



Littleton Economic Notes

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Business News

Vintage Vine

The Vintage Vine, a custom vintage furniture and home décor retail store recently moved to 2686 West Alamo Street in downtown Littleton. Along with the retail business, owner Stacey Crawford offers personal shopping, home and office decorating and custom furniture and kitchen cabinet painting. Open every day from 10 am to 5 pm, except for Fridays when wine and cheese is served from 4-6 pm. For more information call 303-730-5784 or visit finditonthevine.com

ArtSpark Creative Studio

Inspired imagination defines the newest art studio in Littleton, Art Spark Creative Studio (5743 South Prince Street). Founded by two Montessori Peaks Academy art teachers, the new venue opened its doors in August. The colorful room boasts different stations, including materials for drawing, painting, printing, sculpture and collage. Fostering creative development, the teachers encourage students to experiment with their own designs and pick their own materials, while offering guidance and support. No experience is necessary to participate in the kid-friendly art studio.

Classes are available for all ages, including an open studio on Saturdays. It's just \$8 for an introductory class and multi-class packs are an option. A School Day-Off Mini Camp and a First Friday Kid Art Nite are also available throughout the year. The imaginative space is available to rent for birthday parties and special events. Registration for classes and more information can be found at artsparkcreative.com.

Angelo's Taverna and Carboy Winery

It wasn't long ago that Brewery Lane opened and Breckenridge Brewery moved to Littleton off of South Santa Fe Drive. In a perfect pairing, residents may notice a new addition at 6885 South Santa Fe Drive. Angelo's Taverna and Carboy Winery opened at the end of August, just yards away from the Breckenridge Brewery Farmhouse.

The restaurant, a Denver staple for decades, is bringing not only its classic Italian recipes to Littleton, but its popular oyster bar and local winery as well. Carboy Winery was a concept developed by Angelo's owners around the time they decided to open the Littleton location. It functions similar to a microbrewery, with wine served on tap and Carboy bottles for purchase that customers can refill like growlers. The winery will also offer tastings and serve smaller food items like charcuterie plates to pair with the wine. Angelo's new Littleton location is about 10,000 square feet, and features a patio, a roundabout bar, a fire pit and access to the Mary Carter Greenway Trail. Now that its doors are open, the owners hope to bring an incredible dining experience to every one of their customers.

For more information visit angelostaverna.com, carboywinery.com or follow them on [Facebook](#) and Twitter ([@AngelosTaverna](#)).

The Falls Event Center

Littleton's newest event venue is now open, offering stunning views of the Rocky Mountains and nearly 14,000 square-feet of space.

The Falls event center, located at 8199 Southpark Circle near County Line Road and South Santa Fe Drive, offers a bridal suite, game room, conference room, theater and a large main hall that can comfortably hold about 300 guests. Rental fees include tables, chairs, basic linens and top-of-the-line audio visual equipment. There is no vendor list, meaning guests can use their preferred businesses of choice to cater, decorate and entertain.

The Falls Event Center is now taking reservations. For more information or to book your event, visit the fallseventcenter.com or call 720-449-3728.

Chatham Financial

Most heavy-hitting financial firms make their home in New York or at the very least, Downtown Denver, but Chatham Financial in Littleton is striving to change that. This summer, the company opened its newest location at 7926 South Platte Canyon Road.

The office, complete with a rock climbing wall, and renovated kitchen and gym, fosters collaboration between the staff. Although the work place functions as a casual setting, the firm specializes in consulting for investment and risk management. It advises on nearly \$400 billion in transactions. The clients span from small transactions to publicly traded companies.

What began with 17 employees five years ago has grown to 49 in a short time. Chatham Financial is looking forward to connecting with the citizens of Littleton, whether it's partnering with organizations or volunteering to make a positive impact in the community. The firm also has a separate 5,000 square-foot meeting space that's available for rent.

For more information about Chatham Financial, visit chathamfinancial.com.

Sports Clips

Sports Clips is the ultimate place for sports fans to get a quick and professional haircut. Televisions line the stations filled with the latest game, match or sports news at the newest Littleton location (2610 West Belleview Avenue, Suite #500). Stylists have their own lockers and decals of all the local sports teams decorate the space. The salon specializes in men's haircuts and caters to a relaxed but efficient environment. There is no online reservation system; it is first-come, first-serve. Haircare products are also available for purchase.

Other services include beard trimming, eyebrow shaping and hair designs. Free neck trims are available to customers in between services. Get the MVP experience, which includes a precision haircut, legendary hot steamed towel, massaging shampoo and relaxing treatment. Sports Clips is open seven days a week.

For more information, visit haircutmenriversidelittletonco.com or [Sports Clips Littleton – Riverside Downs](#) on Facebook.

Maha Soul

Maha Soul's tranquil yoga studio, healing center and unique retail store is just blocks from Downtown Littleton (5574 South Prince Street, Suite 11). Classes are offered seven days a week for people of all levels and ages.

The imaginative descriptions of the classes include a sweat level description for those who are new to yoga and its disciplines. Local artists' creations decorate

the walls of the intimate studio. Massage therapy and energy work such as Aroma Touch Therapy, Reiki and Full & New Moon Ceremonies are available as well. On the weekends, Maha Soul takes its classes outside for Yoga in the Park.

