



Cherokee Casino & Hotel West Siloam Springs Unveils New Modern Dining Hall

Cherokee Casino & Hotel West Siloam Springs unveils The Food Hall, set to open April 18.

Replacing the River Cane Buffet and Sweet Treats, the new space has seven restaurants. There is also a full-service bar, an all-day coffee shop and bakery and a variety of authentic eateries. Diners can socialize at communal tables, sit at booths or cozy up to the bar for a chat.

Arlene Spiegel & Associates, a New York City-based restaurant and hospitality consulting firm, was brought on board early to develop The Food Hall.

"The pandemic showed us that this space has an opportunity to serve guests more efficiently with more restaurant concepts that are currently thriving across the country," said Spiegel. "The Food Hall will attract area residents, visitors and

hotel guests who enjoy socializing and eating some of the best food in the region."

New York City-based architectural and interior design firm, Glen and Co., designed the new communal food hall space. Glen Coben worked with curators and archivists to ensure that design elements, including artifacts, tiles, fabrics and materials, accurately reflect the history and nature of the tribe.

"My team was thrilled to work with the CNE team and Arlene Spiegel to create a space that honors the rich history and legacy of the Cherokee Nation and to bring a fresh approach to food service in this wonderful hotel and casino," said Coben, president of Glen and Co. "We truly believe The Food Hall will be the first of its kind, where food and culture mix to welcome guests in a safe and warm environment." ■