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Area restaurants gear up for Hometown Bank's Taste of Fond du Lac

Fond du Lac, Wis. (1/17/08) - With Hometown Bank's Taste of Fond du Lac just around the corner, local restaurants are firing up their grills in preparation.

The event, which will take place from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 24 at the Fond du Lac Fairgrounds Expo Building at 17th St. and Martin Ave., is sure to draw a crowd of food-loving citizens. Grey Rock at the Heidel House Resort, located at 643 Illinois Ave. in Green Lake, will be returning this year to entice taste-goers with its cuisine.

"It gets the word out for what kind of food we're serving," Star Irvin of the Heidel House Resort said about the event.

Looking for an appetizing treat to get you going? Grey Rock at the Heidel House Resort will be serving Sesame Beef Pot Stickers with Thai Chili Sauce and Japanese Mustard. Its entrée item will be Pecan Encrusted Sea Scallops with Hazelnut Cream and Basil Oil. If those aren't enough to make your mouth water, you can try the Roasted Squash and Sweet Potato Bisque with Cinnamon Chantilly Cream.

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For those looking for a tasty energy boost, Jasmin's Java Café and Hanna's Healthy Cup will be serving a variety of java products.

LeBron Bryant, of Jasmin's Java Café & Hannah's Healthy Cup, said it was hard to pick one thing he liked most about Hometown Bank's Taste of Fond du Lac.

"Entertainment, people, eating, the whole experience," Bryant said.

Kwik Trip stores in Fond du Lac will return this year to showcase its selection of speedy treats for those on the go. Kwik Trip will tempt Taste-goers with its Cheese Mountain Pizza, cheese-filled breadsticks and cinnamon rolls.

"I thought it was a blast (last year)," Ronda Hagen of Kwik Trip said. "It's a nice family affair."

Hagen said the event helped to inform consumers what products were available at Kwik Trip stores.

These are just a sampling of the more than 25 restaurants that will be at Hometown Bank's Taste of Fond du Lac on Sunday, February 24. In addition to delicious appetizers, entrees and desserts, the day will also feature live music and a silent auction. There's something for everyone at Hometown Bank's Taste of Fond du Lac.

Advance admission tickets are \$1.50 and are available at all Hometown Bank locations, Wegner's Office Supply, and the Fond du Lac Convention and Visitor's Bureau. Tickets can also be purchased for \$2 at the door and children five and under are admitted for free. Food tickets are only \$.50 each. For more information, visit the Fond du Lac Festivals Web site at www.fdlfest.com.

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Fond du Lac Festivals, Inc. is a non-profit organization founded in 1983 with a mission to direct, promote, and support festivals and special events that showcase the Fond du Lac community. The organization, with a great deal of help and support from the community, is responsible for Walleye Weekend, Light Up the City, and Hometown Bank's Taste of Fond du Lac. These events benefit more than 100 local non-profit organizations.

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