

# OHIO CLUB

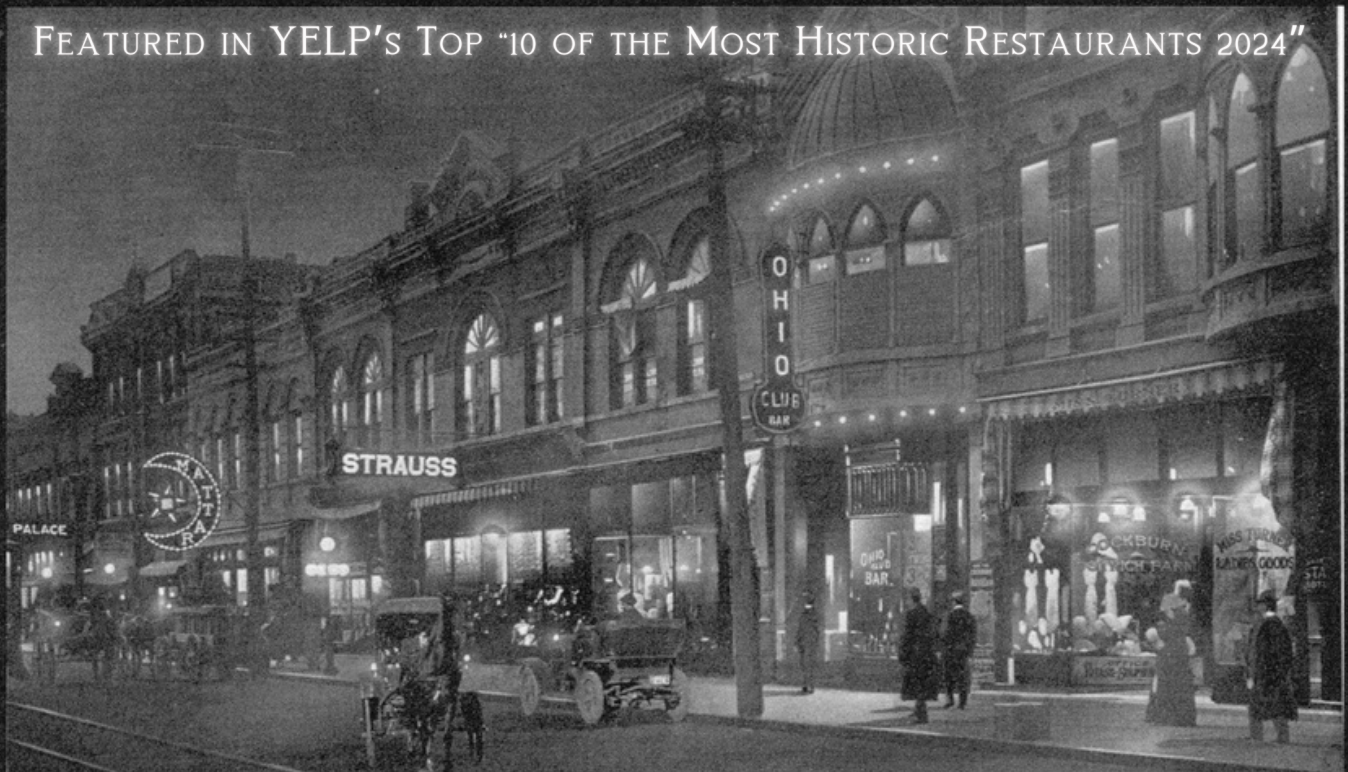
ARKANSAS HALL OF FAME WINNER



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— A P P E T I Z E R S   &   S N A C K S —

SAMPLER BASKET.....	\$18.75
FRENCH FRIES, SWEET POTATO FRIES, ONION RINGS, TATER TOTS	
FRENCH FRIES.....	\$7.50
ONION RINGS.....	\$9.75
SWEET POTATO FRIES.....	\$13.75
TATER TOTS.....	\$12.75
PORTOBELLO MUSHROOMS.....	\$15.75
BREADED SPICY GREEN BEANS.....	\$12.75
WHOLE FRIED OKRA.....	\$13.75
FRIED PICKLES.....	\$12.75
CHICKEN STRIPS & FRIES.....	\$16.75
GUACAMOLE & SALSA WITH CHIPS.....	\$13.75
WINGS & FRIES.....	\$16.75
CHARCUTERIE BOARD.....	FOR TWO \$22 / FOR FOUR \$35 / FOR SIX \$55
CHEF'S SELECTION OF ASSORTED MEATS, CHEESES, & SEASONAL FRUIT.	

