

## Tolbert Cookoff List as of September 6, 2023

SEPT 8-9, WEATHERFORD, TX –VFW Post 4746 Smokin Guns Chili/BBQ Cook Off. TOLBERT. Benefits: Post charties. Location: 224 Zion Hill Rd. Camping area & limited hookups for \$15 per day, 1<sup>st</sup> come, 1<sup>st</sup> served. Meat inspection begins 2 pm on Friday night. Friday night Jackpot (winner take all) Appetizers, Margaritas & Chefs' Choice Spam- \$5 each, turn in: 7PM. Cook's Party with Karaoke 7-11 PM Friday night. Cooks meeting Saturday-8 AM. No entries accepted after 10 AM. 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. Info: Referee: Aimee Johnson 817-304-0743, Facebook page: VFW Post No 4746 R.D. Nelson Memorial.

SEPT 16, MAXDALE, TX – 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Vern Kong Memorial Chili & BBQ Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: Chili Park Maintenance Fund. Location: Chili Park at 17915 Maxdale Road, Killeen, 76549, take FM 2670 (W) off Hwy 195, left at Y to Maxdale Rd, on left (S) of road. Friday night cooks dinner, Sat. & Sun. AM Breakfast \ Limited RV hookups-\$10 a night. Also Sunday cookoff. Turn in: Bloody Mary-10, Margaritas-10:30, Chicken-11, Black-Eyed Peas-Noon, Beans-1, Chili-2, Ribs-3. Entry fee: Drinks-\$5 each, Chicken, Ribs, Peas. Beans-\$10 each, Chili-\$25 or all for \$50. Info: Cookoff Chairman: Ken Sperry 254-290-1950 or [kennethsperry@hotmail.com](mailto:kennethsperry@hotmail.com) Referee: Tom Stephens

Sept 17, MAXDALE, TX – A Day After Vern Kong Memorial Chili Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: Chili Park Maintenance Fund. Location: Chili Park at 17915 Maxdale Road, Killeen, 76549, take FM 2670 (W) off Hwy 195, left at Y to Maxdale Rd, on left (S) of road. Also Saturday cookoff, AM Breakfast \ Limited RV hookups-\$10 a night. Turn in: Chili-Noon. Entry fee: Chili-\$20. Info: Cookoff Chairman: Ken Sperry 254-290-1950 or [kennethsperry@hotmail.com](mailto:kennethsperry@hotmail.com) Referee: Tom Stephens

Sept 23, HEWITT, TX – Freaky Fall Chili and Bean Cook Off. Benefits: Veterans and Veteran Programs. Location: VFW Post 6008, 725 Sun Valley Blvd. Limited camping, no hookups, call ahead to reserve a spot. Also Sunday cookoff. (Please, NO Alcohol on the Premises.) Parking opens Sept 22 at: 5 PM. Goodie Bags to 1<sup>st</sup> 30 entries, 50/50 Drawing, Raffle Prizes, Drink Specials. Turn ins: Jackpot Bloody Mary's (100% payout)-10, Jackpot Pinto Beans (100% payout)-1, Chili-2. Entry fees: Bloody Mary's & Pinto Beans-\$10, Chili-\$20. Info: VFW 254-666-6008 or Facebook page: VFW Post 6008, Cookoff Chairman: Bill Cadola, Referee: Debbie Eiland Turner 972-935-2402 or [debwayet@outlook.com](mailto:debwayet@outlook.com)

SEPT 23, SISTERDALE/BLANCO, TX - Raise the Roof Chili & BBQ Cook Off and Fundraiser - TOLBERT. Benefits: Preservation of the Historic Hall (501c3 Non profit). Location: Historic Twin Sisters Dance Hall. Friday Cookoff registration: 4:30-10:00, entries must be paid if staying overnight. Saturday Registration: 8-10. Saturday: Domino Tournament & Washer Pitching/Horsehoes, Live music all day, Food & Market vendors, Children's activities, Silent Auction (closes at 6). Dance after announcements competition, Turn in: 6:30 pm, Entry fee: \$15. Saturday Registration 8 to 10. Turn in: Salsa-11, Jackpot Pinto Beans-Noon, Pork Spare Ribs-1, Chili-2, Chefs Choice-3, Brisket-4. Entry fees: Salsa-\$10, Beans-\$25, Chili, Ribs, Chef Choice & Brisket - \$20 each. Info: Cookoff Chairman: Jessi Hass-Snow 210-379-5179 or [tsdhraisetherooft@gmail.com](mailto:tsdhraisetherooft@gmail.com) or [www.twinsistersdancehall.com](http://www.twinsistersdancehall.com), Referee: Tom Stephens.

