

Chefs' Challenge 2010 – Sunday, September 5th

Buskirk-Chumley Theater - Competition begins at 7:00pm

Community Kitchen will hold the fourth annual Bloomington's Chefs' Challenge this upcoming Labor Day weekend. Based on television's popular Iron Chef, this culinary event will feature three local chefs who will have one hour to prepare a winning dish from a pantry of ingredients. A "mystery ingredient" will be revealed right before the competition begins. BCAT film crews will show close-ups of the fast-paced action on the theater's big screen. Emcees will update the audience as the competition heats up and the celebrity judges will pick the top dish. Judging is based on the use of time, use of product, including secret ingredient, presentation and taste. Two chefs will be chosen through email voting to compete against last year's winner, Dave Tallent of Restaurant Tallent. Watch the Herald-Times in August for a list and bios of potential competitors. Then vote for your favorite by emailing to chefchallenge@yahoo.com.

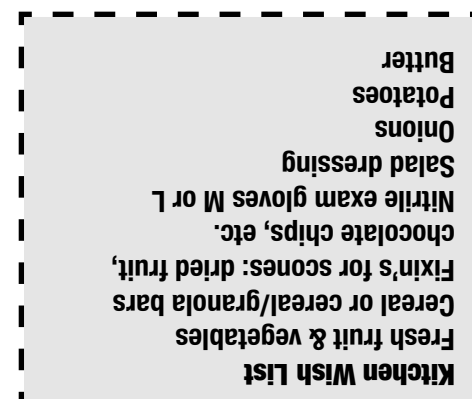
Tickets will be \$25 and will be available in August at the Sunrise box office and Community Kitchen. There are only a few "Bistro" seats available for \$100, which include an up close view of the competition and a sampling of each dish prepared by the chefs. You may enter the lottery to purchase Bistro tickets by emailing chefchallenge@yahoo.com now. A cash bar and hors d'oeuvres will be available. For more information or to view 2008's video clip visit the Events page at: www.monroecommunitykitchen.com.

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Meal counts for January–May 2010 (19% increase)

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January–May 2010	
Rogers Street CK	24,559
CK Express	18,871
Feed Our Future	28,750
Backpack Buddies	6,327
Nutrition Links	208
Total Meals 2010	78,715



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Build the Kitchen, feed the community.

It is a very exciting time here at Community Kitchen! In January of this year Community Kitchen purchased a facility at 1515 S Rogers St that will be renovated to be the new Community Kitchen. This purchase was the culmination of years of planning, organizing, saving and just making do with limited space.

What makes this site so perfect for Community Kitchen:

- It is the cheapest of all available scenarios.
- It is still in the McDoel Gardens Neighborhood, where we have been for nearly 20 years.
- It is on the same bus line as our current location.
- It has ample space for necessary parking.
- It is closer to the largest contingent of our patrons, who come not from downtown but from south of us.
- It is exactly the square footage determined by our feasibility study.
- The exterior of the building is in good shape and of sufficient size and layout for our use.
- All of the construction work (besides parking lot & landscaping work) is interior.

To get moved in, we will need to first renovate this facility. Renovation costs are expected to be \$700,000–\$800,000. We have already secured over \$312,000 of those necessary funds from the City of Bloomington, Monroe County Commissioners, Bloomington Township, Perry Township, Community Kitchen Staff and Board of Directors. We still need to raise \$488,000 to get there. When renovations are completed, we will have:

- Approximately 1,200 sq ft of Kitchen and prep space.
- Dining room capacity nearly double what we currently have.
- A family dining room for families with children to have a more intimate family style meal.
- Private consultation space for referrals and other potential one on one services.
- 23 parking spaces on site.
- Ample bike parking.
- All of our food stored on site (haven't been able to do that for more than 10 years!)
- Appropriate flow of food through the building.
- Necessary office & public restroom space.
- A stable future for Community Kitchen operations.

We hope the community has valued our service over the past 27 years and will invest in the future of our services now by contributing to our Capital Campaign—Build the Kitchen, Feed the Community. We know you understand the importance of providing food assistance for those in need. 60% of our patrons are children and another 17% are seniors. You know that we are serving the most vulnerable individuals in our community. Help us renovate this new facility, improve our operations and set Community Kitchen up to be able to continue meeting needs in our community for years to come. We must make sure that children have access to the food they need to grow and thrive. Please help us do that by making a donation (note for Capital Campaign) or pledge today. Contact us at 332-0999 with additional questions about this project.

