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The restaurant, named for a baseball stadium, is the first Blatt Beer outside Nebraska.

# Blatt Beer and Table opens in North Dallas

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**B**latt Beer and Table is a mouthful. But there's a story there: The restaurant, which recently opened near Walnut Hill Lane and U.S. Highway 75 in Dallas, is named for the beloved Johnny Rosenblatt Stadium, former home of the College World Series in Omaha, Neb. In the Midwest — and among college baseball fans across the country — Rosenblatt is famous. It's also just a memory; a shiny new stadium took its place in 2011. The restaurant's owners considered changing the name, wondering if anyone in Texas would get what Blatt refers to. They decided it was worth the gamble.

As for food, here's the approach: "What goes well with beer?" The answer is fried chicken and jalapeño-cornbread waffles; Bavarian pretzel bites; and burgers, says corporate executive chef Tony Gentile. Blatt offers 32 beers on draft, keg wine and a short cocktail list. Local beers from Revolver Brewing, Deep Ellum Brewing Co., Franconia Brewing and Community Beer Co. made the cut.

■ In Preston Hollow Village at 7859 Walnut Hill Lane, Dallas. blattbeer.com.



The menu features items that go well with beer, such as fried chicken and jalapeño-cornbread waffles.

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## OTHER NEWS & NOTES

Dallas' **Noble Rey Brewing Co.** will open a satellite taproom this summer inside the Market, the food hall at the Dallas Farmers Market. The new location will offer patrons a place to grab cold ones to pair with their food, in addition to six-packs to go. Noble Rey, which opened last year in the Design District, recently signed a lease on a 600-square-foot Market space neighboring **Scardello Artisan Cheese**. Brewery owner **Chris Rigoulot** plans to sell merchandise alongside draft and packaged beer. The taproom is expected to open by mid-July.

■ The Market is at 920 S. Harwood St., Dallas. noblereybrewing.com.

**Zoli's NY Pizza Tavern**, the Oak Cliff spot from **Jay Jerrier** that shuttered its original location this year, is moving into a 4,500-square-foot former Snuffer's space in Addison. The new location, expected to open by November, will serve not only longtime favorites such as garlic knots and pizza slices, but also a much broader menu of New York-style Italian eats, including pasta and sandwiches. Chef **Lee Hunzinger** will return alongside chef **Cody Sharp**, who left **Filament** in April. Zoli's promises that at least one piece from the original location will pop up again — the infamous snarky sign.

■ The new location will be at 14910 Midway Road (at Beltway Drive), Addison. facebook.com/zolisnypizza.

**Beastro**, the annual music and tasting event that supports the Fort Worth Zoo's wildlife conservation and education efforts, features food from three dozen restaurants throughout the zoo. Try light bites from **Bird Cafe**, **Taco Heads**, the **Capital Grille**, **Cast Iron**, **Eddie V's Prime Seafood** and **Fletcher's Corny Dogs**; open bars will be scattered throughout the zoo. Expect music from Emerald City, the Project and Live 80.

■ May 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the zoo, 1989 Colonial Parkway, Fort Worth. \$99-\$150. fortworthzoo.org.

The **North Texas Firkin Fest** celebrates Texas craft beer served in traditional firkins (or casks). The second annual event focuses on unique, rare and hard-to-find beers from 20 breweries including **Real Ale**, **Deep Ellum**, **Peticolas**, **Tupps. (512)** and **Big Bend**.

■ May 21 at 1 p.m. at Globe Life Park, 1000 Ballpark Way, Arlington. \$50-\$100. ntxfirkinfest.com.

**Night Out on 15th**, which puts a 300-foot-long dining table under twinkling lights in the center of downtown Plano's main drag, features a five-course meal from local restaurants including **Angela's at the Crosswalk**, **Fillmore Pub**, **Lockhart Smokehouse** and **Urban Rio**. Helping the Downtown Plano Arts District chefs plate up the meal are students from the nonprofit restaurant and training program **Cafe Momentum**; part of the proceeds from the event will benefit its internship training.

■ May 22 at 5:30 p.m. at McCall Plaza, 998 E. 15th St., Plano. \$150. eventbrite.com.

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Plano's Night Out on 15th will take place May 22.