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**TOYS FOR TOTS**  
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**USMC TOYS FOR TOTS TOY RUN CHILI & BEANS COOK-OFF RULES**  
**December 12, 2009**

**General Rules:**

- Check-in time will be 7:00am – 8:45am at the Rodeo Arena. Cooks meeting will be held at 9:00am at the check-in location.
- No late entries after 9:00am.
- If you are bringing in some type of trailer, please let us know as we need to get you set up in your spot by 8:00am. You may make prior arrangements with the Cook Off committee to bring in trailers or setup your space the day before (Friday). Please contact Amy Foster 713-502-2715 or Paul Perry 281-948-7098 to make arrangements. Setup and/or trailer in place on Friday must be completed before 7:30pm.
- All vehicles must be removed from the cook off area by 8:45am. Teams may park their vehicles at the end of the arena by the cattle pens.
- Entry kit will be given at the cook's meeting. There will be a ticket inside of the turn-in cup and one taped to the bottom of the turn-in cup. You keep the ticket inside the cup. It is your responsibility to make sure that the ticket stays attached to the bottom of the cup and you keep your half of the ticket. Without your ticket, prizes can not be claimed when awards announced. The same applies to the People's Choice bucket. Also included in the entry kit will be 5 arm bands, a copy of the cook-off rules and cook off schedule.
- Ingredient inspection will be immediately following the Cooks Meeting. All ingredients must be inspected prior to the beginning of any cooking.
- Preparation of ingredients (washing, cutting, chopping) may be completed prior to arrival. Absolutely no pre-cooking of ingredients allowed. All cooking must be done at cook-off.
- Absolutely no selling or giving away of any type of food other than your chili or beans. You may give the public samples of your chili or beans only.
- Teams will provide own sample bowls and spoons. Crackers, cube cheeses, and candy only are allowed to be given out with chili or beans. Violators will be disqualified... no exceptions.  
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- Teams are required to provide a 3 gallon minimum for each category entered. (Note: Pace samples, our past cookers ran out early)

- Turn in your chili and bean sample at 2:00pm & People's Choice bucket at 2:30pm at the check-in table.
- The results will be announced at 4:30pm from the band stand.

**Awards:**

**People's Choice      Trophy**

**Chili      1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$60.00, trophy,    2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$40.00, trophy, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$30.00, trophy, 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Place: Honorable Mention, 5 ribbons each place**

**Beans      1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$50.00, trophy,    2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$30.00, trophy, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$20.00, trophy, 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Place: Honorable Mention, 5 ribbons each place**

**Calcutta    Donation to USMC Toys for Tots – 20%, 1<sup>st</sup> Place – 40%, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 25%, 3<sup>rd</sup> place – 15%**

**Chili Rules:**

- One chili entry per \$30.00 entry.
- No beans in the chili.

**Bean Rules:**

- One bean entry per \$20.00 entry
- Beans Only. No seasoning bigger than a bean.

**People's Choice Rules:**

- The team with the most "dollar votes" is the winner of the People's Choice award. No one is allowed to require "dollar votes" in order for the public to have a sample of their chili. Any team requiring a "dollar vote" to test their entry will be disqualified immediately.

We would like to Thank all of you for coming out and participating in our Chili Cook-off. We really appreciate ya'll's support of our Toy Run.

**Good Luck and Have Fun!!!!!!!**



*"It's All For the Kids"*



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