

Chili Appreciation Society International Annual Great Peppers Meeting Memphis. Tn. September 7,1996

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by President Ralph Hay. Directors present:

Ralph Hay, President
Mike Strack, Vice President
Mel FitzHenry, Secretary
Jim Stateczny, Treasurer
Hut Brown Executive Director
Harvey West, Director

Myrl Coultas, Director Vickie Childers, Director John Caffey, Director Guy Smith, Director Glyn Gaines, Director

PODS PRESENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Alamo Area Pod

Arkansas Social Society Black Gold Pod Border-Line Chili Heads Inc. Capital Pod INOVA Pod Central Arkansas Pod Chili Appreciation Society of Arizona ChiliHeads of Arisona Inc. Chillini Pod Colorado Chili Pod Concho Valley Pod Cowtown CASI Dallas Area Metroplex Pod Drip POd Golden Triangle POd Green County Chili & EBQ Too Heart of Oklahoma Chiliheads High Desert Pod Highland Lakes Chili Pod Houston Pod Iowa Chili Aprreciation Assn. Llano Estacado Pod Mason-Dixon Pod MO-KAN Chili Pod New Mexico Chili Society North of Brazos Pod

Old Dominion Pod Pacific Pod Pasadena Pod

Piedmont Fepper Pod Pod of the Pass Puget Pod Pod of The River Purgatory Creek Pod Red River Valley Pod Rose City Pod San Angelo Cookers Association San Antonio Pod Sotol Pod South Planes of Texas Pod Space City Pod State of Texas Pod Tall In Texas Pod Texas Hill Country Top of Texas Pod Victoria and Surrounding Areas Yavapai Chili Society Virgin Pod

PODS ABSENT FOR FIRST TIME: LaCASI Lousianne, Grossroads Chili Cookers Pod

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Oak Pod of Oakton, Rie Grande Valley Ped State of

Idaho Pod State of Washington Pod



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WELCOME (HOST PODS) Cody Olivera representing the host pods welcomed the Directors, Delegates and guests.

RESPONSE: Ralph Hay thanked the host pods for all their efforts on behalf of CASI and its Delegates.

A welcoming address was given by Mr Dick Hackett, former mayor of Memphis on behalf of the St Judes Children's Hospital. Mr Hackett gave a brief history of the Hospital and its efforts to treat children all over the world. He also made a request of CASI and its membership Pods to select St Judes as a charity for those Pods looking for a charity or for Pods that would like to designate one of their cookoffs to St Judes. He offered the many connections that St Judes has and any help they could provide to any Pod wanting to hold a cookoff for St Judes.

Reading of the 1995 GREAT PEPPERS MEETING MINUTES: Mel FitzHenry presented the minutes of the 1995 Great Peppers Meeting held in Irving, Texas. There were no corrections or additions the the minutes. Motion was made and seconded for approval. Motion Passed.

PEPORT OF THE TALLYMASTER: Harvey West reported there has been 420 cookoffs far this year. There have been 285 qualified cooks thus far and 97 show teams thus far. Harvey stated a total of \$621,222.50 has been raised to date.

Harvey asked that the referee of any cookoff being conducted should pick up the results of that cookoff and send it to the Tallymaster within 30 days as stated in the rules. He stated he has been getting cookoffs well beyond the 30 day deadline and this causes many problems with those cooks trying to qualify.

SPONSORSHIP REPORT: Guy Smith reported that CASI once again has recieved \$5,000 from Pendry's and \$10,000 from Hunt-Wesson foods. Harvey West gave a report on the new Friends of CASI program. The program was setup to allow for anyone wanting to support CASI through a donation of \$250, \$500. amd \$1,000. Harvey reported the program has already recieved over \$5,000 in donations and pledges. Those donating \$500 or \$1,000 will recieve a nice wall plaque and the \$250 donation will recieve a framed certificate. Harvey asked that if possible Pods hold a cookoff with the proceeds going to the Friends of CASI program.

CHILICITY REPORT: Vicki reported she still has some Terlinqua Passports available. She also has been sending the Passports to area business and to BV parks and visitors centers. She also has the press release ready to to and asked that anyone wanting to use the press release, please contact her.

PANCHO CASI de los CHISO SITE REPORT: John Caffey reported the changes at 3 TICC site were leveling of some of the areas around the judging area. The road into the site has been graded and is in good shape. The area across the creek that has been considered as a possible parking area has been put on hold for now due to the expense. The show and cookoff areas will be fenced this year with two gates allowing entrance to the area.



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RANCHO CASI REPORT CONTINUES: John stated there will be a VIP parking area this year. It will be located just past the second entrance on the right. He asked that only those with parking permits, park in this area, the tow truck is in good shape this year. There will be a chain link fence put up on the main stage so that sponsor banners etc, can be hung. There will be several roads that will be blocks this year to allow for more parking of motorhomes and campers. John asked for as much help and he can get, as he has many posts to put in this year. John unfortunately decided not to run for re-election this year, he has done a great job while on the Board and will be missed.

