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Taste of DeSoto 'smorgasbord'

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SOUTHAVEN — One of the largest crowds in the history of the Taste of DeSoto enjoyed a night of jazz music and assorted delectables to raise funds for the American Liver Foundation and charities under the umbrella of the Community Foundation of Northwest Mississippi.

The 7th annual event was held at the Arena at Southaven. Guests were entertained by the sounds of the Main Street Jazz Orchestra.

"I think it was the best event to date," said John Woods, who co-founded the event along with Tom and Cyndi Pittman. "The food was the best it's ever been and the attendance in the arena was as good as any we've had in past years. It's become a truly amazing event."

Wood's new restaurant, Catfish Creek, won the People's Choice Award.

More than 50 restaurants from around the region participated in the event.

Dan Lehman, sponsorship chairman, also was pleased with the large turnout.

"We think we had more people than last year," Lehman said. "It was just a wonderful event."

Woods said event organizers were still totaling up receipts and expenses from the event.

At least \$25,000 will be earmarked for the American Liver Foundation.

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Tommy Callahan of Olive Branch was among many attendees at the 7th Annual Taste of DeSoto who enjoyed perusing the many silent auction items and tasting a variety of cuisine from more than 50 area chefs and restaurateurs. Photo by Robert Long

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