

Pizza eatery opens on Fish Creek

Harvest & Hearth will be celebrating its grand opening Friday and Saturday, Nov. 14 and 15.

The new, wood-fired artisan pizza restaurant on Fish Creek, which opened its doors Oct. 16, is the culmination of a longtime dream for Saratoga area couple Peter and Gina Michelin. The owners say the restaurant takes the best that the region has to offer and serves it up creek side as a simple meal with lots of integrity.

"It's all about the oven and the ingredients," said Peter Michelin. "We're diligent about using the best local and/or organic produce we can find. Add a high-quality, artisan dough, organic and natural cheeses, nitrate and antibiotic free meats, this oven and you've got yourself an incredible pizza experience."

The restaurant is located at the site of the former Chameleon on the Lake. The couple had a large clay and stone oven constructed at one end of the dining room. The oven is based on an ancient Roman design and serves as the restaurant's primary cooking tool. One of the only waterfront

dining venues in Saratoga, the creek and a lush backdrop of greenery serve as the view on the opposite wall.

"The juxtaposition of fire and water in this room has tremendous appeal," said Gina Michelin. "From the time Peter and I knew

we wanted to bring this concept to Saratoga, we always felt it had to be downtown. The moment we walked into this space, we knew differently. We're just about 50 yards outside the City of Saratoga, but it can feel as if you're 100 miles away."

The owners say the atmosphere lends itself to kicking back with friends and family, and enjoying a glass of wine and some the best wood-fired pizza this region has ever experienced.

Harvest & Hearth is located on Fish Creek at 251 County

Route 67 in Saratoga Springs next to the Kayak Shak. The restaurant is open 4:30-9 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday; 4:30-10 p.m. Friday and Saturday; and noon to 9 p.m. Sunday. Harvest & Hearth is closed Mondays. For more information, visit them online at www.harvestandhearth.com.