



Lagerfeld's white piped brown leather jackets are worn with sheer tulle bottom-of-the-skirt over opaque lights.



LaCroix's long beige checked pantalon with red cummerbund, black blouse and beige and black spectator high-heeled shoes.

Lean look is silhouette for fall

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the hats was matched to the looped hem wool or leather skirts and the tweed trim of the hat matched to the jacket. Gloves and jewelry were in the color of the skirt or shoes. Buttons and cuffs in some cases color-matched the skirts.

Valentino continues as the master

craftsman, with all costume details carefully planned and integrated into the whole with impeccable tailoring. At the same time, this writer was impressed with the influence of Lagerfeld in providing inspiration for a significant part of the Valentino line.

Montana, whose couture contract

with Lanvin was terminated in January, with a final, widely applauded couture collection, sculpted high-waisted jackets in perfect proportion for his long skinny skirts and pants that reflected his Spanish ancestry.

Jean-Paul Gaultier, who has great talent for offbeat and amusing de-

sign, introduced photo prints on jackets of cult idols and headresses decorated with a survival kit of mini-bottle and a sewing kit. But the strength of the Gaultier collection was based on a Swiss theme of layered Alpine sweaters, back pack pockets on jeans, and dresses with plastic leathers suspenders.

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Baby seat program underway

Farmington Area Community Women have started a "Buckle Up Babies for Safety" car seat rental program. The group rents infant and toddler seats for short or long term use — by parents or even grandparents with visiting grandchildren.

Toddler seats are \$12 a year; infant seats are \$10 a year. Both re-

quire a \$20 deposit.

As a non-profit community service organization, the Farmington Area Community Women sponsor a variety of fund-raisers and family oriented socials. They meet once a month at the Farmington Community Center.

Members select whatever projects

they'd like to be involved with. A special "Get Acquainted Swing Into Spring Social" will take place 7 p.m. Monday, May 18. Appetizers and desserts will be served.

For additional information on the group or car seat rental, call 626-9571 or 478-3218.

Family services plans orientation

Oakland Family Services will be conducting a spring volunteer orientation 6-9 p.m. Thursday, April 9, at the Pontine location, 114 Orchard Lake Road.

Volunteers are needed to partici-

pate in a variety of innovative treatment programs for children and families. Children's tutors and mentors, parent aides, group co-leaders and family assistants are some of

the positions open to the community members willing to give up to two to six hours a week to help prevent child abuse and neglect. For information, call 858-7706.

Cinderella Ball honors volunteers

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The Ritz-Carlton will be transformed into a Cinderella's Castle for the event, Kushner said, and the theme relates to nobility. The dance floor will be the recreation of a castle garden centered by a three-tiered fountain and topiary trees. "A lot of pomp and circumstance surrounds this event because it is the oldest charity ball in America," Kushner added.

Cocktails began at 6:30 p.m.; dinner at 7:30 p.m. Entertainment includes music by the Dearborn Symphony and soprano Margaret Rees. Jules Schubert Jewelers will exhibit historic jewels.

Honorary executive chairmen of the event are Gov. and Mrs. John Engler, Mr. and Mrs. A. Alfred Taubman. The honorary committee includes princes, princesses, counts

and countesses, and baronesses.

Gieger Dery of Birmingham is president of the Women's Committee which is sponsoring the event for the lung association. Women's Committee members working in the event include Ruth Freuehat, Irene Davis and Queenie Sarkisian of Birmingham; Bettina Gregg and Carol Wendel of Bloomfield Hills; Ginny Tompkins, Teri Flinn and Rita Margherio of Orchard Lake Village; Betty Bright and Jacquie Mulaneri of Franklin; Ida Krandle of Farmington Hills; Joan Wells of Rochester, and Virginia Clement of Troy.

"It's a wonderful event," Kushner said. "We get lovely press because of the royalty and all, but the whole thing about this is that it is for the American Lung Association and its programs. That is true nobility and a noble cause. It helps so many people. It is a good feeling to work for that."

Tuberculosis returning after a long decline

Few readers will remember turn-of-the-century America's "white plague," as tuberculosis was referred to. The tuberculosis sanitariums have long been closed and the American Lung Association, founded in 1907 to help find a cure for the deadly disease, turned its attention to other respiratory/lung problems, among them lung cancer, asthma and air pollution.

From the moment a cure was found, tuberculosis began a steady decline, a steady decline, that is, until 1985. Tuberculosis, it seems, is back in a drug-resistant form and increasing every year, particularly targeting the already ravaged bodies of AIDS sufferers. And the American Lung Association is back on the TB case.

In this area the ALA is represented by the American Lung Association of Southeast Michigan, with offices in Southfield. The association operates 40 local programs. Ninety percent of the money collected by ALASEM through donations and fund-raisers supports these programs in Oakland, Wayne and Macomb counties. The remainder is allocated for national medical and research programs.

Among the local programs:

Camp Sun Deer — a free week-long camp for children afflicted with asthma. The camp is held in the Battle Creek Outdoor Education Center. This year's camp is Sunday, June 1, through Saturday, June 27.

Equipment loan program — Chronic lung disease patients who lack the finances or insurance to obtain equipment can borrow lifesaving respiratory equipment from the association's loan closet.

Smoking cessation programs — Several low-cost programs are sponsored by the association. Videos, books and literature offering tips are also available. For information call 559-9111 during regular business hours.

Free monthly support groups for those with lung disease. — Breathers Clubs meet monthly at various locations throughout metro Detroit including a 5 p.m. meeting the fourth Thursday of the month in Beaumont Hospital's Troy facility, 44201 Dequindre.

Family Asthma Program — Regular conferences address the problems facing parents, spouses and siblings as well as the asthmatic.

Hotline for information and counseling for those trying to kick the habit. Call 559-5111.



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