



## Littleton Economic Notes

January 2009

[www.littletongov.org](http://www.littletongov.org)

### Littleton Businesses

**The “best muffins on the planet” are now available at My Favorite Muffin**, which just opened in the Shoppes at Columbine shopping center, 5950 S. Platte Canyon Rd. Along with the 100-plus types of muffins, proprietor Cecilia Rotelli offers breakfast and lunch sandwiches, soup, salads, quiches, bagels and a great place to meet socially or for business inside or out on the spacious patio (weather permitting). Catering is also available.

**Argus Home Health has opened an office in Littleton at 5777 S. Rapp St.** The company offers in-home health care; companions; PT and OT therapy; home modification assistance—just about any service one might need for a loved one or them self. Director Suzanne Todd and Manager Aniekan Ekiko explained that their personnel live in the area served to ensure availability even in severe weather.

**Peggy McConnell recently celebrated the move of I Love It! to Littleton** with a grand opening celebration and ribbon cutting. The consignment shop, now located at 5501 S. Broadway in the Broadway Square shopping center, features unique household goods, jewelry and a few surprises.

**Your Secret Gift, based in Littleton, just opened its Internet doors this month.** Operated by Carol and Katie Borthwick, the website ([www.yoursecretgift.com](http://www.yoursecretgift.com)) offers visitors great gifts they can send to recipients and keep their identity a secret if so desired. Unique and unusual items are specially selected for a variety of situations such as comforting a friend going through a difficult time, razzing a fellow sports fan, or sending a message to a difficult boss.

**A grand opening with ribbon cutting was recently held at Littleton Balanced Healthcare**, the offices of Dr. Annette Parent-Kenney at 5501 S Prince St. The mission of this practice is to work with patients “to find the best balance between pro-active life changes and the best of modern medicine in order to make a difference in the quality of life and health in our community.”

**Littleton Capital Partners (5711 S. Nevada St.) acquired Woodlawn Shopping Center** (1500 W. Littleton Blvd.) some months ago and has been renovating and revitalizing the space ever since. The parking lot has had a major resurfacing, new lighting is being utilized, and changes to the façade are just about finished. New signage and some interior changes are in the works for the near future. The center offers office space as well as retail and service locations.

**Sole Solutions and Reflexology has opened in the Broadway Square shopping center** at 5501 S. Broadway (Ste 130). Owner Sharon Hart offers foot massage as well as a variety of items for the feet.

**Michele Parks, owner of Sweet Beginnings**—the maternity boutique and lactation center at 5767 S. Rapp St.—was tapped once again for her expertise in most things babies, when Channel 4 News did a segment on the advantages of cloth diapers in terms of savings and the environment.

**Lockheed Martin Space Systems Co. completed and delivered** propulsion and communications systems for the latest Space-Based Infrared System (SBIRS) satellite used by U.S. Air Force. The Littleton-based division of Lockheed Martin is the primary contractor for the satellite system, which is designed to detect missile launches, collect battlefield intelligence information and provide anti-jam communications for the military.

**The Associated Landscape Contractors of Colorado (ALCC)**, the professional trade association for Colorado's landscape contracting industry, has announced its 2009 state board of directors, which includes two Littleton contractors: Vice President Carole Kastler, Camelot Design (7860 S Windermere Circle) and At-Large Director Matt Donberger, American Civil Constructors (1601 W Belleview Ave).

## New Development

**Freddy's Frozen Custard has filed a conceptual site development plan** for a proposed 3,600 s.f. drive-through restaurant with indoor/outdoor seating located in the Riverside Downs development.

**Alta Aspen Grove has filed a conceptual site development plan** for 280 multiple-family residential units in 17 two- and three-story buildings with a community clubhouse and swimming pool. The proposed development is to be located on the 17 acres just west of the Aspen Grove Shopping Center. This property was previously known as River's Edge.

## Other

Streaming Video of the City Council Meetings, the Planning Commission Meetings, and the Liquor Authority Meetings is now available on the city's website at <http://www.littletongov.org/webcast/default.asp>.

## Calendar

**HDLM:** Feb. 4, 2009, 8:00 A.M., Town Hall Arts

**WOODLAWN:** Feb. 11, 2009 Blueberry's Coffee Shop Bakery-Cafe

**BIA SEMINAR FOR CITY BUSINESSES:** Feb. 5, 11:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Lunch will be provided. RSVP to 303.795.3749 or to [jricca@littletongov.org](mailto:jricca@littletongov.org).

## Insights

### Commentary on business, the economy and innovative practices

The national recession is on the minds of many in the business community. We are going to hold a seminar called Surviving a Recession on February 5 from 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. Two of our local bankers will speak, and we will also present the best of advice from the national magazines (Fortune, Business Week, Inc., Fast Company) as well as other business media. The seminar is free to any business within

the city limits of Littleton. To make a reservation for a box lunch, please call contact Jo Anne at 303.795.3749 or at [jricca@littletongov.org](mailto:jricca@littletongov.org).

*Past issues of the Littleton Economic Notes are on the City of Littleton website at <http://www.littletongov.org/bia/econnotes/default.asp>*

---

*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.*

*--- Christian Gibbons, Director ([cgibbons@littletongov.org](mailto:cgibbons@littletongov.org)).*