

Dining Notes: Storefronts, a new chef and a soulful buffet

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What's new on the chain front

The Loop Pizza Grill is open at 101 Marketside Ave. in Nocatee in a 3,200 square-foot space with seating for 130, including a covered patio.

The menu includes Loop's signature salads, pizzas, burgers, grilled sandwiches and shakes. Hours are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Maurillo Gonzalez is the owner/operator, this being his third Loop Pizza Grill location. He also has franchises in Neptune Beach and Julington Creek and plans to open two more stores around the area in the next few years. According to the Loop's website, the search is underway for a new location in the area of Fleming Island.