

*Littleton Economic Notes*  
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#### LITTLETON BUSINESSES

Sean Manning of Manning & Company CPA (1860 W. Littleton Blvd.) won The Professional Association of Small Business Accountants *Innovative Accounting Firm of the Year* award for continuously developing and sharing new and innovative ideas with the organization.

Developing Minds Software, a provider of Web-based software services to help families and educational institutions serving the developmentally disabled, received a \$10,000 first prize in the 7<sup>th</sup> annual University of Colorado Denver's Bard Center for Entrepreneurship Business Plan Competition.

Danica Goldie, owner of Season's at 2489 W. Main St. since 2000, has been honored by the Sales Professionals International USA as a Champion of Free Enterprise for 2008.

The Top 100 Colorado-Based Public Companies listed by *Colorado Biz* magazine include four with operations in Littleton: Qwest (1), Dish Network (2), CoBiz Financial (50) and ADA-ES (82).

A 25-year veteran of the floral business, Marsha Jones purchased Littleton Woodlawn Floral at 1799 W. Littleton Blvd.

Kathy Ackerman's new Open Air Chair Repair (2400 W. Belleview), specializes in the repair of summer furniture, something most furniture repair places do not handle.

Francis Nimako held a Grand Opening celebration for his new store, Mama, Look, at 1212 W. Littleton Blvd. The store features handmade wooden toys inspired by stories and experiences of his childhood in Ghana.

KimbraStudios.com was recently featured for the second time on the *Today Show* in the gift ideas segment. The leading designer and manufacturer of solid sterling silver photo jewelry and gifts that incorporate an individual's own photos into silver jewelry and gifts, Kimbra Orr's

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business (5778 S. Rapp St) has also been ranked number one by the *Wall Street Journal* for photo jewelry products.

John and Cathy Hogan recently held a ribbon cutting at their PC Answers store, 1224 W. Littleton Blvd. in the Plaza Woodlawn shopping center. The store not only sells and repairs computers but John continues to offer in-home repairs as he did before opening the shop.

The middle of June marked Detail's Grand Opening celebration for its "grand" new, much larger space at 2359 W Main St in the spot formerly occupied by Homewood Furniture. Peggy and Bart Cooper have renovated what was once Littleton's theater, exposing details of its former glory, including the old stage.

Coming Soon to Southbridge Shopping Center:  
Baskin Robbins, Great Clips, Great Santoro's Pizza.

#### NEW DEVELOPMENT

The Littleton Housing Authority has submitted a site development plan to renovate a former medical office at 5735 S. Bannock to use as their administrative offices.

Ned Kelly's Irish Pub is being proposed for the former "Oasis" bar as an old world Irish Pub similar to Scruffy Murphy's in LoDo. Planned additions include a patio with a gas fueled brick fireplace.

Kiewit Western submitted a conceptual site development plan for construction of a stand alone one-story 3,750 s.f. training facility located to the east of the existing office building on South Platte Canyon Road.

A revised plan by Hampton Inn adds a fifth story to the proposed building, which will now have 118 rooms as well as meeting rooms. The plan has been improved and upgraded over the standard Hampton Inn prototype.

Douglas County has referred a Homewood Suite Hotel project to the City of Littleton for comments. The project is a six story, 105,500 s.f. hotel proposed at the northeast corner of Lucent Blvd and Plaza Drive east of Windcrest retirement community.

#### OTHER

Littleton's Finance department was awarded the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for 2008.

**CALENDAR**

**HDLM:** 8:00 A.M., July 2, Town Hall Arts Center

**WOODLAWN:** 8:00 A.M., July 25, Blueberry's Coffee Shop

**BIA DEMO OF FREE SERVICES:** 11:30 A.M. to 1:00

P.M., July 10. Lunch is provided. Please RSVP to

[jricca@littletongov.org](mailto:jricca@littletongov.org).

**TALES FROM THE NEW ECONOMY**

*Best Ideas, Best Practices, Best Technology*

**Best people:** Recca Larson will be joining the B/IA Department on June 26<sup>th</sup>, filling the Economic Intelligence Specialist position that has been vacant for eight months. She is moving to Littleton from North Carolina where she had been employed by the DIALOG Corporation. Many of you will recognize DIALOG as one of the major databases in which we do market and competitor intelligence research. Recca was a trainer for the company, teaching people how to use this and other database services.

*The mission of the Business/Industry Affairs department is to grow our economy by helping Littleton entrepreneurs be competitive. Call B/IA at 303.795.3749 if we can help.*

*We invest in your success! --- Christian Gibbons, Director ([cgibbons@littletongov.org](mailto:cgibbons@littletongov.org))*

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