

## appetizers

<b>HUMMUS*</b> served with pita bread, drizzled with olive oil	4.75
<b>MEDITERRANEAN*</b> hummus, feta, Greek olives, tomatoes and pita bread, drizzled with olive oil	7.00
<b>CAPRESE*</b> fresh mozzarella, pesto, tomatoes and bread	6.75
<b>ANTIPASTO</b> an assortment of meats and cheeses, Greek olives, tomatoes, pepperoncini and bread (fresh veggies can be substituted for meats)	7.75
<b>HOT WINGS</b> served with bleu cheese dressing and celery	6.75
<b>ONION RINGS</b> served with spicy ranch dressing	4.75
<b>CHEESE CURDS</b> served with spicy ranch dressing	4.25
<b>BASKET OF FRIES*</b> Cajun, garlic parmesan or plain	3.75
<b>PLATE OF CHEESE FRIES*</b> Cajun, garlic parmesan or plain	4.75
<b>SOUP OF THE DAY</b> served until it's gone	2.75 cup 3.75 bowl

## salads

*All of our salads are served on a bed of romaine lettuce.  
Dressings: Bleu Cheese, Italian, Ranch, Raspberry Vinaigrette, Tahini-tamari, Orange-Ginger Vinaigrette, 1000 Island, French, Fat Free Ranch*

<b>GARDEN*</b> our Veggie Mix (green and red peppers, red cabbage, carrots), cucumber, red onion, tomatoes	5.75
<b>GREEK*</b> feta cheese, red onion, Greek olives, tomatoes, Greek dressing	6.75
<b>HEALTH NUT*</b> sunflower seeds, peanuts, almonds, red onion, tomatoes, tahini-tamari dressing	6.75
<b>DOOR COUNTY DREAM*</b> dried cherries, gorgonzola, walnuts, mandarin oranges, orange-ginger vinaigrette	6.75
<b>CHEF</b> smoked turkey, ham, swiss, red onion, tomatoes	6.75
<b>GRILLED CHICKEN</b> grilled or blackened chicken breast, our Veggie Mix, red onion, tomatoes	7.00
<b>TEMPEH*</b> grilled tempeh, our Veggie Mix, red onions, tomatoes	7.00
<b>ALLEN'S MELEE</b> blackened chicken breast, our Veggie Mix, bacon, avocado, dried cherries, apple, red onion, tomatoes, bleu cheese dressing	8.75

## the story of argus

In Greek mythology Argus Panoptes was a giant with 100 eyes. His epithet means "all seeing", an effective watchman, as only a few of his eyes would sleep at any one time. Hera, Zeus' wife, had Argus guard a white heifer. Hera knew that in reality the heifer was Io, a nymph that Zeus was coupling with. To free Io, Zeus had Argus slain by Hermes. Hermes, disguised as a shepherd, first put all of Argus's eyes to sleep with boring stories. To commemorate her faithful watchman, Hera had the hundred eyes of Argus preserved forever in the tail of her bird, the Peacock.

## the argus building

The Argus Building occupies a special place in Madison's history. It has the distinction of being Madison's oldest surviving commercial building, its oldest newspaper office and its oldest fraternal lodge meeting place. The original building was constructed, circa 1844-1847, by Simeon Mills and housed the newspaper, *The Wisconsin Argus*. The second story served as a meeting hall for Masonic Lodge No.5. In 1873 George Heilmann started the Madison Steam Bakery at this address. He also ran a candy store, saloon and restaurant in this building, making this space the longest-term location of a restaurant/saloon in Madison. The building was expanded/modernized between 1891 and 1892, at which time it was given the Romanesque Revival appearance that it still retains today.

Thanks to a thorough and respectful restoration in the 1990's, the Argus Building is now one of the most intact late 19th century commercial buildings in downtown Madison and one of downtown's finest examples of this highly-endangered building type. The new Argus BarGrille that you sit in today, remodeled in 2007, is an effective recreation of an 1890's interior.

Welcome to our establishment. Eat. Drink. Enjoy.

