

Female chefs to be featured at annual "Celebrities Cook for the UCSD Cancer Center" benefit

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WOMEN CHEFS TO BE FEATURED AT ANNUAL "CELEBRITIES COOK FOR THE UCSD CANCER CENTER" BENEFIT

"Women are only good for one thing, and it does not take place in the kitchen"... French Chef Paul Bocuse

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Seven celebrity chefs from throughout the U.S. and seven well-known local hostess-cooks will disprove Bocuse's opinion on women as chefs when they gather April 28 at the Sheraton Harbor Island for the annual "Celebrities Cook for the UCSD Cancer Center" benefit.

Each is "good" not only as a pacesetter in the culinary world, but recognized as an entrepreneur, philanthropist, teacher, author, or for a number of other accomplishments. One has a doctorate in biochemistry from Harvard, another a Ph.D. in art from Yale, others have master's degrees in history or education. Most of the celebrity (professional) chefs own and run their restaurants; many of the local honorees were or are business executives.

Appearing as Celebrity Chefs will be Cindy Black of Cindy Black's, La Jolla; Joyce Goldstein of Square One Restaurant, San Francisco; Evan Kleiman of Angeli Caffè/ Trattoria/Mare, Los Angeles; Leslee Reis of Café Provencal, Evanston, Ill.; Tracy Ritter, Golden Door, San Marcos; Anne Rosenzweig, Arcadia, New York, and Barbara Tropp, China Moon Café, San Francisco. Each will serve a special hors d'oeuvre from a decorated booth during a 7 to 8 p.m. cocktail hour.

Also presenting hors d'oeuvres during the pre-dinner chef watching will be seven local "hostess celebrities" and their assistants. The seven include Lee Goldberg of Rancho Santa Fe; Linda Hahn, Rancho Santa Fe; Veryl Mortenson, La Jolla; Sally Thornton, San Diego; Dixie Unruh, La Jolla; Isabelle Wasserman, La Jolla, and Dorene Whitney, La Jolla.

Names of the 14 celebrities were announced during a preview party held March 5 at the La Jolla home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Murphy.

They and their culinary crews will preside at the black tie event in booths which carry out the evening's theme of "A Feast of Flowers." Decorated by a committee headed by Alyson Goudy, Rancho Santa Fe, the booths will feature a lattice backdrop with green and white side swags accented with flowers. Boxed topiary trees constructed of flowers will center tables in the Champagne Ballroom, site of the dinner and dancing.

Anne Otterson, La Jolla, who originated the "celebrity cook-off" event nine years ago, again is serving as general chair. Among those assisting her are Lyn Heller, cooks coordinator; Suzie Eisenman, chef's assistance; Pam Wischkaemper, Judith Green and Nancy MacHutchin Chase, development; Goudy and Corrine Gruenwald, decorations; Jerrie Strom, Wischkaemper, Audrey Geisel and Fran Jenkins, dinner menu; Joany Mosher and

Shirley Rubel, mailing; Barbara McColl, party coordinator; Marlo Boone, post-party; Edie Greenberg and Shirley Gillespie, preview party.

Also Joan Kline, Lynn Schulnik, Nancy Holloway and Barbara Pruett, printing; Judee Feinberg and Melissa Elliott, calligraphy; Pat JaCoby, publicity; Diana Lombrozo and Carrie O'Brien, reservations; Jeanne Jones, special projects; Marie Olesen, table underwriting; Joan Tukey, treasurer, and Minna Melton and Cheryl Rohde, advisors.

Individual tickets are \$200, sponsor; \$350, patron, and \$500, benefactor. Tables for 10 are \$2,000, sponsor; \$3,500, patron; \$5,000 benefactor and \$10,000, grand benefactor. Benefactors and patrons will be invited to a 6 p.m. preview hour with the chefs and celebrity hostesses.

Reservations may be made with Carrie O'Brien, 437-8160, prior to April 18. For information call the UCSD Cancer Center, 543-3870.

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