New Tavern, Restaurant and Boutique Hotel at "The Bond 1186" are Open and getting ready to raise The Bar With the elegance Of Outdoor Events & Weddings!



## Press Release

The Bond, 1786; owned by the Lotus Group of Companies is now open for accommodations 365 days a year and, dinner currently 5 nights a week.

Warrensburg, New York- May 24, 2021. The Bond 1786 located at 3 Hudson St. in Warrensburg, NY is now open for business, serving dinner 5 nights a week. The Bond 1786 is owned and operated by the Lotus Group of Companies, also based out of Warrensburg, NY. The Bond 1786 is the newest hospitality business for Lotus who also owns and operates Ashes Pub & Ocho Cinco Cantina and The Grist Mill (currently under a demolition / reconstruction plan from a 2020 fire).

"We knew that opening a restaurant during a pandemic would be a challenge, but our chefs and experienced front of house staff have made the opening a smooth and successful one. We are proud to feature a variety of locally sourced products, a delicious craft cocktail menu, spacious seating, live music, themed nights in the pub and local draft selections. The Lotus group's continued commitment to Warrensburg is evidenced by the affordable options and family friendly attitude that everyone at The Bond exudes."

No matter how we look at it, "Old IS Gold", and the new hotel at The Bond is poised to be the new jewel in the North Country crown as it opens for Guests. The Bond Boutique Hotel is Beautiful with a capital B! Personifying the statement that 'not everything grand is luxurious, but everything luxurious can be grand', the team at The Bond has gone above and beyond the standards of historical boutique hotels in showcasing the highest form of style in stunning surroundings. Superb attention to detail has been paid to the interiors, to create a sumptuous space that exudes comfort and enjoyment.

Screaming History all around, which was the primary focus in the restoration process, the name should not confuse any. Who isn't a James Bond fan? However, The Bond 1786 is a tribute to the true history of Warrensburg, and it should be remembered. Warrensburg was first settled by westerners in 1786 when William Bond established residency nearby what is today known as Echo Lake. We thought it was appropriate to highlight the history and signify the Roots of what we all cherish today.

This has been a place which has a substantial connection with history— and the hotel certainly makes you feel at home. Taking up residence in a historic building (which boasts a 200-year history), this site in Warrensburg, tucked behind the Hackensack has undergone significant refurbishment and upgrades to meet the needs and desires of the modern traveler. The hotel's birth has been a labor of love, and this can be seen in the great attention to detail that has been paid to its regeneration. You can see many examples of the original striking Georgian features of the property, mixing the old with the new design, inside and out. The design team with their eclectic inspirations have renovated 10 striking rooms, thoughtfully creating unique identities for each of them. Each room is individually designed, and you would be forgiven for thinking you were in a different hotel.



With the opening of The Bond, comes the rebirth of one of Warrensburg's most historic buildings with displayed prominence towards the importance of the Time. The property serves as the first boutique hotel in the area and while it is in the heart of the town with everything almost within walking distance, it also provides doorstep access to 1786, the Restaurant within the property. The Bond is truly a display of nostalgic blend of old and new, and it is Warrensburg's premiere leisure destination, complemented by a Master Chef driven restaurant, spacious outdoor seating and large event space and forthcoming Outdoor Bar and lush landscaping. Our Rooms are contemporary and cozy with a character of their own. You may find some vintage looking wallpaper on some, while some are comprised of soft, modern clean walls adorned with local artwork.

With trying to put Covid behind us, this is an excellent time for The Bond to be part of Upstate New York's hospitality scene. As well as being in a prime location – just 5 minutes from Lake George, less than 2 hours from the Canadian border, and if you are looking for historic splendor or cutting-edge style, The Bond is guaranteed to provide a room to remember, especially for you.

1786 is set to wow you with a unique dining experience. A charming Dining Room, a Tavern filled with energy, a couple of beautiful designed private smaller dining Rooms, an elegant Outdoor dining experience, a candlelight intimate dinner on the fields under the stars, and many others very special moments that you can celebrate, enjoy & cherish, only at The Bond 1786.



