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Goodbye, Traverse City. Hello, St. Joe!

The sixth annual **Epicurean Classic** has a new home.

Running Aug. 28-30, the world-class food and wine event will move from the grounds of the Great Lakes Culinary Institute in Traverse City to tents on St. Joseph's Lake Boulevard, on the bluff overlooking Lake Michigan – the same site as the popular Krasl Art Fair every summer.

The Epicurean Classic, on a par with the classics in Aspen, Colo., and South Beach, Fla., features a roster of top chefs and wine authorities, and producers of special artisanal food products, who all have one thing in common – they have a new book title out. And early word has it that the Food Network's Mary Sue Milliken and Chicago restaurateur Takashi Yagihashi, former chef of Tribute in Farmington Hills, are among those headed to St. Joe's Lake Bluff Park.

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The event features dozens of cooking demonstrations and food and wine seminars, plus wine tastings and special receptions.

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