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New Mod-American Restaurant-Bar Coming to Villanova

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A refreshing, uncomplicated restaurant and bar concept is slated to debut along East Lancaster Avenue come spring 2013, filling a portion of the former homes of Maia and Mixx.

Dana Smith Farrell, a local "advocate of health-conscious, farm-to-table cuisine" and also a partner of **Harvest Seasonal Grill and Wine Bar**, announces that she's bringing the appropriately-coined **Avenue Kitchen** to Villanova.

As the former owner of highly-regarded **Classic Diner**, Farrell intends to pair her past culinary pursuits into one fine-tuned package—coupling nostalgic flavor and comfort foods with health-conscious cuisine.

She'll be teaming up with her brother, Greg Smith, to execute this project, who will serve as head chef of the restaurant. Smith, with a culinary track record of his own, has worked for several local heavy-hitters, including Georges Perrier, Jean-Marie La Croix and Chris Scarduzio.

The newest Main Line neighborhood haunt will feature a simple, modern American cuisine menu aside a full beverage program that'll sling craft cocktails, beer and wine.

Farrell collaborated with Sandvold Blanda Architecture + Interiors to dream up an alluring interior that complemented the simple and modern menu, while still putting forth a touch of glamour. Guests can expect a dining room that's themed industrial chic, as dressed in Emeco chairs from recycled Coke bottles and reclaimed wood table tops from Provenance Architecturals of Philadelphia.

Follow Avenue Kitchen on [Facebook](#) for developments. Stay tuned for an official opening date.

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