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bites, which are a tempura-battered starter made with Maine lobster," Hammer adds. "Jennifer and I also have a restaurant in Key Largo, Florida, and that's a dish we brought up from there. To be honest, I tried to take the lobster bites off the menu, but our customers wouldn't let me. They're incredibly popular, especially during social hour."

The Pullman has also become known for its live entertainment. Musicians from all different genres entertain patrons three nights a week; some of them utilize "the big blue piano," as Hammer calls it, yet another distinctive element of the restaurant's unique décor.

"Coming to The Pullman is a bit like going to the theater," she adds. "Whether you're having a handcrafted cocktail during our social hour, sitting outside at the 10/14 Bar on the Rails, or having dinner in the main dining room, you can expect an evening of drama, with high-quality food and drinks delivered by some very talented servers and bartenders. We're here to take you away from daily life in what I think is the most beautiful restaurant on the Main Line."

orm, Cliff, and Frasier Crane had Cheers. Residents of Bryn Mawr and surrounding areas have The Pullman Restaurant & Bar, a Main Line dining establishment with few peers.

"The food is excellent, the drinks are exciting, and the interior is gorgeous," says Roni Hammer, one half of Two Dames Dining Group, the collaborative she-cofounded with Jennifer Hammer, which brought The Pullman to life in 2023. "That said, we're not a special-occasion restaurant. We're a comfortable restaurant for everybody."

The Pullman was once a freight house and part of one of the first rail stations on the Main Line. Some nods to its past remain; in fact, patrons can take a seat at the 10/14 Bar on the Rails—The Pullman's dazzling alfresco dining and imbibing spot—and watch the trains pass by. Hammer describes the experience as "like going to a show without having to pay for it."

The Pullman's food-and-drink program is just as memorable as the one-of-a-kind atmos-



phere. Hammer cites signature dishes such as the Chilean seabass, the New York strip steak, and the Wagyu meatloaf. "Nobody makes meatloaf like Corey Baver," she adds, referring to The Pullman's executive chef. Other menu highlights: The Pullman burger, a classic English fish-and-chips preparation made with Icelandic cod, tuna nachos, a daily oyster selection, and artisanal breads and desserts created by in-house pastry chef Kristin Bailey.

"We also sell pounds and pounds of lobster







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