

Chiffonade Chiffonade

2008 NPCC Graduate Pays It Forward

"Supporting the institutions that help us succeed is an invaluable practice," says Eve Baum Alven, graduate of the NPCC Hospitality Program and owner of Chiffonade Chef Services, a local personal chef and catering company.



EVE BAUM ALVEN, OWNER
Chiffonade Chef Services



Graduating in 2008 with honors in all national certifications and a 4.0 GPA, Alven credits NPCC's faculty and staff for the breadth of knowledge she obtained and the confidence and courage she needed to become an entrepreneur.

Utilizing her background in marketing and corporate events, Alven began to seriously explore her industry options and by Fall 2008, obtained her license to open Chiffonade Chef Services. An in-home personal chef service, Chiffonade satisfies the needs of Hot Springs' professionals who are weary of dinners out and want to enjoy quality meals in their own homes.

Chiffonade's very first catering event was booked by the Technical and Professional Department of NPCC, which inspired Alven to pledge a portion of profits to the NPCC Hospitality Department from all future event bookings on NPCC's campus. "What I've gleaned from NPCC can never be repaid, so the least I can do is give back to the place that gave me the skills and spirit to follow a dream," Alven says.

This February, the first Chiffonade Chef Services check was deposited into the NPCC Hospitality SkillsUSA Fund. Karla Nardi, administrator of the NPCC Hospitality Department, says "I'm very proud of Eve and wish her all the success in her new business. I'm so grateful that she is generously sharing that success with us."

To contact Chiffonade Chef Services about catering and personal chef services or gift basket and specialty items, please call 501-276-0082 or email chiffonade@sbcglobal.net.

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