JOE'S TAVERN

STARTERS

STUFFED MUSHROOMS 10 with sausage and red pepper

FRIED MAC N CHEESE BITES 10 with smoked gouda and bacon mac n cheese

HOMEMADE FRIED MOZZARELLA 11 hand breaded, served with choice of house marinara or melba sauce

LOBSTER POT PIE 18 lobster, shrimp and scallops in a brandy cream baked under a puff pastry

STEAMED CLAMS 13 one dozen with drawn butter w/ bianco sauce - 14

BACON JAM SCALLOPS 16 seared scallops, bacon jam, balsamic reduction

MANGO THAI CHILI CHICKEN TACOS 12 with shredded lettuce, diced pineapple, red onion

CHIPOTLE CHICKEN TACOS 12 crispy fried chicken, cheddar, bacon, diced tomato, shredded lettuce and chipotle ranch

CHICKEN WING DIP 10 house made with toasted corn tortilla chips

EGGPLANT STACK 11 layered with marinara, roasted red peppers, ricotta, parmesan and mozzarella

GARLIC KNOTS 7 served with house marinara

BONELESS WINGS 10 with bleu cheese, carrots and celery mild, medium, hot, extra hot, ghost pepper sauce, garlic parm, asian zing, BBQ, honey BBQ, hot BBQ, mango thai chili

SOUP + SALADS

FRENCH ONION 5

HOUSE SALAD/CAESAR SALAD sm 6 / lg 10

AMBER'S SALAD 16 mixed greens, grilled chicken, roasted red peppers, artichoke hearts, fresh mozzarella, grape tomato, cucumber, black olives and red onion with balsamic vinaigrette

BLACKENED STEAK SALAD 22

mixed greens, grape tomato, cucumber, red onion, roasted corn, blackened sliced steak, feta, balsamic vinaigrette

KOBE BURGERS

1/2 LB WAGYU BURGERS ON A TOASTED KAISER ROLL SERVED WITH MOM'S HOMEMADE MACARONI SALAD AND PICKLE

CLASSIC KOBE with choice of two toppings. Served with lettuce, tomato and onion 12

BLACK N BLEU KOBE

cajun spices, caramelized onions, melted bleu cheese crumbles, lettuce and tomato 13

BUNKER HILL BURGER applewood smoked bacon, caramelized onions, swiss, lettuce and tomato 14

SANDWICHES

SERVED WITH MOM'S HOMEMADE MACARONI SALAD AND PICKLE

STEAK SANDWICH shaved prime rib grilled with sweet onions and mushrooms in a toasted hoagie with provolone 18

CHICKEN CAPRESE SANDWICH

grilled chicken, grilled tomato, fresh mozzarella, basil, spinach and balsamic on a toasted kaiser 13

CORNED BEEF REUBEN with sauerkraut, Swiss and Russian on grilled marble rye 13

HARMONY GRILL

shaved prime rib, caramelized onions, swiss and horseradish mayo on grilled thick sliced Italian bread 15

BACON JAM CHICKEN CLUB

grilled chicken, bacon jam, lettuce, tomato and chipotle ranch on a toasted kaiser 13

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HOT TORPEDOS

MEATBALL TORPEDO

with marinara and melted mozzarella 10

SAUSAGE TORPEDO

with peppers, onions, marinara and melted mozzarella 10

CHICKEN PARM

TORPEDO with marinara and melted mozzarella 10

VEAL PARM TORPEDO

with marinara and melted mozzarella 12

THE WILLY

meatballs, sausage, peppers, onions, mushrooms, marinara and melted mozzarella 12

SIDES

PASTA WITH MARINARA 6 capellini, linguini or penne

MEATBALLS 6

ITALIAN SAUSAGE 6

LOBSTER TAIL 18

POTATO DU JOUR 5

VEGETABLE DU JOUR 5

RISOTTO 7 chef's daily inspiration

PASTA

PASTA MAX braised short rib over fresh pappardelle tossed in a hearty short rib ragu with mushrooms and asiago 22

LOBSTER PASTA Sauteed lobster and shrimp in a lobster cream sauce with grape tomato and spinach over linguini 27

LINGUINI WITH CLAM SAUCE whole clams with chopped clams in a savory clam sauce over linguini. Choose either red or white sauce 24

FRUITTI DI MARE shrimp, Scallops, Lobster and Clams simmered in a sherry marinara over linguini 25

CHICKEN AND SAUSAGE A LA VODKA with sweet onion in a vodka cream sauce tossed with penne 19

GARLIC PARMESAN CHICKEN PASTA grilled chicken over penne pasta in a garlic parmesan cream sauce with broccoli and mushrooms 20

PASTA WITH MEATBALLS OR ITALIAN SAUSAGE choice of capellini, linguini or penne 15 baked with ricotta and mozzarella - +2

ENTREES

CHIANTI BRAISED BEEF SHORT RIB inside red bliss smashed potatoes, wrapped in puff pastry, finished with a sweet onion garlic demi, with vegetable du jour 23

MACARONI AND CHEESE STUFFED MEATLOAF wrapped in bacon and topped with a roasted garlic tomato demi, with red bliss smashed potatoes and vegetable du jour 19

TUSCAN FILET 9oz of filet mignon, caramelized onion, mushroom and roasted red pepper risotto, bleu cheese cream reduction 28

FLAT IRON STEAK 8 ounce sliced flat iron with a bourbon mushroom and onion sauce, potato and vegetable du jour 25

