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**Attention Participants**

Mardi Gras Cajun Cook-off
**Saturday, February 10, 2024 2PM to 4PM**

**Business Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Chef’s Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Contact Name: (for the day of tasting):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Location of tasting:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Thank you for your participation!**

The above information will help us to advertise and promote the 2023 Cajun Cook-Off. Please return to Ingrid Hayward at ingrid@deadwood.org or fax to 605-578-2429 by February 1, 2024. Please give us a call if you plan to participate.

Judging will begin at 2:00 pm, and public tasting will also begin at 2:00 p.m., until 4:00 p.m., or until food runs out. The Judges will be accompanied by a member of the Deadwood Chamber Staff and will request to cut in the line when they arrive with the Judges. Please prepare a minimum of 300 one-ounce samples of each entrée. Judges will be awarding points on authenticity, creativity, originality, presentation, and taste.

People’s choice will be voted on by individuals tasting the entries. People’s Choice Award is based on the total cash collected in collection boxes that will be dropped off at each location. These boxes will be collected on Monday, February 12, 2024. Please ask your cage or players club center to hang onto the donation box for us.

The categories are as follows:

Best Presentation

Best Overall Dish

People’s Choice Award

All categories will be awarded a plaque and bragging rights for the next year. Also, we will present the plaques and take photos with the winners which will be posted in the Deadwood Chamber Newsletter after the presentation.