

Michael's Kitchen in Clinton Township keeps customers happy

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While many restaurants come and go, Andy Kyprianides has continued to provide home-cooked style meals for more than three decades.

The popular Michael's Kitchen, located on Groesbeck Highway in Clinton Township, has succeeded by keeping both customers and employees happy.

And not raising prices for the past five years hasn't hurt.

Kyprianides walks into Michael's Kitchen everyday with the same sense of gratitude and duty he felt on the first day 33 years ago.

"I bring good food," he said as a credit to his success. "And I always try to bring new ideas and menu items to the people. We provide good service and a clean place."

Aside from the visual and tangible staples Michael's Kitchen and Kyprianides regularly offer, what sets it apart is what is not readily seen — Kyprianides' accommodation of his customers, whom he regards as his neighbors.

"Of all the years that they have been there for me, I've shown my appreciation by

If you go

Name: Michael's Kitchen
Address: 35481 Groesbeck Highway, north of 15 Mile Road in Clinton Township
Phone: 586-791-8690
Hours: 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday; 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday

being here for them — and not raising my prices in the past five years."

Michael's sets out to ensure quality food to its patrons, and it has kept that promise since the day it first opened back in the 1970s.

Back then, Kyprianides bought into the business with his three brothers.

The name Michael's was a stay-over from the previous ownership, but the brothers decided to keep it on as it was something neutral between them all.

Over the years, Kyprianides' three brothers left the business and Andy has been the sole owner the past 10 years.

Success often comes from attitude.

"I don't worry about how much money I am going to make, I worry about how



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Customers chat with Andy Kyprianides (right) of Michael's Kitchen in Clinton Township.

many people I'm going to satisfy," Kyprianides said.

As a point of pride for him

personally, Michael's features a perennial, standout garden which he calls "one advertise-

ment you can't beat."

"Everyday I come into work is like a new day," he said of

his longevity. "We have to stay on top of everything, we can't be relaxed."