

THE 23RD ANNUAL AMERICAN WINE & FOOD FESTIVAL

THE 2005 CHEFS' GRAND TASTINGS DINNER AT SPAGO BEVERLY HILLS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2005

A seat at the CHEFS' GRAND TASTINGS DINNER is one of the most coveted acquisitions of the year among serious food and wine aficionados. Each year, Wolfgang Puck and his partner, Executive Chef Lee Hefter, invite their friends—some of the most talented chefs in the world—to collaborate in a special tasting dinner to help raise funds for the Meals-on-Wheels Programs of Los Angeles. We proudly announce the 2005 participants of the Chefs' Grand Tasting Dinner:

**WOLFGANG PUCK, LEE HEFTER,
BARBARA LAZAROFF, AND SHERRY YARD**
WITH CHEF DE CUISINE
THOMAS BOYCE

ARE HONORED TO WELCOME GUEST CHEFS

DAVID BURKE
DAVID BURKE & DONTELLA

THOMAS KELLER, JEFFREY CERCIELLO
FRENCH LAUNDRY, PER SE, BOUCHON

MICHAEL LAISKONIS
LE BERNARDIN

NOBU MATSUHISA
MATSUHISA, NOBU

ALFRED PORTALE
GOTHAM BAR & GRILL

STEPHAN PYLES
DRAGONFLY

TICKET AVAILABILITY

Festival tickets are available through the Puck-Lazaroff Charitable Foundation for \$250 per person, and \$300 per person at the door, as space allows. Table reservations are available from \$3,000. For reservations or more information, please call 310-777-3707 or visit www.awff.org.

Beginning July 17, Visa Signature cardholders will have access to a limited number of tickets to a VIP celebrity-chef cooking demonstration featuring hors d'oeuvres and fine wines, in addition to the main American Wine & Food festival. Space is limited; interested cardholders should contact the Visa Signature Concierge at 888-877-1035 for additional information and to purchase tickets.

Also, Visa Signature cardholders who make and honor a reservation through Visa Signature Dining (www.visadining.com) between July 17 and August 20 will automatically be entered into a drawing to win a trip for two to the festival. For additional information, please visit www.visa.com/signature.

ABOUT THE AMERICAN WINE & FOOD FESTIVAL

Since its inception in 1982, the Puck-Lazaroff Charitable Foundation has supported the American Wine & Food Festival, raising more than \$11 million for Los Angeles chapters of Meals on Wheels. The Los Angeles Meals on Wheels programs serve thousands of meals each day to homebound Los Angeles senior citizens, disabled persons, and terminally ill patients.

As a result of their efforts on behalf of Meals on Wheels, the Austrian-born Puck—renowned for feeding Hollywood glitterati at the annual post-Oscar extravaganza—and Lazaroff—a respected restaurant designer—are also being celebrated for their philanthropic spirit.

