



GOVERNORS CLUB

# The Experience

News For and About THE GOVERNORS CLUB – Tallahassee, Florida

November 2014



## Downtown GetDown Buffets

Friday, November 7, 21 & 28  
6:30 pm | \$22.50 Adult  
\$12.50 Ages 6 - 12

## GC Sunday Brunch

Sunday, November 9  
11:00 am – 2:00 pm  
\$18 Adults  
\$10 Children 6 – 12

## Prime Rib and Pasta Birthday Night

Complimentary to Members  
with November Birthdays!  
Wednesday, November 12  
6 – 8 pm  
Live Music & Flambé Dessert  
\$24 Adults | \$10 Ages 6 – 12

## Champagne & Sparklers Tasting

Thursday, November 20  
6:00 pm | \$30  
Free to *Platinum Society Members*

## Children's Holiday Party

Monday, December 8, 3 – 5 pm  
Complimentary  
Main Dining Room

## Weekend Specials

Friday Night - \$18 Filet Night  
Saturday Night - BYOB

## Morning Eye-Opener

Weekdays, Parlour, 7 - 9 am  
Complimentary Coffee & Pastries



## Family Style Thanksgiving Feast

Thursday, November 27 | 12:00 – 4:00 pm  
Adults \$32 | Children Ages 6 to 12 - \$14 | FREE for Children 5 & Under

Your CLUB will be open on Thanksgiving Day with all the traditional dishes that everyone loves. Enjoy a relaxing, delicious & stress free Thanksgiving, served family style, with family and friends at your CLUB. When you finish your meal, we'll provide take-home boxes for your leftovers. Call 224-0650 or e-mail [reservations@govclub.com](mailto:reservations@govclub.com) to reserve your table; confirmed reservations will be billed.



### Thanksgiving Hours

We will be closed on  
Friday, November 28, for lunch service.

### Family Style Thanksgiving Feast

Roasted Pear Salad with Candied Walnuts  
and Champagne – Raspberry Vinaigrette

Corn Bread Dressing

Oyster & Artichoke Dressing

Creamed Pearl Onions

Buttered Sweet Peas

Whipped Idaho Potatoes

Brown Sugar & Pecan Sweet Potato Casserole

Sage & Butter Roasted Turkey

Honey Baked Ham

Giblet Gravy

Gran Marnier Cranberry Compote

Warm Yeast Rolls

Pastry Chefs Selections

## Champagne & Sparklers Holiday Tasting

Thursday, November 20, 6:00 pm  
Main Dining Room | \$30  
Free to *Platinum Society Members*

Just in time for the holidays, we present to you our most popular tasting of the year! Enjoy this delightful evening of Sparkling Wine & Champagne in the Main Dining Room. We will have five vendors with us to showcase their products and provide information on production. The format for the evening will be a 'mix-and-mingle' reception with passed hors d'oeuvres. Taste and compare an abundant selection of bubbly and place your holiday orders at below market prices. Gather a group of friends and kick-off the holiday season at this festive event. Call 224-0650 or e-mail [reservations@govclub.com](mailto:reservations@govclub.com) for reservations; confirmed reservations will be billed.



### Vendor Representatives

Premier Beverage, Southern Wine and Spirits, Coastal Wine and Spirits,  
Transatlantic Wine and Spirits & Republic National Distributing Company

## GC Sunday Brunch

Sunday, November 9

11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Adults \$18

Children Ages 6 to 12 - \$10

FREE for Children 5 & Under

Our monthly Sunday Brunch continues and our Culinary Team constantly changes the menu to offer original and creative selections.



Bring family and guests to the CLUB and enjoy brunch in the Main Dining Room with beautiful guitar accompaniment. It's the perfect way to round out the weekend! Call 224-0650 for reservations; confirmed reservations will be billed.

Please make your reservation by Thursday, November 6. A minimal participation requirement has been placed on this event. If brunch has to be cancelled, you will be contacted immediately.

