

# Richards Reader

May 2016



## Celebrating May

Foster Care Month  
National BBQ Month  
National Hamburger Month

May Day

May 1

National Teachers Day

May 3

National Nurses Day

May 6

Mother's Day

May 8

National Chocolate Chip Day

May 15

National Bike to Work Day

May 20

National Waiter & Waitress Day

May 21

Lucky Penny Day

May 23

Memorial Day

May 30

National Macaroon Day

May 31

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF OUR  
RICHARDS RESTAURANTS CUSTOMERS  
AND TEAM MEMBERS

Sign up for our birthday club at  
[www.richardsrestaurants.com](http://www.richardsrestaurants.com)

## Mother's Day

Mother's Day is a holiday honoring motherhood that is observed in different forms throughout the world. The American incarnation of Mother's Day was created by Anna Jarvis in 1908 and became an official U.S. holiday in 1914. Jarvis would later denounce the holiday's commercialization and spent the latter part of her life trying to remove it from the calendar. While dates and celebrations vary, Mother's Day most commonly falls on the second Sunday in May.

While versions of Mother's Day are celebrated throughout the world, traditions vary depending on the country. In Thailand, for example, Mother's Day is always celebrated in August on the birthday of the current queen, Sirikit. Another alternate observance of Mother's Day can be found in Ethiopia, where families gather each fall to sing songs and eat a large feast as part of Antrosht, a multi-day celebration honoring motherhood.

In the United States, Mother's Day continues to be celebrated by presenting mothers and other women with gifts and flowers, and it has become one of the biggest holidays for consumer spending. Families might also celebrate by giving mothers a day off from activities like cooking or other household chores.

## Happy Mother's Day

Plan now to bring mom to Richards for a home-style meal May 6, 7, or 8 and don't forget to register for our Mother's Day drawing!

1<sup>st</sup> prize: Marketplace package with a \$50 Richards Gift Card

2<sup>nd</sup> prize: Marketplace package with a \$30 Richards Gift Card

3<sup>rd</sup> prize: Marketplace package with a \$20 Richards Gift Card

### Our lunch & dinner features will include:

Friday May 6

Salmon patties,  
Stir Fry, and  
3pc Chicken Dinner

Saturday May 7

Roast Turkey with  
Dressing, Haddock Filet,  
and Salisbury Steak

Sunday May 8

Swiss Steak,  
Stuffed Chicken Breast,  
and Butterfly Shrimp

Mother's Day features are not available at  
Ranch House locations.

# National BBQ Month

April showers have passed and barbecues are in full bloom. Perfect weather and longer days make the month of May the perfect time to celebrate National Barbecue Month. Whether you think barbecuing requires gas or charcoal, or that ribs should only be parboiled, or if you insist that asparagus must be sautéed with olive oil, it is time to fire up the BBQ. Here's a list of 4 things to keep in mind for the ultimate barbecue experience.

## 1. Choose Your Meats

National BBQ month is the perfect time to step outside your comfort zone and try something new. Hamburgers and hotdogs are classic grill fare, but have fun with a wide selection of meats including different cuts of beef, chicken, pork and seafood.

## 2. Pick Your Veggies

Colorful vegetable kabobs bursting with flavor are the essence of summer. Some of the best vegetables for grilling include tomatoes, peppers, zucchini, onions, potatoes, asparagus and—of course—corn on the cob.

## 3. Select Your Side Items

What is a BBQ without creamy coleslaw, smoky baked beans and fresh salads? Visit your local Richards and pick up some of our sides to go with your BBQ!

## 4. Fire up the Grill and Enjoy National Barbeque Month!

## Employee Milestones

Without dedicated team members, Richards would not have been in business for over thirty years. So hats off to the following employees who have shown dedication and hard work in providing to our customers on a daily basis.

### Washington Center Road:

Ruth Earls (Supervisor) 33 years

### Columbia City:

Tina Perkins 30 years

### Portland:

Susie Hollowell 9 years

### Huntington:

Anita Cooley 32 years

### Bluffton:

Christie McFarren 31 years

Stephanie Monroe 17 years

### New Haven:

Greg Bienz 28 years

### Warsaw:

Tammy Shepherd 11 years

### Kokomo:

Suellen McGlothlin 27 years

### Corporate:

Craig Myers 27 years

Elise Neuenschwander 13 years

# NATIONAL WAITER & WAITRESS DAY

National Waitstaff Day is observed each year on May 21. This day was created to show appreciation to and thank all waitstaff for the work they do in making our dining experiences enjoyable ones. Waiters and waitresses are a big determining factor on the difference between your dining experience being a good experience or a bad one. The food may be delicious but the attentiveness and attitude of the waiter/waitress can make or change the whole experience.

It is our hope that at Richards our waiters/waitresses will greet you with a smile and go out of their way to make your visit the best experience possible!

If you or someone you know cares about people and loves to serve others, maybe a part time job as a waiter or waitress at Richards would be a perfect fit. We're always looking to hire friendly, kind, caring people who will service our guests with genuine hospitality.