



A Historic Waterfront Restaurant

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Nestled under the Albee Bridge is our beautiful historic waterfront restaurant, Pelican Alley. It's been called "Nokomis's Best Kept Secret," and "One of the Oldest Restaurants in Florida." It's a documented Haunted Restaurant (to check it out, look up 'Pelican Alley Ghost' on YouTube).

We're known for amazing food, great service and taking pride in our ambiance. Come see our recent remodel with all new flooring, fresh paint throughout, and the beautiful bar area makeover with the wonderful craftsmanship of our great friend JW.

Our food is prepared to perfection, with fresh produce and fish coming in daily, by our amazing kitchen staff: Eric Johns, Mark Petty, Jeffery Davis, and Dylan Monks. If you're a fried food junkie we have the best! We hand batter all our fried food...that's why we're famous for our Fish 'n' Chips and our Fritto Misto (tempura vegetable platter) and we were written up in the Sarasota Herald Tribune for having the best onion loops.

Chef Eric wows customers with amazing daily specials. We serve up Eric's Famous Lobster Mac and Cheese and Chicken Parmigiana every Wednesday. Come early because we run out every time!

Pelican Alley is a hands-on 40 year-old family run business. Owners Tommy and Renee Adorna, along with Tommy's sister and General Manager Jami Mattern, are here daily.

Tommy handles all the day-to-day operations including ordering. Renee runs her cute little gift shop, chock-full of everything anyone could want. Tommy and Renee perform every Friday night as Take 2 in the courtyard, entertaining thousands every year and have been voted Best Entertainers in the area. We run theme nights all year, making it fun for all ages and sell out every Friday, so make reservations early.

We're also in The Gas House Gorillas rock band, performing throughout the area entertaining hundreds on Saturday nights, delivering big shows you won't want to miss. In 2025 we'll be celebrating 25 years playing together.

Here's our upcoming Venice show schedule: 10/05/2024, TJ Carneys, 8-11; 10/18/2024, opening Sun Fiesta Weekend, 7-10; 11/02/2024, Local Fest behind British Open Pub, 7-10.

Our historic building has survived 89 hurricanes. We've weathered through all these storms and have only gotten better. Come see our beautifully remodeled dining room featuring a glass floor to watch the fish swim and one-of-a-kind bar with the map of the Intracoastal, handmade by local artist Dustin Nichols.



Our Annual Art & Collectible Auction will be open to the public 11/12/2024. The bar will be serving, but dining will be closed. For more information, check our Facebook page closer to that date. Preview begins at 4 pm. and the auction begins at 5 pm. Renee, will be your auctioneer. We always have great buys! If you can't attend, you can leave bids. This year Wildlife Center will be among the donation beneficiaries. They're an important organization saving the injured pelicans, always seeking refuge on our dock.

For more information about this advertorial, log on to Pelican-Alley.com or call 941.786.3616. Located at 1009 West Albee Road in Nokomis.

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Clam Chowder



Lobster Mac and Cheese



Homemade Key Lime Pie

