: Chili -\$25, Beans-\$10, Drinks-\$5 each. Location: 12921 Lowden Ln. Camping, no hookups. Info: VFW 512-282-5664 or Dwight Hamilton 512-507-4948 or dwhighthamilton188@hotmail.com Referee: Tom Stephens

JUN 8, AZLE, TX – Hidden Creek Chili/BBQ Cook-Off and Hooligan Games. TOLBERT. Benefits: Texas LODD (Line of Duty Death) Task Force. (www.texasloddtaskforce.com) Location: 6064 Timber Trail. Camping sites are available (20 X 35). Dru camping and limited premium sites with electricity at \$25 per night. First come, first served, must pre-register for camping. Friday night Cooks/Sponsor' Kickoff Party, 7-11pm. Turn in: Jackpot Pinto Beans (100% payout)-1:00pm, Chili-3:00pm and People's Choice BBQ at 4:00pm. Entry fees: Beans and Beans-\$20 per category, BBQ-\$150 (Brisket, Spareribs, Pork Butt, Chicken (Meats provided with entry.) BBQ entry also includes one entry into the Chili Competition, no meat provided. Trophies for top 3 in all BBQ categories and Chili. BBQ Grand Champion payouts \$200. BBQ judging is by People's Choice, not competition style judging. Info: Charlie Mize 817-271-0122. Referee: Bud Rozell.

JUN 8, WACO, TX - Al Hopkins Memorial 33rd Tolbert Texas State Chili Championship. TOLBERT. Benefits: Waco GoodFellas (Christmas cheer for families in need). Location: Lakeside Tavern, 6605 Airport Rd. Sponsored by Mild Bill's Gunpowder Foods and Lakeside Tavern. Dry camping. Top 3 Texas resident chili and Top Texas resident Show Team automatically qualified for the Terlingua Championship 2024. Turn in: Frijole's High Noon, Red Chili-1:00, Mild Bill's Verde Chili-2:00, Brisket-3:00. Entry fees: Frijole's \$15, Red, Verde Chili, Brisket-\$25 each. Judges Needed. Info: Gary Brignon gary@mildbillsspices.com. Referee: Debbie Turner

JUN 9, WACO, TX – Sunday Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: Waco GoodFellas (Christmas cheer for families in need). Location: Lakeside Tavern, 6605 Airport Rd. Sponsored by Mild Bill's Gunpowder Foods and Lakeside Tavern. Dry camping. Turn in: Chili High Noon. Entry fees: Chili-\$25 each. Judges Needed. Info: Gary Brignon gary@mildbillsspices.com. Referee: Debbie Turner

JUN 15, LOCKHART, TX 51st Chisholm Trail Roundup Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: Lockhart Chamber of Commerce activities. Location: Lockhart City Park, 504 East City Park Rd. Camping, no hookups. Due to limited space BBQ cooks and Campers MUST Pre-register to get a site. Day cooks can register Saturday morning, chili & bean registration Saturday 8am. Friday night Turn in: Margarita & Bartenders Choice, Cooks Choice 8:00pm. Saturday Turn in: Chicken Noon, Beans-1:00, Ribs-2:00, Chili-3:00, Brisket-4:00. Entry fees: Meats-\$200 (includes camper spot), Chili & Cooks Choice-\$20, Beans, Salsa & Bartender Choice-\$10 each. Chili Info: Britanni Medina. or: www.chisholmtrailroundup.com for entry form & rules, Chamber of Commerce 512-398-2818 Info: <https://www.lockhartchamber.com/chisholm-trail-roundup/> Referee: Tom Stephens

AUG 10, LOCKHART, TX - BB Hughes' Birthday Bash Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: Caldwell County VFW Post 8927. Location: VFW Post 8927, 7007 S Hwy 183, 2.2 miles S of Lockhart Municipal Airport. Camping available, no hookups. *Details to follow.* Info: Post 512-398-4942, Referee: Tom Stephens 512-554-5389 (call or text) or text 512-627-5980. Referee: Tom Stephens

SEPT 7 – McGREGOR, TX – American Legion Post 273 Chili Bash. TOLBERT. Benefits: American Legion Post 273 charities. Location: The Exchange Event Center, 300 S Jefferson Ave, cooking indoors allowed. Hosted by the Legionaries. Some activities at Post on 202 S Jefferson. Dry Camping No Hook Ups. Also Sunday Cookoff. *Details to follow*. Info: Facebook page: American Legion Post #273 McGregor, 254-840-4319 Cookoff Chairman: Gary Sanders. Referee: Tom Stephens

SEPT 8– McGREGOR TX - American Legion #273 Chili Bash Day 2. TOLBERT. Benefits: American Legion Post 273 charities. Location: The Exchange Event Center, 300 S Jefferson Ave, cooking indoors allowed. Hosted by the Legionaries. Some activities at Post on 202 S Jefferson. Dry Camping No Hook Ups. Also Saturday cookoff. *Details to follow*. Info: Facebook page: American Legion Post #273 McGregor, 254-840-4319 Cookoff Chairman: Gary Sanders. Referee: Tom Stephens

SEPT 8-9, WEATHERFORD, TX –VFW Post 4746 Smokin Guns Chili/BBQ Cook Off. TOLBERT. Benefits: Post charties. Location: 224 Zion Hill Rd. Camping area & limited hookups for \$15 per day, 1st come, 1st served. *Details to follow*. Info: Referee: Aimee Johnson 817-304-0743, Facebook page: VFW Post No 4746 R.D. Nelson Memorial.

