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**Chowder Cook-Off to Benefit Captain Joseph House
at the Dungeness Crab & Seafood Festival**



Port Angeles, WA April 10, 2017 - Chowder lovers

rejoice! Are you an amazing chowder cook at home? Do you feature one-of-a-kind chowder at your restaurant? If so, you'll want to try your hand at this year's Chowder Cook-Off at the 5th Annual Captain Joseph House Chowder Cook-Off on Sunday, October 8, 2017 at the Dungeness Crab & Seafood Festival on the Port Angeles waterfront.

New this year! \$1,000.00 in prize money! The Best Chowder overall will receive \$500.00, the People's Choice chowder will receive \$300.00 and the Professional and Amateur First runner up will receive \$100.00 each. We are happy to announce that Master Chef Shaun O'Neale is our judge this year.

If you love cooking chowder, now is the time to pull your team together and prove why your chowder is the best! Our Celebrity Chef won't be the only judge...festival goers will also pick their favorite chowder.

Entry fees for professional cooks are \$45 for the first entry and \$22.50 for each additional entry. Amateur cooks pay \$20 for the first entry and \$10 for each additional entry. "**Early Bird**" applications submitted by **July 15, 2017** have a half price reduction in the fee for the first chowder! The chowder recipe may be seafood, a combination of seafood and other ingredients, or vegetarian. All Applications and fees must be submitted by **September 15, 2017**.

The Chowder Cook-Off takes place from 10:00am - 2:00pm at the Gateway Transit Center. Beginning at 10:00am, visitors can watch the chefs cooking, and may taste chowders from both amateur and professional cooks beginning at noon. Unlimited tickets for tastes of chowder (5 tastes for \$10) may be purchased. The People's Choice Award is determined by the most money taken in by each chowder. Votes are \$1.00 each and there is no dollar limit on your vote to decide People's Choice chowder. Our Celebrity Chef will judge chowders at 12:45pm and present the awards at 2:00pm. All proceeds benefit Captain Joseph House, a place of respite and healing for the Gold Star Veteran Families of our Fallen Heroes.

For more information and application materials, visit www.captainjosephhousefoundation.org or www.crabfestival.org or call Tawana Borden at (360) 683-3408 or Sam Coyle at (360) 460-4079.

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The Dungeness Crab & Seafood Festival is produced by Olympic Peninsula Celebrations, a Washington State nonprofit corporation. For more information about the Festival, visit www.crabfestival.org , e-mail info@crabfestival.org , or phone (360) 452-6300.