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**Top Chef in Destin to transform former Harry T's**

Tim Creehan has a fresh new creation, it's called Harbor Grille. Emerald Coast Restaurant Group's new restaurant and piano cabaret will occupy the former Harry T's at Destin Yacht Club. With projected debut in late 2005, the newly designed harbor front restaurant will combine coastal seafood and classic steakhouse, infused with first-class cabaret entertainment headlined by David Seering on piano.

The scenic beauty of the Destin Harbor is rivaled only by the Harbor Grille interior, designed by creative genius, Judd Brown, of Judd Brown Designs, Rhode Island. The restaurant will encompass the dramatic elements of the grand establishments of the 1940's big city venues. Judd Brown summarizes the new concept. "The new design emulates the era of the sophisticated city grille blending today's entertainment greats in an updated waterfront setting on the Destin Harbor."

Energetic, ambitious, and entertaining, best describes the partners of the Harbor Grille, Tim Creehan, John Hall and David Seering. "Without giving too much of the design away, allow me to tease you with some verbal imagery" says Hall. "Two-story water draped custom tiled staircase, a twenty five foot wine wall, tufted leather booths, mohair couches, theatrical stage curtaining, "cabaret" styled seating, fine dining community tables, chocolate colored wood, a chic and sexy blood red wood floor: a glowing bar top of river pebbles and poured resin, mosaic ceiling, circular sushi/raw bar on the deck, where diners will recline on custom rattan under sail tarps flowing, there will be metal formed sea grass, a private chef's table cantilevered above the bar, water and harbor views from everywhere in the restaurant, ok, I'll stop there, but there is so much more"

Chef Tim Creehan, Emerald Coast's most celebrated chef and owner of Beach Walk, a Florida Trend Golden Spoon Award winning restaurant. Tim gives us the culinary direction for the Harbor Grille menu- "We will feature contemporary steakhouse items, blended with abundant offering of fresh Gulf Coast seafood prepared with Asian, Italian, and French preparations. Enhancing the culinary experience, a harbor side Sushi bar will offer traditional sushi year round prepared by Sushi Chef Dan Pettis."

"The 250 seat Harbor Grill venue promises to entertain. It is it certain to be the ultimate dining experience in Destin." explained John Hall, a driven restaurant innovator, who takes the helm of the new venture. Hall has developed many successful high-energy entertainment venues, upscale restaurants, and fashion forward retail boutiques, both on a local and national scene. "Harbor Grille will combine contemporary design with unexpected fresh twist" remarked Hall.

David Seering is a gifted pianist, impersonator and showman. Seering is a natural musician who has been performing professionally virtually all his life. He began playing the piano without lessons at the age of 3, and had developed a unique style by the age of 5. He is a well known musician, who has been commanding national attention for his dramatic crooning style. Seering, who has been compared to Frank Sinatra and Harry Connick Jr. will perform his classic tunes and original melodies nightly at the "Cabaret Club" Seering will also be performing at the Ocean Club for the duration of the 2005 season. Harbor Grille will be making its debut in fall of 2005 at Destin Yacht Club in the heart of Destin.