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Littleton Businesses

Axess Communications has been awarded the **phone maintenance contract** for four locations of the Global Investment Firm including three in Colorado and one in New York. Access provides end-to-end business communications support for small, mid and enterprise-sized customers nationwide

American Exteriors (1169 W. Littleton Blvd.) was certified by Green Seal as an environmentally responsible manufacturer and distributor of vinyl replacement windows.

The “**Best of the Best**” issue of 5280 featured **Savory Spice (2650 W. Main St.)** as the Reader’s Choice for Best Business on Main Street. Owners Janet and Mike Johnston have now announced that they will be selling franchises of their popular “mom and pop” business...but only to people passionate about their kind of store and the 400 fresh ground and blended herbs, spices and seasonings they provide.

ADA-ES (8100 Southpark Way) has been awarded a **contract** to supply a mercury emission control system for an existing coal-fired generating unit located in the Midwestern United States. Plans are to make delivery by the end of this year. The company is a leader in clean coal technology and the associated chemicals.

Holly Collins has moved **Adventures in Dance** around the corner and upstairs from where it was formerly located in the Woodlawn Shopping Center (1500 W. Littleton Blvd.). The second floor is accessed by elevator on the Datura St. side of the center.

Adaptec Prosthetics (1501 W. Campus Dr.) held a **ribbon cutting** to celebrate the move of its headquarters into Littleton from a neighboring suburb. Clint Accinni and Royce Heck offer quality state-of-the-art prosthetics in hours rather than weeks and superb customer service. They have several offices throughout the Denver area and serve out of state customers as well.

A recent ribbon cutting marked the grand opening of Mrs. B's Tea Parlor (1506 W. Alamo Ave). Owner Jolynn Fitzmorris, along with the help of many family members and friends, has turned the entire space into an inviting tea-centric place to enjoy lunch or tea, indoors or outside. Mrs. B's also books private parties and offers catering.

Owner Cindy Williams held a ribbon cutting for Broads Off Broadway (2555 W. Alamo Ave.) for her favorite resale shop for quality furniture, novelties, accessories, antiques and modern appointments. The shop features a number of collections from various dealers including antique Chinese furniture.

The Olde Town Market is coming to Historic Downtown Littleton the second Saturday of each month from July through October due to the efforts of Peggy Cooper (Details Boutique), Marcia Asheim (A Knitted Piece), Sue Coffey (Believing in Kids and Families), and Amy Doherty (Pink Attic Cat Antiques). The Market will offer one-of-a-kind vintage treasures, local artisans, antiques, jewelry, pottery and much more.

Other

The Littleton Immigrant Initiative, chaired by Susan Thornton, has won the E Pluribus Unum prize from the Migration Policy Institute for "helping immigrants and children join mainstream society." Alejandra Harguth is director of the program, which includes English classes, a program where citizens guide immigrants, and one-on-one citizenship mentoring. Housed in the Bemis Library (6014 S. Datura St.), the program has almost 200 volunteers and is proud of the 81 immigrants who have become citizens to date. Some 280 people come in for some type of help monthly.

Calendar

HDLM: July 1, 2009, 8:00 to 9:30 a.m., Town Hall Arts Center

Woodlawn Merchants Meeting: July 8, 2009, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., Blueberry's Coffee Shop Bakery-Café

Insights

Commentary on business, the economy and innovative practices

The social media revolution continues to unfold at breathtaking speed. We have conducted three seminars on the subject since last year, all of them sold out. The role that Twitter played in getting news out about the Iranian election and protests (when all other media was shut down by the Iranian government) shows how powerful these tools have become worldwide. Marketing is no longer about pushing your message out; it is about participating in a conversation about your product and company on social media sites.

*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).*

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