

## Benefit Dinner at Beaker and Flask

On Sunday, August 23, Beaker and Flask restaurant will host a five-course dinner showcasing the art of food and beverage pairing. This special dinner will benefit The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Chef Benjamin Bettinger, who came to Beaker and Flask following a six-year stint at Paley's Place, will create three courses. The first course will be paired with a cocktail made by owner, Kevin Ludwig. Next, bar manager, Tim Davey will create a cocktail using Matello rosé as the base. The entrée is complemented by a pinot noir from Patricia Green Cellars. For the final two courses, Steve Jones of Steve's Cheese will pair a selection of artisan cheeses with a beer from Upright Brewing, and to finish the evening, award-winning barista Billy Wilson will pair coffee with chocolates from David Briggs of Xocolatl (see *Seasonal, Savory Xocolatl*, July 8, 2009 archived blog).

### The Menu

Welcome Hors D'oeuvres  
Summer Punch

Stuffed Squid with Heirloom Tomatoes and Chorizo Vinaigrette  
House Spirits Aquavit Cocktail by Kevin Ludwig

Charentais Melon, Beets, and Bitter Greens with Chicken Liver Mousse Crostini  
Matello Rosé Cocktail by Tim Davey

Grilled Quail, Bing Cherry Compote, Spätzle  
Patricia Green Cellars 2007 Croft Vineyard Pinot Noir

A Selection of Steve's Cheese  
Upright Brewing Beer

Xocolatl de David—Barista Coffee

This event will showcase Portland's emerging food and beverage talent while raising funds to help find a cure for blood-related cancers. The dinner's participants have generously donated their time, as well as food and beverage, and all proceeds will go directly to the cause.

Cost for the dinner, including gratuity, is \$75 per person. For reservations and more information, please call me at 402-270-4604, or email [andreaslonecker@gmail.com](mailto:andreaslonecker@gmail.com). Seating is limited to 50 guests, so please reserve soon!

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society is the world's largest voluntary health organization dedicated to funding blood cancer research and providing education and patient services. They've invested more than \$600 million in research since 1949—over \$71 million in

2008—specifically targeting leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma. For additional information about The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, please visit <http://www.lls.org>.