FOOD FOR THOUGHT

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white meat) for $11 and large (eight ounces of white meat) for $13.

Koi Poke is offering 50 percent off alcoholic drinks all day every day, through Sunday, Sept. 22. That includes beer for $2.50 or a glass of select wine for $5. To learn more about Koi Poke, visit https://koipoke.com.

Steak 44 adds new bar, butcher shop

Steak 44 recently completed a $1-million-plus renovation, adding 2,000 square feet and several more high-end amenities to its uptown Phoenix location, 5101 N. 44th St.

The expanded space houses a new dining bar, state-of-the-art butcher shop and kitchen improvements, several more dining rooms and approximately 80 more seats.

Unlike the main bar, the newly designed dining bar will allow guests to reserve a seat in advance for a full dinner. The new dining rooms are designed to be unique yet still warm and inviting , offering another option for guests to enjoy.

Steak 44 this spring was named to OpenTable's 2019 List of the 100 Best Restaurants in America for a Big Night Out. The Phoenix steakhouse is the only Valley restaurant to make the prestigious national list.

For more information, visit www.steak44.com or call 602-271-4400.

Fall flavors coming to True Food Kitchen

It's time to indulge in fall flavors at True Food Kitchen.

The restaurant at 2502 E. Camelback Road, Ste. 135, will offer its fall menu beginning Sept. 4. Some of the highlights include roasted Brussels sprouts with mushroom, miso sesame vinaigrette and chili thread (gluten-free and vegan) and roasted beet and goat cheese flatbread with arugula, pumpkin seed and cilantro pumpkin seed pesto (vegetarian). Another fall menu choice is the "unbeatable burger," which has beet, kuzu, jicama slaw, crushed avocado, butter lettuce, vegan mayonnaise and a flaxseed bun. Several seasonal cocktails and non-alcoholic refreshers will also be on tap including Dr. Weil's Wellness Shot with sea buckthorn, pomegranate and ginger.

For more information, visit www.truefoodkitchen.com/phoenix.

Japanese food on tap at moon festival

If you crave Japanese food and drinks, you might want to indulge in the Otsukimi Festival 2019.

The Japanese Friendship Garden of Phoenix will hold the festival from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 11 and Saturday, Oct. 12 at the Japanese Friendship Garden of Phoenix at 1125 N. 3rd Ave.

Several restaurants will serve food while Sapporo USA and Hiro Sake will serve sake cocktails and beer at the bar. Expect seasonal wines, including Japanese plum wine. Pair your beverages with plates from Yatai Ramen and Ohya Korean Kitchen & BBQ.

The garden will transform for this celebration of the Harvest Moon, Otsukimi. Sroll through lantern-lit pathways and look at calligraphy art installations to the sounds of the shakuhachi (Japanese flute) by Jin and Koto. Matcha tea and sweet treats will be served in the Tea Café.

Advanced tickets for admission are $30 for adults ($25 for Garden members) and $7 for youths ages 3 to 12. Admission is free for children under 3 years old. Tickets at the gate are $35 for adults and $7 for youths ages 3-12. Food and drinks are sold separately. To learn, more visit www.japanesefriendshipgarden.org.

Coffee bar offering cocktail, music events

Provision Coffee Bar will serve up more than just coffee this month. The coffee bar at 4501 N. 32nd St. will offer several events throughout September featuring coffee, cocktails and live entertainment. Check out a tequila-centric tasting event with partner Young's Market from 7-9 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 4.

Guests can enjoy pop singer-songwriter duo Caleb Wiseman and Amy Estes as they perform modern, introspective sounds and unique lyricism from 8 to 11 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 7.

A Vermouth 101 Tasting Event will take place from 7-9 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at the coffee shop. Learn about this liquor, including where it gets its name, distinct tasting notes and flexible applications.

Visit https://provisioncoffee.com for more information.

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