



GOVERNORS CLUB

# The Experience

News For and About THE GOVERNORS CLUB – Tallahassee, Florida

December 2015



### Children's Holiday Party

Monday, December 7, 3 – 5 pm  
Complimentary  
Main Dining Room

### Prime Rib & Pasta - Birthday Night

Complimentary for Dec. Birthdays!  
Wednesday, December 9, 6 – 8 pm  
Buffet Opens at 6 pm

### Holiday Wine Dinner

Thursday, December 17  
6:30 pm | \$85pp  
\$55 for Platinum Members

### Brunch with Santa

Sunday, December 20, 2015  
10:00 am – 2:00 pm

### New York New Years Eve

Prix Fixe Menu | \$65  
Thursday, December 31

### Weekend Specials

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

### Morning Eye-Opener

Weekdays, Parlour, 7 - 9 am  
Complimentary Coffee &  
Breakfast Bars

### Holiday Closings

December 24, 25 & 26  
January 1 & 2



## Brunch with Santa – Sunday, Dec. 20



### Main Dining Room

10:00 am – 2:30 pm  
\$36 Adults | \$18 Children 6 - 12  
FREE for Children 5 & Under

In the grand Governors Club tradition of Mother's Day and Easter, we'll be presenting an elaborate brunch buffet with all the scrumptious holiday offerings you can imagine. Bring your family and out-of-town guests and dine surrounded by our beautiful holiday decorations. **Santa will be joining us from the North Pole, sporting his natural white beard and brows to gather all those last minute wishes from the children.** Room rentals will be waived for private rooms. Call 224-0650 for reservations; confirmed reservations will be billed.

### Garden

Garden Salad Bar  
Sweet Potato Au Gratin  
Yukon Puree  
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables

### Farm

Eggs Benedict  
Pancakes | Waffles | French Toast  
Country Sausage | Texas Bacon  
Sausage Patties  
Scrambled Eggs & Omelette Station

### Sea

Corn & Crab Bisque  
Shrimp Scampi | Fried Oysters  
Vermont Maple Glazed Salmon  
Florida Gulf Shrimp | Smoked Salmon

### Land

Berkshire Pork Loin  
with Apple-Raisin Chutney  
New York Strip Loin  
with Horseradish Sauce & Demi

### Little Elves Kids Buffet

Chicken Tenders  
Mac & Cheese

### North Pole Dessert

Santa's Mini Dessert Bar  
Homemade Nitrogen Ice Cream

## Children's Holiday Party Benefitting Toys for Tots

Monday, December 7 | 3:00 – 5:00 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 for reservations, 224-0650.



## 5-Course Gourmet Holiday Wine Dinner



Thursday, December 17  
6:30 pm | \$85 pp  
\$55 for *Platinum Members*

Join us for our most fabulous and festive wine dinner of the year! Chef Frei and the culinary team will present this fantastic 5-course dinner with wine pairings. Enjoy this beautiful dining experience in the Main Dining Room surrounded by our holiday décor. Reservations required; confirmed reservations will be billed. Call 224-0650 for reservations.

### ~1ST COURSE~

**Roasted Butternut Squash Soup  
& Little Gems Lettuce**

Gala Apples, Goat Cheese,  
Honey Toasted Pumpkin Seeds  
Apple Cider & Bacon Vinaigrette  
2014 *Sauvignon Blanc, Trinchero Napa  
Valley 'Mary's Vineyard'*

### ~2ND COURSE~

**Alaskan Halibut with Lobster Crushed  
Potatoes Beurre Rouge**  
2013 *Napa Cellars Chardonnay,  
Napa Valley*

### ~3RD COURSE~

**Rabbit Ballotine in Natural Jus**  
Autumn Beans with Garden Oregano  
2013 *Napa Cellars Pinot Noir,  
Napa Valley*

### ~4TH COURSE~

**Wagyu Filet of Beef 'Rossini'**  
Pearl Vegetables, Truffle Demi  
2013 *Taken Red Blend, Napa Valley*

### ~5TH COURSE~

**Redesigned Chocolate Almond Joy**  
Coconut Almond Cake with Almond Joy  
Chocolate Sauce and Coconut Ice Cream  
NV *Zinfandel Port, Terra D'Oro Winery,  
Amador County*



