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**Los Alamos Co-op to offer a Beer Dinner:**

**Five taste experiences in five courses**

The Los Alamos Co-op will offer a special gourmet dinner on Sat., Oct. 15 from 6 to 8 p.m. The dinner will pair five beers with the five taste experiences: sweet, salty, sour, bitter and savory.

Blue Corn Brewery brewmaster Brad Kraus will host the event, pairing each course with a brew that complements or contrasts with the dominant flavors. For example he might pair bitter greens with a honey beer, or an amber ale with a spicy or meat dish. He will also narrate the dinner, explaining the chemistry of the brew process and point out the flavors of the food combinations. The Co-op Deli will prepare the dishes, showcasing the fresh, local foods the Co-op offers.

The menu will include authentic German dishes made with fresh, local ingredients. The dinner will be \$35 per person, \$30 for members, and reservations can be made at 695-1579.

**Brad has been brewing beer for almost 30 years, over 20 as a professional brewer.**

He was the brewmaster at Santa Fe Brewing Company, Rio Bravo Restaurant & Brewery, and Wolf Canyon Brewing Company before joining Blue Corn Cafe & Brewery. Brad has a career total of six Great American Beer Festival medals, including two gold, as well as

numerous medals and awards in other competitions. He is a brewery consultant, having worked on projects in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Colombia, Chile and Peru. Brad is also the acting brewmaster for Isotopes Brewing Company and Abbey Beverage Company, the only monastic brewery in the U.S. In addition to his work in breweries Brad is a Master Beer Judge as ranked by the Beer Judge Certification Program and has served with a select field of international judges for the Great American Beer Festival and the World Beer Cup.

The Co-op opened in March of this year. Its mission includes promoting awareness about food, nutrition, health, and cooperative values. Visit [losalamos.coop](http://losalamos.coop) for more information or find the Co-op on Facebook for updates.

Phone: 505-695-1579

Address: 95 Entrada Drive, next to Holiday Inn Express

Website: [losalamos.coop](http://losalamos.coop)

Hours: Monday – Saturday: 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sunday: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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