*Baby Spinach, Watermelon, Radish & Candied Pecan Salad with Crumbled Gorgonzola Vinaigrette*

*Fresh Fruit Display*

*Crisp Bacon & Sausage Patties*

*3 Cheese & Bradley's Grits Soufflé*

*Chilled Green Beans with Roasted Red Peppers & Sweet Soppresata*

*Eggs & Omelets 'Your Way'*

*GA Peach Melba French Toast*

*Eggs Benedict Sardou*

*Red Snapper Courtbouillon*

*Skillet Home Fries*

*Pastry Chef's Selections*

## Friday's - \$18 Filet Dinner & Live Music



Friday evenings at your CLUB continue to be a popular night for dining! With live music by Charles Santiago in the Grille, members can enjoy a 6oz Filet Mignon, Iceberg Wedge Salad, Fresh Vegetables Du Jour and an Oven Baked Potato with Sour Cream, Cheddar & Chives – all for only \$18!



## Welcome NEW MEMBERS

### Amelia Savage

Shareholder / Hopping Green & Sams

SPOUSE: Rick

SPONSORS: Eric T. Olsen & Frank Matthews

### Juan C. Flores

VP Governmental Affairs / AT&T

SPOUSE: Lissette

SPONSORS: Joe York & Elise McCabe

### Johanna Money

President / The Williams Group

SPOUSE: Jacob

SPONSORS: Terrie Brooks & Hilarie Gerald

### Manny Gonzalez

Retired

SPOUSE: Patricia Greene

SPONSORS: Tim Jansen & Scott Smiley

### Elizabeth Redfearn

Consultant / Trainer / Redfearn Etiquette

SPOUSE: Kyle

SPONSORS: Gus Corbella & Cameron Cooper

### Leslie Dougher

Chairman / Republican Party of Florida

SPONSORS: Gus Corbella & Cameron Cooper

### Saed Jaber

President / Owner / Cigars of Tally

SPOUSE: Lila

SPONSORS: J. Larry Williams & Patrick Bell

### Jesus Diaz

Physician / Anesthesiology Associates

SPOUSE: Catherine Yeung

SPONSORS: Park Adams & Gus Corbella

### Henry O. Langston

Dean Of Faculty, Gulliver Schools

SPONSORS: Gus Corbella & Cameron Cooper

### Mark Charland

CEO / Chairman / MGT of America

SPOUSE: Alicia

SPONSORS: Trey Traviesa & Winston Howell

## RETURNING MEMBERS

Brian Boulware

John H. Curry

W. Warner Peacock

## Annual Employee Holiday Fund

For over 32 years, our Members have contributed to our annual Employee Holiday Fund. This fund is distributed among CLUB employees on an equitable basis and is very much appreciated by your staff. For your convenience, we have established a suggested contribution of \$35. You may contribute more or less by returning the response card included in your November statement. To contribute the suggested \$35, you need not return the card; your account will be charged on your December statement. Thank you in advance for making this holiday season a happy one for your CLUB staff!



## Election Night – Fresh Shucked Oysters

Tuesday, November 4 | Lounge

Enjoy fresh shucked oysters while watching the returns. \$1 each

## Good Kids with Good Grades

Did your child or grandchild earn all A's and B's? Simply e-mail [allisonager@govclub.com](mailto:allisonager@govclub.com) with the names and schools of your smart kids



and grandkids. We'll reward their hard work with recognition in 'The Experience' and a complimentary kid's meal at the club.

# Managers Message

Now is the time for taking advantage of Tallahassee's beautiful weather that is ever so conducive for dining outside on our balcony. Be it for lunch, dinner or simply cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, keep the CLUB and the beautiful outdoors in mind when thinking of your next culinary outing. This unique CLUB amenity is also a great way to introduce your friends and guests to some of the benefits of GOVERNORS CLUB Membership.

Speaking of guest, I thought it would be useful to reiterate our guest policy.

- All guest must be accompanied by a Member, however, by prior arrangement with the CLUB Membership Director, a Member may request that a guest use the CLUB facilities without the Member being present, no more than twice in a calendar quarter.
- All guests, those with the Member and those on a Guest Pass, have the ability to pay their own way by using a credit card. Nice to know that you can bring folks to the CLUB without getting stuck with the tab!
- The Spouse of a Member may use the CLUB at all times.
- Children of a Member may use the CLUB with the parent's permission but such privilege expires at age 25.

## Children's Holiday Party Benefitting Toys for Tots

Monday, December 8, 3:00 – 5:00 pm  
Visit with Santa from 3:00 – 4:00 pm  
Complimentary - Main Dining Room



Our annual children's holiday party is a delightful day for our youngest members! Bring the children and grandchildren and watch them marvel at the magic of the season. Children will visit with Santa Claus, decorate cookies, create a holiday craft, enjoy face painting and creations by a balloon artist. **Each family is asked to bring an unwrapped toy to donate to Toys for Tots!** Of course, the Marines will be on hand to accept the generous gifts for children in our community. Please contact the CLUB reservations to ensure Santa will have enough goodies for the children, 224-0650 or [reservations@govclub.com](mailto:reservations@govclub.com).

