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<u>GW FINS BRINGS THE POPULAR ITALIAN HOLIDAY TRADITION,</u> <u>THE FEAST OF THE SEVEN FISHES, TO NEW ORLEANS</u>

(November, 2012) NEW ORLEANS, LA -- One of the most popular Italian holiday traditions is the Feast of the Seven Fishes and the city's premiere seafood restaurant is bringing this delicious tradition to New Orleans.

On Thursday, December 13th GW Fins' Chef de Cuisine Chef Michael Nelson will replicate this culinary celebration, The Feast of the Seven Fishes, or "La Vigilia," which is traditionally held in Italy on Christmas Eve. Of course Chef Nelson will put his own modern day creative spin on each of these time-honored seafood dishes.

This sumptuous dinner will be comprised of seven seafood courses, with the first three being individually plated dishes, and then deviating from GW Fins' general fashion, the fourth course as well as dessert will be served family style, with several different dishes placed on each table for everyone to enjoy.

Some of the "seven fishes" that will be showcased during this spectacular evening include Octopus, Mussels, Clams, Oysters and Shrimp, as well as several varieties of the fin fish.

A sneak peak of this seafood-centric menu reveals dishes such as Cioppino, Octopus with pesto, olives and creamy polenta, housemade Linguini and Clams and Parmesan Crusted Flounder. Each course will be perfectly paired with a different regional Italian wine.

"We held a small scale "Feast of the Seven Fishes" in our private dining room last year and addition to the dinner selling out in record time, everyone who attended enjoyed it so much that we wanted to open it up to the entire restaurant this year," comments Chef Nelson. "We hope that this will become a popular tradition at GW Fins every holiday season, just like our December lunches have become," adds Nelson.

The cost for this lavish feast and accompanying wine is \$70, exclusive of tax and gratuity. Reservations are required and can be made by calling GW Fins at (504) 581-3467. GW Fins is located at 808 Bienville Street in the heart of the French Quarter, between Bourbon and Dauphine Streets. For more information, and to view GW Fins' daily changing menu, please visit www.gwfins.com. GW Fins provides complimentary parking at Central Garage located on the corner of Dauphine and Iberville Streets.