

Dining Around the Diocese

AVON INN
55 East Main Street
Avon, NY 14414
(minutes off 390, exit 10)
716-226-8181

The Avon Inn welcomes all to experience the timeless elegance of this 170 year old Country Inn. Enjoy an overnight stay, delightful fireside dinners and cocktails in an atmosphere reminiscent of days gone by.

Serving lunches Tuesday-Friday and dinner Tuesday-Sunday, the Inn is the perfect place for business gatherings, entertaining, and romantic escapes. Fifteen comfortable guest-rooms, all with private baths await overnight visitors. Many guests choose to stay in our bridal suite with its whirlpool bathtub and king size bed. Guest-room rates range from \$55-75 per night and include a continental breakfast. Our winter getaway package includes a room for two, \$25 dinner certificate, a bottle of champagne in your room and continental breakfast, all for \$75/couple.

We are now serving a Sunday Breakfast Buffet from 9am-1pm. \$5.95 for adults, children under 10 are 1/2 price. Beverages are additional.

The Avon Inn is the perfect place for WEDDING RECEPTIONS, Showers, Rehearsal Dinners, and business meetings for groups up to 200.

Join us for our traditional Easter Sunday Buffet. Adults are \$10.95 and children under 10 are 1/2 price. Call for reservations and information.

We will be featuring traditional Irish fare on St. Patrick's day, March 17th.

BOSDYK'S
Restaurant & Lounge
430 Spencerport Rd.
(corner of Long Pond)
716-247-7690

Open 7 days a week for lunch and dinner, we offer a relaxing, comfortable atmosphere and reasonable prices. Whether you choose from our complete menu, or from one of our daily lunch or dinner specials, we're sure to please your palate. Serving Fish Frys 7 days-a-week. Our party room is available for gatherings of up to 60 people. We hope to see you here!

CINELLI'S
Country House Restaurant
6007 Lake Rd. (Rt. 18)
Sodus, New York 14551
315-483-9154

One of Wayne County's finest restaurants and Party Houses, Cinelli's Country House Restaurant is a really special place! Fine service, great view, wonderful food, and a marvelous menu are just the beginning.

A big, beautiful dining room with real wood arches and glass commands an unparalleled panorama of orchards, farms, old woods, and Lake Ontario.

In addition to our extensive lunch and dinner menus, you may also choose from between 10 and 12 daily specials. Sunday Specials from our country oven include: Roast Leg of Montana Lamb and Fresh Roast Pork served with country dressing and pan gravies.

For your reception, banquet or dinner for two to be truly special, choose a really special place. There's no better choice than Cinelli's!

Winter Hours: Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday 12:30-7:30p.m. Reservations are recommended. "A big city menu at country prices."

MR. DOMINIC'S ON THE LAKE
4699 Lake Avenue
716-865-4630

If you're planning lunch or dinner out, take a drive to Mr. Dominic's at the Lake. Noted for their fine Italian cuisine, they offer delicious appetizers, wonderful soups, 11 veal dishes, vegetarian, chicken and fish specialties, and homemade pasta. Early bird dinner specials are served Sunday-Friday. Also offered is a 10% senior discount. Delivery is available for your luncheon group of ten or more. Lunch hours from 11a.m.-2p.m., Tuesday-Friday. Dinner hours Monday-Friday 4-9:30p.m., Sat. 5-10p.m., Sun. 3-9p.m.

PETALS
at the Marriott Thruway Hotel
5257 W. Henrietta Road
359-1800

Petals offers a rich wood and brass decor, serving traditional American cuisine. Popular for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Lunch, Mon. - Sat., 11:30a.m. - 2p.m. Dinner, Mon. - Sat., 5 - 11p.m. Sunday Breakfast Feast served 11:30a.m. - 2:30p.m.

RICK'S PRIME RIB HOUSE
788 Howard Road
716-235-2900

Cut into the best prime rib in town tonight at Rick's Prime Rib House. Slow cooked to perfection everyday; so tender, so succulent, always fresh, it's a cut above the rest. We have a full menu of other items to choose from including King Crab, Lobster Tail, and fresh fish and chicken dishes. Early Dinner Specials served each evening before 6pm. For large gatherings, we have banquet facilities for up to 150. Open 7 days a week, reservations are appreciated.

