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Stephan Pyles' new place is now on the front burner

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It's official. **Stephan Pyles** has signed a lease for a new restaurant downtown on the edge of the Arts District near the Dallas Museum of Art.

The property at 1807 Ross Ave. dates to 1963 and was designed by renowned architect George Dahl. Opening is tentatively set for Oct. 6, pending final approval of the lease agreement April 30 by corporate landlords in New York, says Mr. Pyles. Restaurant plans are ready and construction should start in May.

What will he call it? "If it isn't 'Stephan Pyles,' it'll be 'something by Stephan Pyles.' The landlords wanted that," he says. "If you think of a good name, let me know," Mr. Pyles adds.

More moving and shaking

Citizen (the restaurant) closes Saturday, to be replaced in May by **Sushi Zushi**. **Al Tomita**, who already has three San Antonio Zushis, says the restaurant will focus on "avant-garde Japanese cuisine" and sushi with traditional and non-traditional spices and ingredients.

Mariano's Hacienda opens Monday near the Skillman-Abrams intersection in Lake Highlands. This is the promised replacement for the original Mariano's Mexican Cuisine in Old Town, birthplace of the frozen margarita, says owner **Mariano Martinez**. The Old Town location closed in 2003.

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Mariano Martinez



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Stephan Pyles

has reopened after "the terrible accident," says **Steve Kazanas**, who owns it with his brother, **Jimmy**. The building was remodeled after an automobile crashed into the restaurant in February, killing a customer and injuring an employee.

Up and running

Susanne Johnson, tea lady at the former **Lady Primrose's**, now offers afternoon tea at **Arlington Hall** in Oak Lawn's Lee Park. Prices start at \$30 per person. The new venture will continue "a Dallas tradition," says **David Wood**, senior vice president of **Culinaire International**, parent company of **Arlington Hall's** catering service, **Food Glorious Food**. Light lunches as well as "Squire's Supper" are available. Reservations required: 214-520-8611.

A second location of **Love and War in Texas** is open near **Grapevine Mills** Mall, serving Lone Star dishes and music.

More changes

Tom Landis recently sold his **Deep Ellum Texadelphia**. **Steve Reese**, owner of the club **Seven**, also east of downtown, is the new owner.

Former **Eatz's** chef **Joe Goetze** and general manager **Tiffany Darley** are targeting April 21 for the opening of **Dallas City Market** at The Pavilion, on Lovers Lane near the Dallas North Tollway. Dine in or take home, selecting from prepared foods, cheeses, wines, chef-tossed salads, coffee and desserts. Owners are **Steve Serwin**, **Gary Buehler** and **Dr. Brad Carpentier**, also owners of **Gil's Elegant Catering**.

Thomas "T.J." Lengnick has left **Pappas Bros. Steakhouse** for the new **Michael Anthony's** as its executive chef. A June opening is planned for the Southlake restaurant owned by **Rocky Sofio** of **Sofio's Italian Grill** (Flower Mound and Ir-

ving). This will be "fine dining," says Mr. Lengnick. The restaurant is named after Mr. Sofio's son.

Big days

Dunston's Prime Steakhouse celebrated its 36th anniversary on Lovers Lane on April 1 with champagne for guests.

Red Hot and Blue recently marked 11 years of smoking ribs and pulling pork at the first area location, Central Expressway at Walnut Hill Lane in North Dallas.

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