TICC REPORT: Balph Hay reinterated what John Caffey had reported, stating that changes had been made in the TICC area. He asked that everyone please try to park in a fashion that will help put as many vehicles as possible in the area we now have. He stated that the board is looking at areas for improvement as monies become available.

TERLINQUA TRAILS FEPORT: Myrl reported the Trails will now start reporting all cookoff winners. He asked for more articles and pictures about what is going on in the world of chili cooking from anyone willing to write and the pictures. He will no longer edit for grammar, saying articles will printed as recieved. He also asked for more ads for the Trails, cookoffs etc. He asked that anyone wanting to place something in the Trails be watchful of the PRINTING DEADLINE OF 12 PM, THE 15TH OF EACH MONTH. Myrl has sent out 363 packets thus far and increase over the 228 last year. He has also sent out 42 packets for the new chili year and packet revenue of \$1720.00 thus far.

DEVIATION FROM THE AGENDA: Ralph Hay reinterated the discussion held during the Friday caucus, concerning the chance to win \$250.00 in a drawing to be held on Saturday the day of TICC. All registered cooks at TICC this year will be entered in the drawing and must be cooking in the 320 arena during the cookoff to win. The Board hopes to encourage everyone to cook in this area, to show our sponsors, guests and visitors the large amount of cooks we really have at TICC. Cooking in the 320 does not require you own a 320 site, see a Director or Shirley Stateczny for help, your presence will really make the cookoff more fun for everyone.

ALCALDE REPORT; Shirley reported the sale of 19 320 sites since the last meeting, which leaves just 80 sites left for sale. She also stated anyone wishing to purchase a site may do so over a four month period at \$50 per month.

She also asked that anyone with a new address, please let her know, she got several packets back last year due to bad addresses.

She also asked if you know of anyone owning a 320 site and not planning to attend TICC this year, let her know. She says there are plenty of sites to k on this year and encouraged everyone to cook in the 320 area. She also encouraged bringing throw down chili to TICC, along with some small cups and spoons to give chili away during the cookoff, just in case you might need them. Cooking in the 320 arena will also give those wanting to taste chili a good chance to find you.

She is also looking for help in finding the sites again this year, a metal detector would be helpful if you have one to bring to TICC.

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ALCALDE REPORT CONTINUED; Shirley will have the master map of the 320 area at TICC, so anyone needing help in finding their site can use the map. Shirley has been our Alcalde for the past three years and has decided not to run for re-election. She has done a fine job keeping up with the 320 business, the Board thanks her for all her efforts and support of CASI. She also stated that Jimmy Taylor wishes to run for this position and asked that anyone also wishing to run, attend the Alcalde meeting at TICC this year, where an election will be held.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Mike strack presented this years membership contest to the meeting. Once again there will be two contests, one for in the state of Texas and one for out of Texas with the winners getting a case of tequila. He also presented a new CASI Honor Roll contest for individuals getting new members with three levels of winners and a grand prize of a CASI jacket to the overall winner.

Life memberships will not count in this years contest.

He also told the group of the increase to \$15.00 for annual CASI dues and a sliding scale cost of a Life Membership to CASI.

Mike also presented a program called CASI 2000, which contained a lot of d for thought information concerning the future of our organization. Make presented a very good program which included a response package that all GP could take back to their Pods for consideration. He asked that the response information be returned to him by DECEMBER 15, 1996.

Motion was made to accept the CASI 2000 plan by Dave Garner, second by Ron Phillips, motion passed.

Motion was made to accept the Plan for Growth by Dave Garner, second by Stuart Frye, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Jim Stateczny gave a detailed report on the finances of CASI, which is attached to this report.

Motion made to accept the financial report by Dave Garner, second by Cheryl Pierson, motion passed.

Discussion was held on what to do with the monies in the Water Well Fund. Jim suggested a fund be set up to help offset the cost of past life memberships and put the monies from the water well fund and the left over GP meeting fund into this fund. The fund would be called the Life Membership Fund and would provide CASI the opportunity to borrow from itself, to address getting water to the Ranch if and when it comes within reach and other needs for improvements as seen by the Board and membership.

Motion was made to put the monies in the Water Well Fund into the Life Membership Fund by Dave Garner, second by Jerry Christsen, motion passed.

Motion was made to put the monies left over from the GP Meeting Fund into the Life Membership Fund by Dave Garner, second by Ron Phillips, motion failed.

Motion made to accept the proposed rule book reorganization as amended during the caucus by Joe Cannavan, second by Dave Garner, motion passed.

RULE CHANGES: See Attachment.



