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Chi Omega to Host Third Annual Chili Cook-off to Raise Funds for Make-A-Wish Foundation

- WHO:** University of Tennessee at Chattanooga's
Delta Alpha Chapter of Chi Omega Fraternity
- WHAT:** Third Annual Chili Cook-off to benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation
- WHEN:** Tuesday, November 17, 2009
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- WHERE:** Beside McKenzie Arena, UTC Campus, Chattanooga
(Grassy area at 4th and Mabel.)
- OTHER INFO:** Chili Cook-off will be held prior to UTC v/s ETSU men's basketball game. All you can eat chili for only \$7 per person at the gate. Entry fee for local businesses to enter chili competition is \$50 per five gallons of chili.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn – On Tuesday, November 17, the Chi Omega Fraternity will host its third annual Chili Cook-off to benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation of East Tennessee. Local restaurants and organizations will compete for the title of "Best Chili in Chattanooga," and proceeds from the event will go towards granting a wish to upcoming UTC freshman, Mckeehanon, whose wish is to attend the British Open.

Tickets are only \$7 per person at the gate and include all you can eat chili, dessert, and the opportunity to vote for your favorite chili in a number of categories. Restaurants and local businesses can still enter chili in the competition for a \$50 entry fee per five gallons of chili.

Local “celebrity” judges will taste each chili dish entered and will name an official winner of the competition. People’s choice awards will also be given out for winners in the Best Restaurant and Best Organization categories.

The event will be held on the grassy area at Fourth and Mabel Streets beside McKenzie Arena on the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC) campus prior to the UTC versus ETSU men’s basketball game. The cook-off will begin at 5:00 p.m. and last until 7:00 p.m. Ticket holders can enjoy all you can eat chili while supplies last.

Advance tickets are available for a discount at only \$5 each. Local businesses that are willing to donate chili for the event but not for competition may do so at no charge. To request an entry form, advance tickets, or for more information about this event, please contact Amy Covington at amy-covington@utc.edu or Advisor Shelley McGraw at (423) 364-0652.

About the Delta Alpha Chapter of Chi Omega Fraternity

The Delta Alpha Chapter of Chi Omega Fraternity was founded on March 15, 1919, by Mary Love Collins. Chi Omega is currently the largest women’s fraternity at The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, and Chi Omega nationally is the largest women’s fraternity in the world. The local chapter currently has over 80 active members, a highly involved alumnae board and a supportive mother’s club. Through the years Delta Alpha has achieved many accomplishments including maintaining the highest grades on campus, winning step show, homecoming, various Greek weeks and placing in UTC’s annual Greek Show. The sisters are also very involved on campus through things such as SGA President, Panhellenic positions, and members on the dance team and cheerleading squad. For more information, visit www.utc.edu/StudentOrgs/ChiOmega or www.chiomega.com.

About the Make-A-Wish Foundation of East Tennessee

Since 1980, the Make-A-Wish Foundation® has enriched the lives of children with life-threatening medical conditions through its wish-granting work. The Foundation's mission reflects the life-changing impact that a Make-A-Wish® experience has on children, families, referral sources, donors, sponsors and entire communities. The Make-A-Wish Foundation® of East Tennessee granted its first wish in 1988 and has granted over 400 wishes through the services of more than 120 volunteers. Any child 2½ and under the age of 18, who has been determined by a physician to have a life-threatening illness and has not been granted a previous wish, may be eligible. Make-A-Wish® grants wishes to all eligible children, regardless of race, religion, or socio-economic status. Granting a child's one greatest wish inspires him or her to continue living with exuberance. For more information visit, www.wishetn.org.

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