

TICKETS

- Chefs are admitted free of charge.
- \$10 for Chef Assistants
- \$25 per person general admission if purchased in advance (\$30 if purchased at the door) children tickets are \$10
- A limited number of \$40 VIP tickets which guarantee seating.

If you would like to purchase \$25 or \$40 VIP tickets in advance for your family and/or friends, please contact the Cook Liaison, **Mikaela Wright** at cookliaison@gmail.com. All tickets purchased in advance will either be distributed to Cooks in advance or held at will call for their guests.

Cash, checks and money order are acceptable. (Please note: A \$25 NSF fee will be charged for all returned checks). Please make checks or money orders payable to "Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.". Checks and/or money orders may be mailed to:

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. - Cincinnati Alumnae Chapter c/o WLMWC
P.O. Box 37285
Cincinnati, OH 45222

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Save your receipts. Money that you spend purchasing food, decorations, ads, etc. for this event **may** be tax deductible as allowed by IRS law.

Attire for the event is casual, white shirt and black pants. You will be given an apron to wear the day of the event as our gift to you! This attire is required for both cooks and cook assistants

A **mandatory Cook Orientation** will be held on Saturday June 4th, 2016 from 11:30 pm-12:30 pm at the:

City of Deer Park Municipal Building
7777 Blue Ash Road
Deer Park, OH 45236-3106

All registered cooks must attend.

All cooks **MUST register** at: <https://dstcookoff.wufoo.com/forms/we-love-men-who-cook-registration/>

Please acknowledge receipt of your information packet by contacting your Cook Liaison **Mikaela Wright** at cookliaison@gmail.com

We hope that you will be able to join us; however, if for some reason you are no longer able to participate, please contact us **as soon as possible**.

Please encourage your friends and family to attend to

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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We Love Men Who Cook

Cook Information

PACKET

Welcome Distinguished Cooks!

We are very excited and grateful that you will be participating in the *5th Annual We Love Men Who Cook Silent Auction Charity Event*. The Ladies of the Cincinnati Alumnae Chapter (CAC) and the Delta Gateway Foundation of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (DST) look forward to meeting each of you and tasting your **Delicious, Delectable and Delightful** dishes! This information packet will provide all the details to help you showcase your culinary skills and build a better community and enable our youth to reach their fullest potential!

Mikaela Wright & Tiffani Jackson
Chairs



GENERAL INFORMATION

Saturday, June 25, 2016
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Mayerson JCC
8485 Ridge Rd,
Cincinnati, OH 45236



COOK ASSISTANTS

You are encouraged to bring a male assistant to the event with you to assist in serving your dish and to secure your table in the event you need a brief break.

This is a great opportunity for you to bring a young man that you are mentoring, your son, cousin, nephew or friend and expose him to other professional men.

Each Cook Assistant will require a ticket to enter the door. In addition, they are required to wear the same attire as the Cooks (casual, white shirts and black pants)

Please contact the Cook Liaison to reserve your Chef Assistant reduced priced ticket by **Saturday, June 11, 2016** and to provide the name of your Chef Assistant. Tickets may be picked-up at Will-Call the day of the event.



WHAT TO BRING

- ✓ Your dish must be prepared in advance and should be brought to the event ready-to-serve in an appropriate serving dish (two full size aluminum casserole pans).
- ✓ You should prepare enough for a MINIMUM of **100** people to bring more. (An example of food for **100** people would be **2** full-size aluminum casserole steam pans). We will provide plastic portion cups to assist in portion control.



Each chef must RSVP and submit a participant registration form prior to the event. Chefs will gain admittance to the venue after verification of registration.

Chefs and Chef Assistants should arrive between 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.; Chefs must be fully set up at their tables by 12 pm. **A late arrival may result in the forfeiture of your chef station.**

Guests of Chefs and other Attendees will be allowed to enter the venue with a ticket at 1:00 p.m. when the event begins.

THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE PRIZE JUDGING CRITERIA: READ CLOSELY

- ✓ A People's Choice Procedure document will be provided at each Cook station on the day-of the event.
- ✓ This competition is a "People's Choice" vote designed to encourage each Cook to invite their friends, relatives, co-workers, etc. to come and ensure they receive the "People's Choice" award.
- ✓ The "People's Choice" award will be based on the number of tickets a Cook receives from the over 200 attendees.
- ✓ Each attendee will be given 5 tickets upon entering the venue that will be used to vote for their favorite Cook. The five (5) "People's Choice" tickets are included with each event ticket purchase.
- ✓ The "People's Choice" award will be divided into 7 categories: **(\$350** for "Overall People's Choice Winner—with a chance to win up to \$500 in cash in prizes and assorted prizes for remaining category winners)
 - Appetizer (1st, 2nd 3rd place)
 - Entrée /Meat Dish (1st, 2nd 3rd place)
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 - Dessert (1st, 2nd 3rd place)
 - Healthy Living (1st place only)
 - **Best Booth Theme *new*** (1st place only)
 - **Ladies Choice *new*** (1st place only)
 - Overall People's Choice (most votes of 1st place winners)
- ✓ Healthy Living" denotes the following:
 - Food is not fried or breaded.
 - Food does not have excessive sodium per serving. (1/2 tsp or less per serving)
 - Food is cooked with healthier fats (i.e. olive, coconut, grape seed) and without trans fats. Trans fats include: lard, vegetable shortening and oils that are solid at room temperature.
 - A low or no calorie sweetener is used if required in your recipe.
- ✓ Please indicate on your registration form which category you would like your dish to be judged in.
- ✓ Allergen information will be provided and must be displayed with your table tents.
- ✓ The voting for the "People's Choice" award will begin at 1:00 pm and end at 3:30 pm. Each Cook will receive a container to collect his tickets. CAC representative will collect and count the tickets for each Cook from 3:30 pm to 3:45 pm.
- ✓ The winners (1 per category) will be announced at approximately 4:15 pm.
- ✓ Prizes & certificates will be awarded to the winner of each category. The winners' photographs will be displayed on the chapter's website, Facebook fan page, print media, and other local news outlets.

TABLE SET UP

Each chef will be assigned a table as identified by a tent card with his dish's name. Chefs will be notified of table assignments on the day of the event.

Only the participating Chefs and male Chef Assistants are allowed behind the serving table. There are no exceptions to this rule

For each table, the committee will provide a tablecloth; one warming rack with the bottom aluminum water pan and 2 sternos; a pair of plastic gloves, and an appropriate serving utensil based on your dish.

If you **do not** require the use of warming rack and/or serving utensils, please contact the Cook Liaison by **Saturday, June 11th, 2016.**

The committee will provide all paper products for guests including: plates, cups, napkins, forks, knives, spoons, and plastic portion cups.

