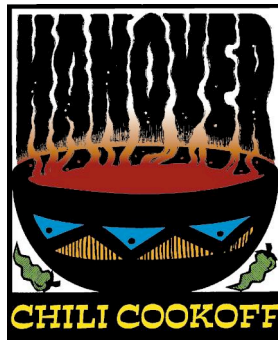


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What: Distribution of proceeds from the 14th Annual Hanover Chili Cook Off, \$41,660

Even in these troublesome economic times, good things can happen when a Community works together toward a greater good. The organizing committee for the 14th Annual Hanover Chili Cook Off is pleased to announce that the total proceeds from the event of \$41,660 have been donated to five worthy local nonprofit organizations and two local citizens in severe medical need. These donations could not happen without the uncounted hours of volunteer work, sponsorship donations and support from many thousands of people in the greater Hanover area.

Representatives of The H.A.R.T. Center, The Guthrie Memorial Library, the Hanover Council of Churches, the Friends Group of Codorus State Park, the Adams County SPCA and members of the two families were presented with their checks on December 9, 2009. Thanks must go to all who attended The Cook Off and to all who provided sponsorship, volunteered time, effort or materials to run the event. A special thank you goes to all of the chili cooking teams who spent their time and money to create chili for all to taste. Each and every person had a part in generating the funds that were donated to groups within the Hanover community.

The complete list of recipients will be posted on the Cook Off web site: hanoverchilicookoff.com.

Planning for The 15th Annual Hanover Chili Cook Off, to be held on Sunday September 5, 2010, will begin in earnest early next year.

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