

Welcome, and thank you for joining us at the 2009 Oregon Harvest Dinner.

I suggested the idea for the *Under the Big Top* theme earlier this year when I realized that even in the face of this difficult economy, we have an opportunity to celebrate. I am inspired by the ways that our diverse community has come together as never before to support Oregon Food Bank at a time when we face record need for emergency food. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to repack food, written checks, gathered canned goods from colleagues and stepped up to help in so many other ways.

Thank you to the Oregon Food Bank Board of Directors for hosting this event. Many thanks as well to the volunteers who make this possible, especially all the chefs here tonight who have donated their talents and time to bring you an amazing Harvest Dinner.

It is difficult to accept that in this land of plenty there are so many people who are hungry. Oregon Food Bank works hard to support people who face food insecurity and hunger. For those of us in the food service industry, I believe it is our responsibility to lend a hand, too. To that end, this event would not have come together without the tireless efforts of our staff at New Seasons Market, who share my commitment to ending hunger in our state.

Finally, I would like to express my deep appreciation for all of our sponsors who illustrate their commitment to our community by being here tonight. I am especially grateful to the Maybelle Clark Macdonald Fund for its generous and ongoing support of this event. Its match of our special appeal gifts tonight allows you to have a greater impact on eliminating hunger and its root causes.

Have a wonderful evening, and thank YOU for your efforts ... *because no one should be hungry.*

Lisa Sedlar
President, New Seasons Market
2009 Oregon Harvest Dinner Chair

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EVENING PROGRAM

6:30 P.M.

Reception featuring

Hors d'oeuvres by the store chefs of New Seasons Market:

Asian Chicken Dumplings

Mini Short Rib Sandwiches

Indian Vegetarian Salad

Seafood Salad

Mushroom Mole Empanadas

Mini Green Chile & Cheese Quesadilla with Pumpkin Crema

Entertainment

Silent Auction

Carnival Games (wooden nickels available at registration)

8:00 P.M.

Welcome Greeting

Chris Coleman, Artistic Director, Portland Center Stage

Dinner

First Course:

*Roasted Winter Squash with Radicchio, Walnuts, Chèvre
in a Sherry Vinaigrette*

Prepared by Chef David Machado, Nel Centro

Main Course:

*Braised Pork Shoulder with Roasted Root Vegetables, Toasted Barley
and Hazelnut-Parsley Pesto*

Prepared by Chef Ben Dyer, Laurelhurst Market

Rolls from Grand Central Bakery

Remarks

Rachel Bristol, CEO, Oregon Food Bank

Lisa Sedlar, Oregon Harvest Dinner Chair

Dessert

Mini Apple Galettes by Julie Richardson of Baker and Spice

*Gingerbread Cupcakes with Cream Cheese Icing and a Gingerbread Cookie
and Pumpkin Cupcakes with Whipped Cream and a Cinnamon Cookie*

by Lisa Watson of Cupcake Jones

Cookies by Elizabeth Beekley of Two Tarts

Film

By David Mayne, Very Sirius Productions

- Special Appeal -

9:30 P.M.

Dancing

Three Leg Torso