

# May at Sonoma

## Last Month

April was an incredible month for Sonoma: The Cherry Blossom Festival, Easter Sunday, Farm Dinners and our first foray into Groupon! We got to meet so many different characters from all over America who were in DC especially to see the Cherry Blossoms and received some great feedback about our Easter Menu. Our Groupon offer came out and we were stunned by its popularity and can't wait to meet all our new Groupon fans. Chef Nick attended the Taste of the Hill Gala along with a number of other talented chefs from Capitol Hill restaurants such as Charlie Palmers, Cafe Belga, Poste and Granville Moores. The guests all looked stunning in black tie and evening gowns and the silent auction raised significant funds for Brent Elementary.

## Farm Dinners

*Dine and Chat with our local farmers!*

Last month we were lucky enough to have Sharon and David Lankford from Davon Crest host our monthly farm dinner. Chef Nick created a 4-course menu including braised bok choy, chilled beet soup, grilled spring onion and garlic and candied fennel upside down cake. In addition to the great food and flowing wines, our guests were entertained by Sharon and David's experiences running Davon Crest. This month, Mollie Visosky will be joining us from The Fresh Link, a local co-op dedicated to keeping small farms viable and fresh foods on city plates. Mollie and Chef Nick will be hosting The Fresh Link Dinner and have put together a 4-course menu using a range of ingredients from The Fresh Link farms. The dinner will start at 5.30pm on Sunday May 23rd and is \$45 per person or \$65 with wine (plus tax and 20% gratuity). We are limiting these events to just 40 guests per dinner, so call us on 202 544 8088 for your tickets as soon as you can.

## Mothers Day

*Celebrate with Mom over a sumptuous feast of comfort food Sonoma-style!*

Chef Nick has put together a special menu to dazzle Mom and even impress Mother-in-Laws! We will be offering a family style supper on May 9th and will be extending our Sunday opening hours especially for the occasion, 1-7pm. Our regular menu will still be available, so you can still get your daily Sonoma fix.

## Zoofari – A Panda Bear Affair

*DC's "Foodie event of the year"*

Join us for fine wines, fabulous entertainment, animal demonstrations and of course

some delicious tastings from over 100 of DC's finest restaurants – including Sonoma! Chef Nick will be offering pork and beef meatballs with polenta foam and pane fritto – Delicious!

This year's event is taking place at the Smithsonian's National Zoo on May 20th from 6.30-9.30pm, tickets are available from \$125 and can be purchased at the Zoo or from Ticketmaster – it's for charity, so tickets are tax deductible.

## **All the Rest**

Remember our Avenue Lounge is open Tuesday through Saturday and offers our full menu and wine list. With a raised fireplace area overlooking Pennsylvania Avenue this is the most romantic spot on the hill to enjoy great food in an upscale environment. We do host plenty of fundraisers and private events in the lounge though, so remember to call and check availability to avoid disappointment.

Thanks again for your support and keep checking our facebook page for regular updates.

As always, please keep letting us know what you think about our food, wine, service and anything else that you want to tell us. We love hearing the good things, but need to hear the not-so-good things too!

See you soon at Sonoma Restaurant and Wine Bar