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hours: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Wednesday through Saturday; 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Sunday (brunch), Closed Monday and Tuesday.
Prices: Dinner for two including appetizers, drinks
and desserts costs about \$50 to \$70 with tax and
tip. Reservations recommended.
Cards: Visa and Mastercard.

By Barbara Rothschild and Daniel Zwerdling

If Heart in Hand could just refine its cooking a bit, it could become the country American version of Autorego Cher Pramois. The Aubtrege has become an institution not just because of the food, but because it setting—that wonderful twisting drive through the countryside, the charm of the restaurant itself with its Prench country stucco, fireplace and stained glass windows overlooking the fields. Heart in Hand, in its own setting and its own syte, is just as appealing. Oace you get off Ree. 66, you twist through the

woods and over ravines until you rattle across the old railroad crossing in the town of Clifton, a storybook version of the late 1800s with gingerbread houses and

railroad crossing in the town of Ciliton, a storybook version of the late 1800s with gingerbread houses and white picket fences.

The restaurant is in the building where the old general store once was and it's almost worth the 45-minute drive from the D.C. area just to see it. It's a spectacular renovation, with battered wood plank floors, crusty brick and narrow wood panelled walls painted country shades of red and green. The walls are covered with spectacular quits. Antique hearts are everywhere—in patterns on the punched thi lamp shades, as rustic wood candlesticks on the tables, shaped into baskets, brushed on porcelsin pottery. It's a setting to remember—and to look to order on a lazy evening as you're considered to the control of the restaurant. We say "yet" because there is enough good food, enough flashes of inspiration, to make us think the kitchen has plenty of room to grow. The first signs are warm ones—terrific little batter biscuits served in a country basket, brought to the table as soon as you sit down. It's a small menu for dinner, less than half a dozen appetizers and less than a dozen entrees.

Begin with crahmeat-stuffed mushrooms, the nicest version we've had—plump, juicy shreds of crahmeat with just a touch of curry, tucked in lovely fresh mushrooms; we can't tell you how many bedraggled mushrooms we've had at other restaurants. The salads are excellent, too, especially the Gorgonzola, scattered with toasty pecans and lots of cheese, and the house salad, served with a good garicky whing test with a linit of carge (it's a house specially—even appeared in Company of the salad, served of the salad, served of the salad served been more frustrated with the main courses, because one of the dishes might be delicious and another so pedestrian that they seem to have come from different kitchens. The catifish is one of our favorites—sweet, moist, crusted with cornmeal, drizsted with pecan butter. The filet mignon is terrific—fat, crusty, a good deal for \$12.95. But then the entrees start to stumble. Veal Heart in Hand sounds good—sauteed veal scallops in a white wine sauce—but on a recent event in the same control of the salad right, if the veal weren't so dry and stringy. Twice recently we've ordered the fresh roast loin of pork, a

beautiful big chop, with the bone—and twice the kitchen has insisted on overcooking it till the poor thing's lifeless and gray, even after we asked for it pink (pork is perfectly set medium rare). If they'd cook it right, it'd be a wonderful, simple dish. Chicken has also been overdone. Barbecued shirmhp, on the other hand, have been perfectly cooked—big and beautiful, too—but the smoly sauce is too dense and overpowerino of these chands sauce is too dense and overpowerino of these dishes is that they sound so delicious—the ideas behind them are good—but the kitchen doesn't quite pull them off. All the entrees come with side dishes, though, that are often among the stars of the meal—such as simple, chunky sweet potato puree and half a baked potato drizaled with sweet butter. And the deserts are superb—especially a bittersweet, dense chocolate pie and best of all, homemade ice cream. If they're offering raspberry ice cream the night you go, absolutely save room for it. We've never had better.

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