

47th Annual Chili Festival Dishes-Out Three Tasty Donations

Everything was as *good as it gets* at the 47th Annual Chili Festival. **The Mizell Senior Center, Pegasus Therapeutic Riding, and the USO Palm Springs** will receive cash donations from major sponsor, **The Spa Resort Casino**. The multi-faceted competition enjoyed perfect weather, happy crowds enjoying a bevy of activities and outstanding organization thanks to the **Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, Chili Festival CEO Carol Hancock, and Event Producer Jeff Hocker**. The International Chili Society has sanctioned over 200 cook-offs a year throughout the World and have helped raise over \$86 million dollars for charities and nonprofit organizations.

Winning the \$25,000 Traditional **Red Chili Award** was 2-time champ **Bob Plager**. The **Chili Verde** prize went to **Christian Parker., Restaurant** division champ was won by **Las Casuelas Terraza** and the **Salsa Winner** was **Gail Donovan**. The six **Swedish Viking Chili** competitors who flew all the way to Palm Springs, won **Best Homestyle Chili** booth category. This was an international fun filled three days.