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Distinctive Style

Fall into fashion with The Times Leader's special section, Distinctive Style, where we highlight local boutiques, shops, and salons. At Distinctive Style, we want to introduce you to some of the best trends for the upcoming seasons from some of our favorite places in NEPA.

Want to stand out? You need a distinctive style!

With Fall around the corner we, at Distinctive Style, want to help you find some of the best trends for the upcoming seasons from some of our favorite local shops and salons in NEPA.

Here are the eight fall wardrobe basics you should have in your closet:



Crisp white oxford shirt.

Layered under a soft sweater, or standing on its own, this shirt has held a the "timeless" title for decades — and doesn't look to be losing this designation any time soon.



Cardigan sweaters.

This is the time of year when the air is getting cooler. With a perfect cardigan, you can transition summer styles into fall. While you should be sure to have two neutral colors, this is one of the few "foundational" pieces where adding a fun color or two works great, too.

Black pants.

These also should be tailored. The difference between a good outfit and a great outfit is fit.

Basic T-shirts.

To go under your classic blazer, of course. (And for so many other outfits.) You want a variety of neutrals in a soft fabric and flattering fit. A good T-shirt holds a lot of capital and shouldn't be overlooked.



Dark-wash jeans.

Everyone's body is different, and you know your body best; any style that looks great will do the trick in a dark wash.

Neutral day dress.

Think comfortable and versatile. Accessorized well, this dress will take you from day to girls' night to date night.



Fitted blazer.

A perfectly fitting blazer should be in every closet. Stylish with work-wear or a white T-shirt and jeans, a blazer adds an element of style to any ensemble. This is a piece that is worth having tailored.



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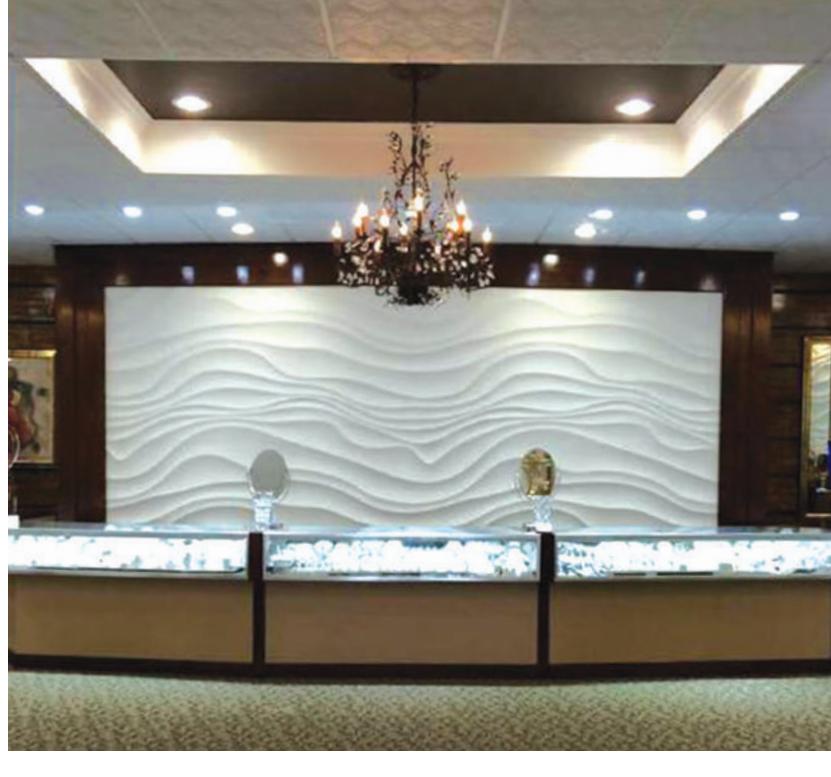
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The local Kingston store is owned by Emile & Mindy Zafrany. Emile is known for his master craftsmanship in custom work. He hand picks the jewelry and giftware, ensuring that the newest trends are always in stock.

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Global fashion trends, local location

Shooze is a contemporary women's boutique that sells fashionable clothing, shoes, and accessories. They offer the best of New York/global fashion trends. Elaine Kennedy, Shooze's store manager, says their store brings New York City fashion to our area.

Some of the brands Shooze offers are Stuart Weitzman, Vince, Aquatalia, Tory Burch, Same Edelman, Elie Tahari, Nicole Miller, Whimsy Rose and Minnie Rose. They are also one of the only stores in our area that sells (women's) Hunter boots, super stylish rainboots in a variety of styles, colors, and sizes (see image).

Table and mannequin displays throughout the store showcase Shooze's incredible fashion sense. One, in particular (see image) is dressed in a Vince sweater (\$445), J Brand Jeans (\$198) and

Vince (\$225) gray slip on shoes. This outfit is perfect for fall and all of these pieces are multi-functional and can be worn together or paired with other pieces.

Along with beautiful clothing, shoes, and accessories – Shooze also has a great selection of jewelry by brands such as REALM and Alexis Bittar.

Alice + Olivia is another great brand that Shooze sells. Alice + Olivia is a New York based contemporary clothing company by designer Stacey Bendet. A black and white Bernice striped ruffle-sleeve top by Alice + Olivia is available for purchase, the one in the picture is \$250, but is marked at 50% off (see image).

Visit Shooze at the northeast corner of the Korals Complex on Market Street in Kingston and follow them on Facebook @shoozecontemporaryboutique. They're available Monday – Saturday to help you with all of your fashion needs.

By Harrt Lang, Times Leader



A display of fall must-haves at Shooze.

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Shooze is the premiere shopping destination for fashionable women's clothing, shoes, and accessories.

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Shooze was founded in 1983 by Joann Emanski as an upscale shoe boutique in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

To the delight of our discerning clientele, Shooze soon expanded its focus to include clothing and accessories. We offer an impressive array of designer collections that could take you from lounging, to business meetings, and to sophisticated formal events.

Our recent relocation to the northeast corner of the Korals Complex at 311 Market Street in Kingston, PA provides a wonderful environment to enrich your shopping experience.

As always it is our pleasure to assist you with your fashion needs. If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact us.



