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COUNTDOWN TO THE 2008 SEATTLE CHEESE FESTIVAL
May is Cheese Fest Best Month at Participating Restaurants

SEATTLE – April 21, 2008 – The fourth annual Seattle Cheese Festival takes place on May 16-18 at Pike Place Market, but the festival spirit will flow through area restaurants during the month of May for the **Cheese Fest Best** promotion. Each participating restaurant will feature a cheese-themed dish in honor of the festival. Look for the Seattle Cheese Festival logo on menus.

The participating restaurants are:

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| 35th Street Bistro | Earth & Ocean | Ponti |
| Bennett's Pure Food | Etta's | Purple Café & Wine Bar |
| Betty | How to Cook a Wolf | QUBE |
| Bistro | La Spiga | Sazerac |
| Boat Street Cafe | Lark | Steelhead Diner |
| Boka Kitchen and Bar | Licorous | TASTE @ SAM |
| Brasa | Macrina Bakery | Tavolata |
| Café Campagne | Madison Park Café | The Tasting Room |
| Campagne | Maximillien in the | Tilth |
| Chez Shea | Market | Tulio Ristorante |
| Crave | Nell's | Union |
| Cremant | Pagliacci Pizza | Union Square Grill |
| Crow | Pink Door | |

More Seattle Cheese Festival Schedule Notes:

- **Truckle Roll** – This year's truckle roll will be a relay race among three teams. The race requires competitors to push a truckle (an 18-pound, barrel-shaped wheel of cheese that is taller than it is wide) down the cobblestone at Pike Place Market using a special oar-like cheese paddle. Truckles, courtesy of Beecher's Handmade Cheese, will roll at **10 a.m. sharp on May 17**. The starting line is adjacent to Rachel the Pig.

Team Media: Kelley Moore, of KING 5 and Seattle Magazine; Jim Dever, of Evening Magazine; Corine McKenzie, of Star 101.5. Uniform: matching t-shirts.

Team Chefs: Jason McClure, of Sazerac; Jason Wilson, of Crush; Kurt Dammeier, of Beecher's Handmade Cheese. Uniform: chef's jackets and clogs.

Team Fish Throwers: Three fishmongers of the 'World Famous' Pike Place Fish Market. (Team member names not available at this time.) Uniform: orange waders.

- **Children's Costume Parade** – The Seattle Cheese Festival wants to encourage families to attend the event. So there will be a parade for any and all children. Costumes representing dairy animals (cow, sheep, goat) are suggested, though not required. Festival organizers will provide dairy animal hats to those who don't have a costume. The parade starts at Rachel the Pig at **10:15 a.m. on May 17 and May 18.**

For more information, please visit www.seattlecheesefestival.com.

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