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**Two Culinary Students Set to Compete in SCA World Steak Cook-off in San Antonio, TX**

Lancaster, PA – March 3rd, 2025—The culinary world is heating up as two talented students from YTI Career Institute Lancaster campus, prepare to showcase their skills on a national stage. Cindy Snader and Joe Balberchek, both rising stars in the culinary field, will be traveling to San Antonio, Texas, to compete in the prestigious SCA World Steak Cook-off, taking place from March 12 to March 16, 2025.

Snader and Balberchek, who trained under Chef Joe Renfroe, earned their place in the competition after outstanding performances at various cook-offs in central Pennsylvania. Their exceptional results at a Lancaster cook-off led to individual high scores, securing them invitations to the highly anticipated National Cook-off in 2025.

During their time in Texas, Snader and Balberchek will put their culinary expertise to the test as they compete in two of the six available categories. The SCA World Steak Cookoff is expected to host approximately 350 national and international teams, making it a truly global culinary showdown.

“We are incredibly proud of Cindy and Joe for their dedication and achievements,” said Chef Joe Renfroe. “Their passion and hard work have earned them this incredible opportunity, and we are excited to see them compete on such a prestigious platform.”

Campus Director of Operations and Education, Audrey Lanenhop echoed this sentiment, stating, “Cindy and Joe exemplify the skill, commitment, and drive we foster in our culinary program. Their success is a testament to their talent and perseverance, and we have no doubt they will represent our institution with excellence at the national level.”

The SCA World Steak Cookoff is known for its rigorous competition, bringing together some of the best grill masters from around the world.

For more information about YTI Career Institute Lancaster campus, culinary and pastry program and, please visit our website [www.yti.edu](http://www.yti.edu).

About YTI Career Institute: YTI is a private post-secondary institution of higher education serving south-central Pennsylvania at the York, Lancaster, and Altoona campuses. YTI Career Institute offers career training in the [computer](https://yti.edu/programs/computer-programs), [culinary arts](https://yti.edu/paschoolofculinaryarts), [healthcare](https://yti.edu/programs/medical-programs) and [trades](https://yti.edu/programs/trades-programs) fields. For more information, visit [www.yti.edu](http://www.yti.edu).