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**MILLENNIUM ALASKAN HOTEL ANCHORAGE CULINARY TEAM TO PREPARE
FIVE-COURSE DINNER FOR THE FIRST MUSER TO THE YUKON**

ANCHORAGE (February 27, 2014) – As a 26-year sponsor of the [Iditarod](#), [Millennium Alaskan Hotel Anchorage](#) is excited to announce the menu for the Iditarod’s first Musher to the Yukon award. This unique award is given to the first musher that crosses the Yukon Territory which will be held in Ruby this year.

A lavish five-course dinner with wine and champagne pairings will be prepared for the musher who will also receive a cash prize of \$3,500 from Millennium Alaskan Hotel Anchorage.

“We have an outstanding culinary team,” said Carol Fraser, general manager of Millennium Alaskan Hotel Anchorage. “This event is a great way to showcase the excellent menu they’ve designed and to display their creativity as they prepare each of the five courses on camping stoves. Our executive chef, Bobby Sidro not only plans the menu, but also packs over 300 pounds of equipment to bring to Ruby. He patiently waits until the first musher is spotted a couple of hours before his arrival in Ruby, and then it’s time to start cooking! It’s truly a first-class, authentic culinary experience deep in the heart of Alaska.”

The celebratory wine-paired dinner menu includes:

- Alaskan Sablefish and Blue Mussel Stew
- Red King Crab Cajun Bruschetta
- Baby Arugula and Smoked Spotted Shrimp Salad
- Peppercorn Crusted Filet Mignon and Fried Oysters
- Roasted Pear Crème Brûlée Tart
- The After Dinner Mint of \$3,500 will be presented on an Alaskan Gold Pan served with a bottle of Dom Perignon.

Millennium Alaskan Hotel Anchorage is the official host hotel of the Iditarod. The event’s ceremonial start will be held March 1 in downtown Anchorage Alaska, with the official start following on March 2 in Willow Alaska. For more information on the hotel, visit <http://www.millenniumhotels.com/millenniumanchorage/>.

About Millennium Alaskan Hotel Anchorage

Millennium Alaskan Hotel Anchorage is located on the shores of scenic Lake Spenard, the world's busiest floatplane lake, and offers 248 guestrooms, including several suites and Club Rooms with additional services and amenities. Just one mile from Anchorage International Airport and 10 minutes from downtown, the hotel features two restaurants, a lounge, room service, concierge service, exercise room and complimentary airport shuttle. Don't miss the incredible exposition of Alaskan wildlife in the lobby. In summer or winter, the hotel is the perfect base for exploring the unspoiled splendor of Alaska's wildlife or outstanding salmon fishing. Flightseeing excursions are available from the hotel's private floatplane dock. <http://www.millenniumhotels.com/millenniumanchorage/>

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