

The tradition continues

Over the past 30 years, Mike Anderson's Seafood has grown into a Baton Rouge staple.

It's the South Louisiana restaurant that food lovers and football fans alike turn to for fantastic regional food in a festive atmosphere—and for fun with friends and family too. After three decades in the food business, Mike Anderson's has earned its reputation for serving exceptional South Louisiana seafood dishes in a relaxed, comfortable atmosphere.

"When I started the company, I wanted to make sure that customers leave full and go home with leftovers," says owner Mike Anderson. "Now, 30 years later, they are still returning because we continue to strive for consistently good food, dependable service, and to make sure the customers get their money's worth."

Mike Anderson, an LSU All-American football player in the early 1970s, opened Mike Anderson's College Town Seafood & Oyster Bar in November of 1975. It was located on Highland Road near LSU and offered four different poboys and oysters on the half shell. When it outgrew its space, the company moved to its current location on West Lee Drive and changed its name to Mike Anderson's Seafood Restaurant.

Today, Mike Anderson's in Baton Rouge seats more than 235 people. The company opened its French Quarter location in the mid-1980s along with a food court location at The Riverwalk Mall. (The French Quarter location is currently closed due to the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.) There is also a Mike Anderson's franchise located in the Holiday Inn in Gonzales, La.

Loyal customers as well as South Louisiana visitors flock to Mike Anderson's for sensational fried or broiled seafood. Other restaurant favorites



include a crabmeat- and shrimp-stuffed fillet, Mike's Special (jumbo shrimp broiled in worcestershire, margarine, lemon and spices), and The Guitreau (grilled fresh fish topped with sautéed crawfish, shrimp, mushrooms and onions in white wine, margarine and spices).

In addition to the main restaurant, Mike Anderson's also offers outdoor dining at The Side Porch, which can be booked for private parties five out of seven nights of the week. It has become a premier location for hosting birthday parties, reunions, corporate parties, seafood boils, rehearsal dinners, small wedding receptions and high school reunions.

Obviously, Mike Anderson's has blossomed into much more than a traditional eatery, but it has never lost its main focus: a dedication to quality food, friendly service and big helpings! This should ensure its position as a staple on the Baton Rouge seafood scene for many years to come.



From vision to design and beyond

While Creekstone Companies' interests encompass numerous states, projects in Louisiana, especially those in Baton Rouge, remain of special interest to me. Baton Rouge has always seemed like home, and as such, has played an important role in my life. Moving back to this city and expanding our company here are goals that have long been a driving force for me. My partner, Everett Jackson, has been supportive of this aim, encouraging the development of new projects in Louisiana as a way of strengthening his own ties to the state, which are equally strong. Creekstone Companies are now run through headquarters in Houston and Baton Rouge, providing dual anchors of operation. My goal of returning to Baton Rouge has been realized and it's good to be home!

We are proud to be part of this area's growth and its growing commercial and tourism amenities, so it is a special honor to be able to sponsor *Welcome* magazine this year. The completion of the Towne Center at Cedar Lodge on Corporate Boulevard at Jefferson Highway has produced a truly premiere destination for the area. We hope you are able to experience the unique mix of upscale shopping and dining at Towne Center during your visit here.

We have also developed The Reserve at Cedar Lodge, consisting of 300 luxury condominiums and townhomes, near Towne Center. Our newest proj-

ect that is complete, The Enclave at Cedar Lodge, between Towne Center and The Reserve, consists of elegant apartments with all of the new appointments and amenities renters desire. Bristol Place Apartments on Siegen Lane is also complete and provides Baton Rouge with an upbeat, luxury apartment complex geared to the fun crowd. Like all of Creekstone's residential properties in Baton Rouge, Bristol Place is strategically located near many of the city's newest shopping, dining and entertainment areas.

We at Creekstone would like to be the first to invite you to explore our area's exciting traditions, opportunities and culture. For those of you who are here to stay, we look forward to serving you in the future. The needs are evident, the people are coming, and Creekstone is ready, willing and certainly able to answer the call.

Stephen Keller

Principal & Co-Founder

Creekstone Companies, Developer of Towne Center at Cedar Lodge



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Contact: 225-383-0968
www.batonrougebluesfestival.org

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Contact: 225-578-0595
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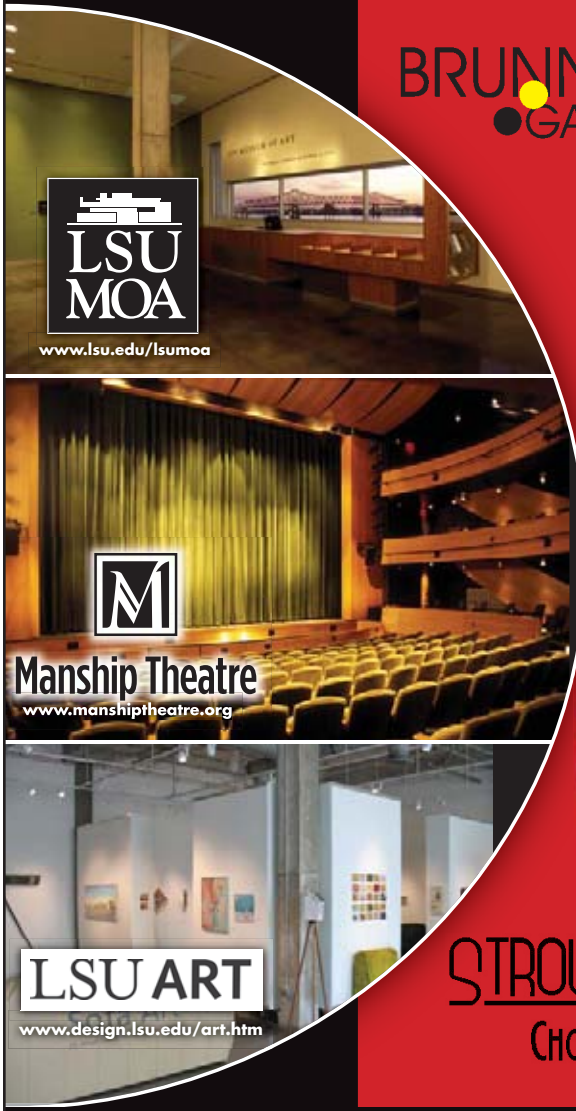
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