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BLUE CROSS RIVERRINK WINTERFEST FOOD AND BEVERAGE

This year Blue Cross RiverRink Winterfest will feature food by Chickie's and Pete's, Garces Group, Franklin Fountain, and a new festival concessionaire creating a complete winter menu for full meals, snacks, desserts, hot and cool treats at all price points.

CHICKIE'S AND PETE'S

Chickie's and Pete's returns to the waterfront for the Blue Cross RiverRink Winterfest season after operating the Chickie's and Pete's Waterfront Crabshack at Blue Cross RiverRink Summerfest. Featuring the popular Land Lovers menu from the summer, offerings include world famous Crabfries with cheese sauce, Boneless Wings, Philly Cheesesteak, and a rotating selection of hot soups. For more information about Chickie's and Pete's, check out their [Website](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#).

GARCES GROUP

Garces is returning to Blue Cross RiverRink Winterfest for the fourth season. Last year's favorite item, the Village Burger, will be back at The Lodge, with rotating burger specials alongside a house-made veggie burger, and short rib topped fries. Gluten-free items and buns will be available at all locations. For more information about Garces, check out their [Website](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#)

FRANKLIN FOUNTAIN

The wonderful smell of toasted nuts will fill the air at Blue Cross RiverRink with Franklin Fountain's exciting new addition of a custom made Italian chestnut roasting cart. They will be roasting chestnuts and sugar-coated mixed nuts on the weekends, similar to those you'd find on the streets of New York City. The Franklin Fountain Confectionery Cabin menu includes hot fudge sundaes with seasonal ice cream flavors, ice cream waffle sandwiches, and s'mores kits featuring graham crackers, chocolate, and marshmallows all made on-site at the Franklin Fountain and Shane Confectionery. And, of course, all the usual treats one would expect on a chilly day, with warm drinks like hot cocoa and hot apple cider, coffee, and a variety of tea. Seasonal ice cream flavors include peppermint stick (also available dairy free), cinnamon, eggnog, hot chocolate,

vanilla, and chocolate. Don't miss out on this delicious winter wonderland. Click here for the full menu. For more information about Franklin Fountain, check out their [Website](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#).

RINKSIDE AND KID'S LODGE CONCESSIONS

New this year is a menu geared towards grab-and-go type food at a lower price point to appeal to all of the audiences that come to Blue Cross RiverRink Winterfest. With locations at the Rink Side Cafe and in the Kids Lodge, menus will include items like pizza, salads, nachos, pretzels, funnel cake and hot and cold beverages.

BAR SERVICE

Blue Cross RiverRink Winterfest will feature two different bar locations throughout the Lodge at peak times. The craft beer program will highlight local and regional beers, with the return of the popular Lodge Cabin Lager by Sly Fox Brewery. Hot cocktails include spiked hot chocolate, apple cider from Linvilla Orchards, and coffee.

HOURS OF FOOD AND BEVERAGE OPERATIONS:

The Lodge Bar and Restaurant will be open seven days a week

Rink Side Café open seven days a week

Franklin Fountain's Confectionery Cabin open seven days a week

Times are subject to change. Please check the website for more information.

Additional Information

More information about programming, food and beverage options, and season details can be found in our [press room](#). Blue Cross RiverRink Winterfest high resolution photos can be downloaded via [our website](#) (password is aidemdrwc).

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About the Delaware River Waterfront Corporation

DRWC is a 501(c)(3) created in January 2009, exclusively for the benefit of the City of Philadelphia and its citizens. The fundamental purpose of DRWC is to design, develop, program and maintain public amenities such as permanent and seasonal parks, trails, and streetscape improvements to transform the waterfront into a vibrant destination for recreational, cultural, and commercial activities for the residents and visitors of Philadelphia as is consistent with the goals of the Master Plan for the Central Delaware. Daily programming throughout the entire year is changing the way Philadelphians see and converse about the waterfront, and is helping to create spaces and communities that connect residents and visitors to the waterfront.

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