

**STOKERIDGE**

**STG**

**TAVERN & GRILL**

**MENU NAME SUMMARY  
2014**

Since STG's inception, we've integrated current and historical elements into the names we assigned to our menu items. Many have asked "What's up with the name?" So I've put together a little summary...

### **ARBOR RUN TRIPLE THREAT**

*Within the first few months of opening STG, some lovely ladies came in and asked why I didn't have an appetizer combination option. We launched it – they named it (after the neighborhood they call home)!*

### **BENBOW'S COVERUP**

*The Benbow family and their impact on shaping our country was one of the coolest discoveries I made while researching our area. Jesse Benbow was heavily involved in the Underground Railroad and it is believed that the Jesse Benbow home on 150 has secret areas that the slaves hid during their escape to the North. What he did was great – just like STG's Benbow's Coverup.*

### **BIG PHIL**

*This sandwich bears the name of one of the coolest StokeRidgians I have ever met. This man alone has such a colorful history and I've spent hours listening to his stories. And with his approval, I named our club sammich after Big Phil (cause you don't do anything without this approval...)! Most either know the man or know of him and I'd recommend having "story time" with Phil if you ever get the chance.*

### **BETTY B'S BUFFALO CHICKEN DIP**

*A local favorite was kind enough to share her family recipe for Buffalo Dip and we couldn't be more pleased. This thing is a winner for sure. Thank you Betty!*

### **BRUCE'S BATTERED FISH-n-CHIPS**

*Bruce's Crossroads is the predecessor to Summerfield named after the landowner Charles Bruce. Bruce had ties to the Bugler James Gilley referenced on Bugler Boy's Brisket Sammich. Summerfield was very rich in the history of the Revolutionary War and also included a visit in 1791 by President George Washington. The Patriot troops were rather "battered" as they stayed on Bruce's property so I thought the name worked well...*

### **BUGLER BOY'S BRISKET**

*We now have smoked brisket as a menu item and are currently just offering it as a sandwich item. Under Colonel Light-Horse Harry Lee (father of Robert E Lee), Bugler James Gillis lost his life battling the British Forces in Bruce's Crossroads (now Summerfield). Summerfields town seal honors him as does our Brisket Sammich.*

### **BUSTERS BOWL**

*This item was on our first menu and has defined itself as STG's true Signature Pasta. Buster's Bowl is named after Buster Linville who is truly an icon to Oak Ridge and what Oak Ridge has become. This dish is just as popular as the man it is named after.*

### **CAPTAIN LARRY**

*This is a new item we have added to the menu and it bears the name of the man that actually caught the fish. Captain Larry brings us freshly caught fish off of the coast of NC and we've asked him to grab us some Cod for this Sammich. You can't get fish any fresher than what Captain brings us here at STG and I've gotta thank him for that!*

### **COUGAR'S BANG-BANG SHRIMP**

*An STG buddy from day one "Cougar" kept pressing us to come up with a unique "Bang Bang" option so that he didn't have to drive into Greensboro. We came up with a sauce – he approved. And born is Cougar's Bang Bang Shrimp.*

### **DOBSON'S CROSSROADS**

*This is a new item for STG. Although Jacob Story founded Kernersville, it was formally changed to Dobson's Crossroads in 1770. It is believed that during President Washington's trip through our area (aka StokeRidge), he stopped at Dobson's Tavern for breakfast in 1791. And It's very likely he could have had Chicken-Fried Steak so I named this one after Dobson's Crossroads.*

### **DRUNKEN FISHERMAN on BELEWS**

*Well – for those of you who have spent some time on Belews Creek, this name needs very little explanation. We had one of those fellas come into STG during one of our first months and wanted a Glazed Salmon with his beer. We told him that we couldn't sell him the beer, but gladly created a menu item after him!*

### **FAT BOY'S PORKCHOPS**

*A very large gentleman whom I've had the pleasure of getting to know well over the years gave us a marinade idea for grilled pork chops. We had it on the Local Flavor Menu in 2012 and they were received well – so they made it to the menu. When asked what he wanted me to name it, he said "Fat Boy's Porkchops cause that's what I am..." Well – he is much larger than I am so I figured I'd grant his request.*

### **FIDDLER'S PHILLY SPRING ROLLS**

*All of the ingredients of a Philly Cheese Steak wrapped nicely in a fresh spring roll. I named it after the Fiddlers who came from all of the country to Oak Ridge's Annual Fiddler Convention in the 30s and 40s.*

### **FRANCIS' FRENCH ONION**

*Francis Henry Fries was a local Mayodan resident who directed the construction of the Roanoke and Southern Railroad that would prove to be very critical to the economic development of the Southern States. I was looking for something to name after him and Francis and French just sounded good together...*

### **GREEN POND PASTA**

*The town of Stokesdale was known as Green Pond until 1887 when it was changed to Stokesdale. The name of Green Pond came into being because of a swampy pond located in the general area of what is now Ellisboro Road and Highway 65. The "Town" consisted only of a General Store built by Mr. John King in 1860 that also housed the Post Office (which was very common during these days).*

### **HONEY BUTTA'S OLD MILL HUSHPUPIES**

*Knick-named an STG Favorite "Honey Butta" after he continued to request we serve the hushpuppies with Honey Butter. We finally developed a Honey Butter that is approved by all, so we changed the name of the appetizer (and he acquired a nickname!).*

### **JOHNNY B'S BOOTLEGGER**

*After launching the Moonshiner Steak, we realized we had a hit. One of the fellas in the kitchen asked about making it into a wrap. The answer is always "yes – let's give it a shot" so he did. We wrapped up the Moonshiner and married it with cheese, lettuce and tomato and named it after Johnny B.*

