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The official dining guide of Southwest Michigan

It's Restaurant Month In Berrien County

March is a special month in Southwest Michigan, ushering in warmer temperatures and the first glimpse of Spring. March is also **Restaurant Month in Berrien County**, providing yet another reason (as if we needed one) to celebrate the many food establishments that call our region home.

Restaurant Month in Berrien County began during the pandemic as a way to support local restaurants reeling from the shutdown. The **Southwest Michigan Regional Chamber** recognized the devastating impact of a 75-day state mandated closure of indoor-dining and the capacity restrictions that followed in early 2021, and wanted to draw community support to keep restaurants afloat during that difficult season.

In March of that year, Restaurant Month was launched and the **Buy Local Berrien** page was once again utilized as a proactive approach to highlight small businesses offering take-out options. Residents responded in an impressive show of force, ordering carry-out meals in an effort to keep these beloved restaurants in business, and sharing their experiences with friends online. This connection of residents and restaurants continues, and this March we are reminded of the way we came together to support small business and encouraged to keep the momentum going.

In celebration of Restaurant Month, throughout March we'll feature restaurants in Berrien County and highlight a wide range of selections to cover every meal of the day from sunrise to sunset.

You'll learn about places like the **Full** Circle Café and Espresso Bar in Stevensville, serving breakfast, lunch, coffee, and sweets with a delectable menu and impressive plate presentation. If you're hungry for breakfast, select from a variety of crustless quiche options and homemade bakery treats like maple pecan sticky buns or blueberry streusel coffee cake. Lunch is covered too, with menu items like the Apple Pecan Salad and the Flying Pig Sandwich, or homemade soups like Creamy Tomato and Cheesy Broccoli Cauliflower, gluten-free and available for take-home by the pint and quart. "Fresh and delicious" seem to be the best words to describe every option on the menu,

and the folks at Full Circle pride themselves on customized orders to fit any customer's palate and dietary needs.

For those looking for something new to try this month, look no further than the variety offered by The Market, a 9,000 square foot indoor year-round farmers market in St. Joe that boasts of eight different businesses including The Cheese Lady St. Joe, Dad's Farm & Café, Infusco Coffee Roasters, St. Joe Wine Shoppe, St. Joe Community Taproom, The Tea Annex, and Wild Ginger Flowers and Gifts. The fun atmosphere and wide selection of items makes this the perfect place to enjoy a Wednesday work lunch or a Saturday morning coffee date. Try out the High Steaks sandwich at Dad's Farm & Café, a mouth-watering meal with thin sliced New York strip, caramelized onion, roasted red peppers, provolone, and garlic aioli. Or stop in on a Taco Tuesday and ask for the Birria tacos or the guesadilla meal.

Arthur Havlicek, President and CEO of The Southwest Michigan Regional Chamber, is once again calling on Berrien County residents to use their dollars to support local restaurants this month. According to Havlicek, "Restaurants are still battling many pandemic-related challenges. This year, we can again prevent permanent closures by helping these businesses persevere until Southwest Michigan's summer hospitality season returns."

Many restaurants take full advantage of the extra attention offered by Restaurant Month and provide a variety of specials to encourage residents to participate. Check out the great restaurants featured here in the pages of **CHOW!**

It's a great month to support local businesses and try a new spot, with so many establishments catering to locals and eager to win a return visit. Your local dollars help local restaurant owners continue to serve with a smile in Southwest Michigan.

Keep a close eye on the Buy Local Berrien Facebook page for real-time re-

views and restaurant specials, and visit **BuyLocalBerrien.com** for stories like this one and more!

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1 lb Fried Chicken Wings Dressed in Louisiana Hot Sauce/Blue Cheese Dressing \$14.00

Crawfish Dip (Hot cheddar, Sour Cream, Creole Sauce, Crawfish tail meat)

with Cajun Toast Points \$12.00

Fried Green Tomatoes with Crawfish Saute \$14.00
Red Beans and Dirty Rice with Andouille \$9.00

Entrées:

Gumbo Yaya Tasso/Andouille/shrimp in a rich creole stock with dirty rice \$16.00

Smoked Chicken Jambalaya Celery/Green Pepper/Onion in a
rich spicy Louisiana Tomato broth with dirty rice \$16.00

Crawfish Etouffee green peppers/onions/celery in a seasoned creole gravy with dirty rice \$18.00

Blackened Fresh Louisiana Red Fish served with

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Desserts:

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Wild caught shrimp - beer steamed and chilled - served over a bed of mixed greens - house-made cocktail sauce - \$14

Greek Salad

Garlic butter marinated chicken breast - tomatoes - red onion cucumber - artichoke hearts - kalamata olives - feta cheese bed of romaine - house made champagne vinaigrette - \$16