Fun and spiritual gifts and products are available for purchase, as well as engraved yoga mats created by Wiley Wears in Littleton. First-time visitors can try a class for \$5 and drop-in and monthly rates are available. For a full class schedule and more information, visit mahasoul.com.

City Announcements

Downtown Wayfinding Signage

Merchants operating a retail store or restaurant facing Prince, Nevada, Curtice, or Rapp streets between Powers to the north and Church to the south are eligible for placement on city-sponsored side street signs. Eligible businesses can apply for placement on the signs, and applications will be evaluated on a first-come, first-serve basis. All signs can list up to 6 businesses, with the business name featured on both side of the sign; below is listed the number of spaces available for a business on each sign. If a sign is full, businesses will be waitlisted and applications will be evaluated on a first-come, first-serve basis when there is a vacancy. [Downtown Side Street Sign Application](#)

Let's "Let's Clear the Air"



Last year on November 3, 2015, Littleton City Council passed an ordinance making Downtown Littleton a smoke free zone. The new law became effective January 1, 2016, but some residents and visitors are still unaware smoking is prohibited and also includes the use of electronic smoking devices, “vaping” devices, etc.

Commemorating the anniversary is the introduction of the “Let’s Clear the Air” campaign. The city will distribute window decals and drink coasters to local businesses. No smoking signs will soon include the blue “Let’s Clear the Air” message. Let’s all pitch in and encourage voluntarily compliance with the ordinance by informing visitors who smoke that smoking is prohibited except roof-top and back patios where allowed by the owner, and in private parking lots and public alleys 15 feet from any entrance. “Let’s Clear the Air” and make Downtown Littleton a healthier place for everyone.

"As a downtown shop owner, we welcome everyone to our store. I appreciate it when those who want to smoke pay attention to the new zones and don't smoke outside our door. I think the city's new "Let's Clear the Air" campaign is perfect. It's a positive message for all, and at the end of the day, we all love Downtown Littleton and just want to enjoy its charm." Shane George, Workhorse 45.

Candlelight Walk

Littleton's Candlelight Walk and Tree Lighting will take place Friday, November 25, 2016. The 33rd annual event will feature more holiday entertainment than ever before, including the Heritage High School Brass, a Santa's workshop display, and a holiday float adorned with a glittering ice princess and dancing elves. The entire event culminates with Santa illuminating more than one million lights in downtown.

Additional entertainment will be provided by the Arapahoe Community College Choir, Leewood Elementary Choir, Littleton High School Choir, St. Mary's Choir, Acapella Noel Singers and the Colorado Fire Tribe. Longtime Littleton resident and television news anchor Anne Trujillo will emcee the evening.

Entertainment begins at 5:30 p.m. Santa Claus will make his way down Main Street at 6:30 p.m. Visit Santa's reindeer at Bradford Auto Body, Inc. (2659 West Main Street) and drink delicious hot cider provided by Western Welcome Week at Bega Park, Town Hall Arts Center and Bradford Auto Body. Candles are available for 50 cents. Bradford Auto Body, Inc., will accept drop-off donations of non-perishable food for Integrated Family Community Services (IFCS) or toys for the Arapahoe Santa Claus shop.

Main Street will be closed to traffic at 4 p.m. Free parking is available at Arapahoe Community College, the Littleton Center and the Arapahoe County Building. Call 303-795-3863 for more information.

Downtown Littleton Elf Crawl

The 3rd annual Downtown Littleton Elf Crawl will take place Saturday, November 26, 2016 from 7-10 p.m. Participants are encouraged to kick off the holiday season by visiting downtown earlier and shop "Small Business Saturday."

It's \$25 to join in the fun and includes a donation to IFCS, an elf hat and drink tickets to participating establishments: Jake's Brew Bar, Legacy Vineyards,

McKinner's Pizza Bar, Merle's Restaurant, Ned Kelly's Irish Pub, Olde Towne Tavern, Smokin' Fins, Rocker Spirits and Tavern Littleton. Also on hand, pouring local tastes, will be 38 State Brewing Company, Locavore Beer Works and Saint Patrick's Brewing Company. Costumes are absolutely encouraged.

For more information, visit <http://littletonrocks.com/event/elf-crawl-2016/>.

Littleton Plans

Littleton has several community planning efforts getting underway this year including: the Mineral and Downtown Light Rail Station master planning project; Littleton Zoning Code Review and Assessment process; and two historic preservation projects - Louthan Heights Design Guidelines and an historic building inventory along Littleton Boulevard.

To encourage citizens and interested stakeholders to get involved in these community planning efforts, a new online tool, LittletonPlans.org has been set up. This one-stop hub has detailed information regarding each project: associated documents, maps, upcoming events, and frequently-asked questions, together in one accessible online location to keep the community involved and informed.

Grants

The city has several grant opportunities available to the community, including: the Revitalization Incentive Grant, the Main Street Historic District Grant, and the Place-Making Grant. For more information visit the [Grants page](#) on the Littleton website.

Development Activity List

The Development Activity List has been made to track projects throughout the city. Visit the [Development Activity List](#) to learn more.

Business Resources

Know anyone looking to open a business in Littleton, or could utilize the business services offered by the city? The City has free high-end resources and can assist businesses in a variety of ways including: marketing and social media strategies, networking strategies, demographic information, and more. Visit the [Economic Development webpage](#) for more information.

Past issues of the Littleton Economic Notes are on the City of Littleton website at

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