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**Moore County Health Department Announces  
Moore Healthy Dining Program Awards**

The Health Department is pleased to announce that three local restaurants have received Healthy Dining Program Diamond A awards from the Moore County Board of Health. The Diamond A award recognizes restaurants and food service establishments that provide clean and safe environments and offer healthy food choices to their patrons.

Chef Warren's, 195 American Fusion and Lady Bedford's Tea Parlour & Gift Shoppe will each receive a Diamond A award plaque that can be displayed in their establishments.

The criteria for the award are: earn a 97% or higher unadjusted sanitation grade for the past year, allow no smoking on the premises and offer clearly marked healthy menu items.

In addition, 21 restaurants and food service establishments received Moore Healthy Dining Platinum A awards for having a 97% unadjusted sanitation grade for one year and providing a smoke-free premises. Golden A awards were also awarded to 88 restaurants and food service establishments for having a 97% unadjusted sanitation grade for one year.

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An unadjusted sanitation score is a score which does not include the two extra points for completing a Serve-Safe food handling course.

The Moore Healthy Dining Program was established in July, 2008. "Food safety is an important public health issue", stated Dr. Sharon Nicholson Harrell, Board of Health Chairperson. "The CDC estimates that each year roughly one in six Americans get sick from food-borne illnesses. These establishments have made food safety a top priority and have provided a valuable contribution to the prevention of food-borne illness in our community".

For the fourth year in a row Chef Warren's and Lady Bedford's Tea Parlour & Gift Shoppe have received Diamond A awards.

To view the complete list of Moore Healthy Dining Program awards, please visit the Moore County Health Department website at <http://www.moorecountync.gov/health>.



Picture #1: Warren Lewis of Chef Warren's Restaurant and Iris Davis, Moore County Health Department, Environmental Health Specialist.

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Picture #2: Milton Pilson of 195 American Fusion and Holly Wright, Moore County Health Department, Environmental Health Specialist.



Picture #3: Marian Caso (owner) and Chef Joe Henderson of Lady Bedford's Tea Parlour and Crystal Hodges, Moore County Health Department, Environmental Health Specialist.