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## hot sandwiches

*Includes chips and a pickle. Unless otherwise specified, sandwiches are served on a French roll. Substitute fries for chips 1.00 Add: cheese .75; meat, pesto, avocado 1.25*

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| 1  | <b>VIC'S DELI DELIGHT</b>   | 6.75 |
|    | pastrami, swiss, roasted onions, yellow mustard on rye bread                          |      |
| 2  | <b>BUD B.'S ROCKIN' REUBEN</b>  | 6.75 |
|    | pastrami, swiss, sauerkraut, 1000 island on rye bread                                 |      |
| 3  | <b>GEORGIA REUBEN</b>   | 6.75 |
|    | smoked turkey, swiss, coleslaw, 1000 island on rye bread                              |      |
| 4  | <b>AUNTIE EM'S VEGGIE REUBEN*</b>   | 6.50 |
|    | sautéed veggie mix, swiss, sauerkraut, 1000 island on rye bread                       |      |
| 5  | <b>SWEET HONEY AND THE HAM</b>  | 6.50 |
|    | ham, provolone, cheddar, cranberry honey mustard                                      |      |
| 6  | <b>MONA'S MIDNIGHT MADNESS</b>  | 6.50 |
|    | salami, provolone, red onion  |      |
| 7  | <b>GWEN'S SPECIAL REQUEST</b>   | 6.75 |
|    | roast beef, gorgonzola, roasted onions  |      |
| 8  | <b>DICK FRANK'S SUPER SUB</b>   | 6.75 |
|    | salami, ham, provolone, red onions, romaine, tomatoes, pepperoncini, Italian dressing |      |
| 9  | <b>MAD TOWN CHEESE STEAK</b>  | 6.75 |
|    | roast beef, grilled onions, peppers and mushrooms smothered with muenster             |      |
| 10 | <b>SWEET HONEY LEFT THE HAM*</b>  | 5.00 |
|    | provolone, cheddar, muenster cheeses with cranberry honey mustard                     |      |
| 11 | <b>CALIFORNIA FIESTA*</b>   | 6.50 |
|    | avocado, red onion, oven-roasted tomatoes, cheddar                                    |      |
| 12 | <b>THE ITALIAN CAPER*</b>   | 6.75 |
|    | fresh mozzarella, pesto, capers, oven-roasted tomatoes                                |      |
| 13 | <b>SWEET LORRAINE*</b>  | 6.75 |
|    | fresh mozzarella, pesto, oven-roasted tomatoes  |      |
| 14 | <b>BARBARA'S GARDEN*</b>  | 6.50 |
|    | avocado, mushrooms, oven-roasted tomatoes, muenster                                   |      |
| 15 | <b>ROB 'N' STEPH'S VEGGIE MELT*</b>   | 6.50 |
|    | sautéed veggie mix, swiss, roasted onions, grilled on rye bread                       |      |
| 16 | <b>KELLY'S IRISH 3*</b>   | 6.75 |
|    | tempeh, swiss, roasted onions, grilled on rye bread                                   |      |
| 17 | <b>THE "B" BOYS</b>   | 6.75 |
|    | tuna salad, cheddar, tomatoes, grilled on rye bread                                   |      |
| 18 | <b>DENNY 'N' JOAN LOVE BUCKY*</b>   | 4.75 |
|    | grilled cheese with cheese and bread of your choice                                   |      |

## cold sandwiches

*Includes chips and pickle. Substitute fries for chips 1.00 Add: cheese .75; meat, pesto, avocado 1.25*

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| 21 | <b>THE REAL DEAL</b>   | 6.50 |
|    | pastrami, swiss, yellow mustard on rye bread   |      |
| 22 | <b>HOLEY TURKEY</b>  | 6.25 |
|    | smoked turkey, swiss, romaine, tomatoes, mayo on wheat bread   |      |
| 23 | <b>PEG'S PICNIC</b>  | 6.25 |
|    | ham, cheddar, mayo, brown mustard on white bread   |      |
| 24 | <b>RIDING SHOTGUN WITH UNCLE FRANK</b>   | 6.25 |
|    | roast beef, cheddar, brown mustard on wheat bread  |      |
| 25 | <b>YOU CAN TUNA PIANO...</b>   | 6.25 |
|    | tuna salad (white albacore tuna, mayo, onions, pickles, celery), romaine, tomatoes on bread of your choice |      |
| 26 | <b>CALI-SIESTA*</b>  | 6.25 |
|    | cheddar, avocado, red onion, tomatoes on rye bread   |      |

## wraps

*All of our wraps are whole wheat and served with tortilla chips and salsa Substitute fries for chips 1.00*