## Welcome NEW MEMBERS

### Ryan Bell

*Financial Advisor / Waddell & Reed*  
SPOUSE: Amanda  
SPONSORS: Paul Jess & Debra Henley

### Rebecca Matthews

*Chief Executive Officer*  
*Florida Healthy Kids Corporation*  
SPOUSE: John  
SPONSORS: Nick Iarossi  
& Audrey Brown

### Billy Don Grant

*Owner / Gadsden Tomato Company*  
SPONSORS: Will McKinley  
& Van B. Poole

### Christopher Carmody

*Shareholder / GrayRobinson, PA*  
SPONSORS: Steve Parton & Jason Unger

### Emily Buckley

*Government Relations Manager*  
*Jones Walker, LLP*  
SPONSORS: Jennifer Ungru  
& Christine Ashburn

### Lawrence McClure

*Vice President*  
*Streamline Environmental, Inc.*  
SPONSORS: Tom Stahl  
& Marion Hoffmann

### Michael Melder

*Retired*  
SPOUSE: Ann  
SPONSORS: Manny Gonzalez  
& Tim Jansen

### Dr. Todd Hewitt

*Physician*  
*Tallahassee Memorial Hospital*  
SPOUSE: Michelle  
SPONSORS: Josh Kasper  
& Dr. David Bellamy

### Amy Schrader

*Of Counsel / Baker, Donelson, Bearman,  
Caldwell & Berkowitz, PA*  
SPOUSE: Kurt  
SPONSORS: Donna Blanton  
& Edwin Bayó

## What People are Saying on Weddingwire.com About Your Club

Laura Kalinoski was a joy to work with. She's extremely knowledgeable and very friendly. If it wasn't for her I would have ordered too much food and completely forgotten about seating arrangements for my anniversary event. I strongly recommend Laura and guarantee she will lower your stress level and make your event fabulous.

We had our wedding reception at the GOVERNOR'S CLUB and it was wonderful! The food was delicious, service was excellent, the staff was fantastic, and the setting was beautiful. We were so happy with everything and our guests had a blast.

The GOVERNORS CLUB is an exceptional reception venue. Not only did I use them for my wedding reception, but I have used them for many dinners, parties, and work events over the years. Every attention to detail is accommodated, the setting is beautiful, and the food and beverage service is second to none in the greater Tallahassee area.

The ball room, and the rest of the 2nd floor that we rented, was absolutely stunning. Every single detail was perfect! The club also provided the food for my reception, and 6 months later people are still talking about how delicious the food was!



## Staff ANNIVERSARIES

Chef Norman Frei - One Year

# Manager's Message

Today we have 1012 Members and growing, which is a reflection of the incredible Member support via both usage and new member sponsorship. One area we need to focus on is getting all those 'better halves' familiar with and comfortable using the CLUB. Allison Ager, our Membership & Marketing Director, recently made an acquaintance while outside the CLUB. When the person asked about where she worked, Allison said, "GOVERNORS CLUB", the person replied "oh, my husband is a Member there". That reply puzzled me and made me wonder how many other spouses and significant others feel the same way? How many spouses and significant others think the CLUB is off limits?

Spouses of Members have full access to the CLUB at all times and can use the CLUB in the same manner as the Primary Member. In fact, we make it a point to include the spousal information in our data base and even assign them an 'A' account membership number. We market to the 'better halves' in our newsletter and other communication methods with hopes that families use the



Barry Shields  
General Manager

CLUB and realize that we're not just a business CLUB, but very much social as well. We even create events that are specific to families and children.