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Boscov's Back to school and so much more

If you have kids heading back to school – Boscov's is a one-stop-shop. There's something for the whole family – from athletic wear to school approved uniforms. Boscov's has a great selection of polo shirts, slacks, jackets, and sweaters in a variety of sizes and styles for back to school uniforms.

Boys and girl's sections aren't limited to uniforms, there is a wide selection of shirts, jeans, and other sets for under \$20. Reasonably priced back packs in different sizes and styles are available, as well. Jansport bags are available for girls and boys priced from \$36-\$55. Check their website and circulations for other great sales, as their prices are constantly being marked down.

Boscov's men's section is stocked to the brim with casual wear, dress shirts, suit separates, athletic wear, and denim (to name a few). If you're looking for jeans Boscov's offers a variety of popular brands like Lee and Levi's for affordable prices. They have a great Levi's display with different fits like slim, straight, taper, and relaxed. A range of different washes and colors are available, too.

Levi's 505 Regular Fit jeans in dark blue are a great look for fall and winter (or any time, really). They're available in store and online in sizes 30 x 30 to 38 x 34. Original price is \$59.50 and they're on sale, now, for \$49.99. For larger men's sizes, Boscov's has a Big & Tall section with Izod woven shirts, Architect brand polos, henleys, and dress shirts in sizes up to 4XL. Jeans, pants, and shorts are also available in store and on the website.

Misses, petites, plus, and juniors sizes are all available for women. Designer brands like Calvin Klein and Rafaella are available in different sizes from women's to petite. Check the website and circulations for the changing prices.

For some fall/shoe advice - White Mountain Irma wedge ankle boots are a fall must-have. They are available in three different colors and are originally priced at \$69.99 and are marked down to \$17.49 - \$19.99.

By Harrt Lang



Boscov's denim for men.



Jansport backpacks at affordable prices.



Boscov's has a large selection of school approved uniforms.

How to buy school clothes without busting your budget

Parents often note that kids seem to grow like weeds. Pants that once reached to the tops of a youngster's feet quickly become too short, while once-loose shirts may soon become too snug. Many parents find themselves regularly in children's clothing departments stocking up on the basics, which can put quite a dent in already stretched-thin budgets.

Although children's wardrobes are added to at various times of the year, the bulk of shopping occurs just before the school year begins. Though clothing can be expensive, families need not bust their budgets when shopping for kids' clothing. By shopping smart and concentrating on fashion staples, it's easier to stretch money further.

- Spread out purchases. Shopping early allows parents to make the most of sales. Warm weather clothing generally goes on sale in July to make room for new fall lines. Considering the first few months of school still may be warm, short-sleeved shirts will still have utility and are generally less expensive than sweaters and sweatshirts. Staggering purchases also enables parents to develop a clothing allowance each and every month instead of having one large bill at a certain point in the year. Parents can even add to their children's wardrobes during the holiday season, when clothes tend to get reduced again for holiday sales.
- Don't discount hand-me-downs. It's trendy to recycle clothing and also to be environmentally conscious by putting items to good use again and again. Aside from you and your wallet, no one will know if your child is wearing a secondhand pair of pants or a brand new pair. Many school moms are anxious to swap clothing with others to lessen their own financial burdens with children's clothing. Start a clothing swap with a group of friends, and you may find you have more than you need in the way of clothes for the kids.
- Take stock of what you already have. How many times have you run out to the grocery store for a missing ingredient only to find that very item buried at the back of the pantry? The same thing happens with kids' clothes. Before taking kids clothes shopping, take inventory of their closets. Have little ones try on clothes to see which items still fit and which can be discarded or donated. Make a list of the items you need to cut down on impulse spending at the store.
- Invest in the right high-quality pieces. Spending a fortune for a trendy pair of pants that may end up getting ruined on the playground is not the best way to shop for kids' clothing. However, investing in a quality pair of shoes that will last much of the year is a good investment. Know when to splurge and when it's okay to shop at the discount store.
- Stock up on staples. A straight-leg cut of jeans, some solid colored polo shirts and an A-line dress or skirt are some classic foundation pieces for children's wardrobes. Such items tend to last longer than trendy items that may only last a few months before the next trend arrives.
- Learn to layer. Layering items can make pieces look like new by putting them together in different combinations. Layering a summer T-shirt under a fall hoodie gets use out of two different season's worth of clothes. It also enables kids to be comfortable during unpredictable weather.
- Leave it to the kids. Parents often worry about what other parents will think of their own children's clothing. Children do not typically worry about such things until their preteen or teenage years. You may spend less money on clothing simply because your child has a few favorite shirts and pants he or she wears over and over. That's less laundry for you and less money you have to spend on new clothes.



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Keeping the kids occupied while you get pampered

Located on East Lackawanna Ave, In the Name of Hair is a new and unique salon in Olyphant. They not only specialize in hair and ethnic hair, but also have a waxing station and manicure/pedicure stations. Also, tanning beds, spray tanning, air brushed makeup, and massage therapy are coming soon.

A special feature for In the Name of Hair is their kids room – a visible play area for children to hang out while mom and/or dad get pampered. Owner, Heather Rhodes, understands and values the importance of “me time” and wanted to give busy parents a chance to relax at the salon if they have to bring the kids along.

Along with having a kid friendly environment, Heather offers clients affordable prices for quality services. Shop online for significantly discounted beauty packages and promotions – for example, a deal for \$37.50 - where you get a free consultation, Full Foil Highlights Bayalage, wash and style, and a scalp massage. Check out other available packages at inthenameofhair.com.

In the Name of Hair also sells luxury hot tools sold at market value prices. They have 100% black onyx ceramic straightening and curling tools. They offer exclusive brands like Nubi Hair – a boosting hair serum that is heat protecting and it's designed for skin and hair for both men and women (and it smells amazing). Other brands include (and are not limited to) Maxwell, Goldwell and Pulp Riot products.

Visit In the Name of Hair today – walk ins are welcome and appointments are available, as well. Call ahead to schedule and follow them on social media (Facebook and Instagram) @inthenameofhair.



How to choose the right cosmetic products

The global cosmetic and beauty industry continues to evolve and thrive. Each day, new formulations for skin, hair, nails, and more arrive on store shelves, beckoning shoppers to give them a try.

