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## Monkey Joe's is coming to Fairview

A new children's indoor recreation and party center and an existing fabric store soon will have a new address in Fairview Heights.

Contractor HBD is building a 50,000-square-foot building along Market Place Drive in Fairview Heights that will house **Monkey Joe's** indoor recreation center, the new home of **Jo-Ann Fabrics & Crafts**. Construction is expected to be finished by November. Monkey Joe's is expected to open sometime this year, and plans to open its new store in March. There will be another 12,000 square feet available for another retailer.

The new building is at the site where a tornado destroyed a K&G Fashion Superstore two years ago and killed a man when the building collapsed.

Monkey Joe's will be a new addition to the metro-east. It has two other locales across the river in O'Fallon, Mo., and Crestwood, Mo. Jo-Ann Fabrics has been at the **Crossroads Plaza Shopping Center** for the past 10 years. ...

Marilyn Buehlhorn has opened the metro-east's first FruitFlowers franchise. **FruitFlowers of Swansea** is at 216 Frank Scott Parkway East, just off I-55. The 'bouquets' of fruit that is cut, sliced, sculpted and arranged to resemble flowers -- from strawberry roses to pineapple daisies. The Philadelphia-based franchise has 150 stores in 15 states. You can call the newest one at 233-7622. ...

A new **Country Inn & Suites** has opened for business in O'Fallon. You can find it at 116 Regency Park or call 622-8600. ...

A Fairview Heights bar looks to be reinventing itself, again. A sign that reads **Mister G's Sports Bar** is located at the former site of the Quinn's and Frank Scott Parkway West in Fairview Heights. Stay tuned. ...

Work continues on the southwest corner of Green Mount Road and Frank Scott Parkway East, in Shiloh, soon to be a combination **MotoMart** and **McDonald's** restaurant. And, in O'Fallon, construction is progressing on the new, bigger McDonald's on East Highway 50, across from **Hardee's**, expected to open later this year or early next year. ...

And, finally, Shannon Green-Hoskin has purchased the former Larry's Hair Design from Larry Simpson and formed **Natural Vines Hair Studio**, located at 501 S. Long St. in Caseyville. Call 447-2376 for more information.

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