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SELECTION OF SITES FOR 1996-1997 OPENS AND REGIONALS;

Peggy Gehagan moved the Southwest Open be held in Wichita Falls, Tx. for 1997, second Vicki Childers, motion passed.

Ron Phillips moved for a wavier to the rule to hold the Rocky Point Open in Mexico. Bobby Elliott seconded. motion passed.

Charlie Walstrom moved for the New Zealand Open, Vann York second, motion passed

Jim Parker moved for the National Capital Open, second Richard King, motion passed.

David Garner moved for the Four Corners Regional, Dick Seehusen second, motion passed.

Colleen Wallace moved for the Pacific Northwest Regional, Stuart Frye, second, motion passed.

SELECTION OF THE SITE FOR THE 1997 GREAT PEPPERS MEETING: Billy Fogers of the Pedimont Peppee Pod presented their program for a bid of the 1997 meeting.

Terry Harris of Del Rio Pod presented their program for a bid of the 1997 meeting

Dick Die noved the 1997 Great Feppers Meeting be held in Ashville, NC. on September 6, 1997. Second, Norma Homesley, motion passed.

Jerry Harris of Drip Pod moved the 1998 Great Peppers Meeting be held in Del Rio, Tx. Second, John Caffey, motion passed.

Discussion was held concerning residency, David Manske moved that residency be determined by where one lives and a valid drivers license address is used. Vann York, second, motion passed

David Manske and Shirley Stateczny were selected by the Great Peppers to be Co-Great Peppers of the Year.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION: Hut Brown, Mel FitzHenry, were re-elected to the Board, Cindy Reed and Preston Shaw were elected to serve on the Board for the first time.

John Caffey, did not run for re-election, Glyn Gaines was not re-elected. Board and the CASI membership would like to take this opportunity to thank John and Glyn for all their dedication, hard work and support in making CASI what it is today, they will be missed as Directors.

Dave Garner moved for adjournment. John Caffey, second, motion passed.

Mel FitzHenry-Secretary



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Guy Smith-Director John Caffey-Director Cindy Reed-New Director Preston Shaw-New Director

Motion was made to negociate with Jack and Rosemary Smith for a continuation of 2 years on said contract, to be done during the upcoming 96 TICC. Motion passed MS. MF, HB. will negociate a new agreement.

Motion made to buy a computer system for the Tallymaster motion passed.

Motion made not to proceed with the Nothing Butt the Best T-shirt, motion failed, lack of a second

Motion made to spend needed monies for a framed certificate and up to \$25 for a plaque for \$500 and up to \$50 for a \$1000 and for major sponsors. Motion passed.

Motion make to select Dave Garner and Barbra Fox as Co-Chili heads of the year. Motion Passed.

Motion to adjourn: Motion passed.

Mel FitzHenry Secretary

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- 1. HEAD CHILI JUDGE(S) -
- 2. HEAD SHOWMANSHIP JUDGE(S) -
- 3. REGISTRATION -
- 4. BEER CONCESSION -
- 5. T-SHIRT, ETC.M CONCESSION -
- 6. ENTERTAINMENT, BAND -
- 7. TICKET GATE, ADMISSION, WRIST BANDS, ETC. -
- 8. PORTA JOHNS Number, When, etc. -
- 9. SECURITY, 2ND GATE, ETC. -
- 10. BEER LICENSE -
- 11. VENDORS -
- 12. LIGHTS, BULBS, LADDERS, ETC. -
- 13. MASTER OF CEREMONIES -
- 14. TRASH CLEANUP -
- 15. PRESS, KITS, PASSES, ETC. -
- 16. ICE, PROPANE, -
- 17. PORTABLE SIGN, SIGNS, LETTERS, ETC. -
- 18. POSTER -
- 19. TROPHIES 1-10 CHILI, 1-5 LG. SHOW, 1-5 SM SHOW -
- 20. BUCKLES 1-10 PLACE CHILI, 14 FINAL TABLE, 1-5 LG SHOW, 1-5 SM SHOW
- 21. PLAQUES GP(S) OF YEAR, CH(S) OF YEAR, BOARD -
- 22. SCHOLARSHIP (S) -
- 23. TELEPHONE(S) -
- 24. KEYS TRAILER, ELECTRIC, ETC. -
- 25. BANNERS, SIGNAGE, ETC. -
- 26. INSURANCE -
- 27. SHIRTS OFFICIALS, CONTESTANTS, ETC. -
- 28. VIP LOUNGE -
- 29. HIGHWAY CLEANUP -
- 30. MEDICS -
- 31. FIRE DEPARTMENT -
- 32. HOT WINGS -
- 33. BEANS -
- 34. 1996 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (FLYER) -
- 35. RAFFLE (S) -
- 36. MARK SHOW TEAM AREA -
- 37. CALCUTTA -
- 38. SHIRT DESIGN -
- 39. RADIOS -