

HANKAMER RESTAURANT UPDATE MARCH 2007

THE 'BIG FIVE' POWER BREAKFAST SPOTS FOR REAL ESTATE GUYS

Avalon Diner 2417 Westheimer Road Houston 713.527.8900

"Justly Famous Since 1838," this old fashioned drug store diner continues to attract the rich and the famous to its fairly mundane offering of eggs, hash browns, bacon, waffles, sausage, grilled ham steak, and grits and butter. The Avalon keeps it simple...and dependable and good, and this combination has been attracting River Oaks movers and shakers for years.

Buffalo Grille #2 1301 S. Voss Road Houston 713.784.3663

The Buffalo Grille is always busy, to the extent that some mornings there is a 'table cop' making sure no one takes a seat before being in possession of food! Migas (eggs scrambled with green chilis), Huevos rancheros (any style with ranchero sauce), Huevos Quesadillas, Huevos Burrito, Huevos Rellenos, Huevos con papas...all are spicy and good. Old faves such as Biscuits and gravy, Omelets, French toast, and hot cakes abound.

Fountain View Cafe 1842 Fountain View Houston 713.785.9060

Yet another well-worn hangout, many of Houston's developers, brokers, and landlords count this as their 'real kitchen,' meeting over home-style breakfast cooking to get started on their day. Cereal and bananas, Oatmeal, Breakfast platters, Omelets, Fruit and yogurt, English muffins, biscuits, bagels, croissants, toast and gravy...this is a country cafe in the city, and breakfast is served all day, every day.

Le Peep 4702 Westheimer Houston 713.629.7337

Literally in the shadow of the Galleria and next to Hotel Derek, Le Peep uses Sullivan's parking lot at breakfast and noon when the dinner spot is closed. Specializing in breakfast, Le Peep features an enormous Lumberjack's breakfast, a variety of Eggs Benedict, including the "Healthy Benedict," French toast, Awesome omelets, Homemade pancakes, Belgium waffles, and South of the border breakfast tacos. Fruits and cereals abound in great selection, along with oatmeal and granola. See and be seen at Le Peep!

Mama's Cafe #3 6019 Westheimer Houston 713.266.8514

Long a 'breakfast roadhouse' for the real estate community, located across from Berings and next to Pappadeaux, Mama's opens early and stays open late. Huevos Hofbrau – migas with fresh chilies and pico de gallo, Eggs Benedict Mexicana, Bacon & Eggs, steak & Eggs, and Biscuits and gravy are among the most popular offerings. Blueberry pancakes and French toast tempt the sweet tooth, and Texas sized breakfast tacos in all combinations round out the menu...all can be washed down with cinnamon coffee.

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