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Island View Casino Resort unveils The Creamery at The Buffet

Guests at Island View Casino Resort can get their just desserts with the recent opening of The Creamery, a new food station located in the Gulfport resort's The Buffet, which is custom designed to serve house-made frozen treats.

The Creamery offers a fresh twist on desserts, featuring ice cream, custards, gelatos and sorbets created onsite daily. The frozen treats are available in more than one dozen flavors – such as rocky road, caramel custard, white-mint chocolate chip and pina colada – made from specially selected recipes by the Island View culinary team.

The new addition includes two state-of-the-art batch custard machines by Taylor and a \$40,000 gelato station imported from Italy that allows guests to see their order being created.

To top off the new feature, more than 30 candies, fruits, nuts and sauces will be offered, including chopped brownies, Heath English Toffee bars, Oreos, Kit Kats, Andes Mints, Whoppers, Snickers, Twix, Nestle Crunch, Butterfingers, cookie dough, s'mores, cheesecake, pretzels and peanuts, along with rainbow sprinkles, Reese's Pieces, trail mix and red hots. Strawberries, pineapple, blueberries and raspberries in thick, rich syrups are among the wet toppings and the warm selections include caramel, hot fudge, Reese's Hot Peanut Butter and Nutella. And finally, heavy cream will be whipped to order for each dessert.

"Our goal in creating this new frozen-dessert station was to offer another culinary experience that our guests can't find anywhere else on the Coast," said Ed Layton, vice president of food, beverage and hotel operations for Island View Casino Resort. "Our culinary staff has worked since last fall to perfect our recipes and select the right combination of toppings. The result is the finest, most authentic gelato, custard and ice cream parlors all in one station. And it's guaranteed to give our guests a sweet ending to a great meal at The Buffet."

Offerings from the new dessert station are at no additional charge to The Buffet guests during lunch and dinner service.

The Creamery's addition was part of an expansion to The Buffet, which also added more than 100 seats to the restaurant. The project, which was completed Feb. 27, was designed and constructed by the Island View team.

About Island View Casino Resort:

Island View Casino Resort opened on Sept. 18, 2006 as the only casino in Gulfport, Miss. The land-based casino, located on 40 acres of waterfront property, currently offers an 80,000-plus-square-foot casino with approximately 2,030 slots and 45 table games. The 520,000-square-foot resort also features a 562-room hotel with a tropical pool and cabanas; Carter Green Steakhouse, the resort's signature restaurant; C&G Grille, offering contemporary, casual dining; The Buffet, a 400-seat restaurant; The Coffee Shop, an upscale deli; and the View Bar, an entertainment lounge. Island View Casino Resort is privately held by Rick Carter and Terry Green, two Gulfport natives and longtime casino executives committed to the post-Hurricane Katrina rebuilding efforts of the Mississippi Gulf Coast.