



GOVERNORS CLUB

The Experience

News For and About THE GOVERNORS CLUB – Tallahassee, Florida

January 2016



Paint & Sip

Thursday, January 7
6:30 pm | \$45 pp

AIF Legislative Shuttle

Monday, January 11 | 5-8:30 pm
Complimentary for Members

Session Lunch Buffets

Tuesday & Wednesday - 2nd Floor and Lounge
Thursday - Lounge

Prime Rib & Pasta Birthday Night

Complimentary for Jan. Birthdays!
Thursday, January 14 | 6 - 8 pm
6-8 pm | Buffet Opens at 6 pm

Kids Movie Night & Parents Date Night

Friday, January 15 | 6:30 pm

Taste of Portugal

Thursday, January 21
6:30 pm | \$30 pp
Free for Platinum Members

Dinner in the Main with Jazz

Saturday, January 23

GC Sunday Brunch

Unlimited Mimosas
Sunday, January 24
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Weekend Specials

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

Morning Eye-Opener

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

Holiday Closings

January 1 & 2 - New Year
January 18 - MLK Day

'New York New Year's Eve' In the Grille

Thursday, December 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



Join the . . .

2016 Platinum Society

Extraordinary Food, Wine & Spirits

The 2016 *Platinum Society* is a club-within-a-club organization that offers exclusive VIP membership into CLUB events featuring wine and spirits. Join today and enjoy the benefits of membership all year long!

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GC Sunday Brunch Buffet with Unlimited Mimosas

Sunday, January 24
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Adults \$28
Children 6 to 12 – \$13
Free for Children
5 & Under



It's the perfect way to round out the weekend! Call 224-0650 for reservations; confirmed reservations will be billed.

Autumn Squash Soup

Cheese Display

Smoked Salmon Display

Peeled Cocktail Shrimp

Fresh Fruit Display

Sunday Salad Bar

Omelet Station

Waffle, French Toast & Pancake Station

Prime Rib Carving Station

Baked Mahi Mahi with Tropical Salsa

Eggs Benedict

Bacon, Sausage Patties & Links

Vegetable Mix

Country Style Roasted Potatoes

Mixed Rice

Kids Corner

Chicken Fingers

Tater Tots | Mac & Cheese

Dessert Bar

'A Taste of Portugal' Wine Tasting

Thursday, January 21 | 6:30 pm
Main Dining Room | \$30
Free to *Platinum Society*
Members

Explore a beautiful assortment of fortified and still wines from Portugal.

Our Culinary Team will present savory accompaniments to compliment the tasting. Call 224-0650 for reservations; confirmed reservations will be billed.



Welcome NEW MEMBERS

Gary Parsons

Financial Advisor / Waddell & Reed

SPONSORS: Barney Bishop
& Chris Coker

Raoul Lavin

Director, Management & Administration
City of Tallahassee

SPOUSE: Greg T. Burke
SPONSORS: Barney Bishop & David Poole

Francisco-Javier 'Frank' Digon

Assistant Director / Program Division
The Florida Bar

SPONSORS: Manny Gonzalez
& Michael Melder

David Goodlett

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Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative

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& Brian Hughes

Michele Watson

President, Watson Policy Solutions

SPOUSE: Riley
SPONSORS: Lance Lozano
& Karen Phillips

Christie A. Pontis

Government Affairs Manager, CenturyLink
SIGNIFICANT OTHER: Eric Mason

SPONSORS: James G. Smith & Erin Ballas

H. French Brown, IV

Attorney / Hopping Green & Sams PA

SPOUSE: Meghan
SPONSORS: David Childs
& Gary K. Hunter

Representative Janet Cruz

Florida Democratic Party

SPONSORS: Nick Iarossi & Dan Newman

Congratulations to our Accolade Recipients & Members

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 receives dinner for two at the CLUB. The staff members whose names are drawn receive \$100. This quarter's Accolades are awarded to:

Katie Schmitz – "Katie is always so pleasant and greets me at the door by name. Additionally, about a week ago I was dining with another CLUB member who had a membership card. I mentioned to Katie that I wouldn't mind having a card and that I had not received one. By the end of the same day, Katie put in my request and sent me an email telling me it had been taken care of. Katie is an asset to the CLUB and I just wanted to share that story." **Rob Sniffen**

Marcus Richartz – "Outstanding service. His presentation of our wine was textbook perfect. Food cooked to perfection. He checked back frequently without being obtrusive. Reward him! He's very good." **Barney Bishop III**

Jesse Knies – "Jesse was gracious and very helpful with our one year old daughter. From bringing food promptly to being kind and efficient (even moving our wine bottle so little hands couldn't reach). Jesse should be commended for excellent service."

