

Food, wine event: A delicious way to raise money for Schoolcraft students

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Food, beverage and dessert purveyors from near (metro Detroit) and far (northern Michigan) offered tasty samplings for a good cause Sunday at the 19th annual Schoolcraft College Culinary Extravaganza. Nearly 700 people tasted samples from 50 vendors. Guests sampled breads from Zingerman's Bakehouse, biscotti and shortbread from The Biscotti Bar Bakery in Plymouth, crab cakes from the Schoolcraft Culinary Department and cupcakes from the Cupcake Station in Birmingham and Just Baked (a cupcake shop and bakery) in Livonia. The pulled pork mini-sandwiches offered by Red Smoke Barbeque and the samples of flavored vodka at the McCormick table were popular spots all afternoon. "We were very pleased with this year's event," said Marge Lynch of Schoolcraft's Special Events and Fundraising Office and member of the 2010 Culinary Host Committee. "The restaurants were great - we even had two show up we didn't know about. Ticket sales exceeded last year and our volunteers were wonderful." "The most important part is that the proceeds will help our students through scholarship support," said Lynch, adding "this fall our Financial Aid Office has been overwhelmed with students in need of aid. The event also benefits the culinary arts department. They use the funds to help with student support and for the students to prepare for and to attend competitions," explained Lynch.



Getting ready to serve a delicious assortment of pastries to patrons at the VIP reception are students Susan Summa of Detroit, Lucianna Benavidez of Livonia and formerly of Argentina and Geri Markley of Wayne. (Sue Rosiek | HometownLife)

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