

Chili Cook-off Team Application
22nd Annual Rotary Club of The Villages® Event
The Villages® Lake Sumter Landing Market Square®
Saturday, February 2, 2019

This is a fundraiser for the Rotary Club of The Villages® Foundation, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, tax exempt under IRC Section 501 (c) 3

Sponsored by The Rotary Club of The Villages®

Team Name _____

Company Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Phone #: _____

Alternate Phone #: _____

E-mail: _____

List of sponsors for your team, if any: _____

I, the undersigned, certify the foregoing is correct, to the best of my knowledge. I certify and acknowledge that I have received, read, and understand the Rules and Regulations as outlined below, and, if my application is accepted, I agree to abide by said Rules and Regulations. Further, I have made my staff and/or volunteers; will abide by the Rules and Regulations.

The entry Fee of \$50 per Chili Cook-off Team Area constitutes a tax-exempt contribution. A Team Area is defined as a 12'x12' space. Multiple spaces are frequently used at \$50 per space. See limitations in 8) below.

A copy of the official registration and financial information of the Rotary Club of The Villages® Foundation, Inc. may be obtained from the Florida Division of Consumer Services by calling toll free 1-800-435-7352 within the State of Florida.

Full payment is due with this application by Monday, January 21st, 2019.

Make checks payable to the Rotary Club of The Villages® Foundation, Inc. and with the completed application to:

Rotary Club of The Villages Foundation
P.O. Box 1645
Lady Lake Fl. 32158

Questions are to be directed to:
Richard Wilder at 352-430-1841 or Stephane Fernung at 305-484-2370
Or E-Mail rotaryhgc@gmail.com

Contestant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____



Event Booth Space Guidelines

THE VILLAGES® LAKE SUMTER LANDING MARKET SQUARE® is the focus of many activities and play an important role in contributing to our friendly, hometown atmosphere. These guidelines are established to ensure the fair, continued, and participation of our valued Event Booth Spaces in these activities at **THE VILLAGES® LAKE SUMTER LANDING MARKET SQUARE®**.

Event and Set Up Times

Event Booth Space set up time is as follows:

9:00am-4:00pm events

Set-up is 11:00pm the night before until 8:00am day of event

All vehicle must be removed by 8:00am

Check in on Saturday, February 2, 2019, begins at 6:00am, if Event Booth was not set up prior to Saturday.

Vehicle removal time is strictly enforced by The Villages® Special Events Staff.

Set up times for events that occur at other times, other than those listed above will be discussed on an event by event basis.

Event Booth Space Booths must be completely set up & manned no later than 1 hour prior to start time of an event. Event Booth Space tear down time is no sooner than event end time. **Do not pull vehicles into the Event area to load up until all merchandise is packed, tent is down and/or display is down and dismantled, and all items are ready to be put into the vehicle.**

Vacating a vendor space or trying to bring in a vehicle prior to the event end time, to load out is not permitted, nor is waiting at the gate.

Tear down and load out must be done in a timely manner. All participants must be respectful to The Villages® Special Events Staff and take direction from them, as they are trying to make and execute the most efficient tear down and load out process for everyone involved.

Parking

1. All Event Booth Spaces Vendors must park in the designated area. Parking maps will be provided in the event packet prior to the event.
2. Vendor will be given a parking pass to be placed in the vehicle window for the entire event, from setup to load in to parking to tear down.
3. No golf carts and/or motorized vehicles of any kind will be permitted in the blocked off event area after the end of the designated set up time, specifically during the event time of 9am – 4pm.

Weather

Events in The Villages® occur rain or shine. In the unlikely event of a cancellation each Event Booth Space will be informed as soon as the decision is made. If you don't hear from an Event Coordinator directly, that indicates that everything is on schedule and as planned.

