

Kitchen in a box arrives for new Saratoga brunch spot

Homeowners' desire for vintage look drives demand for reclaimed wood

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A brunch restaurant called Farmers Hardware, being developed for a June opening in a former bike store and garden shop in Saratoga Springs, has a unique, self-contained kitchen. Built inside a steel shopping container, the kitchen was installed last week and sits next to the three-story brick building at 35 Maple Ave. The Farmers Hardware name comes from a former longtime Saratoga store that used the building as a warehouse in the early 20th century. According to the restaurant's website:

Our Brunch Hall concept is modeled after the great open and airy American food halls like Boston's Quincy Market or Union Market in Washington D.C. That means we can accommodate over 100 guests comfortably at our large communal tables on our 3 floors and sunny courtyard. Combine that with our fine-casual food served via quick counter-service, you won't have to wait long for delicious breakfast, lunch or happy hour drinks!

The co-owners are Julia Sanzen, who is also the chef, and Tyler Russell, a partner in a Lake George wood-recycling company called Storied Boards, which is supplying materials for the interior.

Hours are projected to be 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The menu doesn't appear to be online yet, but it is said to include items from healthful bowls to stuffed French toast