Society of Rochester
Historic Landmark Restaurants

THE CLARK HOUSE
600 Whalen Road, Penfield
716-385-3700

Head East on Atlantic, only 8 miles from downtown. For dinner entertain your clients, associates, and friends in the Clark House at Shadow Pines. The gourmet menu, the excellent service, and the post-colonial charm will bring a memorable warmth to any occasion. For Reservations call 385-3700.

CRYSTAL BARN
2851 Clover Street,
in the Barn Bazaar,
Cor Clover & Jefferson Rds., Pittsford
716-381-4844

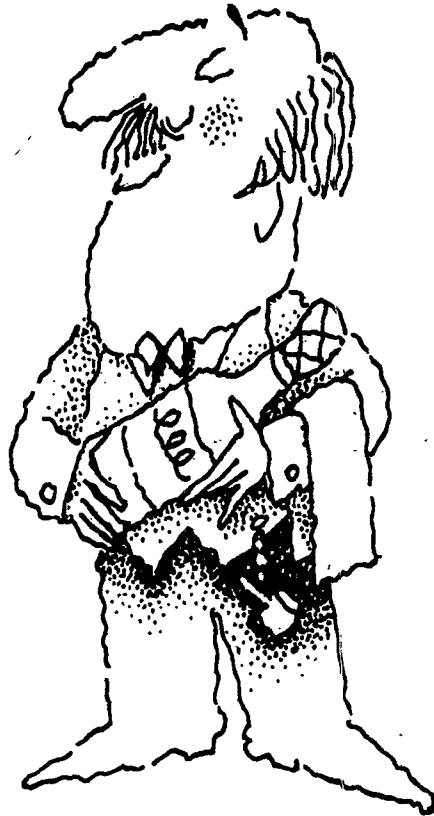
Discover "the hidden treasure" in fine dining! ...A pleasant blend of crystal chandeliers and Victorian motif set in an authentic 1860 country barn creates an unusually comfortable and elegant atmosphere for a unique dining experience. Savor an original contemporary culinary creation or enjoy traditional gourmet American and Continental cuisine at its best. Among the house specialties for lunch are a handful of international entrees. Highlighting the dinner menu are beef or sole Wellington. Fully licensed, generous wine list. Serving Mon-Sat.: Lunch 11:30AM. Dinner 5PM.

DAISY FLOUR MILL
1880 Blossom Road, in Ellison
Park off I-590 North
716-381-1880

Serving dinner seven nights a week in a landmark 1848 gristmill. On the National Register. American regional dishes including Veal, Shrimp, Swordfish and Prime Rib from our prize-winning menu; \$9.75-\$17.95. Live jazz and dancing in the Millrace Bar Fri. and Sat. Outdoor deck for cocktails. New banquet room for up to 150 guests. Dinner from 5PM; Sun. from 4PM; Early Bird Menu until 6:30PM.

EDWARDS RESTAURANT
13 S. Fitzhugh Street
716-423-0140

Cited as "Rochester's Best Restaurant". Edwards marries traditional French and the new American cuisine with spectacular results. A World Class Restaurant. Delicious selections from either a full course or ala carte menu. Incredible, award-winning desserts and a masterful wine list of over 170 labels. Turn-of-the-century elegance and charm of an old English club are found in the five separate dining areas, each with its own distinct decor, including an oriental room, a library and a hunt room. Downtown location, 1-1/2 blocks from the Convention Center, in the historic landmark Academy Building. Convenient parking. Serving Lunch: M-F 11:30AM-2PM, Dinner M-Sat 6-9PM.



THE GALLERY CAFE
500 University Avenue,
In the Memorial Art Gallery
716-473-6380

A visit to the Memorial art Gallery is a journey through more than 5,000 years of art history. From the relics of antiquity to works that form the vanguard of contemporary movements, a panorama of the world's art will surround you. In this beautifully relaxed and art-filled setting. The Gallery Cafe offers a complete menu of freshly prepared contemporary and traditional foods. Served by a friendly staff, always aware of your every need. Choose from a wide selection of New York State wines. Operated in association with Edwards Restaurant. Serving Lunch: Tues-Sat 11:30-2:00, Dinner: Tues-Sat 5-9PM and Sunday Brunch: 11:00-2:00.

