

# RIVER VIEW RESTAURANT: a decade of *successful* ingredients

Owner Eleno Silva brought over 14 years of food industry experience to Montgomery when he first opened the River View Diner in May of 2004.

After working for over a decade and a half in prestigious restaurants in downtown Chicago, like the Original Mitchell's Restaurant, Silva worked in every position of the restaurant business, starting off as a dishwasher and in his free time learning how to cook. For a period of time, he was a waiter at an establishment near the O'Hare Airport, where he would learn the importance of quality service and hospitality.

In the end, he discovered his passion for the kitchen and decided to follow his career path around it.

He would then be a cook at Mitchell's for 14 years until he one day discovered an opportunity to open a new restaurant near the Fox River. Although he had lived in Chicago for the prior 20 years, he decided to approach the new challenge with open arms in order to pursue his dreams. Due to its close proximity to the river, Silva named it "The River View Diner."

Today, the successful restaurant has won various awards, ranging from the Best American Cuisine from the Chicago Sun-Times in May of 2010, the Patch Readers' Choice Award for Best Breakfast Spot by the Montgomery Patch in 2012, the Best of the Best Award by Limelight Media in 2009, and an article of recognition from the restaurant magazine, DiningGuide. Silva has obtained various forms of recognition for helping the community as well. He says that it is important to "give to those who are less fortunate," and to be a "helping hand to the community whenever possible."

He also states that "it's good to give back some of what you receive."

The River View Diner serves breakfast, lunch and dinner every day of the week and every day of the year. They are well known for their wide variety of breakfast options, ranging from omelettes, to Chicago-style skillet, to traditional breakfast cuisine like eggs, waffles and pancakes, to more unique items like their stuffed french toast.

The soups are made fresh daily every



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morning, as well as their famous home-made pies, to name a few things.

They also offer a free slice of pie with dinner items after 4 p.m. all week. Not only that, but their Friday Fish Fry is one of the best in the area, serving crab legs, salmon, all-you-can-eat walleye, fish-'n'-chips, beer-battered chicken and much more. On Saturdays, the prime rib, which is slow-roasted and cooked to perfection, is served as well.

One of the signature items served at the River View is the broasted chicken, which is served with veggies, soup or salad, a choice of potato and free dessert after 4 p.m. every day.

In 2014, the River View Diner is celebrating its 10-year anniversary. Silva would like to personally thank all of his staff for their dedication and effort. They plan to keep on serving the fresh, home-made, quality food they have always served, and to keep on serving the community with their same high standards of service and quality. They would like to give thanks to all and everyone in the Fox Valley area for their unconditional support and loyalty over the years.