## Governors Club Transportation Services

Your CLUB has made arrangements with a reputable, local transportation company to provide discounted rates to our members. For information or to make a reservation, contact Katie Schmitz, CLUB Concierge, at 224-0650 or [reservations@govclub.com](mailto:reservations@govclub.com).



Barry Shields  
General Manager

One of our most effective ways of promoting CLUB activities is via email. We use email to promote new events and to remind the Membership of regularly scheduled monthly programming. With this in mind, I find that we are more productive with sending the message if we have both the Member's and the Spouses email address on file. We have email update request cards available for you to fill out in the CLUB and ask for updates on both. For you Spouses and Significant Others out there reading this message, shoot me a quick

hello and I'll make the update for you! I can be reached at [BarryShields@GovClub.com](mailto:BarryShields@GovClub.com)

See you at the CLUB!

Barry Shields, CCM  
General Manager

## A Message from Chef Brian

It is hard to believe that it has been six years since I became the Executive Chef of the GOVERNORS CLUB. That's well over 100,000 meals served to members and guests, more than 3,000 special events and over 100 intimate and unique Chef's Tables that I personally have prepared in our kitchen. I have hired and trained many kitchen staff, some of whom have gone on to very successful opportunities in their professional careers. During the last six years, I have met many wonderful members and have worked with some great people.



Photo Courtesy of Shems Hamilton Photography

Chef Brian Knepper

I am writing to say goodbye and to let you know that I am leaving this great organization. By the time you read this I will have moved on to another phase of my culinary career.

In my chosen field, it is important to periodically freshen one's skills and to continue to grow as a professional chef. Investigation of food trends, new ingredients, cooking styles, improvements and changes in culinary techniques are all necessary to evolve. I intend to do all of these things. I have made arrangements to work side by side with some outstanding chefs that I admire and respect. I plan on traveling to explore new developments in the global food world. And at the same time, I hope to "give back" and will volunteer to work with some non-profit organizations that are important to me.

I am writing this last message to you with some sadness as I leave this wonderful Tallahassee institution. I know from your many comments and compliments over the last six years that my leadership has been positive and that my skills are appreciated. Thank you for that ... and thank you very much for the opportunity to serve as your Executive Chef.



## GOVERNORS CLUB

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**GameDay Tailgate & Shuttle to the Stadium - Saturday, November 8, 22 & 29**  
**GC Sunday Brunch - Sunday, November 9**  
**Champagne & Sparklers – Thursday, November 20**  
**Children’s Holiday Party – Monday, December 8**

### BOARD OF GOVERNORS

**Gus Corbella**  
*President*

**Tom Stahl**  
*Vice President*

**Michael Kalifeh**  
*Secretary / Treasurer*

**Stephen Shiver**  
*Immediate Past President*

**Sarah Bascom**  
**Beverly Bursleson**  
**Cameron Cooper**  
**Marion Hoffmann**  
**David Johnson**  
**Bill Moor**  
**Clay Sechrest**  
**Jay Smith**  
**Jim Spalla**

### CLUB MANAGEMENT STAFF

**Barry Shields**  
*General Manager/COO*

**Nancy Goodson**  
*Controller*

**Tina Schmitz**  
*Assistant Controller*

**Allison Ager**  
*Membership & Marketing  
Director*

**Demetrius Johnson**  
*Sous Chef*

**Carol Withers**  
*Pastry Chef*

**Laura Kalinoski**  
*Catering Director*

**Justin Thompson**  
*Food & Beverage Director*

**Joshua Brock**  
**Anna Dawkins**  
*Food & Beverage Managers*

**Paul McShane**  
*Beverage Manager*

**Robert Tharp**  
*Facilities Manager*



### BUSINESS HOURS

#### Lunch

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

#### Dinner

**Grille & Balcony**  
Monday through Saturday  
5:00 ~ 9:00pm

#### Cocktails

**Lounge**  
Monday through Saturday  
4:00 ~ 10:00pm

#### Contact

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Reservations@GovClub.com