questions to ask yourself when planning a party

THE BIGGEST QUESTION ......WHAT AM I TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH BY HAVING THE PARTY?

THEN THE 8 BASIC QUESTIONS THAT WILL HELP YOU FIGURE OUT WHAT TO DO AT YOUR PARTY:

- 1) WHAT DO I DO WITH MY GUESTS WHEN THEY FIRST ARRIVE?
- 2) WHAT SHOULD I OFFER AS THE MEAL
- 3) WHAT SHOULD I OFFER AS A BEVERAGE WITH THE MEAL?
- 4) WHO WILL PROVIDE SIMPLE CENTERPIECES OR FLOWERS FOR THE TABLE?
- 5) HOW MUCH IS SALES TAX?
- 6) HOW MUCH IS THE TIP?
- 7) WHAT WOULD I LIKE TO DO WITH MY GUESTS AFTER THE MEAL HAS ENDED?
- 8) DO I NEED MY OWN MUSIC OR ANYTHING ELSE SO THAT I MAY ACCOMPLISH THE OBJECTIVE THAT I SET FOR THE PARTY?

COST ESTIMATE PER PERSON	
1) BEVERAGE PRIOR TO THE MEAL	
1B) Hors D'OEUVRES	
2) THE LUNCH	
3) BEVERAGE WITH THE MEAL	
4) FLOWERS ON THE TABLE (IF APPLICABLE)	
5) Sales Tax (6% of Food and Flowers)	
6) TIP (22%) OF FOOD AND BEVERAGE)	
5) WHAT TO DO AFTER THE MEAL	

6) TOTAL ESTIMATE PER PERSON

## Lunch Party Menu Options

# Appetizers (choose one from the attached list entitled "appetizer ideas for parties)

### Entrees (choose 3 or 4)

Roasted Seven Ounce Hangar Steak with red wine sauce

Hazelnut Crusted Breast of Chicken with white wine cream and kennet square mushrooms

Organic Salmon Fillet with roasted chili beurre blanc

Chesapeake Crab Cake with herb remoulade

Fresh Fish of the Day

Linguini Pomodoro with torn basil and local mozzarella

Or....any other entree idea that you have that you think will work well for your guests

#### Dessert

Pick 3 or 4 from the enclosed dessert menu or we can help you come with other dessert ideas

Lunch is \$55 per person including 6% tax and 22% gratuity. In December it is \$65.00 per person including 6% tax and 22% gratuity. With some party sizes, minimum gratuities may apply. Please ask us about this.

#### **Appetizer Ideas For Parties**

"Probably The Best Salad You Will Ever Have" red leaf lettuce, baby spinach, tart apples, aged gouda cheese, toasted sunflower seeds with a sweet sesame walnut dressing

Caesar Salad

Penne with a sauce of wild mushrooms, parmesan cheese and cream

Penne with a Traditional Bolognese Sauce

Penne with Spinach, Roasted Tomatoes, and Three Cheeses (Parmesan, Chevre, and Mozzarella)

Tortellini with Sun-dried Tomatoes, Fresh Herbs, Parmesan Cheese and Cream

Leek and Potato Soup

Tomato Bisque

Sun-dried Tomato, Spinach and Three Cheese Strudel with Roasted Pepper and Tomato Coulis

Wild Mushroom Strudel with Swiss Cheese and Roasted Garlic Cream

Spanikopita Style with Feta Cheese and Spinach and a Fresh Tomato Coulis

Wild Mushroom with Prosciutto Ham, Tomato and Cream Bruschetta or over Polenta

Vine Ripe Tomato and Basil Bruschetta or over Polenta

Smoked Salmon Bruschetta with Pickled Red Onion, Capers and Sour Cream Bruschetta

Grilled Mediterranean Vegetables with Balsamic Syrup Bruschetta or over Polenta

Fresh Fruit Cocktail with Raspberry Sorbet

#### **Desserts**

Pecan Pie caramel sauce

Hot Fudge Sundae GF homemade hot fudge, roasted peanuts, whipped cream

Key Lime Pie

Vanilla Creme Brûlée caramelized turbinado sugar

Belgian Chocolate Ice Cream

Dark Chocolate Layered Cake chocolate buttercream, dark chocolate ganache, whipped cream

Tres Leches Cake "three milk" cake, fresh berry compote, whipped cream Red Raspberry Sorbet