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**Get a Head Start on Holiday Shopping and Party Planning
at *Mpls.St.Paul Magazine's* 8th Annual Perfect Parties
Saturday, November 3, at the Woman's Club of Minneapolis**

MINNEAPOLIS (October 25, 2012) – Throwing the perfect party is totally doable, given the right tips and tools. Fortunately, for those born without the Martha Stewart gene, *Mpls.St.Paul Magazine's* Perfect Parties, Saturday, November 3rd, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Woman's Club of Minneapolis, provides an abundance of ideas and inspiration!

Perfect Parties event guests learn tips and tricks for hosting flawless parties, from no-fail food and wine pairings and elegant holiday decorating to knock-out holiday fashions and festive party music selections. Plus, attendees will find unique gift ideas sure to please the most discriminating shopper.

Perfect Parties features:

- Complimentary food and beverage sampling
- Seminar presentations including holiday fashions and trends
- Holiday décor and sparkling table settings
- Great gift ideas from leading retail experts
- Get a head start on holiday shopping – Galleria retailers will have merchandise for sale.

"Bring your best girlfriends for a memorable day of holiday fun and festivities," said Melinda Nelson, *Mpls.St.Paul Magazine* senior editor. "It's a fun setting to start crossing names off your shopping list."

What: *Mpls.St.Paul Magazine's* Perfect Parties

Where: The Woman's Club of Minneapolis

When: Saturday, November 3, 10:00am – 2:00pm

More info: www.mspmag.com/perfectparties

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

10:30-11:00am-Holiday Cooking Fusion Style

Why not create something different for holiday parties and gatherings this year? Galleria's Big Bowl and Williams-Sonoma have the recipes to make your event one to remember.

11:30-12:00pm- The 'Perfect Dress'

With the food, decor, and guest list set, it's time to figure out what to wear! The Galleria's Style Specialist Rhonda Ruhland is revealing the most flattering styles to find the perfect look. Lili Salon Spa provides hair and makeup tips and trends.

12:30-1:00pm- Using Floral as the "Perfect" Holiday Design Element

Bring all of your senses to life with the perfect holiday design! Learn how to incorporate floral elements to add sparkle to your buffet settings, fireplace mantel garlands, holiday tree, wreaths, swags, holiday balls and table scapes.

1:15-2:00pm- Holiday Entertaining Room by Room

As you get ready to host friends and family this holiday season, find inspiration with helpful tips for decorating and entertaining from Galleria. Arhaus Furniture, Crate & Barrel and Gabberts are sharing ideas with you!

Tickets:

Tickets (\$20) available online at mspmag.com/perfectparties , Galleria Guest Services, and Indulge & Bloom (Gaviidae Commons & Calhoun Commons).

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