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**RESTAURANT LINE-UP FOR HOMETOWN BANK'S TASTE OF
FOND DU LAC CONTINUES TO GROW**

(1/25/08)- Three more restaurants have joined the more than two dozen that will be participating in this year's Hometown Bank's Taste of Fond du Lac. Blue Goose Coffee House, Fond du Lac Seafood and Cibo Steak & Spirits at the Ramada Plaza Hotel have joined the line-up to tempt Taste-goers with their menu items.

The Blue Goose Coffee House, located in Horicon Bank at 854 E. Johnson St., will be offering guests their 6 oz. cup of Blue Goose Blend Coffee. This newcomer will also be providing guests-on-the-go with 2 oz. sample bags of their Blue Goose Coffee.

"This is such a great Fond du Lac event and we appreciate the chance to get to the community and be able to show off what we do and what we have to offer," Ann Culver of The Blue Goose Coffee House said.

Fond du Lac Seafood, 63 N. Main St., will be back this year to serve its signature Shrimp Cocktail.

"This is the best promotion you can get for such a small investment. Where else can you get exposure in and on all the local media, and direct exposure to more than 5,000 people for such a small investment," Brian Carter, owner of Fond du Lac Seafood said.

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“Fond du Lac Festivals takes care of everything. They basically bring the people to you, your job is to get those people back to your door,” Carter continued.

Another familiar face to the event this year will be Cibo Steak & Spirits at the Ramada Plaza Hotel, 1 N. Main St. Be sure to stop by this booth and try out the mouthwatering items they will be serving up. Among its menu this year will be Cream of Tomato Basil Soup with Rice and Grasshopper Pie.

“We’ve been doing the event for the past five or six years and we always find it to be a great opportunity to showcase our restaurant,” Joan Pinch of the Ramada Plaza Hotel said.

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.

Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$1.50 at any Hometown Bank location, Wegner’s Office Supply and the Fond du Lac Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. At the door tickets are \$2.00 each and children five and under are 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 and The Reporter.

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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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