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June 15 will be a soft reopening for many LA restaurants and bars

Fifteen months since the coronavirus pandemic led to a shutdown of restaurants, they are reopening fully today. It feels as though there is something missing – a celebration to mark this milestone day? Maybe that's because there is still so much to figure out, even as nearly all COVID restrictions are being lifted.

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Opinion: Labor-backed bill would devastate California restaurant industry

The State Assembly has voted down AB 257, the bill that would create an unelected government council that would make labor law for the quick-service and fast-casual segments of the restaurant industry. The CRA strongly opposes this bill, which is sure to be considered again during the next legislative session.

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California Restaurant Foundation teamed up with Guy Fieri to award grants to 5 restaurants

"We're proud to partner with Guy and his team to inspire, encourage and provide financial assistance to five incredible California restaurants during this critical time," said Alycia Harshfield, executive director for CRF.

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Mindful Minute by UnitedHealth Group + Restaurants Care

Dr. Kate Burke, from Patients Like Me, talks about how to turn daily tasks into mindful moments to reduce anxiety.

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Nearly 3,000 approved applicants, all women and people in groups deemed most in need, were told they wouldn't get their funds following legal challenges to the selection process.

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Maine begins incentive program to help tourist industry fill jobs

Maine has joined New Hampshire and is implementing a program to entice the unemployed back to work with an incentive system that begins on Tuesday. Employers will get a one-time \$1,500 payment for eligible workers who start jobs between June 15 and June 30 or a \$1,000 payment for eligible workers who start jobs in July as part of the Back to Work program.

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Employers monitoring proposed changes to Cal/OSHA's Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS) in recent weeks likely have whiplash from trying to keep up with the back-and-forth slew of developments. However, it appears we are close to final resolution. On Friday, June 11, Cal/OSHA released a third – and hopefully final – set of proposed revisions.

FULL STORY



News You Need to Know: New rules coming for your guests and employees

The Cal OSHA Standards Board will reconvene this Thursday to consider new rules -- a new Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS) -- to guide businesses on mask-wearing by your employees. Those of you keeping track already know, this is the third time in three weeks that the Cal OSHA board will meet to figure out a way to move forward. Their first set of rules, which would have required all employees to wear masks if anyone in a room is not vaccinated, was met with outcry by the CRA and many others in the employer community and in the public. The CRA believes any new ETS should be consistent with the Biden administration's guidance that those who've been vaccinated can go without a mask.

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DineOut CA: 11 exceptional beer and BBQ joints for Father's Day

Now that Father's Day is quickly approaching and California is loosening social distancing protocols, this holiday is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate dads over a great meal. Because we know all dads unanimously love BBQ, treat the special fathers in your life to grilled feasts, smoked meat platters and mouthwatering sides. Whether your old man prefers to dine at home with family or dine out to get the full experience, these BBQ joints have you covered.

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