Sept 24, HEWITT, TX – Freaky Fall Chili Cook Off Day 2. Benefits: Veterans and Veteran Programs. Location: VFW Post 6008, 725 Sun Valley Blvd. Limited camping, no hookups, call ahead to reserve a spot. Also Sunday cookoff. (Please, NO Alcohol on the Premises.) Parking opens Sept 22 at: 5 PM Turn in: Chili-Noon. Entry fee: Chili-\$20. Info: VFW 254-666-6008 or Facebook page: VFW Post 6008, Cookoff Chairman: Bill Cadola, Referee: Debbie Eiland Turner 972-935-2402 or [debwayet@outlook.com](mailto:debwayet@outlook.com)

SEPT 30, RICHARDSON (change from Dallas), TX – KNON 89.3 FM's 9th Annual Chili Cookoff & Concert. TOLBERT. Benefits: KNON 89.3 FM Non-Profit Community Radio. Location: Tavern on Main Street, 115 E Main St. Concert: Noon to 5:00. People's Choice competition, "Anything Goes." Vendor space available.

Turn in: Tolbert Chili-Noon. Info: Cookoff Chairman: Jesse Gonzales 469-487-6516 or [www.knon.org](http://www.knon.org), Referee: Debbie Eiland Turner 972-935-2402 or [debwayet@outlook.com](mailto:debwayet@outlook.com)

Sept 30, ROCKNE, TX – Leon's Country Store Last Chance. TOLBERT. Benefits: CASA of Bastrop, Fayette & Lee Counties. Location: 4033 FM 535. Dry Camping across the street, No Hook ups. Also Sunday cookoff. Turn in: Bloody Mary's-Noon, Beans-1:00, Chili-2:00, Ribs-3:00, Brisket-4:00. Entry fee: Bloody Mary-\$5, Beans-\$10, Chili, Ribs, Brisket-\$20 each. Awards est. 5:00. Info: Store 512-321-7346, Referee: Tom Stephens 512-554-5389 (text or leave message please).

### **2023-2024 Chili year ends on September 30<sup>th</sup>**

OCT 1, ROCKNE, TX – Leon's Country Store First Chance. TOLBERT. Benefits: CASA of Bastrop, Fayette & Lee Counties. Location: 4033 FM 535. Dry Camping across the street, No Hook ups. Also Saturday cookoff. Turn in: Chili-1:00. Entry fee\$20. Awards est. 2:00. Info: Store 512-321-7346, Referee: Tom Stephens 512-554-5389 (text or leave message please).

OCT 7, BLANCO, TX – 53<sup>rd</sup> Ladies State Chili Championship. TOLBERT. Benefits: The Smile Never Fades <http://thesmileneverfades.com>. Location: Yett Memorial Park, 1813 US-281. Limited Electrical Hookups \$25/night —\$50 for 2 nights. In honor of Laury McCullough. Also Junior and Sunday chili only cookoff. Texas resident winners of 1st-3rd chili and 1st show automatically qualify for 2024 OTICCC. Friday night turn in: Beans-6, Margaritas 6:30. Cooks Dinner 7. Saturday registration: 9 am, Cooks Meeting-10. Turn ins: Junior Miss-Noon, Chili-1, Showmanship 1:30-2:30, BBQ Chicken-3, Pork Ribs-4. Entry fees: Junior Chili-\$20, Tolbert Chili-\$30 (Chili pre-pay prior to 9/1 - \$25), Beans, Margarita's, BBQ Chicken or Pork Ribs-\$15 each. See flyer online for more details. Info: Kim Eckert 512-743-5039 or [ladiesstatechili@gmail.com](mailto:ladiesstatechili@gmail.com) Info: or web site [www.ladiesstatechili.org](http://www.ladiesstatechili.org) or Facebook page: Ladies State Chili Championship of Texas. Referee: Debbie Eiland Turner

OCT 8, BLANCO, TX – 14<sup>th</sup> Just A Cookoff (JACC). TOLBERT. Benefits: The Smile Never Fades Location: Yett Memorial Park, 1813 US-281. Also Saturday cookoff for more details. Chili only. Turn in: Noon. Showmanship 11-11:30. Entry fee: \$20. Info: Info: Kim Eckert 512-743-5039 or [ladiesstatechili@gmail.com](mailto:ladiesstatechili@gmail.com). Referee: Debbie Eiland Turner

OCT 20-21, ALVARADO, TX – VFW Post 9299 Chili/BBQ Cook Off. TOLBERT. Benefits: VFW charities. Location: VFW Post 9299, 6732 E US 67. Camping, no hookups. Details to follow. Info: Call or Text Tracie 214-460-7610

### **Terlingua week for the 2022-2023 chili year**

NOV 2, TERLINGUA, TX – 7th 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. See the schedule of events for registration times on Wednesday & Thursday. Entry fee: \$25. Turn in: 1. Rules and registration form on [www.abowlofred.com](http://www.abowlofred.com). Info: [gary@mildbillsspices.com](mailto:gary@mildbillsspices.com)

NOV 2, TERLINGUA, TX - World's Championship Margarita Mix-Off. Location: OTICC site, 23101 FM 170, Behind the Whites' Store, just East of Downtown Terlingua. See the schedule of events for registration times on Wednesday & Thursday. Entry fee: \$10. Turn in: 1. Rules and registration form on [www.abowlofred.com](http://www.abowlofred.com). Judges must pay \$10 to participate, payable during registration at the cookoff. Info: [gary@mildbillsspices.com](mailto:gary@mildbillsspices.com)

