

# Salon & STYLE

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## FAVORITE THINGS

*We love products. We love to shop. So what could be more fun than sussing out the most fabulous new beauty items, hottest new shops, smart retail deals and steals and hippest Web sites? Sharing it with our friends. And that is what we plan to do in this space.*

*So relax. We've done the work for you and tried out new stuff — rejected some, retrieved others. Here are a few of our favorite things this week. Oh, and by the way, if you've got something new, fun and fabulous you want to share, e-mail us at [life@newspress.com](mailto:life@newspress.com).*

### Tiffany for Mom

The "Mom of the Year" essay contest you read about right here in this space is now under way. But last week, the Web site address was not in the story. Don't forget to go to [SBParent.com](http://SBParent.com) for information about contest rules. Remember, the winner will get an awesome gold Tiffany charm necklace to give to Mom on Mother's Day.

### Prom dress boutique

The Assistance League of Santa Barbara will hold its third annual Prom Dress Boutique on April 26. On Wednesdays and Saturdays for a month, any prom-bound girl can check out the wares at the boutique and borrow a dress for her magical evening. The boutique has more than 400 dresses, some with designer labels such as Mark Jacobs and Jessica McClintock. In a statement, Meredith Scott, Operation Prom Dress chair, said, "We wanted to focus on the big ticket expense facing all girls during the prom season — the dress! Our

thoughts are the girls come to the Prom Dress Boutique find that beautiful and special dress. Since the dress is free, the shoes, clutch, etc. now become the affordable embellishments that make each unique ensemble unique." Any girl attending high school in the greater Santa Barbara area is eligible to borrow a dress. Bring a valid school I.D.

The boutique hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., April 26, May 3, 10 and 17 and 3 to 7 p.m., May 7 and 14. The Prom Dress Boutique is located at 1259 Veronica Springs Road. For more information, call the League at 898-1967.

### Organic skin care

Pure organic skin care are the words that Talulah lives by. A natural and holistic line of beauty products, Talulah's philosophy is that the outer skin reflects the body's inner health, and the skin is resilient and self-healing as long as we tend to it with healthful and nurturing products. That is what Talulah offers — products to nourish and care for one of our



greatest assets, our skin.

What makes Talulah different from some of the other organic, holistic

beauty products, you ask? One thing is the personal touch and attention to detail. Each product is still made in small batches from scratch. Oh, and the company gives 20 percent of its after-tax profit to charities that focus on women's social services and social justice. The decision on where to give is made quarterly. If you have a nonprofit that might qualify, check out Talulah's Web site, [www.talulahskincare.com](http://www.talulahskincare.com), for how to apply for consideration.

Back to the fabulous products. Items run the gamut from cleansing to toning to moisturizing as well as body and bath products.

They also offer Holistic Skincare Kits so you can try out the product first and find out what is best for you. There are three kits at \$28 each — The Acne + Oily Kit contains samples of Geranium Sap Cleanser, Orange Blossom Toner, Oma Face Serum No. 1, Calendula Cream, Raw Honey Mask, Saffron Body Wash and Aromatic Body Serum; The Dry + Combination Kit contains samples of Vanilla Bean Cleanser, Green Tea Leaf Toner, Oma Face Serum No. 2, Calendula Cream, Raw Honey Mask, Saffron Body Wash and Aromatic Body Serum; and the Ultra Sensitive + Mature Kit contains samples of Chamomile Cleansing Fluid, Verbena Calming Hydrosol, Oma Face Serum No. 2, Calendula Cream, Raw Honey Mask, Saffron Body Wash and Aromatic Body Serum. See, even the names of the products sound yummy.

Talulah skin care products are available at Cielo Spa Boutique at 1725 State St., where Roxanne Zbinden also gives organic facials using the products. For details, call 687-8979.

—Mindy Spar