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News for Foodies

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Midweek brings Weiner Wednesdays to Smokin' Wolf BBQ on Pantigo Road in East Hampton. A \$10 special includes two hot dogs, fries, and a drink.

Beer Tastings

The Southampton Publick House will host a free beer tasting on Saturday at the Southampton Center on Job's Lane in Southampton, before an indoor screening of "Drinking Buddies." The tasting begins at 6 p.m. The movie, a comedy about two co-workers at a craft brewery, which was shown at the 2013 SXSW Film Festival, starts at 7:30.

Beer lovers may also want to head to Riverhead on a Wednesday night, when the East Main Street restaurant, the RIVERHEADPROJECT, presents beer-themed events, including a beer dinner on the first Wednesday of the month. Several courses served family-style will be paired with various craft beers at a cost of \$40 per person, plus tax and gratuity. Next week's beer dinner will be hosted by Rocky Point Artisanal Brewers. The restaurant also holds a "beer school" every second Wednesday of the month, with mini-lectures and beer samples, and Kegger Wednesdays on the third Wednesday of a month, where kegs are tapped on the patio or in the lounge. On the last Wednesday in the month, the restaurant's chef and its beermeister pair different brews and small bites.

Food Truck Derby

The second annual Great Food Truck Derby is slated for Friday, Aug. 9, at the Hayground School in Bridgehampton. From 4 to 7:30 p.m., more than 20 food trucks based from Manhattan to Montauk will dish up all kinds of eats. Among the participants will be Montauco, with Mexican fare; Wandering Palate, offering fish soup, bruschetta, and vegetarian paté; Hamptons Foodie, with shrimp ceviche, sesame noodles, and more; Eat Me Drink Me, which has truffle fries; Silver Spoon Specialties, with pulled pork sliders, and Whole Le Crepe, with all kinds of crepes.

Tickets are \$60 per person and include one serving at each food truck, and free beverages. Availability is limited. Tickets can be purchased through the EdibleManhattan.com Web site.

nity farmers market, which includes programming for kids and families.

On Merlot

Roman Roth, the winemaker at Wolf-fer Estate, will present the "ultimate merlot class and tasting" tonight in the winery's cellar in Sagaponack.

From 6 to 7:30 p.m., Mr. Roth will lead participants through a sampling of seven Long Island merlots and merlot-based blends, and they will be compared with wines from other world regions renowned for the merlot grape, in an effort to show how Long Island merlots are one of the area's signature wines.

Participants with all levels of wine expertise are welcome. The cost is \$40, or \$35 for Wolffer wine club members. Those attending have been asked to check in at the boutique in the winery tasting room on Sagg Road. For more information, an e-mail can be sent to mprincipi@wolffer.com.

Backyard Restaurant's Week

The Backyard Restaurant at Solé East in Montauk presents Mexican Mondays, featuring an open mike night, three tacos for \$12, \$6 margaritas, and \$3 Pacifico beers. On Tuesdays, there is a two-for-one deal on the weekly pasta dish. Wednesday brings a 20-percent discount on bottles of wine, while Thursday brings an opportunity to buy Jamaican beef patties for \$8 and Red Stripe beers for \$4 while listening to a live reggae band. On Sundays, when Solé East screens surf films, there is a pig roast, and \$4 draft beers.

Party to Go

The restaurant at Montauk Downs, called 360 East, is offering catering options for parties at home or on the beach, for a minimum of 20 guests. The menu includes a buffet of grilled vegetable, chicken, steak, and shrimp skewers with flour tortillas and fixings, along with corn, orzo, or mixed green salad, and a choice of two desserts.