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Gifts from the Earth – By the Numbers
South Seattle Community College Annual Food and Wine Event Celebrates Hospitality Industry.

Saturday, January 30, 2010
5:00 pm, Jerry M. Brockey Center
South Seattle Community College
6000-16th Ave. SW, Seattle, WA 98106

16 Celebrity Chefs
Peter Birk – Ray’s Boathouse; Dalis Chea – Herban Feast Catering; David Engler – Seattle Golf Club; John Hart – Seattle Sheraton; Craig Hetherington – TASTE; Robert Houot – South Seattle Community College; Brock Johnson – Dahlia Lounge; Renatto Medranda – Westin Bellevue; Jeremy McLachlan – Salty’s on Alki; Will McNamara and Eric Floyd – Washington Athletic Club; Cody Reaves – SIP Restaurant; Leonard Rede - Northwest Wine Academy; Sean Rogers – Broadmoor Golf Club; Brian Scheehser – Trellis; and Ian Thompson – Pacific Grill.

36 Wineries

150 Volunteers
100 Unique auction items
300 Guests

It all adds up to one spectacular evening that celebrates the hospitality industry and raises funds for college programs and student scholarships.

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The festivities, sponsored by Food Services of America, begin at 5 pm and feature hors d’oeuvres, wine tasting and a silent auction, followed by dinner and a live auction of unique fine wine and dining packages.

Volunteers include South’s Hospitality Management bachelor’s degree program students, who manage guest relations; Culinary Arts students preparing meals alongside celebrity chefs; and students in the Wine Technology program who will pour wine with winemakers.

Title sponsor Food Services of America (FSA) is the nation’s sixth largest foodservice distributor, serving customers in 15 western and mid-western states from nine regional distribution centers. This is the third consecutive year that FSA, a long-time supporter of South’s award-winning culinary and hospitality industry programs, has participated as the Gifts from the Earth title sponsor. Additional sponsors include Boeing, Charlie’s Produce, Red Dot Corporation, Interbay Food Company, Tony’s Coffee, and Union Bank.

A limited number of tickets remain available at $175 per person. For information, contact South Seattle Community College Foundation at (206) 764-5809, email: ssccfoundation@sccd.ctc.edu, or on the web at www.southseattle.edu/foundation/giftsfromtheearth/index.html.

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