

BLUE HERON inn

♪ Lodging, dining, spirits & shops overlooking Findley Lake ♪



Bruce and Tobi Ahlquist owned and operated the Jefferson House & Pub in Bruce's nearby hometown of Warren, PA. After 9 years of living on the restaurant premises we decided it was time to find an out-of-town retreat. In 1991, when daughter Hillary was 2 years old, we bought a cottage on Findley Lake's South shore, where we soon spent every weekend. Like many before us, we fell in love with Findley Lake's relaxed charm. With no grand plan to permanently relocate we set sight on the house that is now known as the Blue Heron Inn. "What a perfect location for a year-round bed & breakfast!", we thought. The stars aligned & we purchased the house in 1995. First we renovated the barn into retail space, then we got busy on the Inn. In mid-1997, one commercial kitchen & four bed & breakfast rooms later, we closed the Jefferson House & launched the Blue Heron Inn. In 2005 we added the lake view deck that now adorns the front of the Inn.

Self-trained Chef Bruce credits his grandmother Edith for his love of cooking. In fact, each holiday season he continues the family practice of baking traditional Swedish recipes to share with friends. In his spare time Bruce has learned to manipulate the Internet - he even has a FaceBook page! Lately his interests include learning to play the concertina! Tobi is the computer/retailing diva who calls Nostalgia, the shop at the Blue Heron Inn, her home away from home. If you haven't ventured out back to the big, red barn behind the Inn, let's just say you're in for a treat! Today Hillary attends Duquesne University in downtown Pittsburgh, PA, and loves city life. To say she's a devoted Steelers & Penguins fan would be an understatement; let's just say Pittsburgh is the perfect place for her to live & learn!

Shopping Nostalgia @ the Blue Heron Inn is a "a modern-day general store". The shop has evolved into a unique collection of artisan-crafted & fair trade jewelry, pottery, glass art and clothing from Bali, Guatemala, Mexico, Poland, Israel and, of course, the USA. Also featured is a wonderful assortment of nostalgic toys, games & puzzles for kids of all ages. The large selection of Nature and New Age items includes nature music, crystals, gemstones, incense & oils, wind chimes, greeting cards and recycled & repurposed art. Last, but certainly not least, be sure to check out our cool candy section — dedicated to old-time candy treats, imported chocolates & a whole lot of candy fun! It's the coolest store in town - enter at the risk of having fun!

Lodging Is life urging you towards a "time-out" but finding the time almost a "mission impossible? We have the answer -- stay at the Blue Heron Inn! Nature-inspired accommodations complete with antique-appointments, private baths & a breathtaking view create an atmosphere of relaxation and renewal. Many different packages are available - please check our web site or call for more information! Ask if the rooms are available for viewing.

Gift Certificates Need a gift for someone who has it all? Blue Heron gift certificates are available in any five dollar increment and may be redeemed for lodging, dining or purchases at "Nostalgia - the modern-day general store".

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open year 'round · close to home but far from everyday life

We are supported by a dedicated staff of professionals who are often asked if they are family members. They are - part of the "Blue Heron family" and together we welcome you to the Blue Heron Inn. It is our privilege and pleasure to serve you and we hope to see you again!



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Starters

Grilled loaf of Bread	2.75	Cracker Basket w/ Herb Spread	4.99
Quiche w/ Fruit Garnish	5.99	Quarter Fries	2.50
Hummus & Pita	5.50	Potato Pancakes w/ Apple Sauce	3.99
Chicken Fingers - not deep fried!	4.99	BBQ Ribs (dinner only) Full: 19.99 1/2: 12.99	
5 Jumbo Shrimp Cocktail (dinner only)	10.99	1/2# Shrimp in the rough (dinner only)	12.99

Chips Deluxe 9.99 -- a platter of guacamole/salsa/bean dip/melted cheese served with a basket of tortilla chips

Asiago Artichoke Dip 5.99 -- served with flatbreads

Soups and Salads

All salads are accompanied by crackers & choice of dressing:

Cracked Peppercorn, Oil & Red Wine Vinegar, French, Ranch, Russian, Greek, low-fat Raspberry Vinaigrette & fat-free Balsamic Herb Vinegar; Bleu Cheese & Caesar Dressings - 75¢ extra

Crumbled feta cheese - 1.00 extra Homemade croutons - 75¢ extra

SALAD ADD-ONS: grilled chicken breast - \$4.00 or grilled salmon - \$10.00

Homemade Soup of the Day - your server will announce today's offering

Bowl of soup & small house salad - priced daily

Bowl of soup & 1/2 deli sandwich (turkey, corned beef or ham) on 12-grain or rye bread

