



VIM's 23rd annual Low Country Soup Challenge Winner's Announced January 18, 2015 at the Westin HHI Resort and Spa

(-Hilton Head, S.C.) The 23rd annual Low Country Soup Challenge to benefit Volunteers in Medicine (VIM) Hilton Head Island occurred on **Sunday, January 18, 2015** at the Westin Resort and Spa. Attendees from all over Lowcountry gathered to taste “all the soup you can eat” from some of the finest restaurant chefs on Hilton Head Island and the region.

14 chefs and restaurants participated this year. Chefs at the following eateries served up tasty dishes: Hugo's Seafood and Steakhouse, Frankie Bones, Westin Resort and Spa, Chart House, Black Marlin, Trattoria Davina, Kenny B's, Mediterranean Harbour Bar & Grill, Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort, La Fontana, Whole Foods, Le Bistro Mediterranean, Crazy Crab, and New York City Pizza.

Award Winner's include:

Judges Vote: 1st Place – Hugo's Seafood and Steakhouse (Hugo's Lowcountry Stone Crab Sunrise); 2nd Place – Tie between Kenny B's French Quarter Café (Pontchartrain BBQ Oyster Rockefeller Stew with Crispy Pancetta) and Frankie Bones (Vegetarian “Italian Sausage” & Bean Soup with Pesto Crouton); and 3rd Place – Chart House (Smoked Green Tomato & Local Shrimp Gumbo)

People's Choice Award: Hugo's Seafood and Steakhouse

Volunteers' Choice Award: The Westin Resort and Spa

Best Lowcountry Soup: Kenny B's French Quarter Café

Best Presentation: Kenny B's French Quarter Café

Best Healthy Soup: Frankie Bones

VIM would like to thank all the chefs and more than 100 volunteers who participated in this wonderful event to help bring awareness concerning the healthcare needs of Low Country residents. VIM Hilton Head Island serves more than 33,000 patient visits annually, many to service providers of the tourism industry including restaurant and hotel workers. Please contact **Linda S. Bloom, Director of Development at 843-689-6612** or lbloom@vimclinic.org if you would like to participate in next year's event!