NOV 3, TERLINGUA, TX - Very Last Chance for 2023 Championship. TOLBERT. Location: OTICC site, 23101 FM 170, Behind the Whites' Store, just East of Downtown Terlingua. Cooks cannot be qualified for the 2023 OTICCC Championship. The top 10 winners qualified to compete in the Saturday Championship. See the schedule of events for registration times on Thursday & Friday. Turn in: 3:30. Entry fee: \$50. Rules and

registration form on [www.abowlofred.com](http://www.abowlofred.com). Chairman: Patrick Ryan. Info: Debbie Eiland Turner 972-935-2402 or [goatgapgazette@sbcglobal.net](mailto:goatgapgazette@sbcglobal.net)

NOV 3, TERLINGUA, TX – 35th Annual Bob Roberts Memorial BBQ Cookoff, 41st Annual Hal John Wimberly - Frank X Tolbert. Memorial World Championship B.E.An. & 31st Annual. Clay Henry Memorial World Championship P.E.A.-Off & 12th Annual Jimmy Doherty Memorial Salsa Contest. Location: OTICC site, 23101 FM 170, Behind the Whites' Store, just East of Downtown Terlingua. See the schedule of events for registration times on Thursday & Friday. BBQ cooks not qualified to compete in chili or showmanship receive one free armband for cooking one meat category or 2 armbands if cooking in two or more categories. Turn in: Salsa-10:30, Chicken-11, Black-eyed Peas-Noon, Ribs-1, Beans-2, Brisket-3. Entry Fees: BBQ meats (Brisket, Chicken & Ribs) \$50 each or \$120 for all three, Beans, Black-eyed Peas, Salsa- \$10 each. Rules and registration form on [www.abowlofred.com](http://www.abowlofred.com). Pre-register available (PO Box 143, Terlingua, TX 78952), but must be mailed by Oct. 24th, checks will not be cashed until after the cookoff in case you are unable to participate. Info: Jimmy Smith BBQ Event Director 254-698-1081 leave a message or [jsmith290@hotmail.com](mailto:jsmith290@hotmail.com)

NOV 4, TERLINGUA, TX – 56th 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](mailto:goatgapgazette@sbcglobal.net)) to register their team members. Chili & Showmanship Qualification Info: Mona Schlieper 361-524-0131 or [monaschlieper@yahoo.com](mailto:monaschlieper@yahoo.com). Cookoff Info: [abowlofred@gmail.com](mailto:abowlofred@gmail.com) or [www.abowlofred.com](http://www.abowlofred.com) or Kathleen Tolbert Ryan 817-653-0988 or [ktryan97@gmail.com](mailto:ktryan97@gmail.com)

DEC 2, 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. Friday night Dinner, Saturday Breakfast. Also Sunday cookoff. Showmanship 2:30 to 3. Turn in: Bloody Mary-10, Margaritas-10:30, Chicken-11, Black-Eyed Peas-Noon, Beans-1, Chili-2, Ribs-3. Entry fee: Drinks-\$5 each, Ribs, Chicken, Peas. Beans-\$10 each, Chili-\$20 or all for \$50. Also Sunday cookoff. Info: Ken Sperry 254-290-1950 or [kennethsperry@hotmail.com](mailto:kennethsperry@hotmail.com)

DEC 3, MAXDALE, TX – – Day After Old Soldiers 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. Sunday Breakfast. Showmanship 12:30 to 1:00. Only chili competition. Also Saturday cookoff. Turn in: Chili-Noon. Entry fee: Chili-\$20.. Info: Ken Sperry 254-290-1950 or [kennethsperry@hotmail.com](mailto:kennethsperry@hotmail.com)

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JAN 6, LEANDER, TX – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mike Ganske Memorial Chili Cook-off and Pool Tournament. TOLBERT. Benefits: VFW Post charities. Location: VFW Post 10427, 8760 Ranch Road 2243. Overnight camping, no hookups. Details to follow. Info: Robert “Frosty” Winterbottom 512-751-2084

**CANCELLED** JAN 20 – PORT ARANSAS, TX – VFW Post 8967 Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: TBA. Location: 311 N Alister St. Details to follow. This cookoff has been held for 20 years not being sanctioned, but wanted to switch to being Tolbert sanctioned. Post Facebook page: VFW Post 8976. Info: Cookoff Chairman: Norma Moreno 361-230-9703

JAN 27 – KILLEEN, TX – American Legion Post 223 Chili Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: American Legion charities. Location: Post 223, 208 South Park St. NEW cookoff. Details to follow. Facebook page: American Legion Post 223, Info: Cookoff Chairman: Jeff Wilson 254-214-5413.

FEB 17, MARTINDALE, TX – The Dam Cookoff. TOLBERT. Benefits: San Marcos Youth Services Bureau "YSB" ([www.ysb.org](http://www.ysb.org).) Location: The old Cotton Gin, 204 Main St. Details to follow. Info: Cookoff Chairman: Shaun Shaver, [shaunshaver@gmail.com](mailto:shaunshaver@gmail.com) or 512 720-0506