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**HOMETOWN BANK'S TASTE OF FOND DU LAC
EXCITES LOCAL TASTE BUDS**

(2/5/08)-More than 25 local restaurants, caterers and chefs will diverge on the fairgrounds on Sunday, February 24 to bring to light some of Fond du Lac's finest cuisines. Among the many participants will be restaurant favorites Papa John's Pizza, A&W Drive-In and Linstrom's Special Occasion Catering. The event will take place from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Fond du Lac Fairgrounds Expo Building at 17th St. and Martin Ave.

Stop by Papa John's booth and savor its popular assortment of delicious pizzas. For those who can't wait until festival time, Papa John's is located at 528 W. Johnson St.

Another crowd favorite returning this year is A&W Drive-In, located at 269 Winnebago Dr. They will be entertaining appetites with their popular Cheese Curds and Corn Dog Nuggets. Don't forget about it's famous Root Beer Floats, along with A&W's wide selection of smoothees, including Apple Orchard, Banana Berry Dream, Orange Sunrise, Pineapple Island and Strawberry Patch.

"It's the best way to get our product into peoples hands, and to get people to come to our establishments," said Jim Brajdic, owner of A&W Drive-In.

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Linstrom's Special Occasion Catering, 953 E. Johnson St., will be providing a unique taste with its appetizing Warm Parmesan Artichoke Dip with Foccaccia. For it's dinner entrée, Linstrom's will be serving up a tantalizing Chicken Prosciutto Alfredo with Sun Dried Artichoke Orzo.

"It is a great, fun event for everyone who works hard in the food service business," said Heather Linstrom, owner of Linstrom's Special Occasion Catering. "Hometown Bank's Taste of Fond du Lac is an outstanding way to showcase what you enjoy doing on a daily basis," Linstrom continued.

Hometown Bank's Taste of Fond du Lac will also be providing live music from local entertainment talent, as well as a charitable silent auction with packages from all over Wisconsin.

Advance admission tickets are \$1.50 and are available at all Hometown Bank locations, Wegner's Office Supply, and the Fond du Lac Area 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.

Hometown Bank's Taste of Fond du Lac is sponsored by Hometown Bank, Charter Communications, Hopper's Silk Screening and All Star Trophy, 312 Urban Wheat Ale, WFRV CBS 5, Pepsi Americas, News-Talk AM 1450 KFIZ, K107.1 FM and The Reporter.

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

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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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