House Salad large - 5.99 small - 4.50

a mix of seasonal field greens, tomato, lettuce & onion

Greek Salad large - 7.99 small - 4.99

fresh greens topped with feta cheese, marinated olives & veggies

Whole Earth Salad large - 7.99 small - 4.99

a healthy mix of sunflower seeds, walnuts, raisins & mushrooms on a bed of fresh greens

Classic Chef Salad large - 9.99 small - 6.99

Vegetarian Specialties

Veggie Grinder 7.99

a sauté of fresh veggies topped with melted provolone & hot sweet pepper sauce on a crusty french roll

Veggie Reuben 6.99

our delicious reuben — hold the corned beef!

Veggie or Bean Burrito 8.99 ~ add homemade guacamole - 1.50 extra

flour tortilla topped with homemade salsa, melted cheddar cheese & sour cream,

with a choice of filling: spicy grilled vegetables -OR- refried beans; served with tortilla chips

Veggie Pub Grille 7.95

Same as the Pub Grille above -- hold the bacon

For Your Information

- 20% gratuity will be added to parties of 6 or more
- Sharing Charge: Entree - 5.00 Sandwich - 2.50
We will be happy to split an entree or sandwich whenever possible; each plate will include the accompanying sides.
We do not split desserts but will bring an extra plate upon request.
- Separate Checks:
We will honor requests for separate checks for groups of SIX (6) or less whenever possible. Separate checks are an added service and take time, so PLEASE be patient! We cannot offer separate checks during holiday or event weekends.
- We are not a fast food restaurant and no item on our menu is pre-cooked or prepared in a deep fryer.
We are proud to cook every sandwich and entree to order, which means we accommodate special requests as best we can.
Relax, have a beverage, enjoy the atmosphere and the time with your friends.
Your order is being made for you and will be served shortly - enjoy!



Signature Dishes and Sandwiches

All sandwiches are served with potato chips & a kosher dill pickle; add grilled potato wedges to your order - \$2.50

Homemade Quiche	8.99	
served with small house salad & fresh fruit garnish		
Meshugna	9.99	
"crazy" combination of thinly-sliced corned beef, coleslaw & Russian dressing on potato pancakes		
Middle East Plate	8.99	
spiced, ground lamb kabobs, homemade hummus, small Greek salad & grilled pita bread		
Beef Burrito	8.99	add homemade guacamole - 1.50 extra
a flour tortilla stuffed with spicy ground beef, topped with salsa, melted cheddar cheese & sour cream		
Reuben Sandwich	9.99	
thinly-sliced corned beef brisket topped with Swiss, sauerkraut & Russian dressing on grilled rye bread		
Philly Cheese steak	8.99	
philly-style steak sandwich grilled with provolone & sautéed onions, mushrooms & hot, sweet pepper sauce		
Chicken Cheese steak	8.99	
same as the Philly steak sandwich, substitute grilled chicken for the grilled beef		
Italian Hoagie Grille	8.99	
over-stuffed Italian hoagie (ham/salami/provolone) quartered, skewered & grilled golden brown		
Cajun Catfish Grinder	8.99	
catfish filet topped with cole slaw, a dash of hot sauce & served on a french roll		
Lake burger	8.99	
1/2-pound choice, ground beef - (no filler!) — lettuce, tomato, bacon, sliced onion & melted provolone cheese		
Pub Grille	8.99	
Bacon, tomato & spring mix topped with herbed cream cheese & grilled to toasty perfection		
Grilled Chicken Croissant	7.50	
boneless, skinless chicken breast topped with lettuce & tomato & served on a flaky croissant		
Deli Croissant	7.50	
lettuce, tomato & Swiss on a croissant with choice of ONE deli meat: turkey breast, corned beef or BLT		
California Club	8.99	
smoked turkey breast, bacon, lettuce & sliced tomato topped off with guacamole on 12-grain bread		
Grilled Corned Beef Combo	9.99	
thinly-sliced corned beef brisket, fried egg & hot, sweet peppers grilled on rye		
Grilled Ham & Cheese	7.99	
ham, Swiss cheese & sliced tomato grilled on rye		

Grille Menu (served after 5:00 pm)

All dinner entrees accompanied by cole slaw & choice of grilled potato wedges or baked potato