SEPT 28 ROCKNE, TX – Leon's Country Store Last Chance. TOLBERT. Benefits: CASA of Bastrop, Fayette & Lee Counties. Location: 4033 FM 535. Dry Camping across the street, No Hook ups. *Details to follow*. Info: Store 512-321-7346, Referee: Tom Stephens 512-554-5389 (text or leave message please).

2024-2025 CHILI YEAR

OCT 5, BLANCO, TX – 54th Ladies State Chili Championship. TOLBERT. Benefits NEW CHARITY: Pink Warrior Advocates. Location: Yett Memorial Park, 1813 US-281. Limited Electrical Hookups \$25/night, \$50 for 2 nights OR \$75 for 3 nights. Texas resident winners of 1st-3rd chili & 1st show automatically qualify for 2025 OTICCC. Top 3 Chili Texas resident chili and 1st place Show winners automatically qualify for the 2025 OTICCC. Registration on Friday- 3:00pm to 5:00pm for all events (see details on web site about Goodie Bags & T-shirts for both days) Turn in: Beans-5:00pm, Margaritas-5:30pm. Entry fees: Beans-\$20, Margarita Mix-Off-\$15. Cooks Dinner at 6:00pm, All cooks, bring desserts only. Bingo starts at 7:00pm. Saturday Registration 9:00am to 11:00am. Mandatory Cooks meeting-10:00 am. Turn in: Junior Miss-Noon, Chili-1:00pm. Showmanship: 1:30 to 2:30. BBQ Chicken-3:00pm, BBQ Pork Ribs-4:00pm. Entry fees: Junior Miss-\$20, Ladies-(\$35 or \$30 if paid by 08/10/2024), BBQ - \$20 per category. Raffles start and Silent Auction ends at 5:00pm. Winner announcements-estimated at 6:00pm. Raffle & Auction (bring to Pavilion starting Friday) - EVERYONE bring your best items please! Also Sunday cookoff. Info: Chairman-Mona Schlieper monaschieper@yahoo.com or ladiesstatechili@gmail.com or web site www.ladiesstatechili.org or Facebook page: Ladies State Chili Championship of Texas. Also Saturday cookoff for more details. Chili only. Turn in: Noon. Showmanship 11-11:30. Entry fee: \$20. Info: Info: Kim Eckert 512-743-5039 or ladiesstatechili@gmail.com. Referee: Debbie Eiland Turner

OCT 6, BLANCO, TX – 15th Just A Cookoff (JACC). TOLBERT. Benefits NEW CHARITY: Pink Warrior Advocates. Location: Yett Memorial Park, 1813 US-281. See Saturday cookoff for more details. Chili only. Registration begins at 9:00am. Turn in: Noon. No Showmanship competition. Entry fee: \$20. Info: Chairman-Mona Schlieper monaschieper@yahoo.com or ladiesstatechili@gmail.com or web site www.ladiesstatechili.org or Facebook page: Ladies State Chili Championship of Texas. Referee: Debbie Turner

TERLINGUA WEEK – 2024

Chili Championship for the 2023-2024 chili years' qualified cooks.

The Wednesday thru Friday events are open to everyone, with the exception of the Very Last Chance Chili Cookoff that is only open to cooks NOT qualified to cook at this years' Chili Championship.

OCT 31, TERLINGUA, TX – 8th Annual Tolbert / Mild Bill's International Verde Cookoff. Benefits: ALS. Location: OTICC site, 23101 FM 170, Behind the Whites' Store, just East of Downtown Terlingua. *Details to follow*. Info: gary@mildbillsspices.com

OCT 31, TERLINGUA, TX - World's Championship Margarita Mix-Off. Location: OTICC site, 23101 FM 170, Behind the Whites' Store, just East of Downtown Terlingua. *Details to follow*. Info: gary@mildbillsspices.com

NOV 1, TERLINGUA, TX - Very Last Chance for 2024 Championship. TOLBERT. Location: OTICC site, 23101 FM 170, Behind the Whites' Store, just East of Downtown Terlingua. Cooks cannot be qualified for the 2024 OTICCC Championship. The top 10 winners qualified to compete in the Saturday Championship. *Details to follow.* Chairman: Patrick Ryan. Info: Debbie Eiland Turner 972-935-2402 or goatgapgazette@sbcglobal.net

NOV 1, TERLINGUA, TX – 36th Annual Bob Roberts Memorial BBQ Cookoff, 42nd Annual Hal John Wimberly - Frank X Tolbert. Memorial World Championship B.E.An. & 32nd Annual. Clay Henry Memorial World Championship P.E.A.-Off & 13th Annual Jimmy Doherty Memorial Salsa Contest. Location: OTICC site, 23101 FM 170, Behind the Whites' Store, just East of Downtown Terlingua. *Details to follow.* Info: Jimmy Smith BBQ Event Director 254-698-1081 leave a message or jsmith290@hotmail.com

NOV 2, TERLINGUA, TX – 57th Annual Original Terlingua International Frank X. Tolbert - Wick Fowler Memorial Championship. Chili Cookoff. Location: OTICC site, 23101 FM 170, Behind the Whites' Store, just East of Downtown Terlingua. Must be qualified to cook or show to compete. Cooks and show teams participating in OTICCC may receive 2 armbands per household. Show teams participating need to contact Debbie Eiland Turner (972-935-2402, text or call or goatgapgazette@sbcglobal.net) to register their team members. Chili & Showmanship Qualification Info: Mona Schlieper 361-524-0131 or monaschlieper@yahoo.com. Cookoff Info: abowlofred@gmail.com or www.abowlofred.com or Kathleen Tolbert Ryan 817-653-0988 or ktryan97@gmail.com