



## Littleton Economic Notes

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### Littleton Businesses

**A hobby among close friends has led to the May 10th Grand Opening of 38 State Brewing Company, Littleton's first brewery/tasting room.** Mike and Kim Keating, Jason Virzi, Brett Blazek and Manager Lael Callaway invite you to come by 8071 S. Broadway, Unit A and join the celebration. The brewery features six quality craft brews that range from Chocolate Stout to Great Plains Scottish Ale to Littleton Farmhouse Kolsch. And although the brewery doesn't serve food, a gourmet food truck will be just outside the door and a host of delivery and takeout menus will be provided. Normal hours of operation are 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. 720.638.3678; [www.38statebrew.com](http://www.38statebrew.com)

**Molly Merrill recently opened Velvet Wolf at 2469 W. Main St.** The unique boutique features an array of new clothes and accessories for women that she has brought in from all over. New items arrive all the time in deliberately small quantities so Molly's clients (teens and up) are not likely to see an item they purchase in her store on anyone else. Providing high fashion without high prices (most items are under \$50), Molly endeavors to help each client find or create their individual fashion statement. 720.287.2972; [www.velvetwolf.com](http://www.velvetwolf.com)

**Jake's Brew Bar owners Jayne Barth and daughter Vanessa have announced plans to more than double the size** of their space at 2540 W. Main St. through an expansion into the building next door on the East side of the current bar. In addition, the plans call for a 1500 sq. ft. beer garden in back of the buildings. No definitive date has been announced as to when the expansion will begin but Jayne has decided to devote all of her time to this endeavor and has recently sold Kate's Wine Bar. 303.996.1000; [jakesbrewbar.com](http://jakesbrewbar.com)

**For the third year in a row Restaurant Solutions Inc. (RSI) was chosen as one of the Top Workplaces by *The Denver Post*** in the small employer category based on surveys sent to employees. RSI received comments such as “easy going, fun, highly energetic,” “they value all employees as real people and treat them as such” and how working there is “truly a team effort.” The company was founded by a group of restaurant industry professionals who designed the first corporate level management system specifically for independent restaurants. Since then it has expanded its portfolio of services exponentially and currently works with more than 800 independent restaurants in 42 states from its offices at 1101 W. Mineral Ave. 303.458.1204; [www.restacct.net/](http://www.restacct.net/)

**Lori Kaben has opened a Francesca’s Collections store in the Aspen Grove Shopping Center at 7301 S. Santa Fe Dr.** Located in the northwest bank of stores, her place is filled with fashion-forward styles, accessories and gifts, jewelry, bags, shoes, knick-knacks...just about anything one could be looking for plus many specialty items. And, because new items are arriving all the time, the shop always seems to have something new to offer any time the doors are open. 303.794.4783; [www.francescas.com](http://www.francescas.com)

**A recent supplement on payroll services in *Accounting Today* featured Sean Manning, CEO and founder of Manning and Company** (1860 W. Littleton Blvd.). This company provides tax preparation, bookkeeping and accounting services to a variety of clients and, in 2012, launched Payroll Vault, a franchise arm of the business for people who want to start their own payroll business without the high investment or struggle with marketing and branding. At the time of publication, the company had more than 15 franchises in operation with additional candidates looking into the prospect. 303.783.1847; [www.payrollvault.com](http://www.payrollvault.com)

## Calendar

HDLM: 8:00 to 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 7, 2014, Town Hall Arts Center

## Insights

Your Economic Development team has launched a new website, [Go2Littleton.com](http://Go2Littleton.com), designed to highlight businesses in Littleton, keep you informed of business events organized by the City and share business tips and trends.

Go2Littleton.com includes a [directory](#) of Littleton businesses organized by type

of business. Check out the entry for your business and if it needs to be edited, please contact Recca Larson, [rlarson@littletongov.org](mailto:rlarson@littletongov.org).

The website features noteworthy news on Littleton businesses using innovative business practices, receiving industry or peer awards or recognition for significant accomplishments, and businesses sponsoring charitable events.

Information about trending business ideas, community news and items of interest to Littleton businesses is posted in the “[News](#)” section of the website. Look for an upcoming story about crowdfunding campaigns launched by Littleton businesses. Stay abreast of what’s going on in the Littleton business community with your newest business resource from the City, [Go2Littleton.com](http://Go2Littleton.com).

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