According to Allied Market Research, the cosmetics market is expected to generate \$429.8 billion by 2022. As men and women all over the world contribute to these impressive sales figures, one may wonder just how to navigate through the extensive waters of the cosmetics industry. How does a person find the right products for their needs when there are so many to choose from? The right products vary depending on the individual. Certain factors should be considered before trying the newest product available.

Know your skin type

It helps to have a cursory understanding of your skin type. This includes whether it is dry, combination, sensitive, or oily. When considering your skin type, also keep in mind potential allergens that may have irritated your skin in the past. Avoid cosmetic products with these ingredients.

Sign up for a sample service

Explore the various cosmetic mail-order subscription services available. For a nominal fee, some services allow you to have several samples shipped to your door each month. Try the products and see which ones are contenders. This way you haven't made a large financial commitment, nor do you have full-size products cluttering your bathroom. If one or more items proves its mettle, invest in more.

Weed out the ones that don't work

Certain ingredients, such as retinol or alpha hydroxy acids, can cause a little irritation. However, cosmetic products should not burn, cause redness or inflammation, advise dermatologists. If a product does, discontinue use. Skin or hair should not get worse before it gets better.

Give products time

Read the literature on the packaging or bottle. Certain cosmetic products are designed to work quickly. Others, particularly those that treat wrinkles or dark spots on skin, may need two weeks to a month to produce the desired results. A good rule of thumb is that the longer an issue lasts, the more time a product will need to produce the desired results.

Go out in the sun

The best way to determine if a shade of makeup matches or if a product looks flawless is to go out in the sun. Although cosmetics have come a long way, and digital color-matching is some of the most advanced technology, natural light is the best way to determine a skin tone match. If the makeup looks great during the day, it should work well under other lighting situations as well.

Do a consultation

Visit a department store and head to the beauty counter. Ask about the newest products available and request a trial. This enables you to see firsthand how items feel and look, and you may learn some professional application tips as well.

Similarly, when at the hair salon, ask your stylist which products are ideal for your hair type and desired results. You don't necessarily have to buy them at the salon, but you can comparison shop or look for similar formulations later.

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Clark Summit Shop caters to kids, women, more

Kidazzle is a children's boutique that features clothes from infant to toddler, children's toys and games, and gifts. They have an assortment of different styles for kids like one pieces, two piece sets, tees, and outwear (for girls and boys).

Along with children's clothing Kidazzle has bibs, blankets, and shoes in many different styles, sizes, and some are made of organic material, as well.

Toward the back of the store, Kidazzle has women's clothing, jewelry, and gifts. Women's brands like Lee Anderson, Habitat, Yassiko and Adore are available. They sell a selection of Lee Anderson dresses, tops, and two pieces made with special, crinkle fabric – with decorative flowers, beads, and other accents in a handful of different colors and sizes.

Owner, Sonia Wysochanski, is a Jack of all trades and also has two other businesses. The Closet Werks, which is a home, office, and garage organization company and The Drapery Shop where Sonia makes custom draperies, bedspreads, blinds, shutters, wall covering, and customizes and installs closet organization.

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Studio M Designs is Kingston's hidden gem



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Studio M's display of Alex and Ani bracelets



Salt lamps, Giving Key necklaces, keychains, and more.



These boxed necklaces and bracelets make great gifts.

Studio M Designs is the go-to place for Alex and Ani, MantraBand, Lokai, and UNODE50 jewelry. Located on Division Street in Kingston, Studio M has a large selection of jewelry, crystals, semi-precious stones and other gifts.

Embellished with purple accents, Studio M's storefront welcomes you in with cute succulent window boxes and a charming front window display decorated with Himalayan salt lamps, Buddha figurines, and semi-precious stones and crystals.

Studio M has an enormous selection of Alex and Ani bracelets – popular charm and wrap bracelets that can adjust to any wrist size – in a wide variety of styles and colors. They come in silver, gold, and rose gold and can be worn alone or stacked with others. Alex and Ani Kindred Cords are available, too. They are adjustable bracelets that are on a polyester cord that stretches from 5.5" to 9.5" and can fit almost every wrist size.

This is also the place to buy Giving Key necklaces – classic key necklaces on long chains that are available in different colors and sizes. Each key necklace comes with a different word stamped into it. The brand's mission is to wear the necklace, let it inspire you and carry you through a difficult time, then pass it to someone who needs it (a loved one or a stranger) when it has served its purpose for you.

MantraBands are also available for purchase in silver (\$25), gold (\$35), and rose gold (\$35). MantraBands are simple, but elegant, bracelets with uplifting messages that are meant to promote optimism, positivity and mindfulness.

'It is what it is,' 'let your light shine,' and 'live in the moment' are a few examples of some of the messages MantraBands have.

Along with having a large selection, that I haven't even scratched the surface of, Studio M Designs also specializes in custom-designed jewelry orders – whether it's for a wedding, a birthday, or just because. Visit Studio M Designs to see all of the beautiful pieces it has to offer (and to say hello to the friendly and knowledgeable staff).

Follow Studio M Designs on Facebook @littlepurplebox or visit their website www.studiomjewelry.com.



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Shop sells unique items made by local artisans

Tucked away on 725 South State Street in Clarks Summit, Willow Tree Shop is a specialty gift store that sells unique home décor, artisan goods, vintage products, antiques and other stylish items. They have two floors – both filled with great products.

Willow Tree sells beautiful jewelry made by local artisans, like Annadriel Jewelry – handcrafted necklaces, bracelets, rings, and earrings that are inspired by Art Deco and Art Nouveau. These pieces are made with Swarovski crystals and glass stones – sure to sparkle under any light.

Lifetime Candles by White River Designs are another popular item. These candles are beautifully designed – in clear/glass jars and bottles and burn smokeless and odorless oil. All you have to do is replace the wick and oil when you are low (wick and instructions are included with your purchase).

Along with jewelry and candles – Willow Tree has hand poured soy candles, a variety of teas, jewelry and hand crafted stained glass, but that's not all – the second floor is stocked with vintage and home décor items – like wooden signs, greenery, serve ware, refinished furniture, and so much more.



