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Businesses are grandly opening

SB has an important news flash. Businesses are still opening in Atlanta!

We stopped by the Feb. 5 grand opening bash for Dragonfly The Salon, an industrial chic new spot in the White Provision building at Howell Mill Road and 14th Street.

"I'm the Social Dragonfly," co-owner and stylist **Kyoko Akins** said, whisking us through for a quick tour of the place. (We are *so* BFF.) Guests sipped signature Dragonfly cocktails and nibbled on a spread from Sun In My Belly. The crowd turning out to meet Akins and co-owner and stylist **Chaz Anderson** included SIMB's **Max LeBlanc** and **Alison Lueker**, along with **Mark Edge**, **Austin DeBeor**, **A. Scott Walton**, **Drew Jackson**, **Shannon Puckett**, **Tanner Smith** and **Brad Lev**. When you're ready to get your glam on, see www.whiteprovision.com.

In other economically stimulating news, Serpas True Food in the Studioplex building on Auburn Avenue threw a grand opening bash last month to introduce the ATL to its crispy duck rolls, Texas Crab Toast and white chocolate cranberry bread pudding. A crowd of 300 turned out to congratulate chef and owner **Scott Serpas** and wife **Dawn**, including **Bob Amick**, **Matt Cleghorn**, **Kara Kaminsky**, **Arthur Moretti**, **Sia Moshk**, **Courtney Necessary** and **Scott Selig**. Info: www.serpasrestaurant.com.

Speaking of family affairs, **Oswald Morgan**, wife **Karen** and daughter **Zoe**, 9, welcomed guests at the recent grand opening party for Kozmo Gastro Pub. The name of the Johns Creek restaurant, in the Shops of Douglas development, is a combination of Mom, Dad and daughter's names. How cute is that? If you've had it with dreary news out of Wall Street, mixologist **Jimmy Rudnick** can bail you out with one of his Kozmo-of-the-day concoctions. Info: www.kozmogastropub.com.

And just in time for Valentine's Day, One on One Matchmaking held its debut soiree last week at Two Urban Licks.

Proprietress **Sarah Kathryn Smith** was on hand to make crucial introductions. The crowd included **Kristy Jeffries**, **Sarah Anna-Laura Lentz**, **Elizabeth Morrison**, **Janie Logan** and **Michael Mills**. Looking for love? See www.lonlmatchmaking.com.

Need a laugh? Jimmy Fallon's coming to town

We sat next to **Victoria Palefsky** at a luncheon one time and about swooned listening to her long list of philanthropic projects. She hasn't lived in Atlanta long, but jumped into the social scene with both feet. A past chairwoman of the Atlanta Symphony's annual gala, she's now lending her talents to the Alliance Theatre. "A Tony Evening," benefiting the Tony Award-winning theater, is March 21 at the Midtown W. Palefsky chairs with **Jennings Hertz Jr.** serving as honorary chairman. Key committee members include **Karen Spiegel**, **Lelia Brougher**, **Debbie Dermer**, **Susan Callaway**, **Patty Hertz Reid**, **Daryl Evans**, **Deb Steege**, **Travis Reed** and **Susan Tucker** and **Alan Schreihofner**. The committee snared **Jimmy Fallon**, the Saturday Night Live comedian who's taking over the "Late Night" reins when Conan O'Brien moves to the helm of "The Tonight Show."

ATE benefits Alliance's programs for youth audiences. Tix are \$250 each, while patron reservations start at \$1,000 per couple. www.alliancetheatre.org.

Here and there

Tootsies hosts a March 18 fashion show to benefit The Kim King Foundation, which serves

children in Atlanta's West End community. Local celebrity models will hit the catwalk in the season's finest, and proceeds from private shopping and a raffle will benefit this worthy cause. Celeb models will include **Corinna Allen, Veronica Best, Sabina Carr, Celeste Couvillon, Mara Davis, Tamara Kimble, Abby de Perez, Elizabeth Schulte Roth, Paige Smith, Nancy Staab** and **April Trigg**. The foundation's **Angela Karatassos**, daughter of the late King, hosts. Seasons 52 is feeding everyone, and Hornè Rum provides the libations while Carter-Barnes and Aric C Cosmetics will gussy up the gals. Info: 404-842-9990 or www.tootsies.com

For more than 70 years, The Circle for Children has worked hard to benefit charitable organizations serving children in metro Atlanta and beyond. Established in 1927 as The Young Matrons' Circle for Tallulah Falls School, the Circle's original mission was to raise money for Tallulah Falls School. In 1995, the organization changed its name to The Circle for Children and expanded its focus to disadvantaged children throughout Georgia. The Circle's annual fundraiser, themed Carnivale, is planned for March 21 at The Retreat of Dunwoody. **Shirley Whitmire** serves as chairwoman with **Chantal Bagwell** co-chairing. The event features silent and live auctions, dinner and dancing. Tickets are \$175 each. See circle4children.org. ...Veteran's Heart Georgia holds a benefit dinner Feb. 28 at Petite Auberge. Tickets are \$26 until tomorrow and then are \$30. **Christi O'Hara** chairs the event, which features raffles of movie tickets and restaurant gift certificates. Call 770-496-1645, e-mail coseifring@bellsouth.net or see www.veteransheartgeorgia.org. ... The Bobby Dodd Institute honors those who serve people with disabilities at the eighth annual Breakfast with Champions, which begins at 7:30 a.m. March 5 at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta. Former University of Georgia football coach and athletic director **Vince Dooley** is the keynote speaker. For tix, call 678-365-2268.

