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## **Big Woods Restaurant Group Hires Executive Chef Kathy Jones**

*Jones brings new flavor and dishes to Big Woods locations across Indiana*

**NASHVILLE, Ind.** – Kathy Jones has joined Big Woods Restaurant Group, LLC as executive chef.

Jones started working with the Nashville, Indiana-based restaurant group on July 18 of this year. She will oversee food operations for all properties — including 10 restaurants — in the BWQOHT, Inc. brand family, which consists of Big Woods Restaurant Group, Quaff ON! Brewing Co. and Hard Truth Distilling Co.

“We are excited to have Kathy join Big Woods Restaurant Group,” said Rick Herbertz, Big Woods Restaurant Group Corporate Manager. “Kathy brings a lot of talent and knowledge to the team that will benefit customer experience. She’s a great addition as we continue to expand the company with new locations opening around the state.”

Jones’ work has earned her a list of accolades and awards, including the honor of serving as Celebrity Chef for Rev 2022 and receiving the Hoosier Service Award from Indiana’s Lieutenant Governor in 2018.

As Big Woods’ executive chef, Jones will advance and expand current meal offerings through recipe changes, while also assisting with pricing and supply chain management for the restaurant group. Jones will also coordinate with employees at all Big Woods locations to ensure each restaurant continues to provide the highest quality food and customer service possible.



“Big Woods’ focus on restaurant atmosphere was a great complement to my passion for developing high-quality and exciting dishes,” said Jones. “I’m looking forward to joining a team of innovators and gracious hosts.”

Prior to joining Big Woods Restaurant Group, Jones worked as an executive chef at Iozzo’s Garden of Italy, Salt on Mass and, most recently, at Second Helpings. Jones also spent a couple of years working at Westmark Hotel and Totem Square Hotel in Sitka, Alaska.

To learn more about Big Wood Restaurant Group’s offerings, go to <https://www.bigwoodsrestaurants.com/>.

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**About Big Woods Restaurant Group, LLC**

Big Woods Restaurant Group, LLC is headquartered in Brown County, Indiana, and serves nearly 1 million guests annually at bar and restaurant locations throughout Indiana.

It is one of three companies under the BWQOHT, Inc. umbrella, which also includes Quaff ON! Brewing Co. and Hard Truth Distilling Co.

Big Woods Restaurant Group currently operates five Big Woods restaurants, two Big Woods Pizza restaurants, two Hard Truth bars, and food and beverage operations at the Hard Truth Distilling Co. destination campus.

An additional Big Woods restaurant is slated to open the Keystone Fashion Mall in August 2022, and the Quaff ON! Pour House in Nashville, Indiana is slated to open in August, as well.

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