

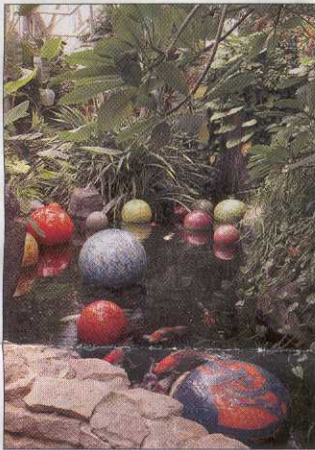


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to hatching and fluttering butterflies.

The world-class **Columbus Zoo** prides itself on letting man walk among mammals, reptiles and birds from every continent. You'll swear you're Down Under when you come eye to eye with the wallabies.



HAVING A BALL
At Franklin Park Conservatory

a scoop of her salty caramel or candied-beet ice cream.

On the haute side, Lyon native Richard Blondin's game and seafood creations at **The Refectory** garner rave reviews, and the setting in an old church is every bit as creative as the food. At **Handke's Cuisine**, award-winning Hartmut Handke doesn't let his haute get in the way of serving some rib-sticking and finger-licking food reflecting the city's German heritage, such as duck three ways with sauerkraut so good it will make you moan.

Finally, don't even think about missing the **Buckeye Hall of Fame Cafe** (if you're not the sort of die-hard fan to make the trip to **St. John Arena's** memory lane or Woody Hayes' grave in **Union Cemetery**). Sure, there's beer and burgers to be had, but what you really want to see is Archie Griffin's oversize class ring and one of his Heisman trophies, and Woody's rotary-dial, hot-line telephone.

—David Bailey

GET THE SCOOP
At Jeni's Fresh Ice Cream
at the North Market.



Of course, you're hungry, and you've come to the right place. Barbecue beckons back on High Street at **Pig Iron Grill & BBQ**, where the motto is "Eat like a pig, drink like a fish." Also on High Street is **Nancy's Home Cooking**. Go for the "garbage omelet." And don't ask for a menu, it's all on the wall.

Want trendy and wholesome fare? Try the **Northstar Cafe**, on High of course, which serves organic, locally grown veggies. Just off of High Street on Spruce is the 1876 **North Market**, where "Cheese Mike" will cut you a wedge of local Oakvale Farmhouse cheese at **Curds & Whey**. And while you're doing dairy, stop by **Jeni's Fresh Ice Cream** and ask for



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