Quick Bites: Lots of Thanksgiving options

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JACKS, PETER B’S SERVE THANKSGIVING

Jacks Restaurant and Lounge and Peter B’s Brewpub, both at Portola Hotel and Spa, are serving meals on Thanksgiving, Thursday, Nov. 26.

Jacks is offering a Thanksgiving feast from 1 to 7 p.m. Most of the meal is served family-style and there will be a dessert buffet. Adults cost $54.95, seniors cost $49.95, kids 6 to 12 are $19.95 and ages 5 and under are free. Reservations are required at 649-7874. Visit www.jacksrestaurantlounge.com.

Peter B’s will serve Thanksgiving dinner beginning at 11 a.m. The cost is $14.99. For more information see www.peterbsbrewpub.com.

The Portola Hotel is at 2 Portola Plaza.
TUSCA CHANGES MENU, DOES THANKSGIVING

TusCA Ristorante at the Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel and Spa is serving a brunch/lunch buffet from 1 to 6 p.m. on Thanksgiving. Cost is $50 for adults (includes one glass of champagne or sparkling cider), $20 for kids 6 to 12 and free for ages 5 and under. Reservations are required at 657-6675.

Chef Steve Johnson has also made some seasonal menu changes. New items include winter squash soup and Snake River Farms pork chop with corn pudding.

Visit monterey.hyatt.com for more information. The Hyatt is at 1 Old Golf Course Road.

ESTÉBAN SETS THANKSGIVING MENU

Estéban at Casa Munras is serving a prix fixe menu on Thanksgiving.

Seatings are available between 4 and 9 p.m. The prix fixe menu includes a turkey or trout entrée and costs $48 for adults, $23 for kids 5 to 12, and free for kids under 5. Customers can also order items a la carte or choose dishes from Estéban’s regular dinner menu.

Reservations are recommended at 324-6773 or www.hotelcasamunras.com/esteban-restaurant.

Casa Munras Hotel & Spa is at 700 Munras Ave.

FARMERS MARKET MOVES UP TWO DAYS

The Monterey Farmers Market at Monterey Peninsula College will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25 — the day before Thanksgiving.

Normal day and market hours (10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fridays) will resume on Friday, Dec. 4. The market is held year-round, rain or shine, and offers items from dozens of farmers and vendors.

Monterey Peninsula College is at 980 Fremont St. Visit www.montereybayfarmers.org/markets/monterey-market.

CRBC ADDS DISHES FOR THANKSGIVING

For Thanksgiving, the Cannery Row Brewing Co. will offer holiday entrees in addition to the restaurant’s regular menu.

Additions include a turkey sandwich at lunchtime, a turkey entrée at dinner and kids’ Thanksgiving selections.

To make a reservation, call 643-2722 or see www.canneryrowbrewingcompany.com.

CRBC is at 95 Prescott Ave.
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1833 THANKSGIVING TO BE FAMILY STYLE

Restaurant 1833 executive chef Jason Franey is creating a family-style dinner for Thanksgiving. Offered from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m., the menu will cost $68 for adults and $40 for kids under 12. For reservations, call 643-1833 or see www.restaurant1833.com. Restaurant 1833 is at 500 Hartnell St.

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GROTTO THANKSGIVING MEAL TRADITIONAL

Old Fisherman’s Grotto on Fisherman’s Wharf will serve a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings beginning at 10:30 a.m. Its regular menu will also be available. To make a reservation, call 375-4604 or see www.oldfishermansgrotto.com.

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THANKSGIVING SPECIALS AT FISH HOPPER

The Fish Hopper, 700 Cannery Row, will serve a “Thanksgiving Day Specials” menu beginning at 10:30 a.m. To make a reservation, call 372-8543 or see www.fishhopper.com/monterey.

CARMEL

WINE BENEFIT AT HOFSAS HOUSE

Hofsas House Hotel is hosting a benefit for Peace of Mind Dog Rescue from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Friday. Twisted Roots is the featured winery. All proceeds from the “Local’s Favorites Wine Friday” benefit the animal shelter. Cost is $15 for one glass of wine plus snacks. Additional glasses of wine cost $5. The event is limited to 40 people; reservations are required at 624-2745 or carrie@hofsashouse.com. Hofsas House is on San Carlos Street and Fourth Avenue in Carmel. Visit hofsashouse.com.

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IL GRILLO OFFERS DESSERT ORDERS

Emily Garcia, formerly of Emi’s Biscotteria in Pacific Grove, has Italian holiday desserts available for special order at il Grillo. Any Thanksgiving orders need to be placed by Friday, Nov. 20. Selections include cannoli, cookies, apple pumpkin crostata and tiramisu. Call 238-9608 or see www.ilgrillocarmel.com/dessert-orders for more information. Il Grillo will be closed from Nov. 30-Dec. 15. Il Grillo is at Mission Street between Fourth and Fifth Avenues.
Porter's in the Forest is holding its last winemaker dinner of 2015 at 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12. The four-course dinner with pairings from Daou Wines, which costs $75, includes selections such as a veal duo with gnocchi paired with Estate Cabernet 2012.

On Thanksgiving, chef Johnny DeVivo is offering an a la carte menu from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dishes will include turkey and pork loin.

Reservations are required for both events at 622-8240.

Porter's is at 3200 Lopez Road. Visit poppyhillsgolf.com.

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