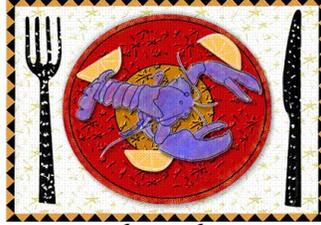


*Anchor Inn Restaurant*



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## **ANCHOR INN RESTAURANT TO CELEBRATE JULY 4 WITH TRADITIONAL MAINE BBQ**

*Immediately Following Annual Round Pond, ME, July 4 Parade*

*Round Pond, Maine* – The Anchor Inn Restaurant hosts its annual July 4 BBQ to coincide with the Round Pond July 4 Parade.

This event is the highlight of the Anchor Inn Restaurant's 20<sup>th</sup> summer season, and part of a daylong July 4 celebration in the community.

"Round Pond is one of the places that makes Maine special, and we're excited to be part of this," said Jean Kerrigan, co-owner of the Anchor Inn Restaurant.

The Anchor Inn Restaurant July 4 BBQ follows the July 4 Round Pond Parade, which begins at 12 p.m. at the Round Pond post office, rain or shine. The parade makes its way through town and finishes at the community tennis courts. Parking is available throughout town; for the best selection, plan to arrive by 11 a.m.

The parade, an area tradition for over two decades, features quirky, offbeat floats and participants, and is fun for the entire family.



Following the parade, the Anchor Inn Restaurant holds its annual July 4 BBQ cookout. Local jazz band Cross Town Traffic will provide musical entertainment, while the Anchor Inn serves classic summer fare, including BBQ chicken, ribs, hamburgers, hot dogs, lobster rolls, watermelon, brownies and more. Full beverage and bar service is available during the BBQ, and regular dinner service is available beginning at 5 p.m.

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Guests can eat in the restaurant, on the patio or bring chairs and blankets to picnic on the lawn. Pets are welcome, but please leave coolers at home.

Rick Hirsch, chef and co-owner of the Anchor Inn Restaurant, likes the family aspect of the event. “This is a fun day for families. It starts with the parade, followed by the BBQ at the restaurant. And then they can head to nearby Damariscotta in the evening for fireworks on the river.”

#### **About the Anchor Inn Restaurant**

The Anchor Inn, located on Maine’s scenic Round Pond in the mid coast Maine village of Round Pond, will kick off its 20<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebration in summer, 2007. Known for such special events as its grand, annual July 4 BBQ event and colorful accompanying parade, the seasonal Anchor Inn becomes a central gathering spot in Maine each year for returning “summer people” and locals alike. Guests are repeatedly drawn to the Anchor Inn restaurant – as much by Chef Rick Hirsch’s authentic New England cooking and top-notch local Maine seafood specials as by the restaurant’s welcoming ambiance and scenic waterfront views.

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