

MAY 2020



VERANDA VIEWS

The City Club, Downtown Baton Rouge's Only Private Dining Club

HISTORIC CITY CLUB





GREETINGS AND WELL WISHES:



DAVID COUGHLIN
COO, MBA, MHRM
GENERAL MANAGER

As we begin the month of May we are anxiously waiting the easing of COVID-19 restrictions and are aggressively planning for the ramp-up of operations for your Club. We have accomplished a vast array of much needed cleaning, repairs and maintenance in preparation for your return and are continuing to fine tune the aesthetics. Please note that we recently had to remove both frontal flagpoles as a safety measure as they were actually separating from the building's edifice.

In accordance with governmental directives we are tentatively planning a phased opening process. **Phase 1** begins this week with curb-side pick-up of pre-ordered dinner packages. **Phase 2** if so authorized, will start with interim lunch service only on May 18th. In **Phase 3** we hope to open for both lunch and dinner starting the first week of June. Please watch for our announcements in our e-mails. Operational protocols for safety and hygiene will be enacted in compliance with government mandates. These will no doubt precipitate a host of changes so please watch our e-mails.

Earlier we informed you that we were continuing to compensate almost all of our staff with the exception of part-time and recently hired short-term employees. We were able to accomplish this through your continued generous dues contributions. We also managed to curtail all extraneous expenses and defer others. Unfortunately, private clubs are not eligible for the reimbursement of employee compensation under the existing stimulus provisions. According to a recent private club survey of 133 clubs, the Club Management Association of America, (CMAA) found that 51 % of private clubs have either laid off or furloughed service staff. Several clubs have had to close completely and do not plan on reopening; additionally, 55% have had to restructure roles and responsibilities to keep staff in place. *Thank you for supporting your valued staff.*

Meanwhile Club business has not tarried. Management has been in continual contact with your Club leadership via Zoom teleconferencing ensuring that the Club's daily obligations are executed. Another exciting happening is the fact that your board of directors has let the contract for a long-needed roof replacement which will commence within the ensuing weeks. This will eliminate the severe moisture intrusion that has visited so much interior damage to our building.

We have not been idle and are doing our best to improve the facility and plan for the reopening of your Club. We recognize that what is happening is unprecedented and that we may have to quickly adapt to the many unknown challenges and operational protocols. We ask for your patience and understanding and your cooperation as we go forward. By the same token we are excited about the opportunities that are presented and are highly optimistic that we will not only survive but thrive.



PLAN YOUR SPECIAL EVENT TODAY - OPEN DATES AVAILABLE!

An elegant cocktail party? An intimate dinner? Special Occasions?
A breathtaking rehearsal dinner or wedding reception?
We've got you covered. Start planning your next event at CCBR!

Call "Z" at 225.436.5450 or via email Z@BRCITYCLUB.COM
Call KENNY at 225.387.5767 or via email KENNYROBERSON@BRCITYCLUB.COM
READY TO ASSIST YOU - SCHEDULE YOUR EVENT NEEDS TODAY!!



ON THE COVER

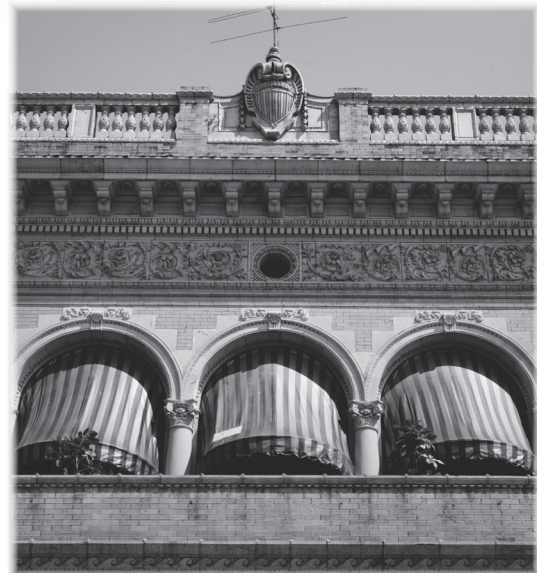
HISTORICAL CITY CLUB

The City Club, a magnificent brick and masonry structure with an Italian Renaissance façade, was completed in 1894 on property purchased by the United States government for \$14,500 from Dr. Jean Bertrand Duchain for use as a post office and federal courthouse. It served as the U. S. Post Office from 1894 to 1935. It was renovated in 1935 and was used as the City Hall until 1955. After years of use for those purposes, and several years of serving as city-parish offices, the building was remodeled to become the City Club of Baton Rouge. Two years prior to the Club's opening in 1957, Baton Rouge was the only major Louisiana city without a men's club. New Orleans had the Boston Club, Lake Charles had the Pioneer Club, Lafayette had the Petroleum Club, and Monroe had the Lotus Club. Before adopting its official name, others like The Magnolia Club and The Capital City Club were considered.

