



EVENT DATE: SEPTEMBER 16th, 2017 (SATURDAY)
Mary Laveroni Community Park, Highway 120, Groveland

WELCOME TO THE 2017 '49r FESTIVAL, Chili & Salsa Cook-Off and Tasting!

**Remember – All applications are due by August 20th so we can make sure we get you a space!
If you are not going to make this timeline please contact me so I can work it out with you.**

Booth Setup:

We request you set up on Friday, September 18th; Volunteers will be available from 2:00pm to 8:00pm to direct you to your assigned spot. Groveland Community Services District will NOT assume any liability for Security of your vehicle or personal items. If you plan to arrive and set up on Friday, you must plan for the security of your items and personal property.

Your Signature on the attached release of Liability form is mandatory and must be submitted with your application, no exceptions. Also note that all Chili and Salsa booths must also have Tuolumne County Health Dept. Certificate. If you need help with this application or process just call me – I can walk you through it! Remember – there is NO FEE for this Certificate – just skip that portion of the application.

If you plan to arrive on Saturday September 16th at Mary Laveroni Community Park, Highway 120, Groveland, the day of the event, you **must arrive between 6am and 7:30.** **All vehicles must be off the field by 8am-NO Exceptions** (your help in making this annual event a safe and successful one is greatly appreciated)

IMPORTANT:

Upon arrival, unload your vehicle and then move it to the parking lot by the Museum, return and complete your set up (volunteers will direct your exit path), this will help ensure the flow of vendors other chefs and vehicles.

DAY OF EVENT:

The event begins immediately following the parade that starts at 9am and ends at 10am. For the safety of all guests and event participants, you will not be allowed to bring your vehicle in until the event is over at 5pm.

NOTE:

- Entrants must supply their own cooking surfaces, including a fire extinguisher
- All cooking areas must be enclosed, covered (i.e. canopy) and have flooring (tarp flooring is fine)
- Preparation (i.e. soaking of beans and chopping & washing ingredients) may be done in advance but all cooking must be done at your booth. If you prepare any food in advance it has to be done in a Health Department approved facility
- Entrants can start preparing at 6am and may begin cooking at 7am.
- Entrants must cook enough chili and salsa for 600 tastings.
- Trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will be presented for each category
- Cash prizes of \$125 and \$75 for 1st and 2nd place Judges Choice in Chili and Salsa
- Serving of Chili and Salsa to the public will start at 12:00 "High Noon!" for "People's Choice Award"
- Judges tasting will begin at 12:30pm. A representative will come by and collect a (1) quart sample of each for tasting.
- Booth spaces are 10x10 (your tent/canopy) do not exceed the chalking out-line (bring tie downs for windy conditions)
- All vendors are required to bring their own "tent" or "canopy", tarp or wood flooring, tarp or mesh walls on at least 3 sides, table and chairs-please keep items within your booth boundary
- If you need power for your cooking gear you must bring a UL rated 3 prong extension cord-we recommend 100' cord (All extension cords must be covered to prevent trip hazards, bring appropriate cover up)
- No pets allowed within 20' of Chili & Salsa Booths, per Health Department.
- If you will need water-bring a clean container to transport-water bibs will be marked
- Please try and avoid using long spikes to secure your tent/canopy- sprinkler systems underground
- You are responsible for cleaning up your booth area, trash containers will be available (Thank you)
- No overnight trailers allowed the day of the event (camp ground available approximately 2 miles down the road, please plan accordingly)

If you have any questions during the day, you may check at the Yosemite Chamber of Commerce booth located at the bottom of the stairs. *****Chili & Salsa vendors must have their Tuolumne County Health Department certificate with them; the Health department will be on site to validate/verify all Health requirements are met.**

We look forward to seeing you September 16th 2017 for the best Chili & Salsa Cook-Off and Tasting YET!!

Sincerely, Bob Turney

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