

Night out at Prestonwood's dining room like coming home

By Roxanne Powers

Due to scheduling difficulties, it has been three months since we've dined in the formal dining room at Prestonwood. To be seated there once again was like coming home!

Because the Cary water is so unpalatable, I've begun the habit of bringing my own 16-ounce bottle of spring water with me wherever I go. I experienced a moment of stress when I realized I'd forgotten to bring my water to Prestonwood, but Edward Simpkins came to our rescue by pointing out that the club has its own label on bottles of spring water. We were all very pleased and now realize an even stronger appreciation for the simple pleasures in life.

The water issue settled, we got down to the serious issue of ordering and celebrating the birthday of our guest, Tresa Carpenter.

For our first course, Tresa had the grilled sea scallops with a tahini sauce which had the texture and appearance of a pesto. James had the phyllo-draped prosciutto and fig with mascarpone drizzled with a basil/truffle infused olive oil. I had the pan-fried southern quail nestled on a bed of lightly seasoned polenta dressed with a prune vinaigrette.

Somewhere between the first and second course James politely queried me about the logic of wearing the pearl enhancer he'd given me as a Valentine's gift. The only other time I'd worn it, it had fallen off, but I told him that I was confident that when I wore it before, I just hadn't secured the clasp properly. This settled, things again



moved smoothly along.

For our second course Tresa had the classic onion soup gratinee, and James and I had the cream of mushroom and sweet marjoram soup laced with sherry. One bite of this concoction, and I almost canceled my entree order to have a double or triple order of this soup. I don't remember when I've been so disappointed to see the bottom of the bowl.

For our third course James and Tresa ordered the caesar salad prepared tableside. I brazenly ordered the tuna carpaccio with a confetti pepper crust. According to Edward Simpkins, this is "a tuna of sushi quality." The tuna is "cooked" in a lime based marinade, thinly

sliced, and encircles a bed of greens topped with a soy-ginger vinaigrette. This is a quite visually appealing dish, but somehow I couldn't get past the knowledge that the tuna never came in contact with heat. As the kids would say, "I guess I'm just not growed up enough yet" when it comes to sushi quality anything. (Edward, to me, sushi still means RAW!)

For their entree, James and Tresa had the grilled filet of beef tenderloin and pesto dressed with gorgonzola cream positioned on a bed of haricot verte (whole green beans) and encircled by small, wedge-cut potatoes, deep-fried with the skins on.

I ordered the pistachio crusted breast of chicken with a sun-dried cherry/port wine sauce, garlic-laced potatoes and sauteed spinach.

While we were enjoying our

entrees, James began to speculate about the "shape" of my mashed potatoes. I said it looked to me like a mold was pressed onto the potatoes to give them the repeat scallop design. James guessed that the chef used a pastry bag to squeeze them into that shape.

When Edward next came around, James said, "They used a pastry bag to form those potatoes didn't they?" Edward replied, "Yes; that's right."

Humb! I say it's just a guy thing or that Prestonwood endorses the theory that the customer is always right, and Edward just didn't know he was entering a no-win situation!

As usual, we had a lovely evening. That is until we got home and I went to remove my pearls. My enhancer was missing. We searched, to no avail, the car and the short path I'd taken since we'd arrived

home. Finally, while James returned to Prestonwood to do a quick search of the parking lot, I called Edward to request that they

please keep their eyes open for it. On well, I REALLY enjoyed my pistachio crusted breast of chicken...or was that crow?

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Southport expansion continues

Expansion has started on the second phase of Southport Business Park. Road and sewer work is under way and construction will start next month on the first of four more buildings at the business complex off Aviation Parkway.

When completed, the four new buildings will have a combined 235,000 square feet of floor space. That will increase Southport's size to more than 750,000 square feet.

Mitch Adams, Southport's project manager, said the first of the new buildings will be about 65,000 square feet and will house up to eight tenants. Southport Drive will be continued across Aviation Parkway to accommodate the new buildings and will end in a cul-de-sac.

Adams said there are several prospective occupants for the new building, but no tenants have yet been announced. Southport is a flex development, meaning its buildings are designed to accommodate multiple uses such as offices, light industrial and warehouses.

The new building, designed by Cline Davis Architects of Raleigh, is expected to be completed by the fall. The overall project is unique, it was pointed out, in that the land for phase two backs up to Crabtree Lake and a series of recreation projects such as volleyball and basketball courts may be added, as well as picnic tables, all for use by Southport's tenants.

Southport was started in 1988 when the parent company bought 48 acres of land off Aviation Parkway. Subsequent land purchases have brought the total to 75 acres today. It is the second largest flex development in the Triangle. Morrisville's Perimeter Park/Perimeter Park West, which has more than 850,000 square feet, is the largest.

Adams explained that a 64,000-square-foot tenth building is nearing completion in phase one. An eleventh lot remains in phase one, so the first building in phase two has been called "Building 12."

Adams said the site in Morrisville was originally chosen because of its central location. "The Chamber of Commerce refers to Morrisville as the 'Hub of the Triangle,' and that has been the draw for most of the tenants, with access to I-40 and other major routes," he added.

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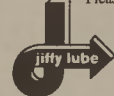
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