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## **Gourmet Coffee Shop Opens at Swan Creek Village Center**

Debbie and Colin Preston celebrated the realization of a dream 10 years in the making Saturday when their coffee shop, The Bottomless Cup, opened its doors at Swan Creek Village Center.

The Prestons, both full-time employees of the Upper Chesapeake Health System, decided to turn their vision into reality early this year when the perfect location, a 1,200 square foot suite in the upscale retail center, became available.

"The location is excellent. It is easily accessible from Route 40 and close to the Bulle Rock Golf Course and historic Havre de Grace, areas marked for high-end demographic growth," said Debbie Haney, a real estate advisor on the MacKenzie Commercial Real Estate Services Retail team, who provided leasing services for The Bottomless Cup.

The Swan Creek Village Center, a \$14 million re-development project which includes 104,000 square feet of retail and office space, opened in September. The lavish center, said to "set the bar for retail development in Harford County", was designed to promote leisurely shopping excursions. Its ample walkways, elegant architectural details, and numerous pedestrian amenities, provided a fitting ambiance for the gourmet French-country cafe.

But it is not the atmosphere that has The Bottomless Cup already serving repeat customers according to Debbie Preston, it's "the quality of the cup".

"We use the finest international coffees, roasted by Orinoco one of the country's leading roasters. They roast exclusively for Dean and Deluca in New York," said Preston. "We've also hired the best baristas. Our Barista Manager, Heather Miles, was trained in Oregon, a state that takes their coffee seriously, and is a skilled latte-artist," she added.

The Bottomless Cup, Harford County's only gourmet-coffee, independent drive thru, offers a wide variety of coffee specialties including flavorful lattes, cappuccinos, and espressos in addition to a menu of scrumptious pastries, scones, bagels, and dessert-like treats from the YiaYia Bakery in Baltimore. The café and drive thru are open Monday through Saturday from 6 am to 6 pm.

The Prestons, who employ eight at The Bottomless Cup, hope to extend their hours to Sunday and add lunch items to their menu in 2009.

For more information, please visit [www.thebottomlesscup.com](http://www.thebottomlesscup.com).

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