

Restaurant News

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Restaurant Reopening Guidance

Newly Updated as of May 22, 2020

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As state and local governments begin to reopen their economies in response to COVID-19, the Association has assembled a group of experts led by Larry Lynch, the Association Senior Vice President of Certification & Operations, from the Food & Drug Administration, academia, and the public health sector to draft guidance for restaurants that complement state government opening plans.

This *updated* Restaurant Reopening Guidance builds on the original document and incorporates the latest information and best practices from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and FDA. Our goal with this updated version is to help restaurants open safely and includes recommendations concerning cleaning and sanitation, personal hygiene, social distancing and health monitoring to reassure the public that social gathering for a meal is, again, a safe activity. As always, the Association intends this document to complement the official guidelines put in place by your state and local authorities.



Quincy native inducted into Missouri Restaurant Hall of Fame

Buddy Lahl featured in hometown newspaper

By Ethan Colbert Herald-Whig Posted: May 28, 2020

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Earlier this year, Quincy native Russell "Buddy" Lahl was inducted into the Missouri Restaurant Hall of Fame during the annual convention of the state's

restaurant and food service industry.

It is an honor that he said was "very humbling" for the once-novice dishwasher and busboy who worked at the now-closed Stipp's, a Quincy steakhouse owned by Doris and Art Stipp.

Lahl says he spent hours during his childhood watching his grandparents, parents and employees who worked at Doc's Flame, a restaurant at Fifth and Maine, prepare meals.

"For me, it all ties back to Stipp's and to the Flame. Doris would always say it was our goal to make sure every guest leaves here 100% satisfied," said Lahl, who now lives in Grandview and is director of dining services at Kingswood Senior Living Community, where he supervises a staff of 62.

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With states reopening in different phases and with differing requirements, this webinar will share updated guidance as well as ideas of how to navigate various rules and requirements.

This webinar is designed in partnership with public health officials to provide you with a basic summary of recommended practices that can be used to help mitigate exposure to the COVID-19 virus, including:

- Food safety
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