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Island View Casino features farm-fresh fare with new C&G menu

GULFPORT, Miss. (June 23, 2014) – It’s an early Wednesday morning on the Gulf Coast, and David Crabtree, Island View Casino Resort’s executive chef, is strolling the bustling aisles of the Gulfport Harbor Farmers Market, using his discriminating eye to select the perfect produce for his new C&G Grille Farm to Table menu. Two hours later, the contents of his basket are prepared with other locally sourced ingredients to create the 210-seat restaurant’s featured lunch: fresh mahi mahi rested over a bed of bourbon-sweet potato mash and topped with a creole okra, tomato and eggplant sauce.

Crabtree, who grew up on a farm, has long been an advocate of using fresh, local ingredients whenever possible, but the award-winning chef’s C&G Grille menu, which is available for lunch every Wednesday, ups the creative culinary ante for his team.

“Part of any eating local initiative is to use ingredients that are seasonal; however, our Farm to Table menu means our chefs are challenged to use what’s at the peak of perfection that very day,” said Crabtree. “Fortunately, the Gulf Coast offers a bounty of incredible foods, from flavorful produce, meats, dairy products and, of course, seafood, that will inspire our chefs to create some extraordinary dishes for our C&G Grille guests.”

The Farm to Table menu will available for \$13.99 at C&G Grille every Wednesday beginning at 11 a.m.

About Island View Casino Resort: Island View Casino Resort opened 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 2,000 slots and 46 table games. The 520,000-square-foot resort also features a 567-room hotel with a tropical pool and cabanas; Carter Green Steakhouse, the resort’s signature restaurant; Beach Blvd. Steamer, a 180-seat restaurant focusing on freshly steamed seafood; C&G Grille, offering contemporary, casual dining; The Buffet, a 400-seat restaurant; The Coffee Shop, an upscale deli; Coast Candymakers, featuring handmade candies; and The View Showroom, a 600-seat entertainment venue. 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. For more information: 877-774-8439 or IslandViewCasino.com.