



PRESS RELEASE

Epicurean Hotel Hosts Summer Culinary Classes for Boys & Girls Club Youth

Tampa, FL, June 30, 2014 – The new upscale Epicurean Hotel in South Tampa has partnered with Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay for a summer culinary cooking camp, sponsored by the Where Love Grows Foundation.

This five week series will take place every Monday, beginning June 30th, from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, with the first day including a tour of the hotel and Bern's Steak House. Utilizing the brand new theatre style classroom, **XX** Club Members will work with chefs on cooking basics and food preparation before being served lunch at the hotel. Class themes include: Gourmet Ramen, Max's World Famous Mexi-Melt, Beef Pot Pie, and Chef's Surprise.

"Educating our youth about essential nutrients and cooking techniques is vital considering childhood obesity rates and limited access to healthy food," said Cassandra Thomas, Director of Development & Communications for Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay. "We serve a population that often deals with food insecurity and this partnership with the Where Love Grows Foundation and the Epicurean Hotel enables us to promote healthy lifestyles among our young people."

Please contact Cassandra Thomas at 813-769-7535 for media coverage.

About Where Love Grows Foundation

The Where Love Grows Foundation looks for opportunities to strengthen the "family bond" through the creation of community events. We strive to have these experiences leave positive life impressions. We welcome the opportunity as community conduit between the givers and those in need creating lifetime memories. Hoping to instill our family connection with those we meet, Where Love Grows leads by example, accepting anyone that comes to us hoping they leave better & happier. The mission statement for Where Love Grows is simple: "In us, may all families and kindred of the earth be blessed and by us they will bless themselves". We look to bring victory to our community all the while supporting the children and families of Hillsborough County. We strive to be a conduit between the givers and those in need. We strive to help the children and families in Hillsborough County develop strong bonds through family-inspired events, gatherings, and leading by our own example. We continuously look for opportunities to strengthen the "family bond". We choose to lay down our time, our money and our love for those in need.

About the Epicurean Hotel

Epicurean is located in South Tampa's vibrant SoHo district. Considered the social address of the city, where sophistication is inspired by youthful ambition, the area is known for its boutiques, wide-range of dining options and its plethora of watering holes. Walk or bike down the tree-lined, cobblestone streets of nearby Hyde Park, or gaze over the water on beautiful

Bayshore Boulevard, just blocks away. With indulgences crafted for every space in our 137 room hotel, you will never be far from a unique and rich experience. Taste dishes that have been obsessed over, wines perfected over the years and cocktails treated to a modern touch. Escape at the spa with a deep tissue massage or lounge on the roof under the stars. Whatever the occasion, arrive at our doors ready to indulge your soul and leave truly inspired. At Epicurean, we want every part of your experience in Tampa to be unique and fulfilling. Please consult your Epicurean Host to plan for your day or night around town.

About Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay

Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay has been a positive force in the community for 85 years; enabling young people to become productive, responsible and caring citizens through structured programming, safe learning environments and dedicated staff. With a focus on three core priority outcomes – Academic Success, Healthy Lifestyles, and Improving Character & Leadership, Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay provides opportunities to build new skills that raise a Club Member's belief that he or she can succeed and receive recognition for personal, social and academic accomplishments.

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