

The Experience

News For and About THE GOVERNORS CLUB - Tallahassee, Florida

February 2014



AIF Welcome Back Legislative Reception Shuttle

Monday, March 3 5:00 – 8:30 pm Complimentary

'Wines from Around the World'

Thursday, February 20 6:00 pm, Plantation Room \$30++ per person Free to 2014 Platinum Society Members

Welcome Reception for Our New General Manager, Barry Shields

Friday, February 21 4:30-6:30 pm Parlour

Sunday Brunch Buffet Live Piano

Sunday, February 23 11:00 am – 2:00 pm \$14.99++ Adults \$8.99++ Children 12 & Under

Committee Week Lunch Buffets & Hours

February 4 & 5
February 11 & 12
February 18 & 19
The Grille will be open
until 10:00 pm

Chef's Table

Wednesday through Saturday 6:30 pm Reservation Maximum of 6 Guests \$75++ 5-Course Dinner \$35++ Wine Pairings

Message from the General Manager

During my recent move from Tampa, as I packed my belongings from my office, I made sure to bring one of my favorite office décor hangings on the wall. It's a framed statement from an author unknown referring to the unique greatness of what a private club is all about. Here it is...(see right)



Barry Shields General Manager

Our Club really is a special place for many reasons and from what I've seen in my short time here, it has only grown better with time. What defines the greatness of a club are its members. Without members there is not a club. With that being said, your support of the Club is greatly appreciated.

A Club

Is a haven of refuge and accord in a world torn by strife and discord; Is a place where kindred spirits gather to have fun and make friends;

Is a place of courtesy, good breeding and good manners;

Is a place expressly for camaraderie, merriment, good will, and good cheer; It humbles the mighty, draws out the timid, and cast out the sorehead;

And is one of the noblest inventions of mankind!

Barry Shields, CCM General Manager

Treat your Sweetheart to an Exquisite Five Course Valentine's Dinner

Friday, February 14, Main Dining Room, Piano Accompaniment \$100++ Including Wine, \$75++ Without Wine Call for reservations - 224-0650; Confirmed reservations will be billed.

Menu

Crispy Oysters on the Half Shell
Champagne Sabayon & American Caviar
Butter Roasted Heart Of Palm Salad
Strawberry, Spinach & Citrus Mignonette
Truffled Lobster Ravioli

Sherried Tomato Buerre Rouge Chile & Chocolate Braised Short Rib Of Beef

> Creamy 'Bumpy Road' Grits, Baby Carrots, Rosemary Jus Flourless Chocolate Soufflé

Fleur de Sel Caramel & Hazelnut Anglaise

Those who wish to enjoy wine pairings with their dinner will receive three special selections from our cellar.





SUNDAY BRUNCH BUFFET Featuring Live Piano Performance

Sunday, February 23 11:00 am – 2:00 pm Main Dining Room Adults \$14.99++ Children 12 & Under \$8.99++

This month our Sunday Brunch will include live piano music! Join us on Sunday, February 23, to enjoy Brunch at your CLUB. The culinary team will present a delectable buffet with selections sure to please everyone. Call 224-0650 for reservations; confirmed reservations will be billed.

New Sunday Buffet

Plant City Strawberry & Housemade Granola Trifle

Chicken & Andouille Gumbo

Applewood Smoked Bacon & Breakfast Links

Scrambled Eggs

Buttermilk Biscuits and Bacon-Tomato Gravy

3 Cheese Hash Brown Casserole

Smoked Chicken & Mascarpone Crepes with Mushroom Velouté

Sundried Tomato & Asparagus Fritata

Pecan Crusted Grouper

Strawberry & Sweet Biscuit Shortcake

Welcome Back Legislature

AIF Shuttle - For those members attending the AIF Welcome Back Legislative Reception on Monday, March 3rd, we have arranged for a shuttle service which will make a continuous loop between the AIF offices and the CLUB. The shuttle will operate from 5:00 to 8:30 pm and is complimentary for our Members.

Lunch Buffets - We realize this is a very busy time for many of our members so we are offering a full lunch buffet on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays on the second floor during Session from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm (when available). In addition, we are offering a full lunch buffet in the Lounge on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The Lounge menu will be exactly the same as on the second floor and is a wonderful option to get you back to business quickly.



Guest Policy - Your CLUB is a very popular meeting spot during the Legislative Session. In an effort to ensure it remains a 'Members Only' venue, we will place a host at the Lounge door on the busiest days. Of course, Members are welcome to bring a guest, however, CLUB Policy states

that a member must accompany their guest. Please assist our Lounge staff by signing all tabs. This will ensure all charges go to the correct member account and that your membership is not abused.

