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The 40th Annual  
**Bluegrass & Chili Festival**  
In Historic Downtown Wagoner,  
Oklahoma

wants you to be a  
**Distinguished Chili-Head**  
at the  
**Mid-America Regional Chili  
Cook-Off**

**Saturday, September 7, 2019**



Sanctioned by:  
The International Chili Society (ICS)

And don't forget, just for fun you  
can to enter the the  
**Sizzling Salsa Division**

-  The 40th Annual Bluegrass & Chili Festival is scheduled for September 6 & 7 in Historic Wagoner. The family fun will "sizzle" on the streets of Downtown Wagoner.
-  The Festival features nationally acclaimed bands in Family entertainment. Headlining this year will be Ricky Skaggs, Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver, Rhonda Vincent & The Rage, and lots more!
-  A host of great regional bands, youth performers and cloggers will entertain throughout the weekend. Other activities include Festival Market, Art & Crafts, Open Car Show, Kiddie Korral, Junior Showcase, and more great family fun!
-  An exciting highlight of the Festival is the Mid-America Regional Chili Cook-Off, which will take place on Saturday, September 7th. Teams will compete for cash, prizes, trophies and bragging rights!!!
-  The International Chili Society Division winners will represent the Festival at the World Cook-Off...where teams compete for a \$25,000 1st prize for Red and a \$20,000 1st prize for Homestyle.
-  All entries will compete for show prizes and more!

**TASTING KITS WILL BE AVAILABLE!**

**SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE (ALL DIVISIONS)**

8:30 AM.....	Chili Teams set-up begins
10:30 AM.....	Head Cook Meeting
11:00 AM.....	Chili Cooks begin cutting & chopping
1:00 PM.....	Official "Light Your Fires"
3:00 PM.....	Salsa Turn In
3:30 PM.....	Homestyle & Chili Verde Turn In
4:00 PM.....	Red Chili Turn In
6:00 PM.....	Award Winning Chili Ceremony

# Chili Cook-off




## ICS Division

The official International Chili Society (ICS) Division is governed by ICS Rules. It is mandatory for the Head Cook to be an ICS member. Membership Fee\* is payable to ICS (entry fee is additional). Membership Application and member fee need to be directed and payable to ICS.

The 1st Place Traditional Red Chili winner on **Saturday** will represent the Festival and Mid-America Regional Chili Cook-Off at the 2020 World Cook-Off and compete there for a \$25,000 prize.

- 1st Place Red..... \$500 + Trophy
- 2nd Place Red..... \$100 + Trophy
- 3rd Place Red..... \$75 + Trophy
- 1st Place Chili Verde..... \$100 + Trophy

## Mid-America Regional Chili Cook-Off

-  \$500 Cash to the award winning non-profit, civic, church & youth/athletic school groups.
-  \$150 to Best of Show
-  Ham-manship Award...Prize and bragging rights for the whole year!

**Chili in all divisions must be cooked on-site!**

## Salsa Division

Your salsa recipe can be any combination of chili peppers, spices, and other ingredients, but it must be entirely homemade. At least two pints are required. **\$10.00 entry fee**

\*\$10.00 membership fee applies for one cook-off

## Homestyle Division

This ICS Homestyle Division winner will qualify for the World cook-off, where they will compete for a \$20,000 first place prize. Rules allow any kind of meat(s) cooked with red chili peppers, various spices and other ingredients. *Beans are required.*

- 1st Place Homestyle..... \$350 + Trophy
- 2nd Place Homestyle..... \$75 + Trophy
- 3rd Place Homestyle..... \$50 + Trophy



## Non-Profit Division

The Non-Profit Division gives local organizations, schools, groups, clubs & charities the opportunity to win cash prizes and is a fun way to increase your group's visibility in the community!

First prize wins a \$500 cash prize!

**ATTENTION COOKS...** you may use the same cooking space and enter more than one division, but the chili must be cooked in separate pots. The entry fees vary per division. We also request that you cook more chili than the minimum required amount to accommodate "official" tasting kits. Festival attendees look forward to tasting your wonderful chili. These kits are available by donation. The donations are used for additional charitable projects. Kits will be identified during the mandatory head cooks meeting. Besides...

**Chili just tastes better the more you cook!**



**Contestant Responsibilities:** Contestants are responsible for supplying their own cooking appliances, utensils, and all the ingredients for an award-winning bowl of chili. Contestants will be provided a 10'x10' space located on concrete surface. **You will need to bring your own tent for shade.** (Please note NO STAKES allowed in the concrete; you will need to bring appropriate materials to hold you tent in place). Additional information will accompany your official application.

## 2019 Chili Cook-Off Entry Form

### Saturday: Mid-America Regional Chili Cook-Off

<input type="checkbox"/>	ICS Division—Red (ONLY).....	\$35 Fee
<input type="checkbox"/>	ICS Division—Verde (ONLY).....	\$35 Fee
<input type="checkbox"/>	ICS Division—Homestyle (ONLY).....	\$35 Fee
<input type="checkbox"/>	ICS Division—(BOTH) Red & Verde.....	\$45 Fee
(Only \$10 extra to register for the Red & Verde Divisions)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-Profit Division.....	\$35 Fee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Open Salsa.....	\$10 Fee

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ I cannot cook this year, but please leave my name on your mailing list

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To enter, please return form and entry fee(s) to:

Bluegrass & Chili Festival  
PO Box 406 • Wagoner, OK 74477  
For more information, call: (918) 485-2554  
or visit [www.bluegrasschilifest.com](http://www.bluegrasschilifest.com)