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RestaurantBUZZ

Steve Zimmerman and sons **Dan** and **Mark** have retooled their boutique hotel in Montrose, **La Colombe d'Or**. A renovation by **Visions Design** from Dallas spiffed up the five suites on the second floor, and they've

even renamed the restaurant downstairs as **Cinq**

(for the five guest rooms above). And to ring in the 30th anniversary, the Zimmermans have revitalized the menu with the help of talented young chef **Jeramie Robison**, formerly of **Tesar's**, who has taken the stuffiness out of the place but none of its charm ... Opening any day now at West Ave is **Pondicheri**,

chef **Anita Jaisinghani's** answer to a traditional family-style, casual India eatery. It's brought to you by the woman behind **Indika** ... Brothers **Adam** and **Alexander Klieber** have transformed the former home of their mother's Southhampton Montessori School on Robinhood and opened **Hudson Lounge**. This mid-century modern building will serve as a

cocktail lounge and event space run by general manager **Keith Thompson**, with small plates by chef **Christopher Latterman** ... Looks like **Kroger Food Stores** is upping the ante in the artisan-cheese-procuring brand. Now the West Gray, Buffalo Speedway and soon the Shepherd (Heights area) Krogers are opening **Murray's Cheese** shops within. Look for the oldest (and many argue the very best)

cheese monger from NYC to bring more than 175 types of cheese — and double that in go-withs to the aisles ... **Piola**, the import from Treviso, Italy, that specializes in thin-crust, wood-fired pizzas, as well as Italian pastas, salads, and desserts, has opened in Midtown. Houston owner **Bruno Cencini's** hot spot is open lunch and dinner ... And there's a new chef behind the

range at **Monarch** at **Hotel ZaZa**. **Adam West** was promoted from ZaZa's Dallas Dragonfly restaurant ... What we're craving now: The Frito pie migas at **Yelapa's** new Sunday brunch ... Still more to crave: vanilla cupcake lattes at **Crave Cupcakes** and the sour cherry snoball with sweetened condensed milk at **Mam's House of Ice** stand at the corner of 20th and Rutland in the Heights. *Laurann Claridge*



DESIGNS FOR THE KUHLS KIDS

Design-minded moms and moms-to-be will love Kuhl-Linscomb's expanded offerings for trendy tykes. Located in showrooms 1 and 2, in a separate building near the bath section and linens, the new area occupies 2,700 square feet. Owners Pam Kuhl Linscomb and Dan Linscomb have stocked up with stylish children's furniture by Netto Collection, Ouef, Dwell and Kartell, as well as for linens by John Robshaw, Dwell, Serena & Lily, Coyuchi, Matteo and Belle Notte. Toys abound, including an expanded selection of quality educational play things and puzzles by Melissa & Doug. Also, shop a vast collection of books and baby clothes. And moms-to-be can sign up for the baby gift registry. 2424 W. Alabama, 713.526.6000; kuhl-linscomb.com. Kate Allen Stukenberg