— S A L A D S —

COBB SALAD.....	\$22.75
GRILLED OR FRIED CHICKEN, BACON, EGG, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO, CUCUMBER, CHEDDAR, MOZZARELLA, CROUTONS, CHOICE OF DRESSING	
CHICKEN SALAD.....	\$15.75
GRILLED OR FRIED CHICKEN, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO, CUCUMBER, CHEDDAR CHEESE, CROUTONS, CHOICE OF DRESSING	
BLACKENED SHRIMP SALAD.....	\$18.75
BLACKENED SHRIMP, FETA CHEESE, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO, CUCUMBER, CROUTONS, CHOICE OF DRESSING	
HOUSE SALAD.....	\$12.75
MIXED GREENS, TOMATO, CUCUMBER, SHREDDED CHEESE, CROUTONS, CHOICE OF DRESSING	

SALAD DRESSINGS: (CHOICE OF ONE)

RANCH, CHIPOTLE RANCH, ITALIAN, HONEY MUSTARD, BLUE CHEESE,  
BOOZY HONEY CITRUS, THOUSAND ISLAND, VINEGAR & OIL, RASPBERRY VINAIGRETTE



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## H A M B U R G E R S

OUR HANDMADE PATTIES ARE MADE FROM A CUSTOM BLEND OF BLACK ANGUS BEEF ON A BRIOCHE BUN.  
CHOICE OF FRENCH FRIES OR UPGRADED SIDES AVAILABLE FOR \$4.  
GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST OR IMPOSSIBLE PATTY SUBSTITUTION AVAILABLE  
BLACKENED PROTEINS UPON REQUEST

KOBE COFFEE RUB.....\$28.75

COFFEE RUBBED KOBE BEEF PATTY, CHEDDAR CHEESE, SPICY GRILLED ONIONS, HOUSE CREOLAISE SAUCE.

THE OHIO BURGER.....\$18.75

PEPPER JACK CHEESE, BACON, ONION RING, SPICY CREAMY MUSTARD, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO.

HAWAIIAN BURGER.....\$16.75

FRESH GRILLED PINEAPPLE, BACON, TERIYAKI GLAZE, SWISS CHEESE, MIXED GREENS.

\*CHICKEN SUBSTITUTE AVAILABLE\*

MUSH & SWISS BURGER.....\$16.75

SAUTEED MUSHROOMS, SWISS CHEESE, MAYONNAISE, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO.

THE HANGOVER BURGER.....\$21.75

BACON, HOT FRIED EGG, CHEDDAR CHEESE, PEPPER JACK CHEESE, SPICED KETCHUP, GARLIC AIOLI, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO.

OLD FASHIONED BURGER.....\$15.75

MIXED GREENS, TOMATO, PICKLES, ONION, MAYONNAISE, KETCHUP, MUSTARD. ADD CHEESE \$1

BLEU ON BLACK BURGER.....\$18.75

BLACKENED SEASONED PATTY, BLEU CHEESE CRUMBLES, BACON, GARLIC AIOLI, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO.

HOLY GUACAMOLE BURGER.....\$18.75

GUACAMOLE, PEPPER JACK CHEESE, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO.

BIG AL BURGER.....\$17.75

MARINARA, MOZZARELLA, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO, BASIL, GARLIC AIOLI.

IMPOSSIBLE BURGER.....\$16.75

PLANT-BASED BURGER, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO, MAYONNAISE.

