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Upper Midwest Bakery Association
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UMBA Announce Ultimate Cake Decorating Competition Winners

Snowflakes, penguins, crowns and glitter were the features of the day as competitors competed for over \$2500 in cash prizes at the 5th Annual Ultimate Cake Decorating Contest held at Mall of America on Sunday, November 13. Twelve competitors competed to sculpt a birthday cake that celebrated “My Winter Wonderland” while thirteen teams hurried to construct and decorate a five tiered “My Royal Wedding Cake” in three hours. Meanwhile young decorators got a chance to try their hand at decorating in a nearby cupcake decorating station where their \$1 donation went towards the UMBA scholarship fund. Afterwards they had a chance to “Make a Cake Face” in a photo booth sponsored by General Mills.

Winners of the competition were:

My Winter Wonderland Birthday Competition

1st place- \$500 prize- Sara Konz, King's County Market, St Francis, MN Contestant #1 - (igloo with polar bear and snowman)

2nd place- \$250 prize- Andrea Halleland, Daube's Bakery, Rochester, MN Contestant #11-(fluffy dog laying on a sled)

3rd place- \$125 prize- Keeann Richards, Jerry's Foods, Edina, MN Contestant # 13- (penguin with the blue scarf)

My Royal Wedding Cake Competition

1st place- \$1000 prize- Rhoda Schultz and Mindy Smith, HyVee Mankato, MN - Contestants #12- pink and gold cake with the "S" on top)

2nd place- \$500 prize- Jamie VanderWoude and Fhoua Yang-Moua, Byerly's, Contestants #13- (white cake with the puffy diamond look on the top layer)

3rd place- \$250 prize- Stephanie Bromander and Kathy Anderson, Byerly's, Contestants #11- (white cake, topped with a pair of love birds)

Judges for the competition were Darla Julin, CD, from Fantasies in Frosting, Terri Oys, Gregory's Foods and Gary Hjellming, Oak Ridge Conference Center.

The competition was sponsored by UMBA with allied members, General Mills, DecoPac, Brill, Bakery Crafts, Dawn Foods, Gregory's Foods and Lindar. UMBA member bakeries Coborn's and Cold Spring Bakery provided the cake for the contest.

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