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Lily's readies for expansion

Petunia's focus will shift to espresso, flowers and gifts

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Lily's Coffee House and Flowers is undergoing a facelift after owners Brian Schneider and Tom Quanrud purchased the building adjacent to their business on Third Street.

The space will more

than double the size of Lily's to seat up to 60 customers. Currently it seats 22.

Takeout menu

Schneider and Quanrud opened Petunia's Espresso Bar in July 2001 at the corner of Main and Bush streets to cater to the on-the-go crowds.

The takeout menu, which has been the signature of the newer

store, will return to the original store after the expansion.

"We wanted more of an environment to manage a large capacity of people," Schneider said.

He plans to increase the exposure of Lily's as a restaurant while marketing Petunia's as an espresso bar that offers flowers and gifts. In addition to a deli counter and an express line,

Lily's will offer expanded catering services.

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