ASK ABOUT SEASONAL FOOD & BEVERAGE SPECIALS

PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO MARKET RATES.

CONSUMING RAW OR UNDERCOOKED MEATS MAY INCREASE YOUR RISK OF FOODBORNE ILLNESS. 5/25

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## SANDWICHES

ALL SANDWICHES ARE SERVED WITH CHOICE OF FRENCH FRIES  
OR UPGRADED SIDES AVAILABLE FOR \$4  
BLACKENED PROTEINS UPON REQUEST

REUBEN.....\$17.75  
HOUSE-MADE CORNED BEEF, SAUERKRAUT, SWISS CHEESE, HOME-MADE RUSSIAN DRESSING  
TOASTED MARBLE RYE BREAD.

THE BUGSY.....\$18.75  
HOUSE-MADE CORNED BEEF, PASTRAMI, SPICY MUSTARD, SWISS CHEESE, TOASTED MARBLE RYE BREAD.

CHICKEN BACON RANCH.....\$17.75  
GRILLED OR FRIED CHICKEN, BACON, SHREDDED CHEESE, RANCH, ON TOASTED SOURDOUGH.

BIG BLT.....\$17.75  
LOADED W/ BACON, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO, GARLIC AIOLI, TOASTED SOURDOUGH.

BLACK ANGUS SLIDERS.....\$17.75  
TWO MINI PATTIES, PICKLE, GARLIC AIOLI, KETCHUP, MUSTARD, BRIOCHE BUN.

GRILLED MAHI MAHI.....\$18.75  
BLACKENED MAHI-MAHI FILET, GARLIC AIOLI, MIXED GREENS, ON TOASTED HOAGIE ROLL.

CLUB SANDWICH.....\$20.00  
HAM, TURKEY, BACON, SWISS CHEESE, CHEDDAR CHEESE, MAYONNAISE, MIXED GREENS, TOMATO,  
ON TOASTED SOURDOUGH.

CHEESY PATTY MELT.....\$16.75  
BURGER PATTY, GRILLED ONIONS, 3 SLICES OF CHEDDAR CHEESE, TOASTED SOURDOUGH.

BIG PHILLY.....\$22.75  
BLACK ANGUS SIRLOIN, PEPPER JACK CHEESE, GRILLED PEPPERS, GRILLED ONIONS, GARLIC AIOLI,  
ON TOASTED HOAGIE ROLL.

## DESSERTS

FUNNEL FRIES WITH YOUR CHOICE OF ONE DIPPING SAUCE.....\$13.75

SEASONAL FRIED PIE \*ADD A SCOOP OF VANILLA ICE CREAM \$3\*.....\$12.75

CREME BRULEE.....\$12.75

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# HISTORY

## OF THE OHIO CLUB

IF YOU ARE SITTING AT THE BAR RIGHT NOW, JUST IMAGINE, YOU COULD BE SITTING WHERE SOME VERY FAMOUS PEOPLE MAY HAVE SAT. THE LIST INCLUDES CELEBRITIES LIKE MAE WEST, AL JOLSON, SAMMY DAVIS, JR., TONY BENNETT, BABE RUTH AND ALONG WITH THEM, PRESIDENTS, LIKE TEDDY ROOSEVELT, HERBERT HOOVER AND BILL CLINTON! JUST ABOUT EVERY GANGSTER YOU CAN THINK OF WAS HERE: AL CAPONE, FRANK COSTELLO, LUCKY LUCIANO, BEN (BUGSY) SIEGEL (WHO CAME HERE TO LEARN THE GAMBLING BUSINESS BEFORE OPENING THE FLAMINGO IN LAS VEGAS), BUGS MORAN, MYER LANSKY AND OF COURSE, OWNEY MADDEN, WHO STARTED THE COTTON CLUB IN NEW YORK CITY. OWNEY, ALTHOUGH BANNED FROM HAVING AN UP-FRONT INTEREST IN CASINOS IN HOT SPRINGS, MADE A LIVING PROVIDING A WIRE SERVICE SO THAT HORSE RACES AND SPORTS FROM ALL AROUND THE COUNTRY COULD BE CALLED AND BET ON IN THE SPORTS BOOK IN THE BACK OF THE OHIO CLUB AND MANY OTHER ILLEGAL CASINOS AND BOOKIE JOINTS AROUND HOT SPRINGS.