DID YOU KNOW? The building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on June 9, 1980. Also included in the Downtown Baton Rouge Historic District at the time of its creation on November 10, 2009.

The original decor was designed by nationally respected interior decorator, William Parker McFadden, who was recommended by an editor of House Beautiful Magazine. McFadden was also responsible for creating the Club's symbol, crossed batons centered with a fleur-de-lis. It is seen in many places throughout the building as well as on Club correspondence. In 1994, under the tenure of Francis X. Guglielmo, president, the City Club dining and service areas were refurbished by local Baton Rouge interior designers, Becki Abercrombie and Helaine Moysé.

Although the fine tradition of good food and fellowship has remained constant over the years, there have been changes at the City Club. As always, many of our city's leaders who are shaping the business, philanthropic and civil landscape of our City, State and Region are members of the City Club.



SOURCES:

<https://downtownbatonrouge.org/about-ddd/building-inventory/old-post-office-building>

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Baton_Rouge_City_Club

https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:City_Club_of_Baton_Rouge





WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please join us in welcoming the following new members to the City Club. Take a moment to say hello! Connect with new members by searching for them in your City Club Member Roster (located in the Member area of the website). An introduction can go a long way - it will help them to have an instant friend and resource, and the connection will likely prove helpful to you, too. Thanks for helping us to welcome the newest additions to your growing City Club family.



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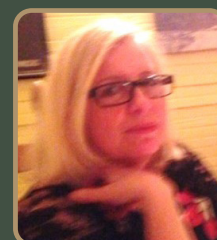
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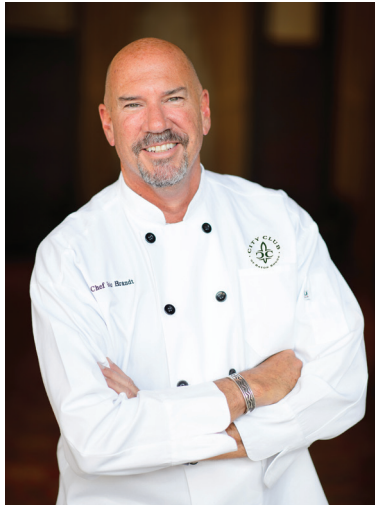
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ERIC BRANDT
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CITY CLUB OF BATON ROUGE

To-Go DINNER

ORDER BY TUESDAY 2:00PM

CURBSIDE PICK-UP | BON APPÉTIT

GET THE FLAVORS OF CITY CLUB AT HOME!

CCBR Members: Enjoy Prix Fixe To-Go Dinner Menus with Curbside (No Contact) Pick-Up

~ CCBR TO-GO DINNER MENU - CHANGES WEEKLY ~

BEGINNING NEXT WEEK: WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY DINNERS TO-GO AVAILABLE!

NEW DINNER MENUS WILL BE RELEASED EVERY FRIDAY!

ALL ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED VIA EMAIL BY TUESDAY @ 2:00PM

ORDERING: All Dinner To-Go Orders must be received by email before Tuesday at 2:00pm
Email the City Club to place your order to cityclub@brcityclub.com for processing.
Once received, you will be contacted to confirm receipt of order(s).

PAYMENT OPTIONS: All Orders will be charged to Members account.

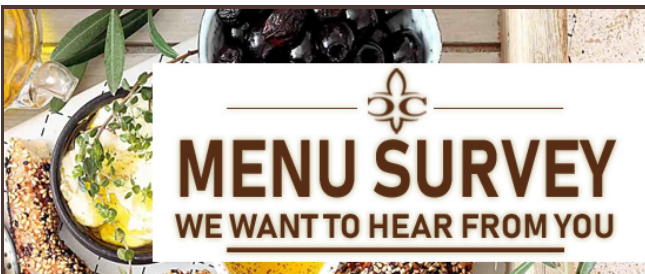
CURBSIDE PICK-UP: Once processed, you will be contacted for confirmation.