Buck'n Bacon Burger

(our own butcher's special creation)

7 oz. fresh bacon infused ground beef patty - cheddar cheese - lettuce tomato - red onion - Buck bacon - served with Buck chips - \$16

Prime Rib Sandwich

Shave prime rib - provolone - grilled pepper and onions house-made horseradish sauce on the side - brioche bun - \$14

Meatloaf Dinner

House-made meatloaf with tri-blend burger - Yukon mashed potatoes green beans - horseradish demi-glaze - \$17

Country Fried Steak Dinner

Tenderized beef - lightly dusted and fried - mashed potatoes - gravy green beans - \$16

Bone-In Smoke Pork Chop Dinner

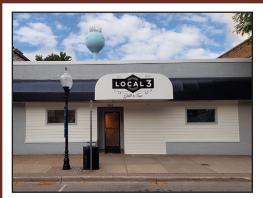
10 oz bone-in smoked pork chop - mashed potatoes flash fried Brussels sprouts - apple sauce - \$18

Sirloin Beef Tip Dinner

Tender bite sized sirloin tips - horseradish beef reduction mashed potatoes - green beans - \$10

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APPETIZERS:

PORTABELLA MUSHROOMS | 9 MAC & CHEESE GOUDA BITES | 8 BREADED MOZZARELLA STICKS | 9 PICKLE CHIPS | 8 ONION RINGS | 8 SPINACH ARTICHOKE DIP | 9 SPICY FIESTA POPPERS | 8 GARLIC CHEESE CURDS | 9 GARLIC CHEESE BREAD | 9 half order | 5 add tomato +1

WINGS (bone-in or boneless) choose from 9 different sauces/rubs 6 wings | 10

12 wings | 18

CLUB | 12

ham, turkey, bacon, tomatoes, cucumber, cheddar jack cheese

CAESAR | 11

chicken, black olives, red onion, shredded parmesan, croutons

GREEK | 11

chicken, red onion, roasted red pepper, kalamata olives, feta cheese

SIDE SALAD | 4

tomato, onion, cucumber, shredded cheese

IGHTER SIDE:

Served with choice of Great Lakes Chips or fries.

FISH TACOS | 12

3 tacos made with deep fried grouper topped with purple cabbage, cilantro, and house-made creamy sriracha sauce.

VEGAN CHICKEN SANDWICH | 12 Vegan mayo, lettuce, & tomato.

ENT FISH SPECIALS

COMBINATION | 19

ITALIAN SAUSAGE, PEPPERONI, MUSHROOMS, ONIONS, GREEN PEPPERS, CHOICE OF GREEN OR BLACK OLIVES

PHILLY STEAK | 19 PRIME RIB, MUSHROOMS, ONIONS, ROASTED RED PEPPERS, MOZZARELLA & CHEDDAR BLEND

CHICKEN BACON RANCH | 19 CHICKEN, BACON, RANCH



SANDWICHES:

TURKEY BACON SWISS | 13

Oven roasted turkey with three strips of Applewood smoked bacon, real Swiss cheese, lettuce, tomato, and mayo on grilled sourdough bread

CHICKEN SANDWICH | 12 6 oz chicken breast, grilled or breaded in our famous breading and deep fried with lettuce, tomato, and mayo on a grilled brioche

STACKED HAM & CHEESE | 11

Roasted ham stacked high with 2 pieces of American cheese.

THE PATTY MELT | 12

8 oz of fresh ground beef smothered with grilled onion and real Swiss cheese on thick cut grilled light rye.

SHRIMP PO'BOY | 13

Grilled or breaded shrimp, creamy sriracha sauce, lettuce, tomato,

THE WINDERMERE | 15
In house shaved, slow roasted choice top round smothered with Grande mozzarella. Served with au jus and fries

PHILLY STEAK PRIME | 15

Oven roasted ribeye, thinly sliced and covered in roasted red peppers, fresh sautéed mushrooms, and grilled onion. Topped with provolone and house-made beer cheese. Served with fries.

Panini-style pressed wraps. Choice of flour or spinach wrap. Served with choice of Great Lakes Chips or fries.

GRILLED CHICKEN CAESAR | 12

Romaine, Caesar dressing, parmesan cheese, and grilled chicken seasoned to perfection.

PRIME STEAK & CHEESE | 14

Seasoned ribeye smothered with grilled onions, lettuce, tomato, provolone cheese, and house-made chipotle sauce.

BUFFALO CHICKEN | 12

Our hand-made chicken strips tossed in buffalo sauce, lettuce, tomato, cheddar jack cheese, and our house made ranch.

TURKEY CLUB | 13

Oven roasted turkey, fresh lettuce, tomato, Applewood smoked bacon, and mayo.

