

## Get ready for 10 days of dining delights with Alton Restaurant Week

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ALTON - Looking for some winter comfort food? Then plan to take part in the food-filled dining adventure that is Alton Restaurant Week. Twenty one locally owned and operated restaurants in Alton, Bethalto, Godfrey and Grafton will kick off the seventh annual event Friday, Jan. 19 which runs for 10 delightfully delicious days before ending Sunday, Jan. 28.

Enjoy secret-recipe fried chicken, mouth wateringly tender pepperloin steaks, juicy ribs, fish, pasta, pizza and more delectable delights from the participating locally owned and operated restaurants. Diners also have the opportunity to sample signature beers from two of the area's craft breweries, Old Bakery Beer Co., and Grafton Winery and Brewhaus. During Restaurant Week diners can expect fixed price meals with lunch at \$10 and dinners for \$25 or 2 for \$25. There are no passes to buy, and no cards to punch. Everyone is encouraged to simply bring their appetites to participating restaurants. Menus and details on the event can be found at <a href="https://www.AltonRestaurantWeek.com">www.AltonRestaurantWeek.com</a>.

"Every year we continue to grow our list of participating restaurants," said Brett Stawar, President and CEO of the Alton Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau. "We have new participating restaurants and returning favorites. It's really exciting when new restaurants ask to be part of our event. It shows how deep the culture of our culinary scene runs."

The list of participating restaurants continues to expand each year. New to this year's Restaurant Week is Nicky G's Italian Eats in Alton and Alton Wood River Sportsmen's Club in Godfrey. Returning favorites also included in the extensive Restaurant Week menu of participants are: Bluff City Grill, Bossanova Restaurant & Lounge, Carver's Southern Style BBQ, Castelli's at 255, Chez Marilyn, Fin Inn, Great Rivers Tap and Grill at Best Western Premier Alton St. Louis, Gentelin's on Broadway, Grafton Winery & Brewhaus, High Flyers Grille, Johnson's Corner, Journey at the Argosy Casino Alton, My Just Desserts, Morrison's Irish Pub, Old Bakery Beer Co., Olga's Kitchen, Roper's Regal Beagle, State Street Market, and Tony's Restaurant. With great deals and menus, Alton Restaurant Week is an opportunity for locals and visitors throughout the region to try a new restaurant or visit one of their favorites to show their support.

"Restaurant Week really is an opportunity for our local, family-owned restaurants to shine," Stawar notes. "Each restaurant taking part has worked hard to put together a menu showcasing their specialties while also providing diners with a distinct culinary experience. No one will leave disappointed."

Once again this year, diners who visit a participating restaurant can bring their receipt to the Alton Visitors Center at 200 Piasa St., Alton, and receive a free souvenir glass. The glass features the 100th anniversary of the birth of Robert Wadlow, Alton's Gentle Giant. Glasses will be distributed from the Alton Visitor Center, 200 Piasa St., while quantities last. Diners must bring in a receipt from a participating restaurant to receive a glass.

The event has been made possible with the help of the following sponsors: Alton Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau, Fritz Distributing, Liberty Bank, OSF Saint Anthony's Health Care, Alton Memorial Hospital and Argosy Casino.

So pull up a chair and join us for a great meal in Alton, Bethalto, Godfrey and Grafton. For more information or to view menus offered by the participating restaurants, go to <a href="https://www.AltonRestaurantWeek.com">www.AltonRestaurantWeek.com</a> or call the Alton Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau at 1-800-258-6645.