While traditions remain the same, times do change. So, along with the changing times, after 86 years, Russo’s Restaurant & Bar, one of the island’s oldest, family-owned businesses, closed their doors on Saturday, October 11th, 2008, leaving a memorable and delicious history behind. Stories of family bootleggers and rum runners were told, as the Russo’s planned the restaurant’s final meals. Once the announcement came that the restaurant would be closing, customers came out in droves, wanting one last Russo’s meal. Mixed emotions filled the establishment on their last days, as customers and family alike shared happy memories and sad good-byes.

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Jim Bacon

"Love me or leave me…Hey, where you all going?"

-Anon.