RICHARDSON'S CANAL HOUSE
1474 Marsh Road, Pittsford
Bushnell's Basin exit I-490 East
716-248-5000

National Register, Restored 1818 Erie Canal tavern, one of America's most picturesque Inns located in secluded garden setting on canal. Elegant candle-light dining, specializing in French Country & American regional cooking. Informal lite suppers served on Canalside Terrace of Cobblestone Pub Mon-Fri 6PM. Full dinners Mon-Sat starting at 6PM. Reservations suggested. Romantic Oliver Loud's Inn on premises.

THE RIO
282 Alexander St.
one block south of East Ave.
473-2806

The Rio - our patrons come to The Rio for the very best in food, wine, service, atmosphere and value ... the total dining experience. Come and see our award winning wine list or try the "Taste of The Rio," Monday through Friday 5pm-6:30pm. For reservations please call 473-2806.

THE SPRING HOUSE
3001 Monroe Ave.
Rochester, NY 14618
716-586-2300

This former Erie Canal Inn has been designated a National Landmark. The Spring House is a beautiful 4-story southern colonial brick building surrounded by patio and gardens. A home for gracious dining since 1822. Moderately priced, our menu includes fresh baked goods and signature foods. Listed in all major guides. Family owned and operated for 33 years.

Join the Society of Landmark Restaurants through March 13 during our exciting promotion with the George Eastman House. Enjoy special menus and recipes of Mr. George Eastman and enter to win fantastic prizes. Details at each member restaurant; no purchase necessary.

IN REVIEW FEATURE



Humanity's spirit shines in true story

Seasons of Sand, by Ernst Aebi; Simon & Schuster (New York, N.Y., 1993); 236 pp.; \$22.

Reviewed by Brian T. Olszewski
Catholic News Service

Before you begin reading *Seasons of Sand* by Ernst Aebi, get an atlas. Find northern Africa. Find Mali. Find the Sahara. There you'll find Araouane. Alone. Surrounded by sand.

While it begins as one person's desire - almost an obsession - to save a village, it becomes a story about how a village decides to save itself. With no commerce, no jobs, no education, no rain, the people of Araouane have little for which to live.

Their most plentiful commodity, and one for which there is no market, is camel dung. It is fuel, medicine and the utility item of the villagers. It also becomes the stuff upon which Aebi helps the villagers save themselves.

He begins by teaching them to garden - a concept foreign to desert dwellers. Patiently, he shows them how to grow vegetables. More importantly, he involves the Araouanites in the process. They help build the gardens, they eat the produce.

Gardening is only the beginning. As the villagers learn that what this American is doing gets results, they reluctantly work with him. When he leaves the village, he returns with saplings - trees on which food grows for the community's 145 inhabitants.

This is a story about education - one person educating a dying village in how to survive, and villagers teaching a foreigner how to live in a culture with which he is only vaguely familiar.

Over four years, the village is transformed. Gardens and trees for food, a school for the children, and a hotel to accommodate the few visitors who come their way. It's commerce; it's survival.

It is not a Great Society handout program. Rather, it is a learning process as the villagers learn to be self-sufficient, to control their economic destiny. Aebi teaches them they need not be slaves to the salt mines, nor victims of the corrupt officials who steal relief supplies for their own use.

This is a story during which the reader will laugh, gag, and cry. It is not about a missionary as Catholics understand missionaries, but it is about one person's willingness to do something for others, and then to let go when he can, due to political turmoil, do no more.

Seasons of Sand is uplifting reading. The reader will cheer for Aebi and the Araouanites, and realize that good things happen with the right mixture of people and a little camel dung.

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At your bookstore or order prepaid from Simon & Schuster, Total Warehouse Services, Radcliff St., Bristol, Pa. 19007. Add \$2 for shipping and handling.

