

## Tolbert Cookoff list updated on 8/1/2024

AUG 3 – HEWITT, TX - **NOT A COOKOFF—TOLBERT ANNUAL MEETING.** Location: Sleep Inn, 209 Enterprise Blvd., in the Breakfast Area room, doors open at Noon. Sandwich fixings, bottled water & tea will be provided. As usual, additions to the meal are welcome. This is an open gathering of Tolbert cooks, OTICCC volunteers and friends to discuss the organization and this years' Championship in November. If you wish to submit a rule change or discuss specific items at the meeting, please contact Debbie or Kathleen or Paul Ryan (by July 28th) to be added to the Meeting's Agenda. This allows for research on the issue and enable complete discussions be held in a timely manner. Items NOT on the agenda can be discussed but not necessarily voted on. Info: Debbie 972-935-2402, Text, Facebook messenger (Debbie Eiland Turner) or [Debwayet@outlook.com](mailto:Debwayet@outlook.com) or Kathleen Tolbert Ryan 817-653-0988 or [ktryan97@gmail.com](mailto:ktryan97@gmail.com)

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. Chili Grind Only. Turn in: Bloody Mary's: Noon, Margaritas: 12:30, Beans: 1:00, Chili: 2:00. Entry fees: Chili-\$25, Beans-\$10, Drinks-\$5 each. Info: Post 512-398-4942, or Referee: Tom Stephens 512-554-5389 (call or text)

SEPT 7 – MCGREGOR, TX – American Legion Post 273 SAL Squadron 273 Chili Bash. TOLBERT. Benefits: American Legion Post 273 charities. Location: The Exchange Event Center, 300 S Jefferson Ave, cooking indoors allowed. Dry Camping No Hook Ups. Also Sunday Friday Silent Auction, Lottery Hat Raffle, and Bake Sale Begin. Sons of the American Legion Hamburger Supper (Cooks Eat Free) - 5:30-7:30PM , \$6 Burger and Chips for General Public, entertainment by Ed Leonard - 7-11PM. 50/50 Raffle drawing-9PM. Saturday: Breakfast for Cooks - 8AM, Silent Auction, Bake Sale, and Lottery Hat Raffle Continue, Vendors. Bar Opens at 10AM, Riders Lunch – Noon to 2PM. Turn ins: Bean: Noon, Chili: 2PM, Awards around 3PM. Also Domino Tournament & Washer Tournament. Auxiliary Dinner – 5:30-7:30PM, Collin James Band - 8PM-Midnight, Lottery Hat and 50/50 Drawings at 9PM. Cookoff. 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. Dry Camping No Hook Ups. Free Breakfast for the Cooks, Bake Sale and Silent Auction Continue. Turn ins: Bean: Noon (if enough entries), Chili:1PM. Bar Opens at Noon, Silent Auction Closes at 12:30PM, Awards at around 2PM. Info: Facebook page: American Legion Post #273 McGregor, 254-840-4319 Cookoff Chairman: Gary Sanders. Referee: Tom Stephens

SEPT 14-15, WEATHERFORD, TX –VFW Post 4746 Smokin Guns Chili/BBQ Cook Off. DATE CHANGED FROM SEPT 7-8. TOLBERT. Benefits: Post charities. Location: 224 Zion Hill Rd. Camping area & limited hookups for \$15 per day first come, first served. Friday night Jackpot (winner take all) Appetizers, Margaritas & Chef Choice (main ingredient must be green) - \$5 each, turn in: 7pm. Cook's Party with Karaoke 7-11pm. Cooks meeting Saturday-8am. Cash prizes for BBQ meats. Turn in: Bloody Mary's-10, Salsa-10:30, Beans-11, Chicken-Noon, Ribs-1, Pork Butt-2, Brisket-3, Chili-4. Entry fee: Bloody Mary & Salsa-\$5 each, Beans-\$10, BBQ meats (Chicken, Ribs, Pork Butt, Brisket) - \$15 each, Chili-\$20. Awards 30 minutes after final judging. Info: Vick Graham 817-238-1135 or [vickgraham56@yahoo.com](mailto:vickgraham56@yahoo.com)