Set Up Criteria and Power

1. If set up includes a tent, all 4 corners must be weighed with no less than 25 pounds per leg.
2. All Event Booths must stay within the boundaries of their allotted space(s).
3. Vendors are not permitted to tie off to any structures and/or landscaping on the Square.
4. Any Vendor cooking or serving anything, particularly with grease, a tarp must cover the entire floor of the tent area. The cost of cleaning of any splattering or grease stains that appear on the ground in the Event Booth Spaces will be billed to that Vendor immediately following the event.
5. Any Vendor cooking must have a fire extinguisher in their Event Booth Space.
6. No back stock is to be placed on the sidewalk behind Event Booth Space.
7. Do not use the chairs on the Square as they are provided for the use of the guests to the Square.
8. All handicap ramps must remain open at all times.
9. No event product storage can be placed in the landscaping.
10. All Event Booths are required to place caution tape behind Event Booth Space set up to ensure spectators are not able to walk through the display and will only be able to walk in designated areas which have been deemed safe to food traffic by Event Coordinators.
11. Vendors requiring power to run lights and/or equipment for their booth will be required to have a whisper quiet generator for their power needs. Any electrical cords, hoses, etc. that need to be run, must be covered by ADA Cable Protector enclosures, pre-approved by Event Coordinator.
12. Plugging into existing electrical outlets is strictly prohibited.
13. No gas cans are allowed to be at Event Booth Space, please fill generator before Event. Gas cans must be kept off sight.
14. Generators must be next to the Event Booth Space. Placing generators in any other area or away from their set up area is prohibited. **PLEASE NOTE: NOISY AND GENERATORS CREATING INTOXICATING FUMES WILL BE SHUT OFF BY THE EVENT COORDINATORS.**
15. No kerosene, butane, candles or other flammable lighting shall be used.

Anyone found to be violating any of the Set Up Criteria will be given one warning to address the violation. If it is not addressed after the warning, the event participant will be asked to pack up their materials and leave the event area.

Signage

Signage is extremely important to the setup of an Event Booth Space area. Please be sure that there is a large sign stating the name of the Event Booth Space and a large sign listing what is in the Event Booth Space. Individual Booth signage should be no bigger than a 2x10 banner located on the front of the tent. All signage must be neat and aesthetically pleasing to reinforce the environment of Lake Sumter Landing Market Square®. All signage must be in Event Booth Space designated area **ONLY**. Feather flags will not be permitted to be placed in existing landscaping and/or flower beds.

Trash

Event Booth Spaces shall bag and remove all of their trash from the event. Leaving trash, boxes, or bags next to or in the existing trash containers in or around Lake Sumter Landing Market Square® is not permitted. **Non-biodegradable items, such as grease, should be disposed of properly and not discarded in storm sewers. Absolutely nothing including Ice and Water is to be poured into the storm drains. Anyone caught doing this will be immediately removed from the Event Area.**

Dress Code/Conduct

There will be an enforced dress code among the Event Booth Spaces and their helpers. Dress is to be kept clean and neat. Dress shall not be revealing or distracting to the Lake Sumter Landing Market Square® environment. While participating in The Villages® you are a representative of the ideals and image of The Villages®. All dress should reflect accordingly.

The use of illegal substance and/or aggressive behavior by an Event Booth Space, Helpers, or Volunteers is strictly prohibited. The use of vulgar language or disrespectful comments will also not be tolerated.

Safety and Cleanliness

All Event Booth Spaces will adhere to the utmost of safety standards. Anyone handling food directly that is not packaged is required to wear rubber gloves. Any Event Booth Space that is doing any type of cooking in their space, particularly those using a tent set up, should have their entire space covered on the bottom with a nonflammable tarp or other safety cover. Any stains that occur and are left by the Event Booth Space will be cleaned by The Villages® Entertainment and an appropriate bill will be sent to the Event Booth Space who occupied that particular space for immediate payment. No glass bottles are allowed in the Event Area.

All Event Booth Space of any type should be left as they were found prior to Event setup.

Entire Agreement

These Guidelines constitute the entire Agreement between the parties and supersede all previous discussions, understandings, and agreements between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof. No Amendment hereto is effective unless made in writing and signed by both parties.

The Villages® reserves the right to terminate an Event Booth Space agreement at any time due to conduct, which jeopardizes the integrity and atmosphere of The Villages®.

