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Peace of mind

The Renaissance Aveda Salon & Spa adjacent to the Hotel Monaco on Oct. 4 will devote its services for the day to at least 15 people who have won packages in the spa's **A Moment of Peace** event. Designed to honor people who are struggling with a serious illness, bad luck or other adversity, the salon and spa will offer two one-hour services, as well as a shampoo and hairstyling session. Winners will be treated to such additional amenities as food, music and gift bags. To nominate a loved one, send a one- to two-page letter detailing the person's story, how you know them and why they deserve the gift to denverspa @coloradoaveda.net, or fax it to 303-308-0575. The deadline is Sept. 26. Additional ways to participate are to make a donation, inquire about sponsorship, buy Aveda retail products on Saturday or purchase special "A Moment of Peace" retail items. The salon and spa are at 1717 Champa St., 303-308-0524. Suzanne S. Brown



Key notes

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Denver Health Foundation are once again teaming up to raise money and awareness for women's cancer treatment and detection at Key to the Cure, a fashion show and charity shopping weekend Oct. 21 to Oct. 24. Tickets are now on sale for the event's annual celebrity fashion show and cocktail party Oct. 21. Models who have signed on include sports spouses Piper Billups and her three daughters, Brooke Griese and her son and daughter, and Debbie Sakic and her daughter, among others. VIP runway tickets are \$150; individual tickets are \$100. Guests may purchase "keys" for \$75 each or three for \$200 to the fashion trunks of gifts for a chance to win a fall fashion package, a getaway at the new Four Seasons Hotel, and more. For tickets or more information, go to DenverHealthFoundation.org. Proceeds from sales from this year's

T-shirt, designed by Donna Karan

and on sale Oct. 1, will be donated to local charity partners. Uma Thurman wears the shirt in ads running in fashion magazines this fall. Photo: Fabrizio Ferri

Lashing out

Ever wish your mascara came out of the tube in light layers as well as wand-fulls of color? MAC has answered the call with Haute & Naughty Lash mascara, in stores today. This clever creation, \$16, has two brushes in one tube, so that you can use the small one when a little dab will do you and a larger one when volume and drama are needed. At MAC stores and counters, as well as maccosmetics.com

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EVENTS

Dan Sharp Europe Today-Saturday: Anita Ford Trunk Show, day and evening separates, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. *218* Steele St., 303-333-6666, dansharpluxuryouterwear.com

Delish Demure 2010 Fall Fashion Show

Today: Fall fashion show and festivities that include golf (18 holes begins at 12:30 p.m. or 9 holes at 3 p.m.). Prizes will be awarded. Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and spa treatments, 5 to 7:30 p.m. Fashion show begins at 7:30 p.m. All-day activities \$50 (includes golf cart), \$15 evening festivities. Blackstone Country Club, 7777 S. Country Club Parkway, Aurora, RSVP: 303-740-1100 or e-mail shop@ delishdemure.com; 303-704-0058 (ask for Sally), e-mail sdunleavy@canongategolf.com

Wedding Showcase

Today: More than 40 wedding professionals are participating in the Denver Botanic Gardens' inaugural wedding showcase, 5-9 p.m. Participants will be given "passports" when they arrive, guiding them to each vendor and samples of food and wine. Tickets are \$15, \$10 in advance. Register on the website. 1007 York St., botanicgardens.org

St. John Boutique

Today-Saturday: Open house with light fare and champagne, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Spend \$1,295 on regular-priced merchandise and receive a complimentary item valued at \$395 or less. 3170 E. Second Ave., 303-377-7572, sjk.com **Denver Bead Renaissance**

Show

Today-Sunday: The 15th annual show offers heads stones crystals and more along with a variety of classes. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. today through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. Crowne Plaza DIA Hotel. I-70 and Chambers Road, beadshow.com

Denver Gem and Mineral Show

Friday-Sunday: "Minerals of Creede/Mineral County" is the theme for the 43rd annual show, held in connection with the Colorado Fossil Expo, offering minerals, fossils, meteorites gems, beads, jewelry and more. 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. \$6, \$4 seniors (over 65) and juniors (ages 13-17), free children 12 and under with adult. Free parking. Denver Merchandise Mart, 451 E. 58th

Ave., denvermineralshow.com

Hana Designs Open House

Saturday: "Day of Caring and Customer Appreciation" for the 10th annual open house, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Activities include Aveda scalp massages, relaxation treatments, makeovers, chair massages and more. Everything in the store is discounted 30 percent. Hana Designs wig studio and Aveda salon work with oncology patients and those affected with alopecia, burn victims and clients who have thinning hair. Donated wigs are available for those experiencing financial difficulties. 1086 W. Littleton Blvd., Littleton, 303-799-4262, hanadesigns.com

