NEBCO FIRE-EMS 18th ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF RULES & REGULATIONS

The event will be held February 24, 2024, at the NEBCO COMMUNITY CENTER Located @ HWY 62 & S. Wimpy Jones Rd, Garfield, Arkansas

- 1. You will be provided space of approximately 10 feet, a 6-foot table and a trash can. Each booth has a 15 amp electrical outlet, **please bring your own extension cord(s)**. Booth decorations are encouraged.
- 2. Your chili may be cooked at home OR prepared and cooked on site at NEBCO starting at 7am. Only USDA inspected meats can be used. Wild game is not permitted. If you prepare your chili on site, precook meat and presoak dried beans. Whether your chili is cooked on site or at home, it must be ready to serve at 11am.
- 3. Your Chili recipe can be prepared with or without beans, but **a minimum of 4 gallons is required to compete**. More is always appreciated!
- 4. You may set up your booth, decorate and begin cooking starting at 7am day of event, February 24, 2024. If you have left over chili, please leave it with us. Containers are available for you in the Community Center kitchen.
- 5. You must provide all of your own ingredients, cooking utensils &/or devices. Electrical heat only inside, NO EXCEPTIONS! If you want to cook with propane or charcoal you must cook outside and you will need to provide your own protection from the weather.
- 6. Chili sampling cups and spoons will be provided to your booth.
- 7. NEBCO FIRE-EMS will provide access to hot and cold water and bleach for sanitizing purposes.
- 8. Your "Entry Fee" covers free event admission for **two people**. Badges for cook and one assistant will provided. Any additional booth help must pay admission. This year we will stamp the hand of everyone as they pay admission.
- 9. Use your booth to promote your own business to the people attending. Banners can be hung behind or in front of your booth. You can also provide handouts, sponsor souvenirs, etc. to those attending.

For the first time this year, we will have an "Individual" & "Corporate/Sponsor" division. Those winners will be chosen based on the ticket vote by the general public. There will be on "Overall Champion" - chosen by the select panel of judges (TBD). Finally, there will be a "Best Booth" award - again, voted on by the general public in attendance. All voting will take place between 11a.m. - 1p.m.

Plenty of chances to be a winner & help a great cause!!

BEST OF LUCK! We look forward to your participation in the 19^h Annual NEBCO FIRE-EMS Chili Cook-Off