Currently, we're making a real effort to acquire our spouse and significant others email addresses so we can keep them looped into our numerous CLUB happenings. If you're one of our spouses or significant other Members and are not receiving our email communications, please shoot Allison an email, [AllisonAger@GovClub.com](mailto:AllisonAger@GovClub.com), and let us update your contact information.

See you at the CLUB!

Barry Shields, CCM  
General Manager

## FSU Basketball Pre-Game in the Lounge

### *Complimentary Wings & Bison Chili*

Pop in your Lounge prior to these FSU Basketball games and enjoy complimentary wings & chili!

Women vs Rutgers: Dec. 3, 5:00 pm

Women vs Mercer: Dec. 15, 5:00 pm

Men vs Mississippi State: Dec. 16, 7:00 pm

Women vs Jacksonville: Dec. 28, 5:00 pm



## New Wine Lockers – Reserve Yours Today!

Based on the response of our wine locker survey, we are moving forward to have 32 beautiful custom built wine lockers installed under the stairs in the foyer. We anticipate the installation will be complete in January/February. The individual, personalized, temperature controlled lockers will store up to 24 bottles each. The lockers are now available for purchase for \$800 with a \$100 annual maintenance fee. Once purchased, it will remain in the member's ownership for the duration of their membership. When a locker owner resigns from the CLUB, the CLUB would then sell it to another member. Members would not be allowed to resell their lockers. Owners of the lockers have the flexibility of storing wines purchased both from the CLUB and other providers. Wines consumed at the CLUB would be charged a corkage fee of \$7.00. If you would like to purchase a locker, please contact Tina Schmitz, [TSchmitz@GovClub.com](mailto:TSchmitz@GovClub.com), 850-205-0172. Members who wish to purchase a locker must have their accounts in good standing. All lockers will be distributed on a first come, first served basis.

## Reciprocal Club Benefits

GOVERNORS CLUB Members have reciprocal privileges with over 200 private clubs in the United States and around the globe. Remember this wonderful benefit when traveling. Simply contact Allison Ager, 205-0663 or [AllisonAger@GovClub.com](mailto:AllisonAger@GovClub.com) and request a letter of introduction to any of the fine clubs we have reciprocity with. Reciprocal clubs can be found on our website at: [www.govclub.com](http://www.govclub.com). Choose the 'Membership Tab' then select 'Reciprocal Clubs'.

## Featured Reciprocal Club: The Austin Club, Austin, TX

This beautiful dining club is located 2 blocks from the State Capitol and housed in a historic renovated opera house. Breakfast and lunch are served Monday through Friday and dinner Monday through Saturday. Private dining facilities are available for up to 250. Jackets are required on the first floor. Charges will be billed directly to the GOVERNORS CLUB.



## Give the Gift of Your Club!

Give the gift of an intimate dinner, chef's table with wine flight or food and beverage credit this holiday. Also, consider providing your children or grandchildren the gift of a Legacy Membership! We will prepare beautiful, personalized gift certificates for loved ones, friends and associates. Contact Allison Ager, 205-0663, [AllisonAger@GovClub.com](mailto:AllisonAger@GovClub.com) for your personalized certificate.

## Holiday Closings

Your CLUB and Lounge will be closed Thursday, December 24 through Saturday, December 27, for Christmas and January 1 & 2 for the New Year. We wish everyone a wonderful and safe holiday season with family and friends.



## GOVERNORS CLUB

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### BOARD OF GOVERNORS

**Tom Stahl**  
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*Secretary / Treasurer*

**Gus Corbella**  
*Immediate Past President*

**Sarah Bascom**  
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**Cameron Cooper**  
**Kelly Cruz-Brown**  
**Juan C. 'JC' Flores**  
**Joe Anne Hart**  
**David Johnson**  
**James McFaddin**  
**Bill Moor**  
**Jim Spalla**

### CLUB MANAGEMENT STAFF

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

**Nancy Goodson**  
*Controller*

**Tina Schmitz**  
*Assistant Controller*

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

**Norman Frei**  
*Executive Chef/CEC CCC*

**Demetrius Johnson**  
**Kevin Renfro**  
*Sous Chefs*

**Laura Kalinoski**  
*Catering Director*

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

**Cynthia Cerda**  
**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 ~ close

#### Cocktails

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

#### Contact

202 S. Adams St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32301  
Reservations: 850-224-0650  
Reservations@GovClub.com

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## Prime Rib & Pasta Night with Live Music

Complimentary to Members with December Birthdays!