NEW ENGLAND SEAFOOD BAKE lobster, scallops and shrimp baked in a sherry butter sauce with breadcrumb. Served with potato and vegetable du jour 27

GARLIC DIJON SALMON with mashed potatoes and fresh seasonal vegetables 22

SEAFOOD RISOTTO sauteed shrimp and scallops in a creamy roasted red pepper and broccoli risotto topped with grilled salmon 24

CHICKEN PARMESAN hand breaded, pan fried, baked with marinara and mozzarella. Served with penne 18

VEAL PARMESAN hand breaded, pan fried and baked with marinara and mozzarella. Served with penne 18

EGGPLANT PARMESAN Egg battered and baked with marinara and mozzarella. Served with penne 15

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OUR HISTORY

JOE'S TAVERN

has a long and storied history here in the city of Cohoes. When the tavern first opened in the mid 1930's it was called Jim's Tavern. Jim O'Hearn and family first ventured up the hill from Remsen street in 1935 to start a community focused tavern that they could call their own. For roughly eight years the O'Hearn's provided food and beverage to the residents of Bunker Hill. During World War II it is said that Jim helped out his small community as fathers, husbands, sons and uncles all went off to fight bravely for their country. In the mid 1940's the O'Hearns had a bigger vision and decided to sell the tavern. Jim went on to open The Century House on what is now Route 9 in Latham. His family still runs the business to this day.

THE MID 1940'S

was when Joe's Tavern got its name with the sale of 16 Division Street to Joe and Delores Ponzo. Joe and Dee had made the move up from Brooklyn where they had also owned a restaurant. The people of Cohoes were quite pleased the Ponzo family brought their recipe for pizza sauce with them. With the delicious pizza being served on a nightly basis, the beverages flowing and the friendly, fun and caring Ponzo's providing their guests with warm, comfortable and energetic service, the tavern quickly became known as Joe's in Cohoes and the name stuck! During the war, as well as after, the Ponzo's had a deep commitment to the community. The stories of their hospitality, generosity and compassion can still be heard on certain evenings in the dining room today.

THE ANANIA FAMILY

were next in line to own this now developing landmark in Cohoes. They purchased it from the Ponzo's in the 1960's and kept the tradition alive. Joe's became the Friday night hang out after dances, basketball games and social gatherings at the Lyceum. Gerald Anania was also a community focused man giving many Cohoes residents the opportunity of a job whether it be washing dishes, making pizzas or tending bar. People still walk through these doors talking about their first job as a teenager being here.

IN 1973

Helen and Paul Bertrand took ownership. The tradition continued as the delicious food kept rolling out of the tiny kitchen with a smile. Small upgrades were made, including the pizza oven that still sits in our kitchen, to meet the demands of the growing business. The people in the community would send their children over with a big, empty pot that Helen would fill with spaghetti, sauce and her, never to be duplicated, meatballs. Helen Bertrand Rifenburg is also the inventor of the Willy, a sandwich that is still on our menu to this day! For 27 years Helen and her family touched the hearts and stomachs of people from Cohoes and the surrounding communities.

THE YEAR 2000

saw us in a new millennium as well as new ownership for Joe's Tavern. Marty and Kathy Riberdy took over and had Helen show them the ropes. The great pizzas continued to come out of the kitchen. Friends gathered for dart leagues in the dining room, known as the bamboo room as the tunes poured out of the jukebox. Marty and Kathy were gracious hosts and their energy, charisma and smiles were contagious.

IN 2007

Angela and Kevin McCarthy decided to expand the menu as they became the sixth owners of the tavern. With a focus on the food, Kevin and Angela brought back that old time feel of community in the dining room. After a few years other business opportunities pulled them in a different direction and the tavern was faced with the possibility of closing its doors which it did for the first time at the end of February 2011. After two months of small repairs and removal of the bamboo, Joe's opened its doors again und<u>er new and</u> current ownership.

AT JOE'S TAVERN

it is our mission to provide the highest quality food at reasonable prices while giving exemplary service that will establish community relationships for years to come. My wife Amber and myself, Michael Fortin, are committed to providing a wonderful experience for you, your family and yours friends that will keep you coming back time and time again. We use only the highest quality and freshest ingredients available to us and take pride in each dish we serve and drink we pour. Whether it be dining with us, taking it home to your family or having a party catered by us, we promise you our very best every time. So much more than a tavern... SMALL PLACE, BIG TASTE!! Bon Appetit!!

A DECADE HAS PASSED SINCE I HAD THE PLEASURE OF BEING NEXT IN LINE TO CARRY THE TRADITION OF JOE'S TAVERN ON HERE IN COHOES. MY FAMILY AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT OVER THE YEARS IN HELPING MAKE OUR DREAMS A REALITY. WE SIMPLY CAN NOT CONVEY THE AMOUNT OF GRATITUDE WE HAVE FOR LETTING US BE A PART OF THIS COMMUNITY. WE HOPE WE HAVE CARRIED THE TORCH WELL IN OUR YEARS HERE AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING WHAT THE NEXT OWNERSHIP WILL BRING TO JOE'S. WE ALSO CERTAINLY HOPE YOU ALL WILL VISIT US AT EMMA JAYNE'S WHERE WE WILL START A NEW TRADITION BUT CARRY ON THE SAME PRINCIPLES THAT BROUGHT YOU THROUGH OUR DOORS OVER AND OVER HERE AT JOE'S. SO THANK YOU ALL FOR SPENDING ANOTHER EVENING HERE WITH US. WE TRULY ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE HAD THIS TIME WITH YOU!

-THE FORTIN FAMILY

