

Dining Spotlight: Food festivals

Throughout the state, there are plenty of ways to eat, eat, and eat some more!

Hoboken Italian Festival



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Highlands Clam Festival



Hudson Restaurant Week



July 24 to Aug. 4:
Hudson Restaurant Week

Hudson Restaurant Week confirms Hudson County as a dining hotbed. Reduced price, pre-fix meals at some of the hottest eateries in the Hoboken and Jersey City area have attracted 10,000 diners throughout the event.

Tamara Remedios, organizer of Hudson Restaurant Week, notes that the event started in January 2005 and that, "due to its quick success, it's now a bi-annual event."

This past winter's function featured a Valentine's Day "Love Thy Neighbor" dinner for families of the local food pantry, created by contributing eateries.

The 10-day attraction takes three months to plan, and due to its rapid growth, it's quite an undertaking to coordinate the 35 restaurants. But for Remedios, the legwork involved with marketing and promoting the event leads to great results.

"Once the program begins," Remedios claims, "it's time to eat and enjoy!"