

# Phillips Murrah attorneys team up to win big at annual chili cook-off



Phillips Murrah's chili cook-off team celebrates another successful year.

The new year signals a new race to claim a trophy at the annual Oklahoma County Bar Association Chili Cook-Off.

Phillips Murrah attorneys competed in teams against local law firms in OCBA's Young Lawyers Division to show off their chili-making prowess Jan. 25 at Twisted Spike Brewing Co.

Representing Phillips Murrah were attorneys [Hilary Hudson Clifton](#), [Cody J. Cooper](#), [C. Eric Davis](#), [Travis E. Harrison](#), [Phoebe B. Mitchell](#), and [Mark E. Hornbeek](#).

The competition formally kicks off the YLD's year-long commitment to the [Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma](#), raising funds and awareness within the community to support the mission of the Regional Food Bank and the Oklahomans who rely on its services.



Attorney Mark Hornbeek gets festive for the annual chili cook-off.

“This year’s chili cook-off was a huge success for the OCBA YLD and its year-round fundraising efforts for the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma,” Clifton said. “It’s always a fun event with a great turn-out, and this year Phillips Murrah definitely showed up.”

Teams were judged in different categories including Best Overall, Traditional, Non-Traditional, and Hottest Chilis.

“In addition to having two serious chili contenders, Ashley Schovanec brought a smorgasbord of sides and toppings, Mark Hornbeek kept it festive with a light-up chile necklace, and we had an awesome turnout of other associates there wearing PM aprons and talking up our entries,” Clifton said. “It seems like our team gets bigger and more enthusiastic every year, which is awesome, because it’s a really fun event for a great cause.”

Potts won the Best Non-Traditional Chili category on behalf of

Phillips Murrah's teams at this year's cook-off with her and her husband's recipe which includes elk, deer, chorizo, coffee, molasses, and different types of peppers.

"The chili was inspired by all the hunting trips my husband and my brother-in-law take together," Potts said. "The unique flavors of the different types of wild game combined with coffee and molasses always make their long days of hunting worth it."

Phillips Murrah has had at least one team compete in the Chili Cook-Off each year since it first started more than ten years ago.