Willow Tree Shop's country rustic decor and more.

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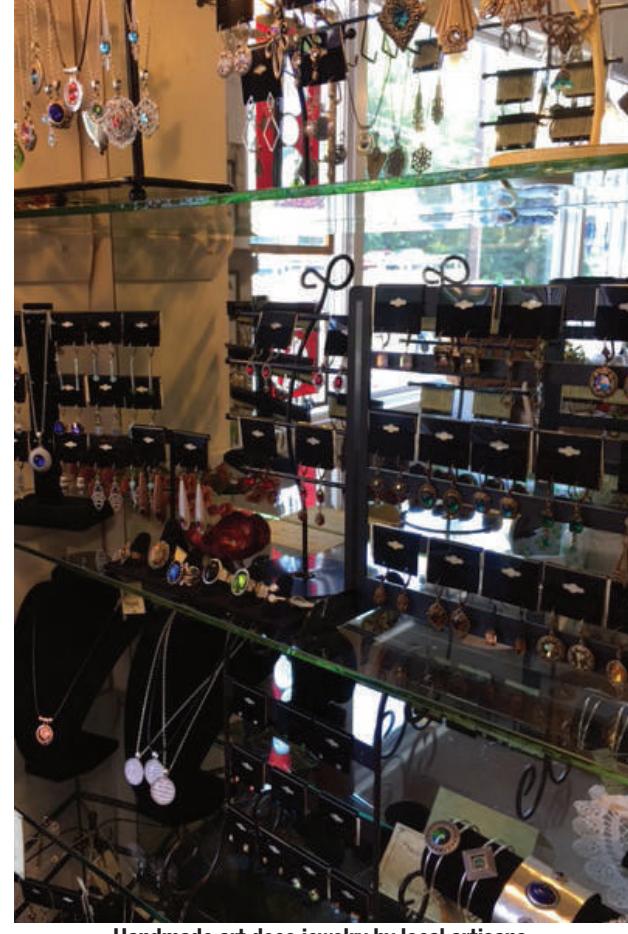
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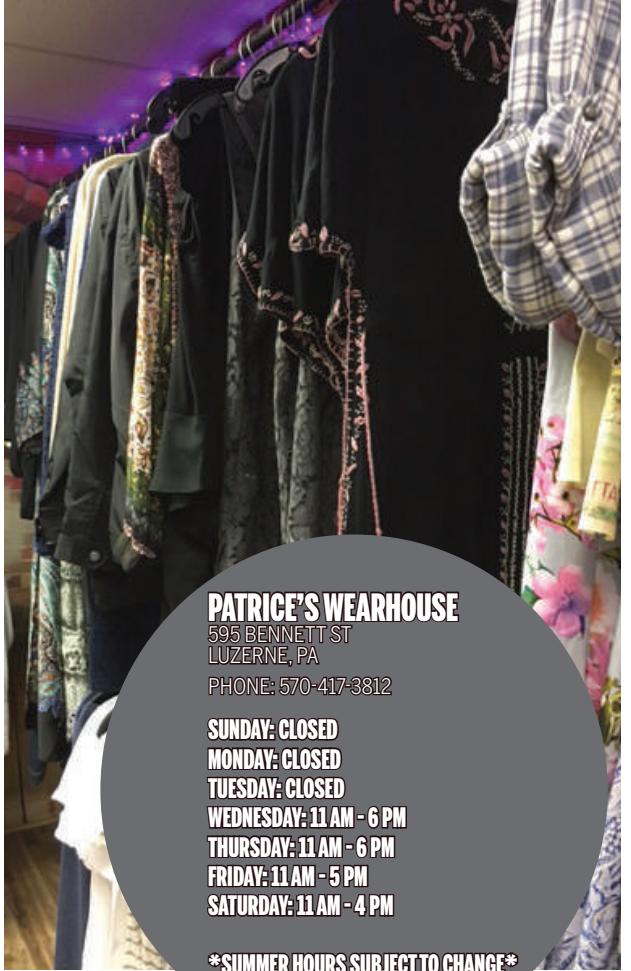


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Eclectic shop offers a personal shopping experience



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Patrice's Wearhouse is an eclectic women's shop on Bennett Street in Luzerne. The owner, Patrice Mulhern, offers one of a kind pieces of almost every item in her store. Most of which are available in one size per piece – besides basics.

Patrice sells handpicked, high quality clothing that she personally tests by washing and wearing before she puts them in her store. A majority of her tops are transitional pieces that can be worn all year long. She likes selling clothing that can be worn (at least) three different ways (don't worry – Patrice will show you what to pair them with).

Priding herself on customer service and paying close attention to detail, Patrice makes sure every one of her customers feel incredible regardless of age, size, shape and style. With sizes ranging from 0 to 18, Patrice will definitely be able to help you find the best outfit for your body type and for your taste in clothing.

"My customers want a fresh closet without depleting their bank account," Patrice says. This is another thing she can help you with. Patrice's Wearhouse offers lay-away plans so customers don't have to worry about missing out on her one of a kind pieces. Along with layaway there is an ongoing "off the wall in the hall sale" where she has a great selection of in season clearance items.

Stop and see Patrice today at Patrice's Wearhouse and call ahead to schedule an appointment for a private group shopping/personal styling session.

Follow Patrice on Facebook @patriceswearhouse.