"Toula Week" at Dillard's **Sunday-Sept. 25:** Toula introduces its fall collection of knitwear suits and special-occasion pieces for women. Customers who spend \$500 will receive a \$100 gift card. Dillard's in Park Meadows, 8415 Park Meadows Center Drive, Lone Tree, dillards.com

CONTESTS The Art Institute of Colorado

Deadline Nov. 19: "Passion for Fashion" competition is open to high-school seniors scheduled to graduate in 2011. Winners earn a full-tuition scholarship and a trip to New York City for Fashion Week 2011. Visit artinsti tutes.edu/pr.aspx?ID=AI2119. Entries must be submitted along with an entry and release form to The Art Institute of Colorado, 1200 Lincoln St., Denver, CO

EXHIBITS Jim Howard Retrospective

Through Friday: "Then & Now: A Retrospective of Fashion from the '70s/'80s and Today," works by fashion illustrator Jim Howard, including advertising campaigns, cosmetics and advertising agencies. The show also features his "Fashionista Series," mixed-media collages that combine drawings with photography, found items and art from his paper-doll illustrations. The Art Institute of Colorado, 1200 Lincoln St., artinstitutes.edu/ denver

Mail info to Fashion Calendar, The Denver Post, 101 W. Colfax Ave., Suite 600, Denver, CO 80202; fax 303-954-1679; living@denverpost.com.

GRILLED: "Free therapy" for Romanoff after primary and house loss

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Romanoff: I don't have any explanation. I never really started in college, where a lot of people did. I just never picked it up. Maybe I should start. I picked the wrong year not to start drinking.

BH: Do you care about your clothes?

Romanoff: No I don't. I have no interest in shopping. BH: What about getting your

hair cut? Romanoff: Great Clips, Super Cuts, whichever is cheaper. **BH:** Are there perceptions

people have of you that need correcting or some explanation? Romanoff: If you are in public

life, you read about yourself — making decisions you never made or doing things you never did or saying things you never said. One of the best decisions I ever made was, the day I announced, was to stop reading the blogs. The anonymous nature of the blogosphere liberates authors from truth, so people just start making things up.

BH: How were you treated by the press in general? Romanoff: We could have

done a more effective job of engaging the press in policies. The press was kind of sold on the story that there were no policy differences. And that was factually false. My sense is that the press is short staffed. Journalism is falling under hard times. I'm not going to second guess their decisions now. It doesn't do much good to whine about that. But if nobody is covering your press conferences, it could be a problem with your communications strategy.

BH: So what's your idea of happiness?

Romanoff: Two things. I like warm chocolate chip cookies. And when my dog is rolling on his back with

four feet in the air in the grass in the morning. That seems quite blissful, a happy moment.

BH: What do you fear? Romanoff: I don't think much

about fear. **BH:** Is there a trait you don't like in yourself?

Romanoff: You want just one? I probably spend more time in the past and the future

than I do in the present. BH: What about other people?

Romanoff: A trait that I value is Romanoff: In Central America. listening.

BH: What's your greatest extravagance? Romanoff: An organic dog food

I buy. BH: What do you drive? Romanoff: A Prius. BH: Of course you drive a Pri-

state of mind? Romanoff: I am pretty preoccu-

us. What's your current

free therapy.

BH: On what occasion would vou lie?

Romanoff: If I got a gift I didn't like.

BH: What kind of woman do you like? Romanoff: I value a sense of hu-

BH: Who or what is the great-

est love of your life? Romanoff: I was very attached

to my grandmother. BH: When and where were

you happiest? I felt like I was making a difference. And I remember very clearly I lived in this town with the school principal and his family and shared the house with chickens that would wander through the kitchen and a couple of pigs that lived in the yard. There was a porch that surrounded the house

and beyond it you could see the ocean. It was a

beautiful place. **BH:** What's the lowest depths of misery?

Romanoff: I haven't experienced that vet. BH: What's your most

marked characteristic? Romanoff: A reporter described me as soft-spoken but strong willed. I'll ac-

cept that. BH: Much has been made of your bachelorhood.

Romanoff: I am pretty consumed with my work. And I have made a lot of mistakes over the years.

BH: Emotional mistakes? **Romanoff:** Yes. I should have married this woman, but I didn't. We didn't get engaged, but I should have proposed.

BH: Do your friends fix you up?

that a long time ago. **BH:** Favorite writer? Romanoff: F. Scott Fitzgerald. BH: Hero in fiction? Romanoff: Atticus Finch. BH: What's your greatest regret?

Romanoff: I have an answer, but I don't want to see it in print.

BH: How would you like to

Romanoff: Not for awhile.

BH: What wouldn't you eat, even to be polite. Romanoff: My dog.

BH: What talent would you like to have?

Romanoff: I'd like the ability to fly.

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