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## Littleton Economic Notes May 2009

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### Littleton Businesses

**Karen Padgett, Founder and President of Novus Biological** (8100 SouthPark Way), was recently notified that her company was chosen as one of the “50 Companies to Watch” in Colorado. Colorado Companies to Watch is a unique awards program honoring second-stage companies that are developing valuable products and services, creating quality jobs, enriching communities, and building new industries throughout Colorado. Novus is a supplier of a range of antibodies, controls and RNAi suitable for current research trends and needs. It is currently expanding in London to handle the 15 to 20 percent of its business in Europe.

**BB O’Reilly’s Bar & Grille** has opened in the renovated space formerly occupied by Your Neighborhood Grille at the Woodlawn Shopping Center (1500 W. Littleton Blvd.). Among owner Brad Brallier’s offerings are great hamburgers, fries, soups, salads, sandwiches, specialty entrees, great drinks in the bar and Irish Nachos among many other appetizers. In addition, there is outdoor dining space out front and in the patio area in the back.

**Patrick Wise recently opened Fish Window Cleaning** at 5306 S. Bannock St. The franchise store offers businesses window cleaning for a one-time construction clean-up, weekly service or most anything in between. The nationally known company stresses its high standards for excellent customer service.

**Lon Loomis has taken his 21 years of experience with Quickbooks and opened LL Bookkeeping.** Lon works with small businesses on site and also teaches bookkeeping and Quickbooks.

**Kristi and Wilton Koernig of Chandler Farm (2440 W. Main St.) have closed their retail store** and are now manufacturing the Great Ape Collection of organic, paraben-free, sulfate-free, and palm oil-free skin care products that they wholesale to retailers. They will remain in their present location, which will serve as the showroom for the trade by appointment. A portion of each sale will be donated to The Phelps Great Ape Foundation, which works to save the natural habitats of the orangutan specifically, that are being over harvested for Palm oil.

**Endodontic Associates has opened an office** at 7889 S. Lincoln Ct. Services include root canal

therapy, endodontic retreatment, root canal surgery, cracked teeth and traumatic injury treatment.

**Several Littleton businesses were honored by *Westword* in its list of *The Best of Denver for 2009*:**

- **Best Store in Downtown Littleton: Pink Attic Cat** (2555 W. Alamo Ave.). Editors noted that Amy Doherty's vintage shop "will put you in mind of your grandma's attic, stuffed to the rafters as it is with pure treasure."
- **Best Resale for Haute Kids: Couture Kids Consignment Boutique** (2370 W. Main St.). Cailin Clements offers upscale clothing for children and new merchandise, "mostly made by local moms," such as custom pillowcases, Scrabble-tile jewelry, and embroidered baby blankets.
- **Best Indoor Flea Market: Oh, So Charming** (5684 S. Datura St.). Co-owners Melissa Bragg, Gwen Arnold and Marianne Baldwin open their cottage's pink doors to visitors every second Friday and Saturday of the month "for an ongoing flea-full of quality antiques and vintage décor."
- **Best Pancakes: Toast** (2700 W. Bowles Ave.). Critics "flipped" over the Plain Jane Pancakes and raised Jason Parfenoff and Bill Blake's restaurant "to the realm of hotcake heaven" when describing their specialty pancakes "made to taste like strawberry cheesecake or in the style of Bananas Foster."
- **Best Hot Dog: Old Fashioned Italian Deli** (395 W. Littleton Blvd.). Thomas and David Panzarella feature authentic New York hot dogs with a wide choice of toppings along with the New York atmosphere—pictures of Marilyn Monroe on the walls, mismatched tablecloths, and shelves full of pastas, tomatoes, and other Italian dry goods.

## Other

**The B/IA will be holding a second brown bag seminar on Social Media** Tuesday, June 16 from 11:30 to 1:00. Bring your lunch and drinks will be provided. The seminar is free to any business within the city limits, but **reservations are required**. Please RSVP to [jricca@littletongov.org](mailto:jricca@littletongov.org) or call 303.795.3749.

## Calendar

*HDLM: 8:00 to 9:30a.m., June 3, 2009*

*Woodlawn Merchants Meeting: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., June 10, 2009*

## *Insights*

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

The Economic Stimulus Bill authorized \$255 million in SBA guaranteed loans to help existing businesses struggling with business loan payments because of the economic downturn. This program will be available beginning June 15th and will continue until September 30th or when funds are depleted, whichever comes first. The funding only allows for about 10,000 loans nationwide, or an average of 200 per state, so it is critical that businesses have all their paperwork and supporting documentation ready by June 15th. The loans must be used to make principal and interest payments on business loans, including mortgages, term and revolving lines of credit, capital leases, credit card obligations and notes payable to vendors, suppliers and utilities. Funds cannot be used to pay principal or interest on SBA loans. Contact your local banks to see if they are participating in the program.

*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)).

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