COFFEE CAFÉ

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Each morning, many of us take pleasure in grabbing our favorite mug, embracing the scent of fresh coffee, and pairing our steamy brew with a dash or two of cream and sugar. This simple, yet enjoyable routine is one that local eatery, Coffee Café, is happy to share with friendly faces who have discovered its unique charm. Serving a variety of hot and iced espresso beverages along with homemade breakfast, lunch and sweet treats, this admired bistro has all you need for a delicious start.

Since opening the café in 2012, owner Billy Deighton says it has gained recognition as the "town oasis." Around each corner, guests can unwind with travel books, table games and photo albums that evoke a sense of home and relaxation. Bright, spacious group seating, private leather chairs, complimentary Wi-Fi, and commercial-free music create an ideal destination for some peaceful productivity or joyful gathering. "Many different groups like the golfing clubs, Peace Corps volunteers, croquet players, bridge members and book clubs make this their meeting spot each week. It's a place for all kinds of people to work or have fun," says Billy.

Greet the sunrise with an authentic cup of Italian roast imported from Florence, Italy, or a heavenly Café Mocha served with whipped cream and dark chocolate sauce drizzled over top. Savor the rich aroma of an Americano, Caramel Macchiato, Chai Tea Latte or Cappuccino. Plus, to beat the summer heat, request to turn your espresso into an iced delight.

Inspired by the exotic fruits sampled during his Peace Corps travels, Billy seeks to serve every plate with healthy, high-quality ingredients while also accommodating gluten-free and vegetarian diets. For example, spruce up your idea of steel cuts with a bowl of the Irish Oatmeal, which is topped with blue agave, walnuts, assorted fruit, and dried cranberries. Requested daily is Billy's Signature Quiche, a delicately flaky combination of sautéed leeks, zucchini, spinach, sun-dried tomatoes, gouda cheese, and bacon or sausage crumbles. When paired with the carefully crafted Cheesy Hash Brown Casserole, this meal makes mornings a breeze.

For lunch, bite into a crispy Grilled Cheese with tomato bisque, a Pear Gorgonzola Salad dressed in balsamic vinaigrette or the frequently sought-after BLT served on locally sourced sourdough bread. On any occasion, pair your perky cup with a selection of Bronx-style bagels, handcrafted soups and decadent pastries for dine-in or to-go.

"When guests arrive, they feel welcome here," says Billy. "Their eyes light up and they immediately have smiles." As merit to the bistro's beloved following, it has been awarded 4.5 stars on TripAdvisor and Yelp, recognized as a 2017 Nextdoor Neighborhood Favorite, and received countless reviews on Google by devoted patrons expressing their thanks for having had such a unique dining experience. By request, the café can host groups of 20 or less for their next birthday party, baby shower or business meeting.

Take a stroll on the sunny side at Coffee Café, where quality cooking, hospitality and cozy cups will make you feel like a guest in your own home.

For more information about this advertorial, call 941.484.4100 or log on to Facebook.com/CoffeeCafe/Venice. Located at 101 Capri Isles Boulevard in Venice, Coffee Café is open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

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