The Schoonover Family



Manager's Message

If the CLUB was my wife, then you could say that she's high maintenance. Looking at the balance sheet and comparing to a year ago, I see that we've increased our capital improvements just shy of \$100,000. We've upgraded the CLUB's website, resurfaced the entire roof, purchased two new air-conditioners for the Main CLUB, replaced all the fans on the balcony, replaced the HVAC unit that cools our wine inventory, purchased banquet equipment, ordered surveys for the new outdoor deck project, bought a new espresso/cappuccino machine and replaced several big ticket equipment items for the kitchen. Every single one of these purchases was done out of necessity and quite frankly should have been made years ago. On a smaller scale, the CLUB has needed new flatware for the dining rooms, as well as plates and glasses. I'm thankful that this need is a result of our growing private party business.

Looking ahead, I'd say this time next year if I'm reviewing the balance sheet and comparing year to year, it's pretty much a done deal that we'll be looking at another variance of about \$150,000. The Board has approved, and we are currently midstream in the



Barry Shields
General Manager

process to replace the HVAC system in the Lounge. This will include an upgraded system that will address the cooling issues of the current system and deal with effectively eliminating the smoke which occurs after 7 pm when smoking is allowed. This new system should be in place by mid March. Also on the agenda is the construction of our new outdoor deck which will be located under the beautiful Magnolia tree right in front of the CLUB. We're looking for completion on this project sometime in late spring. Lastly, I've been told via an inspection ordered by the Fire Department Chief, that we may have to replace the CLUB's sprinkler system to bring it to code. That's a 'wait and see' project. I should have a definite answer fairly soon, and I hope it's an expense we can avoid.

Fortunately for my personal finances, my wife, Kathy, is not high maintenance.

See you at the CLUB!

Barry Shields, CCM
General Manager



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2016
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The **2016 Platinum Society** is a club-within-a-club organization that offers exclusive VIP membership into CLUB events featuring wine and spirits. Join today and enjoy the benefits of membership all year long! Membership in the **Platinum Society** offers:

- 8 Complimentary 'Mix and Mingle' Wine Tastings with Chef's Lite Bites
- 4 Reduced Price Wine Dinners (\$55 for Platinum Members | \$85 for Non Members)
- Personal Storage for 6 Red and 6 White Wines in the Main Dining Room Wine Cabinet
- No Corkage Fees
- Beautiful Governors Club Logo Wine Opener
- Platinum Society Lapel Pin
- 10% off retail purchase of Wine, Liquor & Cigars
- \$100 off the Purchase of a New Personalized Wine Locker

Our quarterly rotation of tastings will be held on the third Thursday of each month and our wine dinners will be held on the third Friday of each month when in rotation. Tastings will last 1.5 hours, allowing you an opportunity to have dinner afterwards. Current **Platinum Society** members know that our tastings offer an abundance of wine and a fine selection of savory accompaniments. Cost for the annual membership is \$300 and the value of our tastings and dinners alone are \$360 annually. Enjoy the savings, storage and extra perks of being a **Platinum Society** Member!

To join or continue your **Platinum Society** membership, contact Allison Ager, allisonager@govclub.com, 205-0663.

Prime Rib & Pasta Birthday Night with Live Music

Complimentary to Members with January Birthdays!

Thursday, January 14 | 6 – 8 pm
Adults \$24 | Children 6 to 12 - \$10
Free for Children 5 & Under

If you're celebrating your birthday in January, 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

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 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. Choose the 'Membership' tab then select 'Reciprocal Clubs'.

Featured Reciprocal Club: The St. James's Club - London

This 5-star boutique club and hotel is located in a quiet cul-de-sac that is in the heart of Mayfair. St. James's is just a stone's throw from Buckingham Palace, the shops of Jermyn Street, Burlington Arcade, Bond Street, The Royal Academy of Arts and a short stroll from the theatres and night life of the West End. Guest rooms are luxurious, beautifully furnished and superbly comfortable. Choose one of their deluxe suites or, for the ultimate in luxury, the lovely Penthouse with its private rooftop terrace. The Seven Park Place restaurant, awarded a Michelin star for the sixth time in October 2015, is where well known English Chef William Drabble reflects his love of modern French style food using the best British seasonal produce.