Wednesday, December 9 | 6 – 8 pm  
Adults \$24 | Children 6 to 12 - \$10  
Free for Children 5 & Under

If you're celebrating your birthday in December, bring your party to the CLUB and celebrate with us. Even if it's not your birthday, come out and enjoy this spectacular evening of great food, live music and good company. Call 224-0650 for reservations, confirmed reservations will be billed.



### Prime Rib Station

Creamed Spinach, Seasonal Veggies, Sides  
& Build your own Salad Bar

### Pasta Station

Penne or Farfalle Pasta Sautéed to Order

### Pasta Sauces

Classic Marinara, Alfredo, Spicy Tomato Vodka Cream

### Pasta Toppings

Roasted Chicken, Sweet Italian Sausage, Shrimp, Black Olives,  
Caramelized Onions, Club Grown Basil, Roasted Sweet Peppers,  
Garlic Roasted Mushrooms, Grated Asiago Cheese

### Flambé Dessert Station

## Holiday Events Downtown Celebrate with Dinner at the Club!

- The City of Tallahassee will hold the **29th Annual Winter Festival** on Saturday, December 5th. The Lounge will open at 2:00 pm and the main CLUB will open at 5:00 pm. Lighting celebration will be at 6:00 pm and the parade will begin at 7:15 pm. Stop in the CLUB and warm up with our Hot Buttered Rum, just \$5.
- The Tallahassee Symphony will present **Holiday Celebration** on December 11 & 12, 8:00 pm at Ruby Diamond Auditorium. Enjoy dinner prior to the show with our \$18 filet or fresh fish special offered from 5:00 – 6:30 pm.
- Friday & Saturday, December 18 & 19, brings the **Tallahassee Ballet's The Nutcracker** at Ruby Diamond Auditorium. Indulge yourself in this most treasured and adored performance, featuring music by the Tallahassee Ballet Orchestra. Enjoy dinner prior to the show with our \$18 filet or fresh fish special offered from 5:00 – 6:30 pm.
- Downtown Tallahassee **New Year's Eve Celebration** on Adams Street! Begin your evening in the Grille with our special New York New Year's Eve dinner then stroll out to Adams Street and enjoy the live entertainment and fireworks display at midnight.



## 'New York New Year's Eve' in the Grille

Thursday, January 31 | \$65  
Reservations Available  
5:30 – 9:30 pm

Join us for New Year's Eve dinner in the Grille. Enjoy our New York Prix Fixe menu or select from our full a la carte menu. Following dinner, stroll out on Adams Street and enjoy the Downtown Tallahassee New Year's Eve Celebration. Cheers & Happy New Year! Reservations required; confirmed reservations will be billed. Call 224-0650.



### Appetizer

Long Island Clam Chowder  
Blend of New England White  
& Manhattan Red Chowders

### Salad

#### Time Square Salad

Baby Winter Greens with New York Apples,  
Crumbled Upstate NY Ballston Blue Cheese,  
Toasted Pine Nuts,  
Apple Cider Maple Vinaigrette

### Entrée

#### Grilled Manhattan Cut Filet

(Thick NY Strip cut Filet Style)  
Truffle Demi Crème,  
Smoked Bacon and Potato Tart,  
Seasonal Vegetables

### Dessert

Junior's Red Velvet Cheesecake  
direct from NYC  
Chocolate Anglaise

## GC Picnic Totes \$48 + tax

Available anytime, for any occasion! Consider them for picnics in the park, tailgates, out of town trips or simply a nice evening at home.