By Harrt Lang, Times Leader

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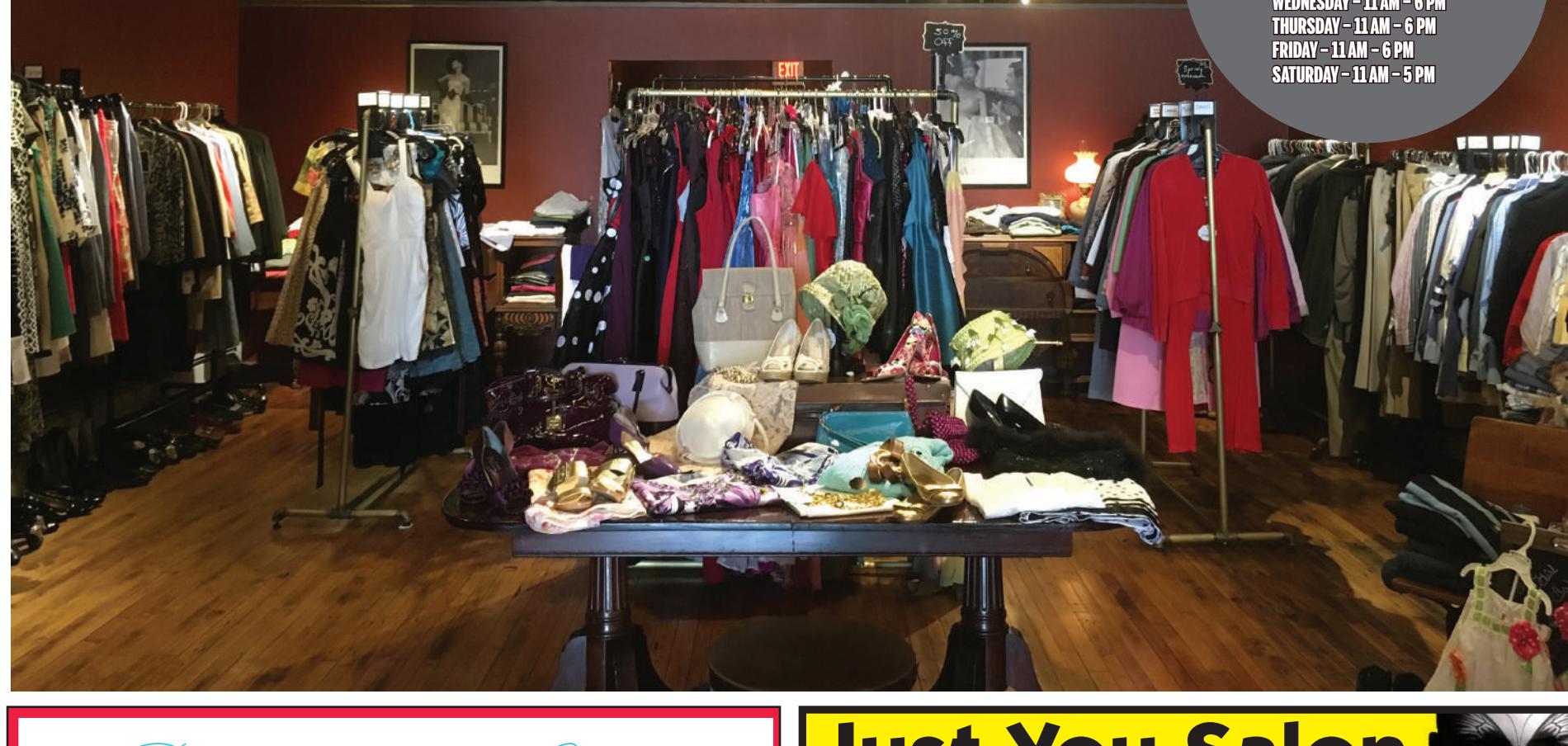
Beverly Hills atmosphere in downtown Pittston

Vintage Vogue is a designer consignment store on South Main Street in Pittston. Owner, Tina Maira-Drahus, says Vintage Vogue is "not your typical consignment shop" and Vintage Vogue is "bringing Beverly Hills to Main Street" and that's totally the case. Vintage Vogue has a classy/stylish atmosphere, but also a relaxing one with a sitting room/waiting area in the back with coffee and snacks.

They sell vintage clothing – like hats, bags, shoes, and dresses and have a whole room dedicated to vintage and unique items. Along with vintage clothing Vintage Vogue sells consigned formal gowns and wedding dresses.

Vintage Vogue also has a great kids section where they sell clothes, shoes, outerwear and even bows, headbands and hats. The store's style is always changing and Tina says it is unique because of the different products her customers bring in. Their buying process is selective because Tina wants everything she buys and sells at her store to be special.

Check out Vintage Vogue on Wednesday through Saturday for a classy, but comfortable shopping experience. Follow them on Facebook @vintagevogueadesignerconsignmentboutique.



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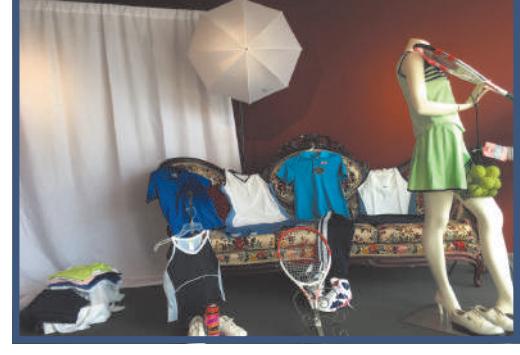
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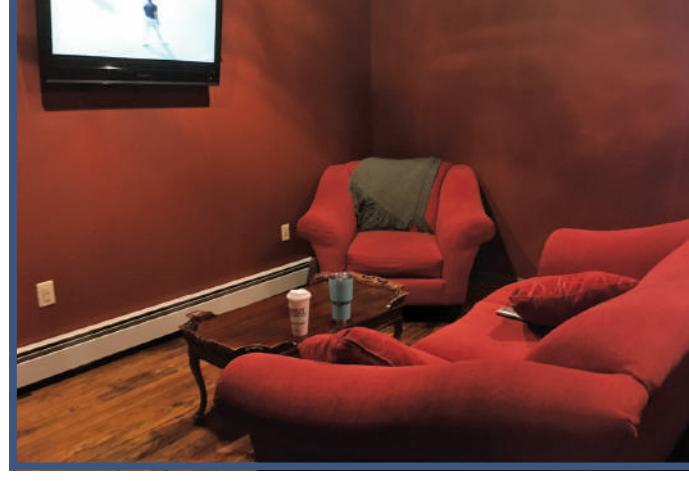
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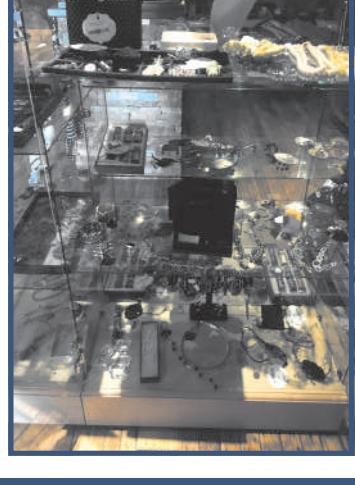
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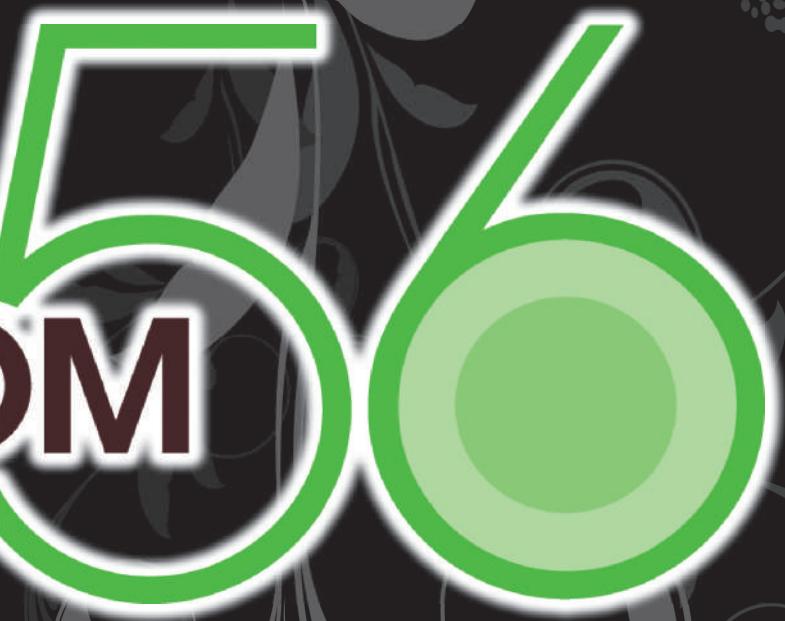