SEPT 21, MAXDALE, TX –Vern Kong Memorial Chili & BBQ Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: Chili Park Maintenance Fund. Location: Chili Park at 17915 Maxdale Rd, Killeen TX 76549, located between Killeen & Florence on FM 2670. From SH 195 take FM 2670. Go approx. 4.5 miles, chili park will be on the left. Limited RV hookups-\$10 per night. Also Sunday cookoff. Friday night Cooks meal, Saturday/Sunday Breakfast. Turn in: Bloody Mary's-10:00, Margaritas-10:30, Chicken-11:00, Pork Ribs-Noon, Beans-1:00, Chili-2:00, Brisket-3:00. Showmanship 2:30 to 3:00. Entry fees: Drinks-\$5 each, Beans & BBQ categories (Chicken, Ribs, Brisket)-\$10 each, Chili-\$20 or All Categories-\$50. Info: Ken Sperry 254-290-1950 or [kennethsperry@hotmail.com](mailto:kennethsperry@hotmail.com) Referee: TBA

Sept 22, MAXDALE, TX – A Day After Vern Kong Memorial Chili Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: Chili Park Maintenance Fund. Location: Chili Park at 17915 Maxdale Road, see directions on Sept 21. Also Saturday cookoff. Sunday Breakfast. Turn in: Chili-Noon. Showmanship 12:30 to 1:00. Entry fee: Chili-\$20. Info: Ken Sperry 254-290-1950 or [kennethsperry@hotmail.com](mailto:kennethsperry@hotmail.com) Referee: TBA

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### **2024-2025 CHILI YEAR**

OCT 5, BLANCO, TX – 54<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:monaschieper@yahoo.com) or [ladiesstatechili@gmail.com](mailto:ladiesstatechili@gmail.com) or web site [www.ladiesstatechili.org](http://www.ladiesstatechili.org) or Facebook page: Ladies State Chili Championship of Texas. Referee: Debbie Eiland Turner

OCT 6, BLANCO, TX – 15<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:monaschieper@yahoo.com) or [ladiesstatechili@gmail.com](mailto:ladiesstatechili@gmail.com) or web site [www.ladiesstatechili.org](http://www.ladiesstatechili.org) or Facebook page: Ladies State Chili Championship of Texas. Referee: Debbie Turner

OCT 12, BASTROP/ROCKNE, TX –VFW Post 2527 Melvin Euers Memorial Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: VFW Post 2527. Location: Rockne VFW, 1503 FM 20, Bastrop, TX. Limited hookups and Dry camping. Turn in: Bloody Mary-10:00, Margaritas-10:30, Dip-11:00, Open Meat-Noon, Pinto Beans-1:00, Chili-2:00. Entry fees: Chili-\$20, Drinks-\$5 each, Dip & Beans-\$10 each & Open Meat-\$15. Info & Referee: Tom Stephens 512-554-5389 (call or text)

### **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 – 8<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 [debwayet@outlook.com](mailto:debwayet@outlook.com)

NOV 1, TERLINGUA, TX – 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Bob Roberts Memorial BBQ Cookoff, 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hal John Wimberly - Frank X Tolbert. Memorial World Championship B.E.An. & 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual. Clay Henry Memorial World Championship P.E.A.-Off & 13<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:jsmith290@hotmail.com)

NOV 2, TERLINGUA, TX – 57<sup>th</sup> 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 armband 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

DEC 7, LOCKHART, TX – First Annual John Reynolds Memorial BBQ & Chili Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: TBA.. Location: VFW Post 8927, 7007 S Hwy 183, 2.2 miles S of Lockhart Municipal Airport. Camping, no hookups. Limited space for the Campers. LSBS sanctioned BBQ. Friday events Margarita, Salsa & Cooks Choice. Saturday events Chili, Beans, Chicken, Ribs & Brisket. Details to follow, registration starts Sept 1, see [www.lonestarbarbecue.com](http://www.lonestarbarbecue.com) for more info. Info: Britanni Medina. or: [www.chisholmtrailroundup.com](http://www.chisholmtrailroundup.com) for entry form & rules, Chili Info: Tom Stephens 512-554-5389 (text or leave a message please.) Referee: Tom Stephens

DEC 7, MAXDALE, TX - Old Soldiers Memorial Chili Cook-Off. TOLBERT. Benefits: Chili Park Maintenance Fund. Location: Chili Park at 17915 Maxdale Rd, Killeen TX 76549, located between Killeen & Florence on FM 2670. From SH 195 take FM 2670. Go approx. 4.5 miles, chili park will be on the left. Limited RV hookups-\$10 per night. Also Sunday cookoff. Friday night Cooks meal, Saturday/Sunday Breakfast. Turn in: Bloody Mary's-10:00, Margaritas-10:30, Chicken-11:00, Pork Ribs-Noon, Beans-1:00, Chili-2:00, Brisket-3:00. Showmanship 2:30 to 3:00. Entry fees: Drinks-\$5 each, Beans & BBQ categories (Chicken, Ribs, Brisket)-\$10 each, Chili-\$20 or \$50 for all. Info: Ken Sperry 254-290-1950 or [kennethsperry@hotmail.com](mailto:kennethsperry@hotmail.com) Referee: TBA

