

## Slim's Last Chance

### **Work Hard – Play Hard – Enjoy Yer Self**

*Located in the industrial outskirts of Seattle, Slim's Last Chance is always great food, a full bar and good company. Live music every Friday and Saturday nights (occasionally during the week) on the inside "Roadhouse" stage and outdoor events on the "Flatbed" stage all summer long. Live a little on the edge – See you at Slim's.*

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### **Seattle's Slim's Last Chance & Pig Iron BBQ Doubles Down and Buys In**

Slim's Last Chance Saloon, alongside Pig Iron BBQ, have been owning it for great food, outlaw-hillbilly surroundings, live music on the weekends and a quintessential wet-your-whistle bar for more than a decade. In fact, it's Slim's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. Like siblings, Pig Iron and Slim's happily coexist on the same block on the outskirts of Seattle, while embracing different personalities and strengths, but having grown from the same stock. Friendly, edgy, comfortable, authentic people living real lives and having a good time.

It's always never easy. There's the big ups – being featured on Guy Fieri's "Diner, Drive-Ins & Dives", and twice on the Travel Channel's "Food Paradise". Slim's is honored to have made Bon Appetit's Top-10 National Chili list. There's big downs – Slim's was burgled after-hours TWICE in 2015, and the losses were almost a fatal blow. Slim's summer series of events, including the 3-block long vintage car and motorcycle show, GREASEBALL (now in it's 3<sup>rd</sup> year!) are exhilarating to attend and exhausting to produce. But, through it all, owner-operators Mikey and Celeste Lucas have stood their ground and built steadfast destinations for fair-price food, drink, music and socializing and embraced their loyal, quirky, funny, wild-edged community of friends and clientele.

Good things do happen for good people — As of May 2018, Mikey and Celeste were able to seal the deal and purchase the commercial real estate that houses Pig Iron and Slim's Last Chance. Thanks to a long and loyal relationship with their landlord, her offer to sell for a fair market price, some hard work securing the financing — now they own the amazing businesses, the buildings and the ground underneath them. Big sacrifices were made, risks were taken and bank accounts were emptied, but now Slims & Pig Iron are one giant step towards being permanent fixtures. An achievement that's all the more remarkable in the crazy boomtown and hyper-developing cityscape of Seattle, where landmarks and local favorites fall every day. Bucking the trends and the odds, Slim's Last Chance and Pig Iron BBQ are literally owning it – they're here to stay.

Git on down there for lunch at Pig Iron or happy hour at Slim's and raise a glass to bootstrap entrepreneurialism, hard work, great folks and fair deals. Enjoy yer self at any (or all) of the great summer events. It's not easy to find people and places so deeply committed to staying and growing in place, but when you do, you have to celebrate and support them. Mikey and Celeste Lucas have just dug in their heels for another few decades because they believe in what

they've been doing. 14+ years later, a big scary mortgage and an even deeper commitment, this is where the rubber meets the road. You can bemoan the lack of character, fairness, affordability, friendliness and preservation in Seattle, or you can go to Pig Iron and Slim's.