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My first experience in Showroom 56 was a great one. I walked through the door and was instantly welcomed and greeted by Sally VanScoy, Showroom 56's owner. She gave me a tour of the store and showed me all of the great things they had to offer.

Showroom 56 offers a great selection of Free People clothing that is showcased on some of the best dressed mannequins in Kingston. Choose from an array of different styles from long sleeved tunic shirts to fun tank tops and tees.

Another table has a gorgeous display of Kendra Scott jewelry. It's adorned with bright colored bracelets, necklaces, and earrings. Nearby is a fully stocked case with some Dogeared brand charm necklaces and a sweet arrangement of other jewelry, boots, and a colorful variety of bralettes in different sizes and styles.

Walk through the store to see a range of different pieces from brands like Hudson and One Teaspoon. Check out the clearance section as well with markdowns from 30-50% off of ticketed prices. Keep your eyes peeled for end of summer sales, as well.

Showroom56 also offers a stunning selection of formalwear. During homecoming and prom seasons Sally extends this section for an even larger selection of dresses and gowns. Formal style shoes and accessories are also available for purchase.

Along with selling great clothing and formal wear – Sally was chosen to sponsor Miss Pennsylvania 2017 with a great selection of outfits to wear to her trip to Orlando for Miss America's Outstanding Teen Competition. Sally hand-picked a week's worth of great outfits for Katie Schreckengast to wear while she's in Florida – from casual wear to gowns to evening wear. You can see Katie's outfits on Instagram @missamericapa.

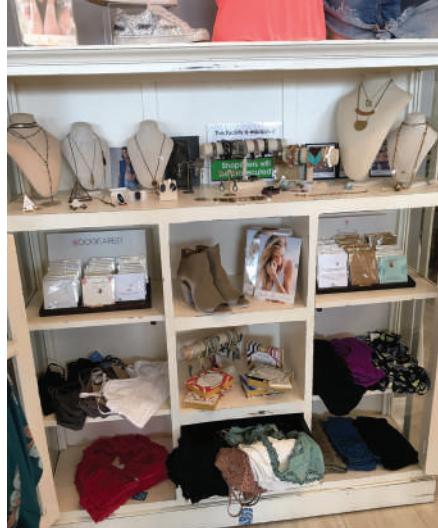
Whether you are looking for an outfit for a night out, a wedding or formal event, or just something casual Showroom 56 and their wonderfully accommodating staff (and owner) will certainly be able to help you and make sure you leave the store with something you love.

Follow Showroom56 on Facebook @showroom56kingston.

By Harrt Lang



Display of Kendra Scott jewelry



Bracelets, necklaces, and other accessories.



Owner, Sally VanScoy and Katie Schreckengast



Free People brand clothing and accessories.

What is sustainable clothing?

Consumers who have adopted a greener way of living may include organic foods and beverages in their eco-friendly plans. Such men and women may be very familiar with the way organic foods are produced, including how these foods are made without the use of chemical pesticides or artificial growth additives.

Organic items are not limited to just food and drink. Organic and sustainable clothing has exploded in popularity, providing yet another way to help preserve the environment.

Currently there are no global or even domestic standards for organic or sustainable textiles like there are for organic produce. According to Organic Clothing, an eco-fashion resource, any product sold in the United States — regardless of where it was grown or produced — that carries the USDA Organic logo must have been inspected by a certified agent of the USDA certification program. Textiles do not need to be 100 percent organic to carry organic labeling, according to the USDA. Other labeling standards may be overseen by The International Federation of Organic Agricultural Movements, The Organic Trade Association, and EKO/KRAV, a Scandinavian organization.

Clothing fibers that do not meet strict organic requirements may fall under a broader umbrella term of "sustainable" fibers. These may include garments made from recycled materials or eco-friendly, man-made fibers. These, too, have their share of benefits.

There are many advantages to choosing sustainable or organic fabrics and clothing. These materials may have been produced using less water, fewer pesticides and fewer herbicides than conventional farming methods. Organic cotton, for example, is produced from nongenetically engineered seed. These factors combine to help keep unnecessary chemicals from entering the environment.

