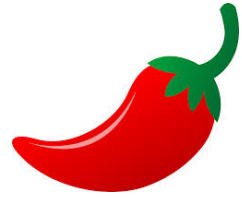
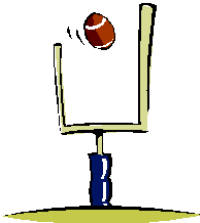
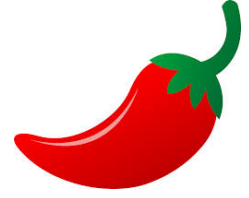




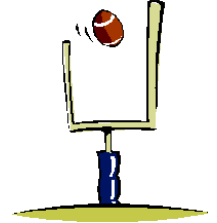
# Ovid Carriage Days Presented



# First Annual Chili Tailgate Cook-Off



Sunday, September 10, 2017  
Main Street



## Information

### Timeline

Team Check-In & Setup	7:00 AM
Cook's Meeting	7:45 AM
Start of Cooking	8:00 AM
Chili Turn-In	11:00 AM
Public Serving	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Award Ceremony	1:00 PM

### Prizes

1st Place - Trophy and Cash Prize (TBD)  
Best Decorated Booth - Trophy  
People's Choice - Trophy and Cash Prize (TBD)

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Team Members \_\_\_\_\_

Head Cook \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Make money order or cashier's checks payable to Ovid Carriage Days

Ovid Carriage Days  
Att: Rick Ramirez  
P.O. Box 21  
Ovid, MI 48866  
Questions: 989-666-1675  
cmurick@gmail.com

## Chili Cook off Rules

For this event, each team will prepare Chili to be judged and to be sold to the public. There will then be a two hour block starting at 11 AM where teams will serve Chili to participating members of the public. Teams are also encouraged to decorate their area and themselves in their favorite team and football colors. During the public serving time the public will be allowed to vote for favorite team's chili and booth decoration. Public pricing will be set prior to the start of the event by the event director. Proceeds from the event will go to the Ovid Carriage Days general fund, and hopefully the "2<sup>nd</sup> annual Chili Cook off". Entry fees will go towards prizes with the award ceremony to be held at 1:00 PM.

- Before Cooking all teams will be subject to inspection by Mid-Michigan District Health Department for Temporary Food Establishment Permit.
- The following cleanliness and safety rules will apply but are not limited to:
  - No use of any tobacco products while handling cooked items
  - Shirt and shoes are required to be worn
  - Sanitizing of work area should be implemented with the use of a bleach/water rinse (one cap/gallon of water). Each team will provide a separate container for washing, rinsing and sanitizing of utensils.
- Teams must submit an entry form and \$25 to the Ovid Carriage Days to be a contestant.
- The Cook-off will begin at 8 am. Your team must check in before you begin cooking.
- The mandatory team meeting with the cook-off officials will be at 7:45 am to review rules. Teams will begin serving chili to the judges at noon, so don't be late.
- Teams will be assigned a 10' X 10' prep area. If you need more room, there is an additional \$10 fee per 10'X 10' area.
- All teams must consist of at least two people.
- Each team is responsible for all cooking utensils, tables, chairs, cooking ingredients, set up, and clean up. **A tent or overhead covering of some sort is required**
- Each team must supply all cooking equipment: propane camp stove, grills, generators, etc. Electricity is available for an additional \$5. Water will be available.

- No chili can be pre-cooked or prepared prior to competition. All food preparation including cutting of meat, vegetables, etc. must be done on-site in a sanitary manner. A sanitation station to wash, rinse and sanitize utensils and hands must be set up for use in compliance with the health department. Please keep chili tightly covered when not serving.
- All ingredients must come from approved food sources, so it's absolutely safe for public consumption. For questions, contact the Clinton County Health Department at 989-224-8393.
- Each contestant will be assigned a number by the chief scorekeeper and given a Styrofoam cup with lid for their chili. An official of the cook-off will deliver the chili entries to the judges for a blind taste test.
- Judges will announce the Carriage Days Chili Cook-off winner around 1pm. The winning team will be presented with a Trophy and Cash Prize (along with the bragging rights). The decision of the judges is final.
- Each team will donate its chili to the Ovid Carriage Days Chili Cook-off Tailgate for consumption and sale that day. Each team is expected to dispense their chili to the public at 11:00 am. Bowls, spoons, and tickets will be provided by the Carriage Days committee.
- The public will select the "People's choice" award. The public will each be given a ticket to give to their favorite chili and/ or team. The team with the most tickets wins. It's up to you to entice them to try your chili and cast their vote for you. The more chili you have, the more votes you could get – but a minimum of 4 gallons is required. People's Choice Award winner will also receive a trophy and Cash Prize.
- Good Luck to all entries.