Curbside Pick-Ups (No-Contact Pick-Up) Times:

Wednesday Dinners: From 2:00pm – 4:00pm | Thursday Dinners: From 2:00pm – 4:00pm | Friday Dinners: From 2:00pm – 4:00pm
CCBR will provide a curbside pick-up and staff will place the members order(s) in their car trunks,
while adhering to CDC guidelines to reduce transmission of COVID-19.

When it's time to pick-up your order, pull up to the front doors, please call 225.387.5767, and we'll bring it out to your car!

Enjoy the Same Quality at Home That You Have Come to Expect from the CITY CLUB.
Thank you for your continued support!



CITY CLUB'S INTERIM
LUNCH & DINNER MENU
QUESTIONNAIRE ...

SURVEY LINK: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CCBR_Interim-Lunch-Dinner-Menu-Items

Your opinion is extremely important in our preparation for re-opening. In order to bring you a unique dining experience, we wanted to reach out to our members by finding out what MENU ITEMS you would like us to incorporate when dining at the Club. Though we won't be able to implement all suggestions (due to supply chain limitations), know that we will do our best. Please take the time to fill out every comment section of this questionnaire.

Thank you in advance for participating in our survey. Your feedback is important.



City Club's Mix & Match Wine Sale:

We're Clearing out the Wine Room – Limited Availability - Deeply Discounted Prices!

During the sale, you'll Mix and Match any single bottle or choose multiple bottles (if available) with special discounted pricing on limited select wines from our wine room between a variety of red, white, and sparkling ranging from low-end everyday wines, to high-end single-vineyard collectibles for any occasion.

 **WHITE WINE:** [View PDF Order Form](#) |  **RED WINE:** [View PDF Order Form](#)

**Give the gift of Wine - Celebrate Mom With Hand Selected Wines That Will Make Her Smile!
Stock up or for that special dinner or gifting to someone special all at discounted prices!!!**

ORDERING: Please complete each form based on [White Wine](#) or [Red Wine](#) preference.

Email the Order Form to cityclub@brcityclub.com for processing.

Questions: Call "Z" at 225-436-5450

Once received, you will be contacted to confirm receipt and payment of order(s).

PAYMENT OPTIONS: All Mix & Match Wine Sale Orders may be paid by [Check](#) or [Credit Card One-Time*](#) - see form included (*3% Convenience Fee added to all Credit Card transactions)

CURBSIDE PICK-UP: Once processed, you will be contacted for confirmation and pre-payment.

Curbside pick-ups will be pre-arranged for any orders on a selected day by the City Club.

CCBR will provide a curbside pick-up and staff will place the members wine order in their car trunks, adhering to CDC guidelines to reduce transmission of COVID-19.

Don't miss out on the deals during this Mix & Match Wine sale!



**HAPPY
MOTHER'S DAY**

**From all us at CCBR we wish our members,
a Happy Mother's Day ... Stay Safe and Healthy!**

**In the meantime, we want to take a moment to thank our members
for their patience, and for their overwhelming support.**

**Know your City Club is taking actions to ensure the safest
environment when our doors open once again for our enjoyment.**

We're all in this together.

Thank You For Allowing Us To Serve You!

The City Club Staff



CITY CLUB of BATON ROUGE

We can't wait until we proudly open our doors back
and see YOU in person soon!

Please KNOW our team is working on the best ways
to SERVE our members today, tomorrow and every day after.

#CityClubStrong

Stay HEALTHY, Stay SAFE, Stay UNITED, Be WELL
WE APPRECIATE YOU!

Thank
you



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HOURS OF OPERATION

Breakfast	7:30 AM - 9:00 AM (M-F)
Lunch	11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (M-F)
Bar	4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (M-Sat)
Dinner	5:30 PM - 9:00 PM (W-Sat)
Valet	11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (M-F) 5:30 PM - 9:00 PM (W-Sat)

RESERVATIONS

225-387-5767 | CityClub@BRCityClub.com

CCBR Adheres to a 48-hour Cancellation Policy.
If you must cancel your reservation within 48 hours, the City Club will make every reasonable effort to fill your spot, but if we our you efforts are unable to, you will be charged the full price of the meal.

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