



**DAVE THOMAS
Celebrity Cookoff**

Benefiting Spaulding for Children

*"Family, it's just that
important!"*

FACT SHEET

Event: 10th Annual Dave Thomas Celebrity Cookoff benefiting Spaulding for Children

Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 • Seatings at 6:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.

Location: Benihana Japanese Steakhouse - Big Beaver Road, Troy, MI

Event Description: The Dave Thomas Celebrity Cookoff is held in major cities across the United States in conjunction with Wendy's International®, The Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption™, and Benihana Restaurants.

Local and national celebrities, media personalities and corporate leaders sizzle as they take over the hibachi style grills at Benihana to prepare a steak and shrimp dinner for ten guests seated around their grill. The event also includes a cocktail reception and silent auction with all proceeds benefiting Spaulding for Children.

Spaulding for Children: Spaulding for Children is a private, non-profit child welfare agency, since 1968, that finds permanent homes for children that have been in the foster care and adoption system the longest. Spaulding was one of the first agencies that specialized in finding and training adoptive families for the placement of children who had been abused, neglected and/or had other individual challenges.

Event Attendance: Over 40 Celebrity Chefs and 200 guests per seating.

Sponsorship Levels:
Individual Ticket Sales: \$100 per person
Corporate Table Sponsorship (table of 10 guests): \$1,750
Premium Table Sponsorship (table of 11 guests): \$2,100
Bronze Sponsor: \$5,000
Silver Auction Sponsor: \$10,000
Gold Celebrity Chef Sponsor: \$15,000
Platinum Suite Sponsor: \$20,000

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Past Celebrity Chefs:

Media Chefs (Radio, TV & Print)

Madison Leigh
Smooth Jazz V98.7 FM

Alexander Zonjic
Professional Flutist

Bob Dutko
FM 103.5 - WMUZ

A.J. Parker
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Hot 102.7 FM

"COCO"
WJLB FM98

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Channel 95.5 FM

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Fox 2 TV

Paula Tutman
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Chuck Gaidica
WDIV – TV4

Deena Centafonti
Fox 2 TV

Charles Pugh
Formerly of Fox 2 TV

Dayna Clark
News/Talk WJR

Val Clark
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Ron Savage
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Edward Foxworth III
CBS TV62

Chuck Bennett
Detroit News

Brenda Perryman
Southfield Eccentric

Monica A. Morgan
International
Photojournalist

Entertainment, Civic, Sports & Corporate Chefs

Jeff Daniels
Actor, Director, Singer

Robert Porcher
Former Detroit Lion Player

Ortheia Barnes Kennerly
Hometown Legend

Kimmie Horne
International Performer

Kimberly Wright
Straight Ahead

Vanessa Bell Armstrong
Gospel Singer

Gino Washington
Recording Artist

The Miracles
Motown Legends

Keith Fanie
Chef – Restaurateur

Gladys Bettis
The Bus Foundation

Robert "Bob" Daniels
Chelsea Lumber

Steve Sadler
SCATE Technologies

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L. Brooks Patterson
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Ike McKinnon
Former Detroit Police Chief

Brent Fedyk
Detroit Red Wing Alumni

Mike Lucci
Detroit Lions Alumni

Freddie Scott
Detroit Lions Charities

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Piston's Cheerleaders

Audrey Harvey
Blue Cross Blue Shield of MI

Mable Jones
AAA of Michigan

Sandra Pierce
Charter One Bank

Dan Rea
SCATE Technologies

Funds Raised:

The 2011 Dave Thomas Celebrity Cookoff is expected to raise over **\$100,000** to support the mission of Spaulding for Children to cover the cost associated with placing children in adoptive homes. Previous events have raised over \$600,000.

For More Information:

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