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Littleton Businesses

Colorado Fabrics is the new name for Denver Fabrics in the Centennial Shopping Center (2727 W. Belleview) since it was bought “lock, stock and barrel” by Nada and Dave Watt. Along with Nada, who was with Denver Fabrics for more than 24 years before purchasing the business, customers will recognize the same helpful staff as in the past. The store features a huge range of fabrics, notions and sewing supplies along with machine repair by a contractor who comes in once a week. 303.730.2777

The Denver Post Business Focus section highlighted Proformance Apparel this month. Located in the Broadridge Shopping Center at 6905 S. Broadway, this in-house decoration company does it all including screen print, embroidery, heat press, direct-to-garment printing, decals and banners. Partners Monica and Jeff Wasden and Lisa Passerella work hard to make sure each customer gets what they want when they want it. To this end their dedicated employees are known to have late night “parties” to ensure quality and customer satisfaction. 303.794.8169; www.profomanceapparel.com

Blueberry’s Café was also featured this month in one of the Business Focus sections of the Denver Post. Some eight years ago David Fitzgerald-Crosby opened Blueberry’s Café in the Woodlawn Shopping Center at 1500 W. Littleton Blvd. based on his successful projects in Breckenridge in the 1990s and early 2000s. The bakery-café features made-from-scratch daily baked items including bagels, pastries, unique scones and bread for the sandwiches at lunch time. The menu includes other breakfast items as well as a range of fresh salads and other items for lunch. 303.798.7117; https://www.blueberryslittleton.com/
Owner Ernie Schindler has announced that the long anticipated opening of his new store, Jewells, will take place on Friday, October 4. Located at 2379 W. Main St., the boutique will carry a range of fine jewelry from more affordable trendy items to the very best one can find. Brides to be will be happy to learn that Jewells has a special bridal space just for them. (303) 362-0641

Payroll Vault (1800 W. Littleton Blvd), a leading cloud-based payroll service, announced its expansion with the opening of a Payroll Vault franchise in Joplin, Missouri. Founder Sean Manning launched Payroll Vault as a franchise in 2008 to provide comprehensive payroll services to small business clients. It is supported by a team of experts with decades of experience providing payroll support. The company is now recognized as a leader in the industry, providing unmatched client service and powerful, flexible and secure payroll solutions to meet the needs of businesses throughout the country. 303.806-0276; https://www.payrollvault.com

Sharon Kempler-Jones has moved Gypsy Jones from its long-time space on S. Prince St. to 2449 W. Main St. The upscale women’s consignment boutique offers a range of women’s clothing and accessories including designer items, jewelry, handbags and shoes. 303.424.3041; www.gypsyjones.com

Three Blind Mice, “Cute Clothes for Cute Kids,” will be opening at 5664 S. Prince St. around the middle of October. Kathy Messenger’s shop will feature new clothing items for preemies through size 7 for boys and size 14 for girls —including special occasion outfits—along with accessories and gift items. 720.283.6423. www.tbmice.com

Peggy Maple and Michelle Sanchez are also planning a mid-October opening for their new shop, Buttercup Junction. The country gift shop will be located at 2550 W. Main St. with a focus on furniture, dishes, decorative items and other articles with that country feel. 720.283.6353

Calendar

Economic Development/Business Services Seminar—Margin of Error: How business “failures” can be your key to success. Thursday, Oct. 17, 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. Open to all registered businesses within the City of Littleton. If you would like to attend please REGISTER HERE by October 10th.

Insights

Margin of Error: How Business ‘Failures’ Can Be the Key to Success
Looking at business failures, miscalculations and mistakes is not always easy yet almost always worthwhile. Much can be learned from examining why things go wrong. In fact, “negative” results can eventually lead to positive outcomes when business failures are strategically managed.

On October 17, 2013, we’ll share the latest thinking from proven business strategists on the many hidden gifts of business “failures”. Topics we’ll cover include:

- How to pivot from a business mistake to a business win
- How to use business “failure” to reassess and rethink for greater profitability
- How tolerance for low-risk failure can put you ahead of the competition
- How to recognize and avoid common business mistakes
- How to keep thinking like a winner

The seminar is free to all registered businesses within the City of Littleton and includes a light lunch. Please register here or contact Jo Anne Ricca at jricca@littletongov.org (303-795-3749) with any questions. Space limited to the first 30 registrations.

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