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Littleton Businesses

Nick Arguello has opened the Santa Fe Cantina in the Shops at Riverbend center at 5350 S. Santa Fe Dr. The restaurant is open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. every day of the week and offers an extensive menu of authentic Mexican dishes for breakfast through dinner along with fast service. Fiesta Packs for groups are an added offering. These contain a variety of designated items for groups to eat in or take out. Plans are in the works to add hamburgers and chicken tenders to the menu in the near future. 303.730.2418

Angel Concept, a nonprofit shop, has opened at 2510 W. Main St. featuring unique jewelry, pottery, distinctive clothing, furniture, linens, unique items for children, an array of decorative items for the home…and much more. Founded by Sue Hosier, the shop provides disadvantaged women a place where they can find work-skills training that can help them transform their lives as they prepare for jobs in the retail world. In addition, the store donates 5 to 10 percent of its proceeds to Metro Denver charities that aid disadvantaged women and children. 720.283.8910; angelconcept.org

After four years as a home-based business owner, Melody Diehl has moved her ever-growing business, Kissed By Nature, into new space at 5778 S. Rapp St. Her handmade soaps, lotions, butters and face care items are all pure, natural and organic. Opening day is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 3. 720.849.1846; www.itskissedbynature.com

Marion and Ben Hebdon are the new owners of A Timeless Tale Bookshop, located in the Woodlawn Shopping Center at 1500 W. Littleton Blvd. Filled with well-selected books, book-related products, CD’s and DVD’s and other gifts, it carries both hardcover books as well as paperbacks. New hours are 10:30 to 6:00 p.m. Monday thru Saturday. 303.797.2243

Aspen Grove shopping center has won the 2012 International Council of Shopping
Centers (ICSC) Foundation U.S. Community Support Award for the western region for its “Queen for a Day” campaign. Teaming up with Bessie’s Hope, a program that organizes visitors for nursing homes, the center was able to select a senior citizen each month, treat them to a day out at Aspen Grove, provide them with a free lunch, specialty foods to take home, a new outfit, salon services, and home décor items. Aspen Grove (7301 S. Santa Fe Dr.) received a $5,000 donation from the ICSC for the ongoing campaign. www.shopaspengrove.com

Dish Network has announced plans to hire 80 new employees for the Littleton facility at 5701 S. Santa Fe Dr. 720.514.8541; dish.com/Littleton

Other

The Littleton Immigrant Resource Center (LIRC) has recently received three grants. The United States Citizenship and Immigration Service awarded them a $145,894 that will be used to hire a full-time citizenship coordinator for a two-year period and allow the center to offer additional beginner, intermediate and advanced naturalization classes. A $15,000 grant from the Colorado Department of Education in partnership with Littleton Public Schools will be used to hire a part-time literacy coordinator for a year, and an $8,000 grant from the Buck Family Foundation will help with other expenses.

The Arapaho Hills subdivision was recently listed on the National Register of Historic Places in recognition of the property’s contribution to the heritage of the State of Colorado and the nation. Arapaho Hills is a collection of 55 homes built between 1957 and 1961 in the Mid-Century Modern style, located north of Berry Avenue and west of Lowell. Properties on the National Register are eligible for state income tax credits for qualified rehabilitation projects that preserve the integrity of the architecture.

Calendar

HDLM: Wednesday, Nov. 7, 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Town Hall Arts Center

Insights

Commentary on business, the economy and innovative practices

There’s An App For That!
Are you one of the 114 million Americans who own a smartphone? If so, there are many free phone apps that can help entrepreneurs and small business owners grow and run their businesses more smoothly. Evernote is an app our team has been using for a while now. “Remember everything” is the tagline on Evernote’s website and the free tool allows you to store, organize and share text, photos and voice notes. It’s a great way to keep track of all your brilliant ideas. We’re working on a seminar for Littleton businesses featuring more business apps that we’re planning to present in early 2013. We’ll keep you posted.

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

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