All registered participants agree to honor The Villages® Third Party Guidelines as outlined and available on www.thevillages.com/trademark-usage-guidelines.pdf.

Release and Hold Harmless

In consideration of being allowed to participate as a Special Event Booth Space Group and/or Participant during The Villages® Festivals and/or Special Events, I agree to release, discharge, hold harmless and covenant not to sue The Villages® of Lake-Sumter, Inc., The Villages® Operating Company, Village® Center Community Development District, Sumter Landing Community Development District, The Rotary Club of The Villages®, The Rotary Club of The Villages® Foundation, INC., all affiliates of such entities, and each of the foregoing's officers, directors, employees, and agents (collectively, the "Released Parties") from all liability to me, my executors, administrators, personal representatives, heirs and next of kin, for all loss or damage and all claims or demands (each a "Claim") on account of injury or damage to my person or property resulting in my death that was caused by the negligence, action or inaction of such Released Parties, or otherwise. Additionally, I agree to hold harmless, defend and indemnify the released Parties from any Claim by any of my guests and invitees. This Release, Waiver and Hold Harmless is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by Florida Law and if any portion is held invalid for any reason the balance should not withstanding continue in full legal force and effect.

Prizes, Trophies, & Awards

Best Chili

- 1st Place: \$1,000 & Trophy
- 2nd Place: \$500 & Trophy
- 3rd Place: \$250 & Trophy
- 3 Honorable Mentions: \$100 each

5 Competition Trophies

Public Service Agencies:	Flaming Chili Trophy
Rotary Club Teams:	Rotary Chili Pot Trophy
Landscapers:	Weedwacker Trophy
Military Organizations:	Freedom Chili Trophy

Best Themed Chili Booth

- 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place Trophies

Note: You can promote and encourage those tasting your chili to vote with their money. Good luck and thanks for helping us added to the funds raised for the many charities the Rotary Club of The Villages supports in our community.

OFFICIAL COOK-OFF RULES & REGULATIONS

The following Rules & Regulations apply

- 1) True chili is defined by the use of any kind of meat, or combinations of meat, cooked with chili peppers, onions, peppers, and/or other vegetables, various other spices, and other ingredients with the exception of RICE or any other type of PASTA. RICE and/or PASTA are strictly forbidden. Note: This means that a contestant may use any ingredient in their chili with the exception of rice and pasta. BEANS ARE ALLOWED.
- 2) **No ingredients may be cooked in any way prior to the official commencement of the cook-off. Vegetables may be pre-cut but not pre-cooked.** Canned or bottled tomatoes, tomato sauce, pepper sauce, beverages, broth, the grinding and/or mixing of spices may be prepared prior to the start time. Meat may be treated, pre-cut, or ground. Meat may not be precooked. Peppers, onion, and other vegetables may be chopped, sliced, or diced prior to stoves being lit.
- 3) The cooking period will be a 4 hours.. The exact starting and ending times of the cooking period shall be announced at the contestants meeting, which take place in the Command/Judges tent at 8:00 AM. Cooking during the entire period is at the sole discretion of the contestant.
- 4) **The contestant or representative shall be present at the contestants meeting**, which will occur, as stated above, at 8:00 AM. At this meeting final instructions will be given and questions answered. **Stoves will be lit precisely at 8:00 AM to begin cooking.** A 32-ounce cup will be brought to you to submit your chili samples for judging.
- 5) **No chili is to be given out until it is announced over the public address system.** This should occur about noon.

- 6) Each team must have paid the entry fee for each 12'x12' area. Teams are limited to 4 members in the booth area. Booths are approximately 12'x12'. Teams are allowed as many non-cooking team assistants as they wish for shows, demonstrations, Peoples Choice Solicitation, etc., at their booths. No team member or assistant can interfere with neighboring booths or those attending the event for the purpose of tasting chili or viewing vendors services and products.

