

Fred's of Roscommon

"Our Story"

Fred's Restaurant & Bar was established in 1956 by Fred Martindale. In the beginning Fred's had 14 tables, 8 bar stools and basically Fred & a few employees. Adjacent to Fred's was a bowling center called Cherven Lanes. Bowlers would purchase drinks from Fred's and had to drink in Fred's while looking thru a window waiting to bowl.

In the early 80's, Fred Martindale turned over the reins to his son and wife, Fred Jr. & Vicki. With their work, Fred's went from a 14 table restaurant & bar to seating capacity over 200. Fred & Vicki also purchased Cherven Lanes removing the wall.

After sitting idle for several years "Fred's" was purchased in May 2008 by Kathy & Clint Bair and Ed Roginski who in turn, remodeled Fred's to what it is today.

Fred's Bowling Center opened July 4th, 2008. The Restaurant opened with limited menu November 17th of 2008. Regretably, the entire bowling center flooded the same year on December 17th...Not giving up; Kathy, Clint & Ed decided to push forward to repair the damages, restoring the bowling center within three months. The result is that Fred's has one of the most "state of the art" bowling centers in all of Upper Michigan.

A new partner Neal Cooley came on board in 2009. Neal brought with him over 35 years of restaurant, bar and catering experience. The "FRED'S" team is now complete! The new "Fred's" with close to 60 employees continues the "Fred's" legacy of not only providing quality food and excellent service but also being fully immersed in Roscommon and surrounding cities.