

Harrah's Announces Grand Opening of Harrah's Casino Tunica and First Ever Paula Deen Buffet

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\$45 million renovation including installation of Paula Deen Buffet, Sphere Bar, '37 Restaurant, World Series of Poker(R) room and new interactive casino floor concluded.

Harrah's Entertainment, Inc. announced the grand opening of Harrah's Casino Tunica along with the first ever Paula Deen Buffet. Harrah's Casino Tunica was formerly Grand Casino Resort Tunica and recently finished a \$45 million renovation.

Food Network star, Paula Deen and Harrah's Entertainment executives officially marked the grand opening of the newly refurbished facility with a ribbon-cutting ceremony, and Deen and several family members entertained and served patrons in the Paula Deen buffet.

"Today is a great day for Harrah's Entertainment, Paula Deen and Tunica," said John Payne, president of Harrah's Entertainment's Central Division. "We've made the largest investment in Tunica in at least five years because of our commitment to this market and to enhancing our network of branded properties around the world."

Harrah's Tunica also includes the new, sleek restaurant, '37, the trendy Sphere bar, the new World Series of Poker cardroom, and the newest, most exciting, and interactive casino floor in Tunica.

"We are extremely proud of the hard work and dedication our employees have shown throughout the renovation period," said Bill Wright, general manager of Harrah's Casino Tunica. "We are looking forward to 'wowing' our guests with all the new changes and additions that exemplify the fact that Harrah's is the fun place to play in Tunica."

The Paula Deen buffet is modeled after Deen's own house in Savannah, Georgia. "I want you to feel like you are a guest in my house when you come to Tunica to eat my cooking," she said. After browsing for special gifts in the Paula Deen retail store, guests can choose to eat from different themed food stations including: Granny Paul's Garden, Uncle Bubba's Oyster House, Hoe Cake and Biscuit Station, Lady and Son's, Captain Michael's Smokehouse, and Little Jack's Corner. Patrons may dine in one of six different rooms including: Paula's parlor, the pantry, the famous bird cage room, the porch, the mud room and the morning room.

"With this investment and announcement Harrah's Entertainment is helping to solidify a bright future for the Tunica area and this great state," said Haley Barbour, Governor of Mississippi. "We are looking forward to many new and repeat visitors to Harrah's Tunica, the Paula Deen Buffet, and most of all Mississippi, a state rich with history, culture and offerings for tourists and residents alike."

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