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| 31 | <b>LOU'S ON TOUR*</b>   | 6.00 |
|    | hummus, cucumber, red onion, tomatoes .75 to add feta cheese  |      |
| 32 | <b>PIG NEWTON</b>   | 6.75 |
|    | ham, cheddar, granny smith apples, romaine, drizzled with raspberry vinaigrette   |      |
| 33 | <b>GRAMMA'S GONE GONZO</b>  | 6.75 |
|    | smoked turkey, gorgonzola cheese, walnuts, mandarin oranges, granny smith apples, romaine and drizzled with orange-ginger vinaigrette |      |
| 34 | <b>STEVE'S CONUNDRUM</b>  | 6.75 |
|    | smoked turkey, provolone, pesto, romaine  |      |
| 35 | <b>RC'S IDENTITY CRISIS</b>   | 7.75 |
|    | grilled chicken breast smothered in buffalo sauce with bacon, bleu cheese dressing, romaine, tomatoes                                 |      |

## from the grille

*Includes chips and pickle. Substitute fries for chips 1.00 Add: cheese .75; bacon, pesto, avocado 1.25*

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| 41 | <b>ARES ABOVE</b>   | 6.50 |
|    | grilled chicken breast, romaine, tomatoes, mayo             |      |
| 42 | <b>RIC'S FRENCH CONNECTION</b>                              | 6.75 |
|    | grilled chicken breast, ham, swiss, romaine, tomatoes       |      |
| 43 | <b>OOO-LA-LAILA</b>   | 6.75 |
|    | grilled chicken breast, pesto, provolone, romaine, tomatoes |      |

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| 44 | <b>BOB-B-Q</b>   | 6.75 |
|    | grilled chicken breast, tangy BBQ sauce, coleslaw            |      |
| 45 | <b>JIM'S COOKIN' UP CAJUN</b>                                | 6.75 |
|    | blackened chicken breast, remoulade sauce, romaine, tomatoes |      |
| 46 | <b>GERT'S LUNCH AT WILLIE'S CART</b>                         | 4.75 |
|    | grilled, smoked brat sandwich                                |      |
| 47 | <b>BRATMAN AND REUBEN</b>                                    | 5.75 |
|    | smoked brat, swiss, sauerkraut, 1000 island                  |      |

## burgers

*Includes chips and pickle. Romaine, tomatoes, onion and mayo free upon request. Substitute fries for chips 1.00 Add: cheese .75; bacon, pesto, avocado 1.25*

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| 51 | <b>THE ARGUS BURGER</b>  | 6.00 |
|    | blackened burger, remoulade, raw onion, romaine, tomatoes                |      |
| 52 | <b>BACON CHEESE BURGER</b>   | 6.50 |
|    | bacon, cheddar, grilled onions, romaine, tomatoes                        |      |
| 53 | <b>SOUTHWEST BURGER</b>  | 6.00 |
|    | salsa, cheddar, raw onion, romaine, tomatoes                             |      |
| 54 | <b>JALAPENO BURGER</b>   | 6.00 |
|    | fresh jalapenos and your choice of cheddar, swiss, provolone or muenster |      |
| 55 | <b>MUSHROOM SWISS BURGER</b>   | 6.25 |
|    | sauteed mushrooms, smothered in swiss                                    |      |
| 56 | <b>BBQ BACON BURGER</b>  | 6.25 |
|    | hickory smoked bacon, tangy bbq sauce                                    |      |
| 57 | <b>CHEESE BURGER</b>   | 5.75 |
|    | your choice of cheddar, swiss, provolone or muenster                     |      |
| 58 | <b>HAMBURGER</b>   | 5.00 |
|    | grilled burger, plain and simple or any way you like it                  |      |
| 59 | <b>PATTY MELT</b>  | 6.25 |
|    | our burger with grilled onions, swiss on grilled rye bread               |      |
| 60 | <b>BLACK BEAN BURGER*</b>  | 6.25 |
|    | not your average veggie burger, romaine, tomatoes                        |      |
| 61 | <b>TEMPEH BURGER*</b>  | 6.50 |
|    | marinated and grilled tempeh, romaine, tomatoes                          |      |

*Hamburgers and steaks served medium rare or rare may be under cooked and will only be served at consumers request. Consuming raw or under cooked meats may increase your risk of food borne illnesses.*

• indicates vegetarian

*All prices include sales tax.*