

Canapés Restaurant Now Open at Old California Restaurant Row in San Marcos

SAN MARCOS, CA – March 2, 2010 – Canapés Restaurant has opened at Old California Restaurant Row at 1020 San Marcos Boulevard in San Marcos. Old California Restaurant Row is North County's largest dining and entertainment experience with restaurants serving food from around the world and charming Village boutiques located directly adjacent to the Edwards Stadium 18 Cinema complex.

General Manager/Partner James Allyn, who started the North County Wine Company in San Marcos, said that **Canapés Wine and Food Bar** features a small plate culinary experience that boasts an amazing collection of more than 30 culinary delights from around the world. Served from 5:00 p.m. until closing, the menu features a number of new favorites including **Prosciutto Wrapped Prawns**, large marinated shrimp wrapped with prosciutto served with dipping sauce; **Cheesy Baguette**, toasted French baguette with three cheeses, garlic and herbs; **Moroccan Chicken**, chicken roasted with traditional Moroccan spices served over couscous; **The Works Plate**, a collection of brie, Swiss and cambinzola cheeses, olives, fruit, pine nuts, cucumber, dried tomato, hummus, virgin olive oil, served with fresh demi baguette and toasted crostini crisps; and **Caprese**, fresh mozzarella and ripe tomato with basil, virgin olive oil and balsamic vinegar served with demi baguette.

Canapés **Munch** menu is ideal for a fast casual lunch from work or a meeting with friends for an extended feast. The menu, served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., features such favorites as Steak, Ham, Chicken, Italian and Salmon **Paninis** served with cole slaw salad as well as a creative **Burger** menu highlighted by the **Oh Daddy**, **Da Cubano**, **The Blues** and **The Mediterranean**. There are also Rice Bowls including **Teriyaki Chicken**, **Steak and Pork**, **Seared Ahi Tuna**, **Grilled Shrimp** and **Vegetarian**, each served with white rice, mixed vegetables and cole slaw salad.

Canapés gourmet dinner menu is served with a casual flare inside or outside on the their brilliant courtyard patio. James Allyn said, "Our guests will fall in love with our fantastic dinner menu, love our food servers, go crazy over our outrageous specials." Served 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. nightly, Canapés **Feast** Menu features **Chix Ah Vu**, tender chicken breast wrapped around prosciutto and gruyere cheese served with a classic white cream sauce over jasmine rice with a veggie medley; **Oso Buffo**, tender pulled beer short rib stacked on a bed creamy risotto topped with classic saffron vegetable gremelada served with Swiss chard; **Montreal Chop**, tender pork chop with fig shallot reduction sauce served over garlic mashed potatoes with veggie medley; **Veal N Capers**, tender veal sautéed in white wine lemon caper sauce served over garlic mashed

potatoes with a veggie medley; **Seared Ahi Tuna**, served with a creamy raspberry sauce and over a jasmine rice with veggie medley; and **Coquille St. Jacques**, pan seared scallops served in a puff pastry bowl with mushrooms, carrots and peas, jasmine rice and drenched in classic beuree blanc sauce. The special for March is a **Rib Eye Steak**, aged dry rubbed Angus beef with special seasonings served over mashed potatoes with a veggie medley.

Canapés will also be hosting weekly special events with fun and educational wine and beer tastings, business luncheons and live Jazz on the Star Lite Patio. There will be a Meet the Wine Maker on March 16 from 6-8 p.m. featuring Tobin James, winemaker of the Tobin James Vineyard in Paso Robles, CA. Reservations are suggested for both events.

For more information on Canapés Restaurant, visit www.canapesgrill.com or call 760-510-2088. Canapés also features take out and catering for all occasions.

The Old California Restaurant Row is located at 1020 San Marcos Boulevard and is directly adjacent to the Edwards San Diego Stadium 18 Cinema. For more information on each individual restaurant and Village Shops, and to join the center's e-mail list for a chance to win a \$50 dining certificate, visit www.oldcalrestaurantrow.com. Follow Old California Restaurant Row on Twitter @Old California, and on Facebook @Old California Restaurant Row.