

# The 27th Annual Restaurant Trends Seminar: Best Practices in a Changing Restaurant Landscape

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RIW and The Boston Restaurant Group hosted our 27th Annual Restaurant Trends Seminar on Monday, May 13 at the Seaport World Trade Center. This year's seminar theme was *Best Practices in a Changing Restaurant Landscape*. There were over 200 people in attendance. Following the educational portion of the event was a networking reception with a live jazz band. Net proceeds from the event went to benefit lovin' spoonfuls, a food rescue organization.

Below is the list of the event presentations:

#### Session 1:

Annual Restaurant Trends update of the current trends in the Boston restaurant area – Charlie Perkins of Boston Restaurant Group

#### Session 2:

Radio program and panel discussion: The Next Great Generation – Millennials as Customers and Employees

- Joe Piantedosi, Piantedosi Baking Co. – Host/Moderator of Breaking Bread with Joe Piantedosi on 104.9 FM (Moderator)
- Marty Bloom, Owner, Burro Bar, Mission on the Bay, Mission Oak Grille
- Patrick Renna, President, Wahlburgers
- Nate Berkowitz, Director of Finance, Clover Food Lab

Session 3: Panel Discussion: Sailing Through Uncharted Waters with Captains of the Local Restaurant Industry

- Steve DiFillippo, Chef and CEO, Davio's Northern Italian Steakhouse (Moderator)
- Kathy Sidell – Owner, Saltie Girl, Met Bar, and Stephanie's on Newbury
- Eric Papachristos – Owner & CEO, Saloniki, Trade and Porto
- Andy Husbands, Pit Master/Owner, The Smoke Shop

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