

# SPOTLIGHT

## Merle Norman Opens in Chase



- by Pam Spittel -

There's a new place to get pampered in our area. Merle Norman Cosmetic Studios, celebrating 75 years of beauty, has a new location on 12536 Eastern Avenue Extended in Chase. The Honeygo Studio, owned by Dr. Sayni Pin, is proud to be associated with the

company that built their reputation of the "try-before-you-buy" philosophy, offering free makeovers and skin analysis. Other specialized services include foundation matching, hydrating facials, seasonal and year-round color selection with application instruction. You will experience a calm, private and relaxing atmosphere for your personal one-on-one beauty lesson conducted by a Merle Norman

With a lot of determination and hard work, the family was able to achieve much success in America. Dr. Pin's passions in chemistry, math and physics earned her straight A's in school, as she went on to become #3 in her graduating class at Havre de Grace High School. In fact, four of the eight children in her family went on to become doctors, despite their horrific childhood and the language barriers they experienced. One of Dr. Pin's brothers has been involved in stem cell research at Johns Hopkins.

Dr. Pin stated that her goal now is to become an active member of the local community, and this is good news for Nick Nichols, executive director of the Essex-Middle River-White Marsh Chamber of Commerce. Nick stated that he thinks Merle Norman will be an asset to the area. "More new businesses are discovering Eastern Baltimore County with the revitalization and future opening of Route 43 at Eastern Avenue."

Dr. Pin hopes to meet many of her new neighbors this Saturday, April 15 at the Grand Opening celebration from noon until 6 p.m. There will be light



professionally trained, MD board certified beauty consultant using technologically advanced skin care and color products. Telephone orders are accepted.

Dr. Pin, a pharmacist at Bon Secours Hospital, decided to utilize her interest and expertise in chemistry to realize the American dream of owning her own business. That goal was at the end of a long and difficult road. Dr. Pin's family had lived a very comfortable life in Cambodia until the war ravaged their region in what she describes as a "holocaust." Although their family escaped to Thailand in 1981, they endured bigotry, robbery of their worldly possessions and her father suffered severe beatings. With the help of a brother, who had previously made it safely to the United States, the rest of the family was able to join him in Havre de Grace, Maryland.

food and refreshments along with a "Kissable Lips Contest" and a drawing for a shopping spree. You will also get a free gift with the purchase of any two items.

Sharing space with Dr. Pin's Merle Norman Cosmetic Studio are photography and digital imaging services. This venture will provide a nice mix for weddings and special event photo opportunities. Getting a complete make-over and then having your portrait done is a terrific gift idea for a loved one. The digital imaging techniques can enhance your photos with endless possibilities.

Another bonus during the grand opening is a free make-over and one 4x6 photo shoot with a minimum of one purchase. For more details you can call 410-335-4816.