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ONE OF THE MOST TALKED ABOUT PARTS ON THE BAR IS THE AMAZING BAR BACK. IT IS MADE OF HAND-CARVED MAHOGANY. IT WAS PROBABLY MADE AROUND 1890. IT WAS DEFINITELY MADE BEFORE ELECTRICITY WAS AVAILABLE AS YOU CAN SEE HOLES THAT HAVE BEEN FILLED IN WHERE GAS LAMPS USED TO HANG. THE STORY GOES THAT THIS BAR BACK WAS FOUND BY ONE OF THE ORIGINAL OWNERS IN A BAR IN CINCINNATI AND THEN BROUGHT DOWN THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER BY BARGE. IT WAS OFFLOADED AROUND MEMPHIS AND CARRIED BY TRAIN TO MALVERN. IT IS TOLD THAT IT WAS TOO LARGE TO BE LOADED ON A TRAIN CAR ON THE NARROW GAUGE RAILROAD THAT RAN TO HOT SPRINGS, SO A SPECIAL CART HAD TO BE BUILT AND PULLED BY HORSE TO HOT SPRINGS. THE HAND-CARVED BOTTOM PART OF THE BAR IS ALL ONE PIECE AND THE FRONT OF THE BUILDING HAD TO BE REMOVED TO INSTALL IT WHERE IT SITS NOW AND HAS BEEN EVER SINCE. EXACTLY WHERE IT WAS BUILT AND WHY IT HAS TWO SAILING SHIP FIGUREHEADS AND HORSE HEADS IS STILL BEING RESEARCHED.

# THE OLDEST BAR IN ARKANSAS

SINCE 1905



THE OHIO CLUB IS ONE OF THE MOST HISTORIC SITES IN HOT SPRINGS. OF THE ORIGINAL ILLEGAL CASINOS, IT IS THE ONLY SALOON THAT IS STILL OPEN. ALTHOUGH IT HAS BEEN CLOSED AT TIMES FOR FIRES, FLOODS, OR ILLEGAL GAMBLING RAIDS, IT HAS BEEN OPEN FOR BUSINESS SINCE 1905 WHEN JOHN COFFEE WILLIAMS AND HIS NEPHEW SAM WATT OPENED IT.

A UNIQUE TIME IN THE SALOON/CASINO'S HISTORY WAS DURING PROHIBITION. PICTURES WILL SHOW YOU THAT THE SIGNAGE WAS CHANGED FROM OHIO CLUB BAR TO OHIO CIGAR STORE. DURING PROHIBITION A FALSE WALL WAS RAISED TO HIDE THE CONTENTS OF THE BAR.. THE HOLES IN THE TILE FLOOR ABOUT 6 FEET FROM THE ENTRANCE SHOW WHERE THE WALL STOOD. IF YOU KNEW THE RIGHT PASSWORD, YOU COULD THEN EITHER GO UPSTAIRS TO THE CASINO OR ENTER THE BAR FOR A DRINK.

LOTS OF PEOPLE ASK ABOUT THE ORIGIN OF THE NAME. THE WILLIAMS FAMILY FOUGHT

AGAINST EACH OTHER IN THE CIVIL WAR. HALF OF THE FAMILY WENT TO KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE AND THE OTHERS WENT TO OHIO. AFTER THE WAR, A LOT OF ENTREPRENEURS MOVED TO THE SOUTH. THEY WOULD OFTEN NAME A SALOON/CLUB AFTER THEIR HOME STATE. AT ONE TIME BATHHOUSE ROW HAD CLUBS LIKE THE KENTUCKY CLUB, INDIANA CLUB, ILLINOIS CLUB, ALONG WITH THE OHIO CLUB.

## HISTORY IN THE MAKING



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