**Two-Person Tote Contents:** Wine and Glasses, Charcuterie Plate with Pate, Terrine, Salamis, Hard and Soft Cheese, Olives & Pickled Veggies, Sundried Tomato Hummus with Assorted Crackers, French Baguette & Cheese Straws, Fresh Fruit Salad, Double Chocolate Ghirardelli Brownies & Assorted Cookies, Bottled Water, Cutlery & Napkins. Call 224-0650 to order your tote 24 hours in advance for pick-up at the CLUB.



## GC Lunch Box | \$9 Pick-Up or Delivery

Select a sandwich or salad, side and sweet for only \$9 plus tax. If you would like your lunch box delivered, add \$2 per box, maximum delivery fee of \$10. Please call 24 hours in advance with orders of 10 or more. Our delivery area extends to the perimeter of Call, Gadsden, Bronough and Madison Streets. View the full menu on our website [www.GovClub.com](http://www.GovClub.com) and call 224-0650 to order your GC Lunch Box.

## Good Kids with Good Grades



Congratulations to the following young members on their academic accomplishments. Keep up the great work!

### Straight A's

Peyton Johnson, *Florida High*  
Addison Mayernick, *Florida High*  
Ashton Paris Way, *Deerlake Middle School*

### A's & B's

Avery Cotterall, *Florida High*  
Mason Cotterall, *Florida High*  
Campbell Hart, *Cobb Middle School*  
McClaine Ulrich, *Hawks Rise Elementary School*  
Beckett Millender Way, *Hawks Rise Elementary School*



## Weekend Specials

### Friday Filet Night with Live Music in the Grille

Enjoy our 6 oz Filet Mignon or Fresh Fish of the Day with Iceberg Wedge Salad, Fresh Vegetables & an Oven Baked Potato - \$18

**Saturday** – Bring your own wine, no corkage fee!

## Governors Club Accolades

The GOVERNORS CLUB Accolades program encourages members, staff and guests to recognize the actions and attitudes of staff members who go 'above and beyond'. The Member whose accolade card is drawn will receive dinner for two at the CLUB. The staff members whose names are drawn will receive \$100. Be sure to take the time to recognize your staff when they go the extra mile to ensure your CLUB experience is perfect.



## Improved Valet App

The Mako Valet App has been adjusted to remove the 'bugs' that previously caused occasional delays. You can request your car as early as 15 minutes before your departure, saving you valuable time! Use the QR code shown here to download the App, or find it on Google Play or in the Apple App Store.



## Update Your Member Profile and View Our Member Directory

Be sure to visit our website where you can view our private member directory, update your profile & photo, find out what's happening in your CLUB and check out the great reciprocal clubs in our network.

To access the private side, visit [www.govclub.com](http://www.govclub.com), click Member Login at the top right of the site and when prompted, type in your username and password. Your username has been set to your four digit member number (if your number is less than four digits, add zeros to the front) and your initial password is your last name.

## Morning Eye-Opener

Your CLUB is the perfect location for a morning meeting. The Parlour is available with soft seating, Wi-Fi, and complimentary 'to-go' coffee and assorted breakfast bars weekdays from 7 – 9 am. We proudly serve Lucky Goat Coffee, "Roasting the World's Best Coffee in the Capital City". Reservations are not required.



## Featured Cocktail of the Month – Chocolate Peppermint Martini

Just \$5 all month! Prepared with chocolate, espresso, vanilla vodka & Kahlua, served chilled with a peppermint rim.



## Pre-Theater Dinner at the Club

5:00 – 6:30 pm  
Monday through Saturday

Dine at the CLUB without the worry of missing the opening act! Enjoy our special \$18 dinner complete with Wedge Salad, Fresh Veggies baked Potato and choice of Filet Mignon or Fresh Fish Monday through Saturday from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. Reservations requested.