GREEK CHICKEN | 20

CHICKEN, ROASTED RED PEPPER, SPINACH, KALAMATA OLIVES. FETA CHEESE. AND ARTICHOKE

SPINACH & ARTICHOKE | 19 OUR HOMEMADE SPINACH & ARTICHOKE DIP, MOZZARELLA

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8 oz patty. Served with choice of Great Lakes Chips or fries. Choice of cheese: American, Swiss, cheddar, provolone, or pepperjack.

SMOKEHOUSE | 14

1/2 lb patty topped with house-made BBQ, lettuce, tomato, pepperjack cheese, thinly sliced ham, Applewood smoked bacon, and a hand-cut beer battered onion ring.

FLAME THROWER | 12

1/2 lb patty seasoned with Cajun seasoning Pepperjack cheese, lettuce, tomato, and jalapeno with our house-made chipotle sauce

BASIC BURGER | 11

THE STUFFED BURGER | 13

1/2 lb patty stuffed with Velveeta cheese Served deluxe and with Velveeta cheese. Served deluxe and with everything.

MUSHROOM & SWISS | 12

1/2 lb patty smothered with fresh mushrooms sautéed in butter and real Swiss cheese.

BARNYARD BURGER | 13

1/2 lb seasoned hand pattied burger topped with American cheese, a layer of crispy fries, 2 strips of Applewood smoked bacon, egg - anyway you like it, on a buttered brioche bun.

OLIVE BURGER | 12

1/2 lb patty topped with green olives, lettuce, tomato, and

BASKETS:

Served with choice of Great Lakes Chips or fries.

CHICKEN STRIPS | 13 Hand cut strips of chicken breast rolled in our signature house breading

TIGER SHRIMP | 15

Tiger shrimp hand battered in our house-made breading and

GROUPER | 15

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AILY SPECIALS

BUFFALO CHICKEN | 19 BREADED BUFFALO CHICKEN, BANANA PEPPERS,

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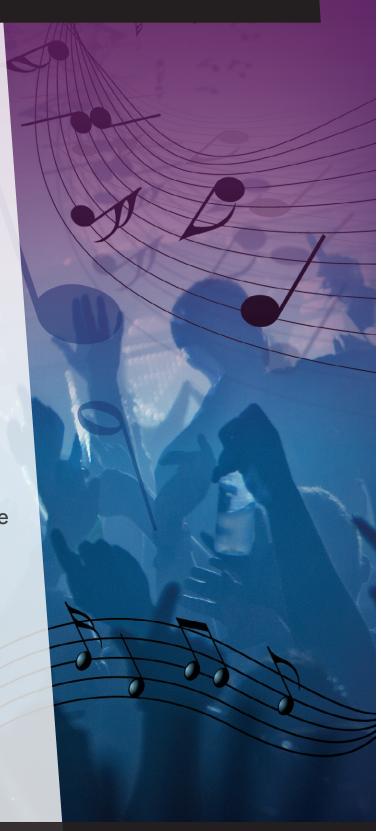
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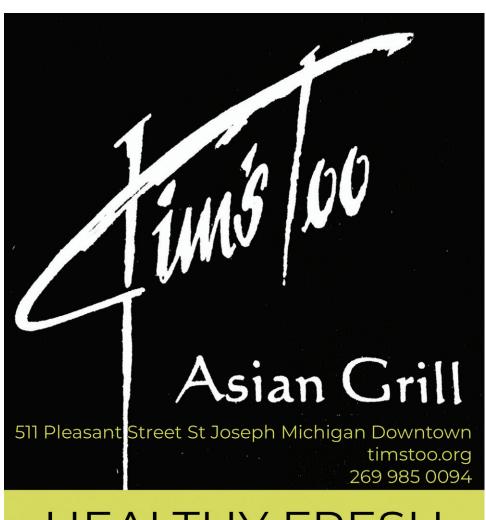




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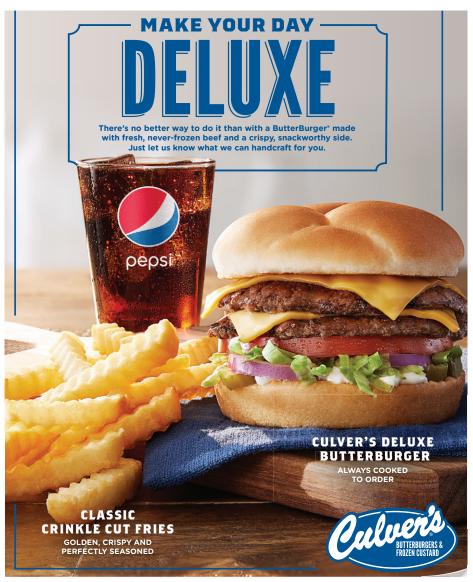
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