

EDSO NEWS

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RESERVATION LINE: (503) 892-3082

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Event Reservations

Please call our reservation line (503) 892-3082 to make or cancel reservations for most events. Call by 11:59 pm of the cut-off date. The line is not monitored after the cut-off date. To reserve or cancel an event *after* the cut-off date, please do *not* call the reservation line. Instead, call Ann Stumpf at 503-459-6410 or email her at stumpf3743@comcast.net. She will notify you of the availability of seats. You are responsible for any restaurant charges for reservations not cancelled before the deadline. If edso is charged for your meals, please understand we will need to bill you.



A FIRST FOR EDSO 2021 –

LIVE AND IN-PERSON

-- EDSO PICNIC JULY 7 !!!--

- When: Wednesday, July 7, 2021 11:30 A.M. to ?
Where: Fields Bridge Park
821 Willamette Falls Drive West Linn, OR 97068
What: BBQ from Slick's Big Time BBQ in Wilsonville
BYO Beverages of any kind. (Consume alcohol discretely please.)
Cost: \$15

Reserve no later than July 4, 2021 by calling the Reservation Hotline. Be sure to give your name(s) AND phone number AND your menu choices (see below) for 1 Meat and for the 2 Sides:

Menu:

Choose 1 of the Meats:

Smoked Turkey
BBQ Chicken
Pulled Pork
Beef Brisket
Pork Spareribs

Choose 2 Sides:

Small Salad
BBQ Mac Salad
Baked Beans
Coleslaw
Potato Salad
Brisket Chili

All include a slice of honey cornbread.



All photos are of the picnic site courtesy of Erik Miller.

Editor's NOTE

Wow, your editor is so glad to be able to announce an EDSO event just as this newsletter is meant to do! Thank you, Erik Miller and friends. -I am sure this is a welcome change for all of us.

I have been so glad to keep in touch with EDSO members who took the time to send me their suggestions for take-out spots, recipes, and other food related comforts. Please continue to send me such items as we all go back to the process of planning and hosting events. Don't Forget to Write! (Preferably as an email attachment to a uniquely titled email sent to noreenmoconnor@yahoo.com.)

Remember that all restaurants are changing too. Check for yourself before heading out to any recommended spots. I am still happy to keep filling the newsletter with your fun dining discoveries!

DINING NEWS FROM OLD FRIENDS:

Some truly 'distanced' members have not forgotten us during these unusual times!

Kristin and Ron Milio sent the following recommendations for Vancouver, WA – from their new digs in Mexico:

“We just moved permanently to Merida, Yucatan, Mexico, where we are making new culinary discoveries. In our final 8 months in the northwest, we stayed in an apartment in downtown Vancouver and discovered the following wonderful places:



- Falahi Bros. (609 11th St. Downtown, near the courthouse). Scrumptious middle eastern food. We love the lamb and chicken gyros (sandwiches). Their seasoned fries are very tasty and not super spicy. Very good Middle Eastern desserts, such as baklava. No alcohol served, but lots of interesting soft drinks, including multiple flavors of Pellegrino fruit soda. Modest sized dining room, no outdoor seating. We primarily got takeout. Downtown street parking/meters. <http://falahibros.com/>



- Joe Brown's Cafe (817 Main St. Downtown): a traditional diner, there since 1932. The chicken fried steak was a winner. Lots of waffles, crepes, typical diner fare. They had indoor dining for small groups, with plexiglass dividers, and I think they were constructing an outdoor dining area. Downtown street parking/meters. <http://www.joebrownscafe.com/>



- Shanahan's Pub and Grill (Irish pub). (209 W McLoughlin Blvd) Lots of outdoor seating (some of it is a smoking section), dog friendly, a good selection of brews. Outstanding sweet potato fries, a decent variety of pub fare and weekend breakfast/brunch. Own parking lot, on west side. <http://www.shanahanspubvancouver.com/>



- Tap Union Freehouse. (1300 Washington St #200) A real find, British pub atmosphere. Great selection of brews and ciders. They offer you tastes of anything you are considering. A huge selection of bottled beers and wines from all over the world, too. Food is all prepared (incl. smoked) in-house and everything is out of this world. They have an umbrella-covered outdoor dining deck, and a cozy upstairs area. We enjoyed the following foods: Moroccan garden sandwich, Cubano sandwich, smoked pork tacos, Reuben, meat/cheese platter. All of the sandwiches are made on delicious bread. Their one dessert is wonderful: chocolate and brie melted together into an ooey-gooey sandwich on french bread, with crunchy cinnamon sugar/black pepper on the outside. Downtown street parking/meters. <http://www.tapunionfreehouse.com/>



- **The Diner:** a couple of miles east of downtown, 5303 East Mill Plain Blvd. This is a restaurant run by Meals on Wheels People. Staff are paid a living wage, so any tips go as a donation to Meals on Wheels. We have only eaten breakfast/brunch there. We love the brunch burger and the German pancake (Dutch Baby). They have very yummy bacon, too. They are also selling delicious-sounding takeout family dinners for a reasonable price. It looks like they opened up May 5 for indoor dining. Plenty of parking. <https://www.thediner.org>



- **WildFin:** EDSO has already been to this spot on the newish Vancouver waterfront. Our favorite menu items are the Calamari (tender mini "steaks," not rings and tentacles; also part of the appetizer tower for a large group) and the NW Seafood Fettucine Alfredo. (777 Waterfront Way, Suite 101) <https://www.wildfinamericangrill.com/vancouver>

We hope EDSO people will enjoy these wonderful finds!"

- Kristin and Ron Milio -

Greg and Susan Theil, now living in Pennsylvania, also reached out to EDSO members with a recommendation for Conin Mexican Food in SW Portland. Unfortunately, my research shows this place is now temporarily closed. EDSO friends – feel free to update me if you learn otherwise.

See you Wednesday July 7 at our Picnic.

