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## Lodging, Dining, Shopping & Exciting Event Specials for Members Only

***Don't forget about MOM on May 9th!***
Stay tuned for our Mother's Day dinners at the Bavarian Inn Restaurant and Bavarian Inn Lodge.

Bavarian Inn
**Perks Club**
One Covered Bridge Lane
Frankenmuth, Michigan 48734

### *The history of the Osterbrunnen*

(Easter Celebration) began over 100 years ago when the custom of decorating wells was revitalized as a reminder of how difficult it was to get water. Decorating the wells honors water, which is essential for life. The eggs represent Easter and the feast of renewed life. There were many interesting beliefs and superstitions surrounding the wells and their miraculous effects. Regardless, people used the tradition to gather and decorate as they joyfully greeted spring.

To our knowledge, Frankenmuth, MI is the only place outside of southern Germany to continue this tradition of Osterbrunnen. ***March 19 – April 18, 2021*** enjoy the creative and picturesque sculptures; many are modeled directly after those seen in Germany. Our city is adorned throughout town in the colors of spring as we patiently await the blooming daffodils and Easter bells.

## EVERYONE'S IRISH ON St. Patrick's Day, EVEN THE GERMANS!

Funky Skunk will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day in true Irish spirit, Saturday, March 13. Shop new Irish gift collections, Irish sweaters, and Guinness beer swag!

**FUNKY SKUNK**
**TAKE 17% OFF** your entire purchase!
(code: perksSPDC21) Valid March 1-31, 2021
(one per Perks member)

## MARCH 13, ENJOY...

- Live Irish music by Marty Viers and the Music Doctors
- Special discounts and drawings

## RiverPlace Shops

## SPRING FASHION SHOWCASE

**SAVE UP TO 30% OFF**
**April 15-18**

Emilie B's

Calla Lilies

## EACH DAY ENJOY...

- Hot buys
- Prize wheel gifts and drawings
- Exclusive Perks Member **FREE** gift with $25.00 purchase

**CALLA LILIES**
**$10 GIFT CERTIFICATE**
(code: perks2021Q1) Valid April 15-18, 2021
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**EMILIE B'S**
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Lisa Sheppard will be celebrating her 30th year anniversary with Bavarian Inn in 2021. Lisa has a long list of experiences at the restaurant, mostly in the kitchen! Lisa started her employment in 1980 on the dish team. She then moved around the kitchen to the pantry, prep cook, food supervisor, and then food production manager. Lisa led the Hubbard squash production team for over 14 years. Lisa said she always loved that annual project because it was a challenge for her and she valued the opportunity to mold and train the new, young group of team members hired for the seasonal position. Lisa's motivation for taking on a challenge led her to a new opportunity in the production Bakery as she was recently promoted to Bakery Manager.

Lisa has always been one of Dorothy's right hand ladies. Both Dorothy and Lisa's hard work ethic and attention to detail made them two peas in a pod. Lisa took those skills she learned from Dorothy to the Bakery where she has been able to work with a new team of talented bakers. Lisa is enjoying her new role. Her experience in the kitchen has resulted in a stronger partnership with the bakery and kitchen teams.

Lisa is often known as "Super Mom" and enjoys spending time with her husband, Virgil, 6 grandchildren and 4 children, one of which works in the kitchen pantry (Liz). We are so fortunate to have Lisa on our Bavarian Inn team and are very proud of all of her accomplishments.

# FOR 35 YEARS

## Frankenmuth's Bavarian Inn Lodge

has offered modern hospitality experiences in an old-world setting

*Imeida Leix, Judy Zehnder and Jim Engel opened our hotel.*

Looking back since opening its doors to guests in 1986, today the Bavarian Inn Lodge continues a 35-year-old tradition of wishing a warm "willkommen" to visitors. With decades hosting over 7 million guests, the Lodge continues to grow and expand its offerings in a fun and family-friendly atmosphere with its 350 employees.

The Lodge has completed seven major property projects, investing millions in the Frankenmuth community. Starting out with 100 guest rooms on February 10, 1986, the Lodge now encompasses 360 European-themed guest rooms, including whirlpool and family suites. Extensive upgrades have improved the rooms over the past five years as well. The Lodge has logged more than 2.4 million room-nights since its opening and has earned a top rating on TripAdvisor®.

Starting with a single swimming pool back in 1986 (which is now reserved for adult guests only) the Lodge has grown to become one of Michigan's largest indoor water park hotels with the expansive Family Fun Center, housing two dramatic waterslides, three pools and two whirlpools.

In addition, the Lodge – situated on seven acres of lush lawns – has become a popular central destination for a variety of events. With the large banquet spaces, the Lodge can accommodate events from 2-500 people. It has hosted over 2,200 weddings in its 35 years and been visited by U.S. presidents and other national and international dignitaries.

"From the very beginning it was our goal to ensure every stay was memorable for each and every one of our guests," says Bavarian Inn Lodge President & Owner Judy Zehnder Keller. "Over this past year we have been challenged, like so many businesses in Michigan, to operate safely and effectively without missing a beat when it comes to serving our guests.

"We've been proud to be a part of so many generations of families who return to stay with us," she added, "and we look forward to continuing to provide the best possible lodging experience."

Looking back, Zehnder recalls the opening of the hotel in 1986 didn't come without some last-minute, on-the-run preparations, including moving her home's living room furniture to the lobby when the ordered furniture hadn't arrived in time, and emptying her family's kitchen pantry of cereals to fill out the breakfast menu. "Now, 35 years later," she says, "we can all laugh about it."

# CASTLE SHOP OFFERS

Valid March 1 – April 30, 2021

**ROYAL GIFT SHOP**

Code: DC-SW

**Enjoy 10% off**
a regular priced Swarovski piece.
PLUS enter to win a FREE Swarovski piece in-store!

Valid March 1 – April 30, 2021

**CHOCOLATE SHOP**

Code: DC-CC

**Enjoy a FREE Chocolate Medallion**
with $10.00 purchase in our Chocolate Shop

# Bavarian Inn Lodge

Easter seating times 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
***989-652-7200*** Limited seating. ***Takeout available.***
Subject to change based on MDHHS guidelines.

## BAVARIAN INN RESTAURANT
## Easter Reservations

**Sunday, April 4, 2021**

**option ONE**
**Easter Family Style Dining**
**Seating times 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.**

**option TWO**
**Easter Takeout Dinner**

*Ask about adding a custom Easter basket to your order!

## SAVE THE DATE

**BEER vs. WINE**
**BATTLE OF THE BOOZE**
**Friday, April 30, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.**
A course-by-course dinner where beer and wine play out their timeless rivalry. Which will win your vote? $70 per person includes tax & gratuity. Reservations & pre-payment required at www.bavarianinn.com/events.

*Make your reservations at*
**bavarianinn.com/events**
*or call 989-652-9941*