Reservation Hold - Please remember that we will hold all reservations for 15 minutes. If we do not hear from you 15 minutes following your reservation, we will release the table for other member use. If you are running late, please give us a call and we will be happy to hold your table!

Welcome Reception for New General Manager



Please join the Board of Governors in welcoming our new General Manager, Barry Shields, back to Tallahassee and back to the GOVERNORS CLUB. Enjoy complimentary martinis and delicious oysters on the half shell, as well as other tempting treats. Meet Barry and catch up with fellow CLUB members. Friday, February 21st in the Parlour from 4:30-6:30pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Celebrate at Your Club

Celebrate any occasion at the GOVERNORS CLUB! From formal weddings and dinners to casual evenings on the balcony or an intimate Chef's Table...we can accommodate an array of gatherings. The GOVERNORS CLUB is the perfect venue for your special affair.



Featured Staff Member

Annette Hansford Bartender/Server



Annette Hansford was born and raised in St. Petersburg, Florida. She worked as a summer camp counselor for 5 years and an after-school counselor for a year

before moving into retail. In August of 2007, she moved to Tallahassee to attend FSU where she majors in Literature and plans on graduating this fall. She continued to work in retail until she started at the GOVERNORS CLUB in August of 2011. She was originally hired as a hostess, where she showed a knack for member recognition. She has been known as the friendly and welcoming face at the front desk, the interrogating personality at the Lounge, and the smiling, helpful bartender in the Lounge. She attended bartending school last spring and has been a welcome addition to the Lounge staff. The aspect of the CLUB that she enjoys the most is getting to know the members on a personal level. Outside of the CLUB, she is very athletic. She loves sports, such as rugby, running and working out. She has a dog named Gabby. She is still undecided as to what she will do after graduation but if her work at the CLUB is any indication, she will be successful at whatever the future holds for her.

Coming in March

Italian Vineyards

Thursday, March 20, 6:00 pm \$30++ Per Person Free to Platinum Society Members

It's not too late to join the
2014 Platinum Society
It's a club within a club organization
that offers an exclusive VIP membership into CLUB events featuring
wine, spirits and cigars.

One Time Annual Dues: \$275++
To join, contact Allison Ager
allisonager@govclub.com, 205-0663

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Welcome NEW MEMBERS

Lisa D. Brown

President / CEO Tallahassee Leon Federal Credit Union SPOUSE: Tim Brown SPONSORS: Wes Strickland & Michael Kalifeh

Wines from Around the World

February 20, 6:00 pm \$30++ Per Person Free to Platinum Society Members Call for reservations - 224-0650 Confirmed reservations will be billed.



Paco & Lola Albarino-Spain

~ Galician Style Scallops on the Half Shell

Amalaya Red Blend-Argentina

~ Grilled Hanger Steak with a Classic Chimichurri & Shaved Manchego

Tenuta Di Arceno Chianti Classico-Italy

~ Pan Roasted Vegetable Tourne & Sherry Vinaigrette

Mitolo Jester Cabernet Sauvignon-South Australia

~ Curried Lamb Lollipops With a Roasted Eggplant and Garbanzo Bean Soubise

JC Boisette No. 21 Brute Cremant De Bourgogne-France

Lounge Libations

The Holidays are behind us and the Legislative Session is just around the corner. As we take this last opportunity to prepare for the upcoming busy season, the CLUB has added some exciting beverage options and will be adding more in the near future. With the increased popularity of Rye Whiskeys, we are proud to offer our members some great options, such as Michter's Rye, Bulleit Rye, Templeton Rye, and Willet Rye. All of these great whiskeys have their own unique characteristics and are wonderful served neat, on the rocks, or in an Old Fashioned. If you have not explored the world of Rye's, please ask one of your bartenders to guide and help you find your favorite. In the draft beer category, we have added Goose Island 312, a refreshing wheat ale, and St. Arnold Elissa, a small production and wonderfully balanced IPA. We have also received more of the Oban Distillers Edition. This limited edition Scotch is similar to the traditional Oban but has been finished in Sherry casks, which results in a more rounded and smooth finish. Speaking of Scotch, the Scotch School in the Lounge was a great success and a lot of fun for everyone involved. We want to thank those in attendance and we hope that you walked away with a better understanding of this classic spirit. Please join us in February as we explore 'Wines Around the World'. We have some great wines to present and Chef has paired some wonderful lite bites to accompany. As always, I am happy to be of service for any of your beverage needs.

Cheers!
Paul McShane, Beverage Manager



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BUSINESS Hours

Lunch

Grille & Balcony Monday through Friday 11:30 ~ 2:00

Dinner

Grille & Balcony Monday through Saturday 5:00 ~ Close

Cocktails

Lounge Monday through Saturday 4:00 ~ Closing

Contact

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CLUB MANAGEMENT STAFF

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