power of the purse

Through the Women's Foundation of Arkansas, Mimi San Pedro uplifts the state's women and girls.

Seeing Red
The Rep and the AAC bring Little Rock a one-of-a-kind Rothko experience.

Rise & Dine
Our best brunch picks.

Wish List
24 nonprofits share their stories and greatest needs. A Soirée special promotion.
1. Decadent Scents
A rich and indulgent candle, Archipelago’s Kashmir is one of our editor-in-chief’s favorites. With a blend of orange blossom, sandalwood and Kashmir vanilla, this hand-poured soy candle can be found at Box Turtle in Hillcrest. “It’s one of those candles you can smell from across the room without it even being lit. It smells amazing,” she says.
www.ShopBoxTurtle.com, 661-1167

3. Dior BB Eye Cream
Just because we work long hours doesn’t mean we want to look like we’ve put in a 12-hour day. This Hydra Life BB (beauty balm) eye cream from Dior is a beauty epiphany for us here at Soirée. It’s a lightweight tinted eye cream that moisturizes and conceals those pesky dark circles. We love that it provides that needed coverage but doesn’t settle into the creases of our eyes. At $45, it’s well worth the splurge.
Sephora in Park Plaza Mall, 603-9189

4. 9/11 Exhibit
A stirring traveling exhibit, “Recovery: The World Trade Center Recovery Operation” tells the unheralded story of the recovery effort to locate personal objects and material evidence from the collapse of the World Trade Center. On display at the William F. Laman Public Library in North Little Rock through Dec. 1, the exhibit includes photographs, a recovered American flag, airplane fragments and NYPD radio holster from New York State Museum’s collection.
www.LamanLibrary.org, 758-1720

2. Ankle Boots
We’re stepping up our fall style around the office this month, in our ankle boots. A fan of all styles ranging from casual to glam, these chic and comfortable suede Dolce Vita ankle boots from Scarlet caught our eye. These would look great with a pencil skirt and blouse or skinny jeans and a tee. $115 at Scarlet.
www.ScarletClothing.com, 223-8585
5. Main Street Food Truck Festival

All of our favorite local food trucks in one place? Our excitement is barely containable! Everything from pad thai and chicken & waffles to chorizo tacos and smoked brisket sandwiches on delicious steamed buns will be available at the third Main Street Food Truck Festival in downtown Little Rock. Mark your calendars for Oct. 5.

www.Facebook.com/MainStreetFoodTruckFestival

6. Mylo’s Coffee & Pastry Delights

For a cup of delicious, freshly ground coffee and a delectable buttery chocolate croissant, we’d gleefully get up extra early on a Saturday morning to make sure we don’t miss out on the sweet treats from local favorite, Mylo Coffee Co. Did you hear that? Not just willingly, gleefully. We simply cannot resist the delicious pastries, breads, tartlets and drip coffee from husband-and-wife team Stephanos and Monica Mylonas. Currently, this local fare can be found at the Hillcrest and Bernice Garden Farmers Markets, but this month Mylo began working on its new brick and mortar store located in the heart of Hillcrest at 2715 Kavanaugh Blvd., the former home of River City Tea, Coffee & Cream. The shop is expected to be open early next year. Looks like we’ll need to set our alarms early every day.

www.Facebook.com/MyloCoffeeCo

7. Chef Shuttle App

Hungry? There’s an app for that. The Chef Shuttle app allows you to browse menus and add items from participating Little Rock restaurants from anywhere, and for an additional $4.95, have it delivered. We recently gave it a go when we ordered our favorite pad thai from Lily’s dim Sum, Then Some. Brilliant!

www.ChefShuttle.com