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## Third Annual Chiefs Cooking For Kids Fundraiser for The Youth Connection Chief Chef Winners

Event hosted by The Youth Connection at Max Fisher Theater on October 8<sup>th</sup> was a tremendous success

October 9, 2015, Detroit, MI – Over 250 guests joined sixteen of Metro-Detroit's finest top brass in a chief's cook-off competition in support of area youth last night at the Max Fisher Theater in Detroit. Metropolitan Detroit Chiefs of Police, Fire and other public safety agencies donned chef hats and aprons and served up their favorite recipes to guests of The Youth Connection at our 2015 Chiefs Cooking for Kids event. The Chiefs collected votes at the event based on whose dish was the tastiest and at the end of the evening we tallied the votes to crown the 2015 Chief Chef of Metro-Detroit.

Winners of the five categories were as follows:

- 1. 2015 Chiefs Cooking for Kids Chief Chef (Most overall votes)
  - a. Wayne County Sheriff Benny Napoleon
  - b. Dish Chicken and Mashed Potato Casserole
- 2. 2015 Chiefs Cooking for Kids Best Appetizer (Most votes Appetizer division)
  - a. Wayne State University Chief of Police Anthony Holt
  - b. Dish BBQ Meatballs
- 3. 2015 Chiefs Cooking for Kids Best Entrée (Most votes Entrée division)
  - a. Detroit Police Department Chief James Craig
  - b. Dish Baked Salmon
- 4. 2015 Chiefs Cooking for Kids Best Dessert (Most votes Dessert division)
  - a. Inkster Fire Department Chief John Adams
  - b. Dish Chocolate/Butterscotch/Peanut Butter Surprise
- 5. 2015 Chiefs Cooking for Kids Chef's Choice (Dish chosen by Max Fisher Theater Executive Chef Kyle Hanley as the best of the evening)
  - a. Canton Fire Department Chief Joshua Meier
  - b. Dish Mahi Mahi Fish Tacos
  - c. The Chefs choice dish will be featured on the Max Fisher Theater Catering Menu for the remainder of the year!

Participating Chiefs from last night included:

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Chief John Adams – Inkster Fire Department Andrew Arena - Detroit Crime Commission Chief James Craig – Detroit Police Department **Special Agent in Charge David Gelios** – Federal Bureau of Investigation **Chief Gary Hagler** – Michigan Department of Natural Resources Chief Eric Hawkins – Southfield Police Department Chief Anthony Holt – Wayne State University Police Department **Commissioner Edsel Jenkins** – Detroit Fire Department **Chief Josh Meier** – Canton Fire Department Sheriff Benny Napoleon – Wayne County Sheriff's Department **Deputy Chief Debra Newsome** – Canton Police Department **Grand Chief Ted Roll** – Wyandot of Anderdon Nation **Ambassador Joseph Thomas** – United States Army Reserve Chief Barry White – Southfield Fire Department Chief Shadd Whitehead – Livonia Fire Department Chief Paul Wilk – Hamtramck Fire Department

Chiefs Cooking for Kids was sponsored in part by Fifth Third Bank, Skillman Foundation, St. John Providence Health System, Molina Healthcare, Kellerin Equipment Sales, Suburban Collection Showplace, FBI – Detroit Field Office, The Parade Company, RJ's Old Tyme Meat Shoppe, Randy's Sausage Shop and Detroit Cheese Co., Apollo Market, Cheechs Poultry, and Detroit Wholesale Produce.

**About The Youth Connection:** The Youth Connection is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to connecting our youth to a brighter future through career exploration, job training, internships, after-school programs and academic assistance for metropolitan Detroit area youth. For more information about The Youth Connection, visit <a href="https://www.theyouthconnection.org">www.theyouthconnection.org</a>.

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