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DEMETRA'S MEDITERRANEAN STEAKHOUSE

"Come As Guests. Leave As Family"

DEMETRA'S MEDITERRANEAN STEAKHOUSE skillfully blends the sophisticated lounge and the modern steak house into one, creating a superior quality, dynamic, fine dining experience. Anchoring the lobby of HOTEL WELLSPRING, Grand Junction's first truly boutique hotel,

Demetra's Mediterranean Steakhouse will offer a unique alternative to the grand valleys more franchisee style steakhouses, helping to serve this underfed demographic.

At 7-stories, Hotel Wellspring's modern structure will dominate the downtown skyline, and offer much needed 5-star views of the Grand Valley, Grand Mesa, and Colorado National Monument. The open rooftop pool and cabana, with full food & bar service, will fast become the place to be, and place to be seen in Grand Junction's ever growing market.

Demetra's Mediterranean Steakhouse distinguishes itself by emphasizing the ranching history of the Grand Valley, and taking on a authentic-artfully driven approach to fine dining. Demetra's will be powered by Slauterhouse Brewing & Bourbon. The menu will feature locally sustainable beef, lamb, poultry, pork, certified elk, bison, and other local game, fresh fish and seafood, and an array of side dishes, appetizers, and deserts.

Demetra's will provide live music, adding to the enticing atmosphere and sleek environment. It is all designed to promote and encourage guests to interact and mingle, creating the optimum social experience. Ultimately, Demetra's aims to re-define the modern steakhouse experience complete with incredible food, with a decidedly Mediterranean flair, world-class service and the ideal ambiance.

Demetra's believes that the greatest factor in the success of its business is its team. With Colorado Mesa Universities hospitality program just down the street, the second largest in the country next to University Nevada Las Vegas, they'll work hard to attract, hire, mentor and provide career growth opportunities for energetic hospitality driven individuals.

DEMETRA'S STORY:

In the 1920's Nick Patsantaras, stepfather of Demetra, sold his large ranch in Vail for more fertile ranch land in and around Collbran, at the base of the Grand Mesa, the worlds largest flattop mountain. The ranch fast grew into one of the western slopes largest cattle and sheep outfits.

Konstantine (Gus) Nick and his brother Nick, were also the proprietors of Grand Junction's first general store, 2nd Street General Store and Mercantile, and were instrumental in helping Greek, Italian, and Irish immigrants assimilate into Colorado's "Wild West" culture.

Demetra was the matriarch of her family's ranch and a true trailblazer in her day. As the oldest daughter, she took on many of the responsibilities around the homestead while her brothers were out with the cattle and sheep. She milked cows, shot magpies out of the orchard trees, and cared for her siblings.

Her childhood years were filled with extended relatives, many of them newly arrived in America, and a "melting pot" of neighborhood friends who would play games like Run, Sheepie, Run in the empty lot next to the family store and home.

After graduating from Mesa College in 1944, with a degree in Business Administration, Demetra explored the American West through her work with the U.S. Geological Survey, and on road trips with girlfriends. In 1952, she and her mother boarded the Nea Hellas on a transatlantic crossing to visit her mother's native Greece.

Demetra was active in school and church organizations, serving as a Cub Scout troop mom and working as a yard duty supervisor at her kids school, where she was fondly known as Peachy. She was a founding member of the Church of the Holy Cross, and the Nativity of Christ Greek Orthodox Church.

She was an excellent cook and enjoyed entertaining, often serving Greek dishes she had learned from her mother. She was famous for her delicious homemade bread, and she baked ten loaves every Tuesday without fail. The neighborhood kids would flock to the house just as the bread was coming out of the oven and devour a full loaf in minutes.

Demetra touched many during her long and healthy life. In addition to being a mother to four, she was a "second mom" to nieces, nephews, godchildren, cousins, and friends and was known by many names: Mom, Yiayia, Pro-Yiayia, Aunt Jane, Nouna, Thea Dima, Dimitroula, Peachy, and Loula.

Demetra had a keen sense of humor and noticed and delighted in many of life's small wonders, which she enjoyed sharing over a home-cooked meal. Her smile was contagious, and her laughter was infectious. Her home was always open to all.

She is remembered for her strong faith, her pride in her Greek heritage, her eternal optimism, and her adventurous spirit, but mostly for her love of family and friends. She was never happier than when she and her siblings were surrounded by their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren—preferably on a ranch, sharing stories and jokes hovering over a spit of lamb or side of beef.

It is DEMETRA'S MEDITERRANEAN STEAKHOUSES mission to honor her life and memory with a one of a kind steakhouse, where all can meet as family, and carry on her rich legacy.