Executive Etiquette Classes Presented by Redfearn Etiquette

Elizabeth Redfearn is a certified international business and social etiquette consultant. Having received her formal training and certification from the global leaders in international etiquette and protocol in both Europe and the United States of America, she is uniquely placed to deliver historically accurate and globally accepted social skills to enhance your business image and cultural sophistication.

Business Etiquette for the Executive

Tuesday, April 12 | 11:00 – 1:30 pm
Lite Lunch Served | \$76 pp inclusive

This 90 minute seminar will provide skills on how to project a polished, powerful and professional business image. Topics to be covered: projecting an image; presence power points; protocol for business introductions; handshaking awareness; conversational



skills; formal business meeting protocol; how to make an entrance and mingle; and strategic do's and don'ts.

Dining Etiquette for the Executive

Tuesday, April 19, 11:00 – 1:30 pm
Light 4-Course Meal Served
\$76 pp inclusive

This 90 minute seminar will cover effective business entertaining tactics. Topics to be covered: host & guest duties in business entertaining; eating styles; basic dining and

table etiquette principles such as silverware savvy; glassware & napkin awareness; conversation at the table and the rules of toasting.

Call 224-0650 to reserve your space in these highly informative classes. Confirmed reservations will be billed.

GC Picnic Totes \$48 + tax

Available anytime, for any occasion! Consider them for picnics in the park, 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.



Valentine Wine Dinner

The finest romantic dinner in town; treat your sweetheart!

Saturday, February 13th
Main Dining Room

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.



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, 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.

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 and call 224-0650 to order your GC Lunch Box.

Featured Cocktail of the Month – Hot Buttered Rum

Just \$5 all month!
Prepared with dark rum, butter, brown sugar, vanilla & spices.



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!



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.



Mako 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.



Online Credit Card Payment

Did you know that you can pay your member account on-line? Simply log-in to your member profile and select 'My Account' to process your payment.

Paint and Sip – ‘Find Your Inner Artist’

Thursday, January 7 | 6:30 pm | \$45 pp

Roll up your sleeves, grab a paint brush and bring out your inner artist! We'll be hosting a two hour evening of painting and sipping at your CLUB. This is the perfect opportunity to get creative for girls night out, date night or family fun. All materials, instruction and liquid courage (house choice beer & wine) will be provided for you to paint and take home your twist on 'Sparkling Oak' shown here. Space is limited, call 224-0650 for reservations; confirmed reservations will be billed.



Personal Wine Lockers

We anticipate the installation of 32 beautiful custom built wine lockers will be complete very soon. The individual, personalized, temperature controlled lockers will store 24 bottles each and be displayed under the staircase in the foyer. The lockers are 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 cannot 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 will be charged a corkage fee of \$7.00. If you would like to purchase a locker, please contact Tina Schmitz, 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. **Stop in the Club and take a look at an individual locker currently on display.**



FSU Basketball Pre-Game in the Lounge

Complimentary Wings & Bison Chili

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



Men vs. North Carolina
Jan. 4, 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Women vs. Boston College
Jan. 7, 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Women vs. Virginia
Jan. 21, 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Holiday Closings

Your Club and Lounge will be closed January 1 & 2, for the New Year and January 18, in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

Kids Dinner & Movie Night Parents Date Night

Friday, January 15 | 6:30 – 9:30 pm
\$12 per child

Adults can enjoy Friday Night Filet in the Grille with live music while the children are entertained with an age appropriate movie and a kid friendly dinner & dessert. All children must be potty trained and will be looked after by a licensed child care provider. Call 224-0650 for reservation; confirmed reservations will be billed.



Staff ANNIVERSARIES

Cathleen Breske, Server, Five Years

Cynthia Cerda, Food and Beverage Manager, Five Years

Barry Shields, General Manager, Two Years

Cassidy Shields, Server, One Year

Joshua Van Bibber, Line Cook, One Year



CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY BENEFITTING TOYS FOR TOTS





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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

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Reservations@GovClub.com

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