Please note:

Non-cooking assistants are not allowed to walk the general area of the chili cook-off competition or Home & Garden Show to solicit or otherwise hand out materials that would be in direct competition with the fundraising efforts of the Rotary Club of The Villages® Foundation, Inc. Political party candidates for election are not allowed to walk the general area of the chili cook-off competition or the Home & Garden Show to solicit or otherwise hand out materials. Materials may be displayed at your chili booth only. Violations of this rule will result first in a request to cease activities or activities that violate this rule. If the activity continues, your group or organization will be escorted from the area. In addition, any future applications and/or participation will be unapproved and disallowed. This event is intended to be a fundraiser for the Rotary Club of The Villages® Foundation, Inc. and not other organizations.

- 7) Contestants are responsible for supplying their own tents, **tables** and all their cooking utensils, etc. The sponsor (Rotary Club of The Villages®) shall provide the booth space only. Bottled gas, provided by the contestant, must be used. **No electrical or gas will be available for use by contestants.** The contestant team must supply all other equipment.
- 8) **Each contestant must cook a minimum of 15 (fifteen) gallons of chili per contestant space.** If you use 2 spaces you must produce 30 (thirty) gallons of chili, 3 spaces 45 (forty-five) gallons, etc. One 32-ounce cup will be supplied for judging. NOTE: the 32-ounce cup will be brought to your chili tent around 9:00 AM. The remainder will be provided for sampling to visitors and guests in tasting cups, which will be provided by the Rotary Club of The Villages®. Teams are encouraged to make more than one pot and may select which is to be submitted for competition. Only one competition cup will be accepted from each competing team.
- 9) Each contestant is responsible for delivering the 32-ounce cup (which must be filled to the bottom of the upper rim) to the judging tent at noon. This is the time the official judging begins. The Chief Judge will assign each contestant a contestant's number. It is the responsibility of the contestant to verify that the number on the 32-ounce judging cup matches there assigned contestant number.
- 10) Judges will vote on the chili they think is best based on the following characteristics: COLOR AROMA, FLAVOR, TEXTURE OF THE MEAT, BLEND OF SPICES, AND CONSISTENCY.
- 11) The decisions of the judges and Chief Judge are final.

**This is a rain or shine event to be held on
Saturday, February 2, 2019.
Thanks for your support and participation!**

**For any questions about these guidelines please contact
Richard Wilder at 352-430-1841 or Stephanie Fernung at 305-484-2370
Or by E-Mail rotaryhgc@gmail.com**



The Villages® Special Events

**Spanish Springs Town Square®
Lake Sumter Landing Market Square®
Brownwood Paddock Square®**

Special Event Booth Space Guideline/Hold Harmless Sign Off

I, _____, as a Special Event Booth Space in The Villages® for Special Events in
The Villages®, have read and understand the Special Event Booth Space Guidelines of
The Villages® Entertainment.

I acknowledge that any attempt to violate the guidelines or procedures of Special Events in The Villages®,
could lead to termination of my participation in the event.

All registered participants agree to honor The Villages® Third Party Guidelines as outlined and available on
www.thevillages.com/trademark-usage-guidelines.pdf.

In consideration of being allowed to participate as a Special Event Booth Space Group and/or
Participant during The Villages® Festivals and/or Special Events at Spanish Springs Town
Square®, Lake Sumter Landing Market Square®, and Brownwood Paddock Square®, I agree to
release, discharge, hold harmless and covenant not to sue The Villages® of Lake-Sumter, Inc.,
The Villages® Operating Company, Village® Center Community Development District, Sumter
Landing Community Development District, The Rotary Club of The Villages®, and The Rotary
Club of The Villages® Foundation, Inc. all affiliates of such entities, and each of the foregoing's
officers, directors, employees, and agents (collectively, the "Released Parties") from all liability to
me, my executors, administrators, personal representatives, heirs and next of kin, for all loss or
damage and all claims or demands (each a "Claim") on account of injury or damage to my person
or property resulting in my death that was caused by the negligence, action or inaction of such
Released Parties, or otherwise. Additionally, I agree to hold harmless, defend and indemnify the
released Parties from any Claim by any of my guests and invitees. This Release, Waiver and
Hold Harmless is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by Florida Law and if any
portion is held invalid for any reason the balance should not withstanding continue in full legal
force and effect.

Print Name

Signature

Group/Organization Name

Date