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MUELLER A PERFECT FIT FOR LATEST RETAIL JEWEL FASHIONIQUE

Locally Owned Jewelry, Accessory Store Joins Sprint as Latest Stores at Mueller's Regional Retail Center

AUSTIN, Texas – July 8, 2008 – Fashionique, a new, locally owned designer jewelry and accessory store, made its debut at the Mueller regional retail center at I-35 and 51st Street earlier this month. The store offers gold and sterling silver jewelry as well as purses, shoes and accessories from around the world.

“While I was at college I noticed the different cultures that influenced people’s styles and how they were accessorizing, and I realized women in Austin needed a place to find unique jewelry and handbags that they would not be able to buy in a standard retail store,” said Stacy Uzuh, owner of Fashionique and a 2007 theatre arts and costume design graduate of Texas Southern University.

As a college graduation present to their daughter, Uzuh’s parents Chief/Dr. Sunday and Chief/Mrs. Rosemary Uzuh, who own and operate [Rosy Home Health Care Services](#) on Airport Boulevard near Mueller, offered to help Stacy open her store, and Mueller was the ideal location.

Family, education and hard work have always been important to the Uzuhs. Born and raised in Nigeria, Dr. and Mrs. Uzuh independently came to the United States to further their education. After fate brought them together, they married and started a family, both working several jobs at once to support their four children while simultaneously earning advanced degrees.

In addition to their health care business in Texas, the Uzuhs also established the Rosy Health Care Foundation in Igbodo, Nigeria to educate local citizens about preventing simple diseases and infections. Through many struggles and successes the Uzuhs made sure their children understood the value of family, educations and hard work.



“My husband and I worked hard to realize our dreams and to afford our children the opportunities to realize theirs,” said Mrs. Uzuh. “We are very proud of all of our children and the paths they have chosen to take. Helping Stacy to open her own store is rewarding for us as parents and we know it will be equally rewarding to her as she begins her business career.”

Fashionique incorporated green building principles in the finish-out of the space. “Seeing all of Catellus’ efforts to incorporate green building into every aspect of the community as well as the location and accessibility of the center convinced us that Mueller was the ideal place to open Fashionique,” said Uzuh. “Mueller is going to be a great community and we are glad that we can be a part of it.”

Also scheduled to open soon, [Sprint](#) will join other Mueller retailers such as [Bed Bath & Beyond](#), [Best Buy](#), [Marshalls](#), [Old Navy](#) and the newly opened [PetSmart](#).

Meanwhile, Catellus has broken ground on Mueller’s second phase of retail between 51st Street and Barbara Jordan Boulevard, anchored by [The Home Depot](#), which will open fall 2008. The Home Depot at Mueller is designed to achieve a three-star rating in Austin Energy’s Green Building Program by using water-efficient plumbing fixtures to achieve at least 15 percent water savings, installing energy-efficient lighting, recycling more than 50 percent of the waste generated during construction, utilizing low-emitting materials that improve air quality and much more.

About Mueller’s Retail Center

Mueller’s retail center is the economic engine of the entire Mueller community with sales taxes generated there reinvested to help pay for the infrastructure of the community. Additionally, the regional retail center, located along I-35, is an ideal buffer for future residents of Mueller, and will provide regional and national destination shopping for historically under-served Central and East Austin.

“From the very beginning, Mueller has been envisioned by the City and concerned citizens as a diverse community where a variety of businesses, employees and residents come together. We are pleased with the opportunity to bring a local, specialty retailer like Fashionique and the Uzuhs to Mueller and central east Austin.” said Matt Whelan, senior vice president for Catellus.



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From home improvement to home décor, and from family fashion to diverse dining options, the Mueller regional retail center includes a wide variety of merchandise and services from a wide variety of national retailers like The Home Depot and Best Buy, regional retailers like The Chair King and Austin's first Doc Green's and local retailer HCS Salon. For a complete list of retailers at Mueller, please visit http://muelleraustin.com/retail/shop_at_mueller.php.

About Mueller (www.MuellerAustin.com): Mueller will be developed over 10 to 15 years and is expected to include more than 140 acres of open space, a pattern of landscaped streets designed to support pedestrians and bicycles, at least 4,600 single-family and multi-family living units, a mixed-use town center, 3.8 million square feet of office space, 650,000 square feet of retail space and a central transit corridor that provides for a possible extension of mass transit service. The 32-acre campus of the Dell Children's Medical Center of Central Texas opened at Mueller in 2006 and the project's first residents began moving in at the end of 2007.

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