Clothing produced from recycled materials, such as plastics, keeps materials that are slow to decompose or those that do not break down from reaching landfills. The company ECOALF repurposes discarded fishing nets, plastic bottles, used tires, post-consumer coffee, and post-industrial wool, among other materials into functional clothing. The company notes that one backpack made from recycled plastic bottles can keep 135 bottles from littering the environment.

In addition to choosing sustainable options, consumers may want to research locally-produced clothing. Keep in mind that the benefits of organic and sustainable fibers may be negated by energy consumption of long shipping routes and transportation choices. Check labels to see where merchandise is produced and research the manufacturer to verify its production processes.

Choosing sustainable clothing is another way to live an eco-friendly lifestyle. What may have started out as clothing produced from cotton, silk, hemp, and jute has expanded to include many upcycled materials as well.





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Everything old is new again at Plains Antiques



If you're looking for a large selection of antiques and vintage items – Plains Antiques & Home Furnishings is the place for you. Located on East Carey Street in Plains – this shop has two spacious floors of antiques and home furnishings and it is the largest antique mall in the Wilkes Barre/Scranton area.

Plains Antiques is a multi-dealer antique store that features vintage furniture, glassware, signage, jewelry, pottery, collectables and so much more. It's easy to spend well over an hour browsing through old books, records, and home décor.

The first time I walked into Plains Antiques I wasn't sure where to start. There is so much to look at and I didn't want to miss anything.

The store is separated into different rooms – each packed with character and charm. The first room is stocked with timeless pieces like dining room sets, loveseats, lighting fixtures, and even a few old stoves. While walking through to the next section – browse through their selections of vintage postcards and records or stop at the jewelry case and check out their selection of rings, necklaces, broaches, watches, and so much more.

The center room is lined with glass cases that are packed with old timey collectables, military memorabilia, and other vintage pieces. Another room is filled with old furniture chests, desks, dressers, and vanities that are perfect for a DIY project or as a timeless piece for your home.

Take a walk upstairs where you'll find more glass cases filled with old jewelry and other pieces. Classic Schwinn bicycles were sitting atop of the stairs, parked next to each other, patiently waiting for their new homes. Upstairs you'll see more furniture pieces and old signs, one that read 'an antique is an item your grandparents bought new, your parents got rid of and you're buying again.'

Along with furniture and fixtures you'll see old cameras, glasses, lamps, crates, clocks, fans – you name it. Looking for a typewriter from the 60s? This is a good place to find it. How about a vintage exercise bike? That too. Plains Antiques is a great place to explore and discover charming pieces from the past or repurposed items from today. Check them out, you certainly won't regret it.

Follow Plains Antiques on Facebook @ plainsantiques or visit their website at www.plainsantiques.com.

By Harrt Lang, Times Leader

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Rustique helps bring old furniture back to life

Rustique, located at the United Penn Plaza in Kingston, is a one stop shop if you're looking for unique gifts, home décor, or furniture. Through the front door you'll find an eclectic collection of signage, candles, trinkets, and other dreamy things.

Owner, Jamie Flack says, "there's nothing like it in our area." Jamie also says that she has, "lived all over and taken a piece from each place and tried to bring a whole new type of gift shop and home decor store to our area that is up on the trends and still very affordable."

Rustique has an extensive selection of Annie Sloan chalk paint available in 4 ounce or quart sizes. Annie Sloan chalk paints are a wonderful alternative to paying top dollar for a piece of high-end furniture. Rustique's staff will surely be able to guide you into picking the right Annie Sloan products for the piece you are looking to refinish.

They also have an elaborate selection of drawer knobs and pulls to add a finishing touch to your newly painted piece. If refinishing furniture isn't your thing – Rustique has (already) finished furniture for sale in their store and on their website.

Decorate your home with a cute, wooden or metal sign – there are so many to choose from – you'll want one of each. My favorite was a 36" x 48" wall hanging with a sweet quote from The Velveteen Rabbit.

With wedding season in full effect this is the place to find a special gift for your soon to be married friends or family members. There is a surplus of 'Mr & Mrs' wedding gifts like candles, signs, serving trays, mugs and wine glasses, to mention a few.

Other home décor items include candles, serving trays, dishes, picture frames, mirrors, clocks and tea towels. Gifts range from \$4 - \$200 and furniture ranges from \$20 - \$500. If your style is rustic mixed with unique, then of course this is the place to shop. Also, be sure to say hello to Rustique's precious bulldog, Lucy.

Follow Rustique on Facebook @shoprustiquekingston or visit their website www.shoprustique.com.

By Harrt Lang, Times Leader



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Great selection of jewelry, accessories, and clothing

Wish For is a cute boutique on South State Street in Clarks Summit. They sell affordably priced jewelry, accessories and clothing, one of the best perks of shopping at Wish For is the reasonable prices – most items in the store are under \$60.

Wish For has a great selection of costume jewelry - cute/stylish necklaces, bracelets, and earrings that are great for dressing up or going to the movies with friends. They also sell fitness and leisure wear – like leggings, tank tops, basic tees, and cozy plaid button-downs (perfect for fall weather).

Along with leisure wear, Wish For has dresses, blouses, and rompers (and so much more). Sign up with your email address (on their website wishfor570.com) to get updates on new items and sales. Also, after you enter your email address you'll get a coupon for 20% off of your next purchase!

Follow them on Facebook @[wishfor570](#) or online at www.wishfor570.com.



Wish For sells a variety of beaded, metal, and hemp bracelets.



Wish For has a great selection of blouses, dresses, and leggings.

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Body care items at Freedlove



Hats, tank tops, and jeans.



Tees, cardigans, and blouses.

Freedlove, a women's store on Spruce Street in Scranton, drew me in from the attractive window display and signage. Walking into Freedlove took my breath away with its high ceilings, beautiful architecture, clean style and design. It made me feel like I was on a movie set.

Upon entering the store I was greeted by a beautiful display of denim shorts, dresses, basic tees, two pieces, and sandals. To the left and right there were built-in wall displays that held hangers upon hangers of gorgeous dresses, tops, two pieces and pants.

Open since 2009, they offer a wide variety of affordable women's clothing, accessories, gifts, and jewelry. Freedlove sells brands such as Knot Sisters, Amuse Society, Some Days Lovin, Joah Brown, and Mink Pink to name a few.