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Honorary Co-Chair, Viola Taliaferro, talks to the crowd about the importance of supporting Community Kitchen's efforts to feed hungry children.



The Live auction started off with a rousing game of heads or tails.



Bidding Frenzy is a popular part of the live auction, as the first hand up wins the right to purchase coveted gift certificates.

Palette to Palate was a huge success—Thank you!

On May 15th, we gathered at The Clubhouse at The Fields for another successful Palette to Palate. This year's event boasted well over 200 pieces of art for bid in silent auction, along with more than two dozen live auction packages, including weekend getaways, art, gift certificates, and IU sports packages. At the end of the night over \$25,000 was raised for Community Kitchen programs, with over \$6,000 being raised specifically for the Kitchen's Backpack Buddies program. That's \$10,000 more than last year! We extend many thanks to all of the artists, restaurants and local businesses who donated toward the cause. Special thank yous go to our sponsors: Orthopedics of Southern Indiana, Bloomington Hospital, Internal Medicine Associates, B & L Sheet Metal & Roofing, Inc., United Commerce Bank, Alley Bar, E R Lewis Real Estate Professionals, Comprehensive Financial Consultants, Total Healthcare for Women (Drs. Clark Brittain & Mary Mahern), IU Credit Union, Monroe Bank, Mastertech Auto Service Center, Broken Arrow Construction, Monroe Shine & Co., Storage Express, Indiana Running Company and Pygmalion's Art Supplies. Thank you to the Steve Houghton Group for providing music, and Jimmie Dean Coffey Auctions & Realty for stellar assistance with processing and the live auction. We truly appreciate everyone's support of this event. Thank you for helping us feed the hungry in our community.

Contributing artists are integral to the success of this event. Thank you: Argentum Jewelry, Cathra-Anne Barker, Paul Batz, Charlotte Behrens, Michael Bell, Edward Bernstein, Molly Bitters, Bloomington Clay Studio, Angela Bond, Sarah Bowman, Carol Caron, Timothy & Rebecca Carter-East, Martina Celerin, Laura Chaiken, Karen Cherrington, Tim Clougher, Moris Coe, Debbie Cohen, Lee Cohn, Ihsan Colak, Robert Coleman, Michael Combs, Ruth Conway, Steve Cunningham, Marie DesJardins, Laurie Eynon, Lorraine Farrell, Carrie Foley, Global Gifts, George Goehl, Sheila Golden, David Goodrum, Bonnie Gordon-Lucas, Marilyn Greenwood, Karen Green-Stone, Elizabeth Gwynn, Anna Haag, Dorothy Hanvey, Randall Harden, Sally Harvey, Sara Hatch, Lon Haywood, Lindsay Hine, Deborah Hoover, Greg & BJ Jordan, Amy Karr, Gail Kincaid, Georgia Koushiefes, Scott LaCrosse, Tom Laird, Joe Lee, Patty Lezotte, Paul Lightfoot, Barb Lund, Leo Mao, Karl Marti, Kip May, Bill McCamish, Grace Medlar, Lynne Mikolon, Rosemary Miller, Dee Morris, Christine Nicholson, Jay Nielson, Cappi Phillips, Ruth Rives, Susan Sammis, John Schirmer, Walt Schmidt, Becky Schmuhl, Joanne Shank, Marianne Shephardson, Daria Smith, Kyle Spears, Rhonda Spencer, Dale Steffey, Cynthia Stone, Strong Wear, Charles Sweitzer, Sandy Taylor, Timothy Terry, Textillery Weavers, Steve Vachon, Michael Van Vooren, Vasanto, Joel Washington, Janet Webb, Michael Weber, Jennifer Weiss, Betty Westhues, Sue Westhues, Wendy Worsham, Olga Yevseyeva, Andrew Young, Marc Zoschke. Thank you to the following volunteer servers at Palette to Palate: Clay and Debbie Humphreys, Hugh Farrell, Paul Mongold, Glorianne Leck, Will Audio, Pat & Sue Medland, Sally Macleod, Angie & Jim Warnick, Jodi Peacock-Clark and Annie Brookshire. (Please forgive us any omissions).

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