DINNER ADD-ONS: add a small house salad: \$ 4.00; add a grilled bread loaf (serves 2): \$ 2.00

Barbecued Ribs	full rack: 21.99	1/2 rack: 14.99
Lean pork baby-backs grilled in Bruce's homemade barbecue sauce—the best around!!!!		
Grilled Chicken Breast	13.99	
A boneless, skinless chicken breast grilled butter-basted, bbq sauce or Cajun-spiced		
Mixed Grille	18.99	
1/2 rack of barbecue ribs & 1/2 chicken breast; the best of both worlds!		
Hoisin Duck	26.99	
1/2 duckling grilled to perfection & served with an Oriental orange Hoisin sauce on the side		
New York Strip Steak	25.99	
12-ounce prime strip steak — we do not recommend nor guarantee WELL DONE STEAKS!		
Maryland Crab Cake Dinner	21.99	
2 all lump meat crab cakes served with homemade garlic mayonnaise		
Maryland Steamed Shrimp Plate	16.99	
1/2 pound jumbo shrimp steamed in Maryland's "Old Bay" spices & served in the shell		
Pan-Fried Trout	15.99	
Lightly-breaded filet of trout seasoned with olive oil & basil		
Grilled Filet of Salmon	18.99	
Delicate filet of salmon grilled to perfection & topped with a light citrus sauce		
Louisiana-style Catfish	15.99	
SPICY or MILD - a generous catfish filet grilled with Cajun seasoning		

"Dining is and always was a great artistic opportunity."
~ Frank Lloyd Wright



Breakfast Menu (served 9:00 - 11:30 am)



- Homemade Cinnamon Rolls 3.50**
fresh from the oven; topped with pecan glaze or maple syrup (extra maple syrup: \$ 1.00)
- Healthy Start 5.50**
homemade granola & fresh fruit of the season
- Quiche of the Day 8.99**
homemade quiche served with choice of home fries or toast & a fresh fruit garnish
- Cinnamon French Toast 7.99**
cinnamon-spiced french toast accompanied by your choice of grilled ham, sausage patty or bacon, fresh fruit garnish & topped off with REAL maple syrup! (extra maple syrup: \$ 1.00)
- Belgian Waffle 7.99**
large, homemade Belgian waffle topped with real maple syrup & accompanied by choice of ham, sausage or bacon (extra maple syrup: \$ 1.00)
- Crabmeat Benedict 13.99**
2 poached eggs served on a lump meat crab cake, topped with hollandaise, asparagus garnish & toast
- Savory Waffle Benedict 9.99**
Belgian waffle crowned with 2 poached eggs and hollandaise sauce; served with bacon, ham or sausage (extra maple syrup: \$1.00)
- Cajun Eggs 8.99**
cajun-spiced roast beef hash (potatoes, onions & sweet peppers) topped with 2 eggs, served with toast
- Breakfast on a Bagel 6.99**
fried egg & sausage patty topped with cheddar cheese stacked on a toasted bagel; add home fries 1.50
- Nova Lox Platter 13.99**
thinly-sliced nova lox, tomato, onion, cucumber, Greek olives & capers; served with a bagel & cream cheese
- Eggs-specially for you**
 - 2 eggs, home fries & toast 5.99**
-- add sausage, bacon or ham to the above 6.99
 - 1 egg, home fries & toast 4.99**
-- add sausage, bacon or ham to the above 5.99

Breakfast Sides

One egg	1.50	Bagel with butter or cream cheese	2.00
Home fries	2.50	Bagel with herbed cream cheese	2.50
Grilled ham	2.50	Toast — white, 12-grain or rye	1.99
Bacon	2.50	Croissant with preserves	2.50
Sausage patty	2.50	1/4 cantaloupe	2.50

Beverages

Coffee/Brewed Decaf	1.85	<u>SODA</u>	
Iced Coffee/Decaf	2.25	Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, 7-up, Root Beer	2.50
Cinnamon Hazelnut Coffee	2.00	Ginger Ale, Club Soda & Tonic	
Iced Cinnamon Hazelnut	2.50	Root Beer Float	3.50
Bigelow Tea by the pot	2.00	Orange juice	2.99
Freshly-brewed Iced Tea	2.00	Tomato juice	2.50
Gourmet Iced Tea	2.50	Cranberry juice	2.50
Lemonade (seasonal)	2.50	Milk	2.00
Sparkling Water	2.50	Chocolate milk/Hot chocolate	2.50