### **KORNER'S SHRIMP COCKTAIL**

*After visiting Korner's Folly in Kernersville recently, it occurred to me how important this structure is to our area. It is named "The Strangest House in the World" and I'd have to agree... And I had to name a menu item after it. We launched a Shrimp Cocktail with this new menu and Korner's Cocktail just sounded right!*

### **MARTIN'S MEATLOAF (coming soon)**

*Also a new item to the STG Portfolio that is named after a very important figure to the Oak Ridge Community. Martin Hicks Holt was the original owner and principal of Oak Ridge Institute (now Oak Ridge Military Academy) and the one who built the Oakhurst home referenced earlier on the Oakhurst Onion. Martin served as Principal of Oak Ridge Institute until 1914 and died a few years later. I would love to say that his wife made many a meatloaf in the Oakhurst for a natural tie-in, but that'd be untrue. The house was originally built without a kitchen because she didn't cook – that is true...*

### **MITCH'S BLUE COLLAR FILET**

*Some of us older folks remember when mom said she was getting "steak" for dinner – she meant chopped steak (ground beef). Either way, I was happy cause they both were a treat! STG's buddy Mitch reminded me of those times and suggested that we put one on the next Local Flavor Menu. He liked the integration of sautéed onions so we followed his lead and developed Mitch's Blue Collar Filet made up of over ½ pound of Angus Ground Beef.*

### **MOMMA DEE'S CHILI**

*A local (whom many of you know) suggested this for us to add last winter. We tried it on the Local Flavor Menu and it continued to sell out. Therefore – it made it to the final menu and we named it after her nickname – Momma Dee. Some call it Taco Soup – some call it Chili...*

### **MOONSHINER**

*With the rich history of Moonshining here in StokeRidge, I knew we had to have something reflect it in a name. We created a sauce that we marinate the steak for 24 hours prior to grilling. The Moonshiner is truly one of STG's Signature Items.*

### **OAKHURST ONION**

*The founder of Oak Ridge Institute (now known as Oak Ridge Military Academy) built this Queen Anne Style home in Oak Ridge and named it **OakHurst**. It's a beautiful home that stands as one of many historic pieces of Oak Ridge and can be seen directly across the street from Oak Ridge Military Academy.*

### **OLD MILL SOUTHERN SHRIMP-n-GRITS**

*STG has partnered up with The Old Mill in Oak Ridge for various items. We originally used Old Mill Grits and married it up with our shrimp and a cheese sauce that was recommended by an STG regular. After 2 years, we are giving this item a facelift using much larger shrimp with a Creole sauce – but still yielding the OLD MILL name!*

### **PATRIOTS FLATBREAD PIZZA**

*The Patriots made their way through Oak Ridge and Summerfield during the Revolutionary War while advancing to Greensboro for the Battle of Guilford Courthouse. Although Cornwallis won the Battle of Guilford Courthouse, there was so much damage to his troops that he was forced to surrender at Yorktown, VA – thus ending the war. Naming a pizza after ‘em is the least we could do...*

### **PROHIBITION PORTABELLA**

*One of the coolest references to StokeRidge is it's rich history with the making and distribution of Moonshine. Prohibition stimulated our area's push for Moonshine – thus creating a nice transition to Prohibition being reflected in an STG menu item. I don't drink it, but we can't deny that Moonshine and Prohibition were important in shaping what StokeRidge is today...*

### **SHAKY'S SHRIMP WRAP**

*One of our most entertaining employees was experimenting in the kitchen one afternoon and his Shrimp Wrap was born. His nickname is Shaky and If you've ever met him you'd understand why. Shaky has since left STG, but his wrap remained and can be tossed in any of our signature sauces.*

### **SHERRIFF STAFFORD'S SPINACH DIP**

*Robert M. Stafford was the Sherriff of Guilford County from 1865-1880. He resided in Oak Ridge and worked closely with the Holt brothers to strengthen the Oak Ridge Institute during his tenure.*

### **SMOKING JONES OUTLAW**

*I was loading up my car one afternoon in '11 before we opened and I began chatting with a fellow in the parking lot. I discovered that he makes his own sauce (Family Secret) for all meats and we decided to give it a whirl. We integrate it into our Outlaw Sammich (Pulled Pork) in addition to other items throughout the menu. His sauce is called Smoking Jones and he lives just a few miles up the road. He exemplifies what STG is – so we named the Outlaw after him!*

### **SUMADEM WANGS**

*Prior to opening, I was approached by an older gentleman who asked if we were gonna have "Sumadem Chickin' Wangs." We were gonna originally have them on the menu, but I decided after this conversation that we should really put some energies into our "Wangs." After 2 ½ years, SUMADEM WANGS have developed into some of the best in the Triad.*

### **STORY'S STRIP**

*As we've expanded our reaches beyond StokeRidge, I started researching Kernersville. Jacob Story founded Kernersville in 1756. His launch of Kernersville married well with STG's launch of the NY Strip so it's natural to name it after him!*

### **TALLEY'S STIRFRY**

*We recently had a special staff member that made a permanent impact on the kitchen of STG. Brenna's StirFry is a great blend of Rice, Vegetables, Chicken and Teriyaki that will easily move into the Signature Item status very soon. She is no longer with us, but she's left us a nice little Stir-Fry to share...*

### **TIPSY REDNECK CHICK**

*(use your imagination here – and you'd be spot on...)*

### **VIN'S SKINS**

*In July of 2011 when we opened, we didn't have any Tator Skins on the menu. Vinnie wanted them and what Vinnie wants Vinnie gets! Vin's Skins continue to be one of the best sellers at STG.*

