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Menu Movers and Shakers Plus, In the Dining Grapevine

The latest food and dining
buzz in the greater White
Plains area ...

Benjamin Steak House Premiers

Benjamin Prelvukaj has opened Benjamin Steakhouse at the former site of Mighty Joe Young. Joining him is Chef Arturo McLeod. Both had spent 20 combined years at the legendary Peter Luger. The entire building has been renovated in the steakhouse style featuring a giant wine room in the bar/lounge, dark wood floors and chocolate leather chairs. A giant fireplace is planned for the center of the 200-seat main dining room. There are 50 seats in the bar/lounge area as well as seasonal seating for 50 outside. Chef McLeod prepares juicy cuts of beef all dry aged in their own aging box which holds up to 30,000 lbs. of beef: 36-oz. porterhouses, juicy rib eyes and succulent filet mignon. Alternative dishes include: Chilean Sea Bass, an extravagant seafood platter, and 4 lb. jumbo lobsters. So far we've tried Steak Tartare and Crab Cakes from the bar menu and both were quite good. Their first Benjamin Steakhouse opened in Manhattan at 52 E. 41st St. More to follow. Open Tuesday through Sunday for dinner, 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.; to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Valet parking. Major credit cards.

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