Expect a truly historical, memorable time to provide a vibrant backdrop against which to eat, drink and party. Think butterflies, mountains, water bodies, flowers in the setting of a small town, away from the city rush! Taking center-stage is a historical Tavern encapsulated by the main restaurant, a private dining room and hanging entertainment outdoor patio. The team has conjured up a menu which is an exciting mix of some classic favorites fused with some innovation led new dishes. The delicate distinction between a Dining Menu and the Tavern Menu is just enthralling. If you fancy something awesome for dinner created by Chef Paul & Chef Henk, then The Bond should be on your list! The duo Master Chefs who worked their magic on the Menu at "The Grist Mill", have now created a first-class menu that is big on creativity and bold in flavor. The current menu features very well thought of options primarily and distinctly between the Tavern, the main Dining Room, and the personalized events, and then a very carefully handpicked menu for that perfect evening meal, ranging from buttermilk fried Chicken to uniquely prepared Tuna or Salmon, Venison and the finest Steak, there is truly something for everyone on the menu. Our chefs make everything from scratch- the pretzel bites, the desserts, all the sauces, hand cut fries and even the daily focaccia bread. Both chefs have worked with Lotus prior to the Bond 1786 opening. At The Bond 1786 Chef Henk has taken on the position of Banquet Chef and is already engrossed in getting things ready for the event portion of the business. Chef Paul designed the current menu keeping in mind that he would be feeding all sorts of different people, tourists, locals, kids, and adults. The menus can be found online at the website www.thebond1786.com along with all the event and specialty menus. Rehearsal dinners, bridal showers, baby showers and birthday party bookings have already started to fill up for 2021.

Opening on the site formerly known as the "Merrill Magee House", the decadently decorated 160 cover restaurant is set over very spacious building & grounds. The history in itself whether it is the interiors, or the layout interspersed with large trees, or the backdrop of a beautiful Hackensack Mountain makes it the perfect setting for an intimate and sophisticated dinner or something special you may be wanting to celebrate. The property that is now known as the historic Merrill Magee Inn has been a focal point in Warrensburg NY history for 180 years, since 1839. The Merrill Magee is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Because the history of this house and its occupants is so much a part of the history of our country and the town, we have made every effort to maintain the house, as it had been in the past, for your enjoyment. We take great pride in having the house on the National Register of Historic Places. As you look around you can see how the house grew as the family grew and prospered. When Stephen Griffin II purchased the property in 1839 there was a small existing house. The portion is now the tavern and lounge, later in

the 1850's he added the Greek Revival front and still later in the 1920's Grace added the back section where we have a large dining room. That was the oldest part of the house dating to 1812 but was brought here from an earlier homestead several miles away. It was used as a summer kitchen and woodshed till it was converted for dining. Unfortunately, with renovations in 2014, this portion could not be saved. It was demolished and rebuilt into the great room. Grace was also responsible for adding the swimming pool in 1920. This pool is reported to be the oldest largest private pool in New York.



Our Senior Staff Joyce Wolf leads the front of the house efforts as the one in charge and Lotus veteran of over 5 years. Kenny Yoeckel, a Manhattan native is heading up the bar efforts. Both Kenny and Joyce take great pride in giving A+customer service with a smile, they are true hospitality experts. Eliza Mobley is committed to make your events a complete memory of its kind, while Chef Paul and Chef Henk are the true magicians in the Kitchen, that cannot be compared to anything similar, because Team Bond is all about the Bond and Care! The Bond 1786 offers both a lighter pub fare menu and a more formal dinner menu, a children's menu is also available. Daily specials are featured for both meals and drinks along with several nights a month dedicated to live music. The restaurant can seat 160 people and has private dining spaces along with the Main Dining room and Tavern. A grand opening is scheduled for June with a cocktail hour styled party and ribbon cutting celebrating both the restaurant and the Hotel.

Much is yet to come, but we are going steady for the rest to deliver timely installments for the much-anticipated fun, we all are looking for. Please keep an eye out and visit www.thebond1786.com for more.