Owner, Nadine Bryant, says there isn't one brand that sells more than others. "I believe having a mix of different brands is one thing that makes us unique," she says. Another thing that makes Freedlove stand out is the clothing they sell - "We spend a lot of time hand selecting pieces that you can't find in our area."

Along with clothing they sell gifts, candles, and body care products. Some of the products are Everyday Oils which is a unisex, all natural, body, face, and hair oil made with organic, cold-pressed plant oils and natural steam-distilled essential oils. Another is Herbivore brand coconut water face mist and coconut oil body polish. All of these products are neatly displayed with other gifts like stationary, cards, mugs, and makeup bags.

If you're shopping for an outfit that will stand out from the rest – this is surely the place to find it. Freedlove is the shop to go if you are looking for a unique new item for your wardrobe or your home.

Follow Freedlove on Instagram and Twitter: @shopfreedlove Facebook: @freedlove or check out their website at www.shopfreedlove.com.

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Bringing California vibes to NEPA

Despite the fact that I was shopping during a dark and rainy day walking into Golden Coast lifted my spirits because of the bright and airy feel and warm welcome from the store's owner, Bridget Brown. A sign near the register said 'Good Vibes Only' and you can't help but feel any other way when you walk into this shop. Bridget describes her store's style as "cute and trendy meets comfortable and casual."

Golden Coast has been in business since October 2016 and was named after Bridget spent time traveling the west coast along the Pacific Coastal Highway. She fell in love with the style and energy California had to offer and wanted to bring that feeling to NEPA.

Golden Coast sells women's clothing, accessories, gifts, and more. With a large selection of contemporary women's clothing – it makes it hard to walk out of the store without buying at least one item.

"Our goal is to provide unique, high quality designers and products at an affordable price," Bridget says. "We carry everything from Illume candles for \$16, to Skull Cashmere sweaters for \$300. There really is something for everyone in a diverse price range."

Golden Coast sells clothing brands like Hudson denim, BB Dakota and Jack, to name a few, in a variety of styles and sizes. They're currently transitioning into their fall fashion so keep your eyes peeled for end of summer sales.

If you're looking for a gift – check out the greeting cards – for a unique selection of birthday, thank you, and just because cards to choose from. Nearby are some body care items like lotions and soaps made by 'the post.'

Pair your new maxi dress or romper with some jewelry by Lisi Lerch, a company that sells bright, fun earrings, necklaces, and bracelets in an assortment of styles and prices. The bold colored earrings and necklaces are sure to brighten up any outfit.

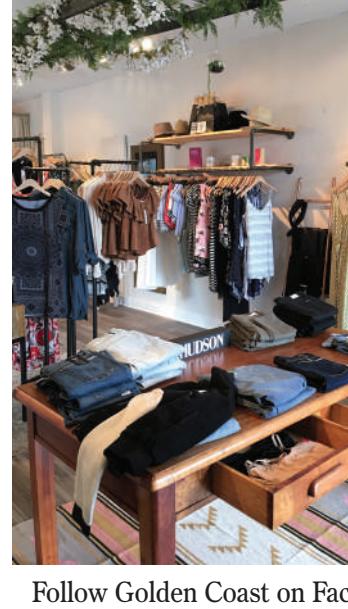
Along with clothing and accessories Golden Coast also sells candles, small gifts, hats, and art work. Whether you're looking for a gift for a friend or loved one or a new outfit for yourself, surely you will find something at the Golden Coast – a beautiful/beachy boutique located in the heart of Clarks Summit.

Follow Golden Coast on Facebook and Instagram: @shopgoldencoast.

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A selection of Golden Coast's tees, tanks, and cardigans.



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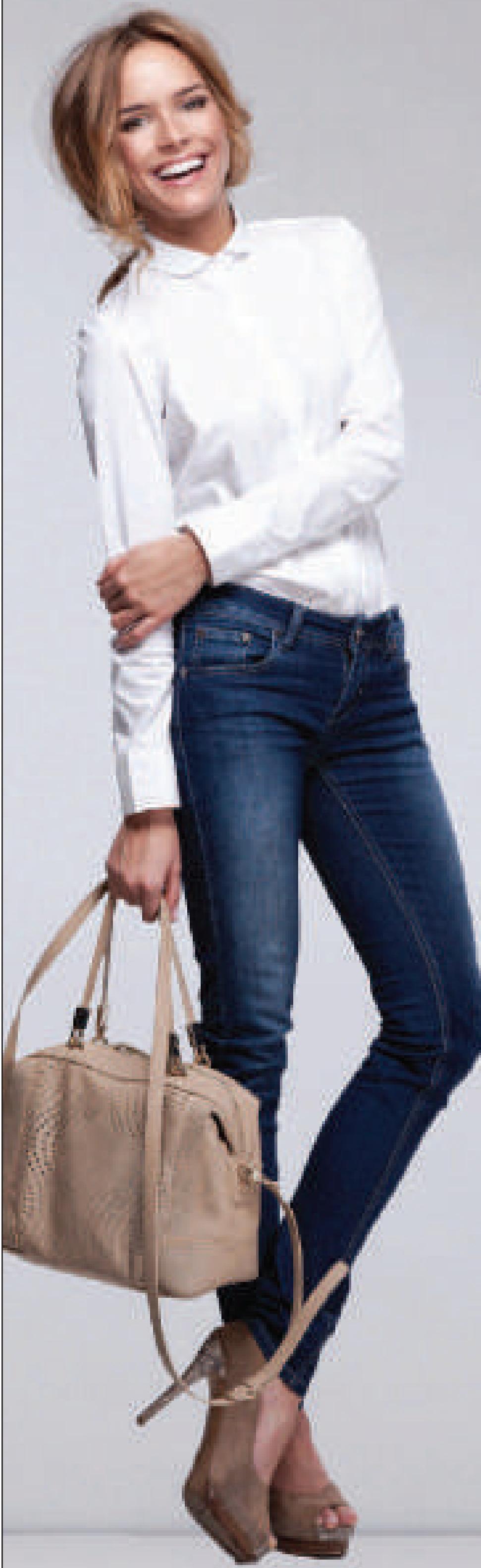
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