

Windsor Gardens Blossoms Restaurant

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There are many kinds of groups located and operating at Windsor Gardens. I chose to write about an organization that is not exactly a group, but is owned by one. That organization is Blossoms, owned by a group named Chavez. Carlos Chavez and his wife, Lisa, are the owner operators. Luis Chavez is the head waiter and Juan Chavez is the primary chef. Another member of the wait staff is Mark Roberts, a five-year employee. Mark is always dressed in a white shirt, black slacks and a black vest. An almost formal attire. Nice touch. The Chavez's are natives of Peru. They worked for, and eventually purchased, Blossoms Restaurant in Heather Gardens before moving to Windsor Gardens some years ago.

Several groups meet at Blossoms at various times, including the Optimist Club, of which I am a member. Our breakfast meal costs six dollars and it is complete and delicious. Upcoming occasions at Blossoms include a Mother's Day brunch, Memorial Day barbecue, and Easter brunch. Other continuing events include Tuesday and Friday evening buffets, Sunday breakfast and brunch and live music and entertainment every Friday evening.

You all may think this was a commercial advertisement, and perhaps it was. However, I eat at Blossoms two or three times each week, sometimes for lunch, sometimes for dinner. At dinner, I particularly enjoy one of their steaks. Medium rare, please. I am sure that many diners prefer to enjoy a savory, dinnertime steak, without previously having an alcoholic beverage. Fortunately, I am not one of them! For me, a Scotch and water preceding dinner seems to wake up my taste buds and have them stand at attention while they anticipate the upcoming taste pleasure. I am rarely disappointed! Just to be honest, I don't always eat beef. I eat a lot of salmon. No Scotch, but a nice glass of Chablis, please.

Our Writer's Group meets every week. It might be fun to occasionally have a luncheon meeting at Blossoms. This way, we could do a little extra to support one of Windsor Gardens' finest organizations.