

## Ohana Cafe opens in Northville Square

Healthy international food served on main level

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Serving healthy fare such as wraps, noodle and rice bowls, the Ohana Caf<sup>©</sup> opened about a two weeks ago at Northville Square.

Owners include Northville residents David Dziuban, Kyle Gosik and his sister, Nicole Gosik, who is also Dziuban's fiancée.

"We've been friends for 17 years," Kyle said.

"Kyle and I started another business, and I said, 'We need to open a cafe,'" Dziuban said.

Gosik has been a chef for many years in St. Louis and at Antonio's in Canton.

"My grandfather was a chef at Trader Vic's, so it kind of runs in the family," he said.

Dziuban is the financial guru of the operation with a bachelor's degree in accounting.

### MEXICAN RESTAURANT COMING

The three also plan to open a Mexican restaurant, Azul Agave, (which means blue tequila) in the space formerly occupied by NOMI across from the Ohana Caf<sup>©</sup>. "We are shooting for a November first opening," he said.

"We knew from Bob Buckhave (owner of the building) that the space was open, so we just went for it."

Ohana means family.

Since the Gosiks are Hawaiian, they wanted the caf<sup>©</sup> to have a Hawaiian name and theme. Part of Hawaiian culture, the word ohana means family in an extended sense of the term, including blood-related, adoptive or intentional. It emphasizes that family members are bound together and that members must cooperate and remember one

another.

### BIG FLAVORS

"We have healthy international foods with big flavors," Kyle said. "We have some salads, and we're going to be doing java juice and protein smoothies."

An example of one of their delicious wraps is the Chicken Caesar Wrap with chicken, rice, asiago cheese, green onions, Romaine lettuce and Caesar on a tomato tortilla. Other types of tortillas include whole wheat, spinach and regular flour.

The owners plan to offer desserts soon, such as candied apples and one-pound Rice Krispie treats. Appetizers to come will include black bean chili egg rolls, pot stickers and crab wontons. Price points are very reasonable, with prices ranging from \$3.75-\$7.80.

The three owners are excited about the opening of their new business.

"We're seeing a lot of familiar faces," Nicole said. "People will come in, and then the next day, we'll see the same people."

"The first day we were open, a gentleman came in who was from Hawaii as well," Dziuban said. "He ate, and then an hour later he came back with his family to eat again."

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The cafe is open daily. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Brandon Smith serves as the manager. The cafe also provides carry out, catering and delivery for orders \$30 and higher.

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Ohana Cafe manager Brandon Smith sautees some beans, chicken and vegetables for a customer's lunch at the Northville Square eatery. (JOHN HEIDER|STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER)



The Ohana Cafe has opened its doors in the Northville Square featuring its take on Hawaiian sandwich wraps and noodle bowls. From left are Nicole Gosik, her fiance David Dziuban, manager Brandon Smith, and Kyle Gosik (Nicole's brother). (JOHN HEIDER|STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER)

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