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## **News Release**

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### **SECOND ANNUAL IRON CHEF EVENT RESCHEDULED** ***Evening of Wednesday, March 12 agreed upon***

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA – After countless hours of rescheduling, the Second Annual Iron Chef event will still go on. It will now be held the evening of Wednesday, March 12. Near-blizzard conditions on Tuesday, Jan. 29 caused the event to be postponed. Everyone, from the judges, to the competing restaurants, to the wine and beer distributors are on board with the new date.

A full house will watch local culinary experts compete for the coveted title of “Iron Chef”, as approximately 200 guests will be present. For as many times as the event has been held, Iron Chef is officially sold out. Junior League of Cedar Rapids (JLCR) members will be contacting those who bought tickets for the original event to ensure they know of the rescheduled date. If you bought tickets for the January date and can no longer attend on Wednesday, March 12, please contact the JLCR office at 319-364-7892.

Kirkwood College Culinary Department, Iowa Hall, 6301 Kirkwood Blvd. SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52404, will host the event Wednesday, March 12 at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds raised will help fund JLCR projects such as the upcoming Habitat for Humanity women-led build and further JLCR in its mission. One lucky raffle winner at Iron Chef will be selected to receive great prizes, including the unique opportunity to sample each of the contestants’ offerings. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase at the door; need be present to win.

Judges will decide who among the local chefs from Kirkwood, Daniel Arthur’s, Vino's Ristorante and Zins is this year’s “Iron Chef.” The “People’s Choice” award is also up for grabs as chefs from Marriott, CR Chophouse and Beckett’s compete. Vino’s Ristorante and CR Chophouse are new to the chef’s lineup. Those competing for the “People’s Choice” award will provide two different appetizers for guests. Dale Lee Distributing will provide a beer tasting. First Avenue Wine House and Secret Cellar will provide a tasting of ten varieties of wine.

This year’s silent auction offers exciting items for the whole family. Our emcee for the evening will be Beth Malicki from KCRG-TV9. Live music will be performed by guitarist Adam Beck. Free cookbooks will be offered to all attendees and great door prizes will be awarded throughout the evening.

Event sponsors are Mix 96.5, House of Carpets, Kristen Trovas at Merrill Lynch, Office Express, Guaranty Bank, Good Year, Iowa Pork Producers, Innovative Aesthetics at Linn County OBGYN, Cedar Rapids Bank & Trust, NE Family Dentistry, Carousel Nissan, Hawkeye Foods, Mike Gary at Principal, Salon Neil Bouderaux, AB Transport, First Avenue Wine House, Secret Cellar, Cake Buzz, Dale Lee Distributing, Pratt Audio and Video and Coca-Cola Bottling.

Founded in 1934, the Junior League of Cedar Rapids is an organization of women committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. For more information, please visit [www.juniorleaguecr.org](http://www.juniorleaguecr.org)

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