DEC 8, MAXDALE, TX – Day After Old Soldiers Chili Cook-Off. TOLBERT. Benefits: Chili Park Maintenance Fund. Location: Chili Park at 17915 Maxdale Rd, see directions on Dec. 7th. Also Saturday cookoff. Sunday Breakfast. Turn in: Chili-Noon. Showmanship 12:30 to 1:00. Entry fee: Chili-\$20. Info: Ken Sperry 254-290-1950 or [kennethsperry@hotmail.com](mailto:kennethsperry@hotmail.com) Referee: TBA

MAR 15, MCGREGOR TX –Tolbert Texas Men's State Chili Championship. TOLBERT. Benefits: American Legion Post 273 charities, hosted by the American Legion. Location: The Exchange Event Center, 300 S Jefferson Ave. Dry Camping No Hook Ups. Can cook inside the Event Center. Vendors, Silent Auction & Bake Sale. Live music Friday & Saturday nights. American Legion will provide Friday night dinner, along with Saturday & Sunday breakfasts (donations welcomed.) Also Sunday cookoff. Top 3 Texas chili & top show team residents qualified for 2025 OTICCC. Turn in: Black-eyed Peas-Noon, Beans-1:00, Chili-2:00, Showmanship 2:30-3:00. Entry fee: Black eyed Peas & Beans-\$10 each Chili-\$25. Info: Michael Kellogg 254-290-4317 or [tolbertmensstatechili@gmail.com](mailto:tolbertmensstatechili@gmail.com). Referee: TBA

MAR 16, MCGREGOR TX – Brazilian Open. TOLBERT. Benefits: American Legion Post 273 charities, hosted by the Auxiliary of the American Legion. Location: The Exchange Event Center, 300 S Jefferson Ave. Dry Camping No Hook Ups. Can cook inside the Event Center. Post will supply breakfast (donations welcomed.) If at least 25 cooks, Top 3 chili & top show team qualified for 2025 OTICCC. Turn in: Chili-Noon. Entry fee: Chili-\$20. Info: Michael Kellogg 254-290-4317 or [tolbertmensstatechili@gmail.com](mailto:tolbertmensstatechili@gmail.com). Referee: TBA

APR 5, MARTINDALE, TX Dam Chili Cookoff. TOLBERT. (**changed from Mar. 5**) Benefits: San Marcos Youth Services Bureau "YSB" ([www.ysb.org](http://www.ysb.org).) Location: The old Cotton Gin, 204 Main St. Limited space, 50+ teams, need to pre-register early to be assured of a spot. *Pending: Details to follow.* Info: Shaun Shaver, [shaunshaver@gmail.com](mailto:shaunshaver@gmail.com) for registration form and more details, or 512 720-0506 Referee: TBA

APR 12, ROSANKY, TX – Snake Prairie Chili Jam 4. TOLBERT. Benefits: Austin Wildlife Rescue. Location: Snake Prairie Event Center, 10 minutes south of Bastrop on Hwy. 304 (map location: 2467 Hwy. 304 Smithville, TX 78957.) Camping, no hookups, take out what you bring in. NO PETS ALLOWED, see web site for site rules. *Pending: Details to follow.* See [www.snakeprairie.com](http://www.snakeprairie.com) for rules. Info: Erik McCowan 512-718-8677 (call or text) or [erikmccowan@yahoo.com](mailto:erikmccowan@yahoo.com) Referee: TBA

MAY 24 – KILLEEN, TX – Sons of American Legion Post 223 Chili Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: American Legion charities. Location: Post 223, 208 S Park St. Camping, no hookups available starting Friday. *Pending: Detail to follow.* Info: Cookoff Chairman: Jeff Wilson 254-214-5413. Referee: TBA

SEPT 13 – 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. *Pending: Details to follow.* Info: Facebook page: American Legion Post #273 McGregor, 254-840-4319 Cookoff Chairman: Gary Sanders. Referee: TBA

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