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A Sneak Peek at Fall...

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September Events:

Please contact me if you would like to attend.

Bradford WINGS

September 4th

Location to be advised

1pm to 2:30pm

Stepping Up Event

to support

Southlake Regional Cancer Centre

September 21st at

Madsens of Newmarket

11 am to 4 pm

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Okay... who stole summer? I can't believe we are half way through August and here I am with a glimpse of Fall for you, as seen through the eyes of fashion.

Bling- bling- bling! Answer that call with large jewels and metallics in clothing, shoes, purses and jewellery. The jewellery pieces to have are bold neckpieces that make a statement, cuff bracelets with jewels on them, vintage brooches and chunky jewelled rings, think... large dinner ring. You can even wear the rings on a pinky finger (if you have the bone structure to carry it).

The jewellery pieces will be a great way to update your current Fall clothing, so you get the new look without buying a whole new wardrobe.

Karen's tip: Please remember... less is more so add **one** statement piece!

The other big fashion statement is wild, wacky and "Help I've fallen and can't get up!" high-heeled shoes.

How anyone is expected to walk in them is beyond me, so look for a modified version. Your feet and back will thank you. Even Oprah has "One hour shoes" and shoes she sits down to wear!

Karen's tip: You will be happy to know the patent look is still in, in both purses and shoes. Update your outfit with a patent pump!

Ankle boots are the rage, worn with skirts or pants. They too look like stilts, so if you are in the market for a pair, find a moderate heel and take your time to walk around the store before leaving with them.

For the Fall, you'll see coloured opaque tights, or your basic black, brown or navy, but leave the fishnets in the store for this season. The "Structured" look has appeared... sleek, sheath dresses and pencil skirts may be topped with a structured blazer. This is a good look when you are trying to achieve a curve on the body or accenting a curve through the torso.



Bouclé jackets have made a return, so pay attention to your bone-structure. Can you carry a nubby weave?



Pant legs are wider and have a clean line. These are great paired up with a structured jacket and a blouse with a feminine touch like a bow or ruffle.

For evening or "date-time", there will be a plethora of metallic, feathers and leather.

Karen's tip: Please note there is an appropriate place for certain fabrics, plunging necklines, high slits, sheer fabrics and stiletto shoes and the workplace is NOT one of them!

The colours you will see for Fall are grey, various shades of purple, lavender and violet. You can bring these purples in as accents if a whole outfit is too much or if it is not in your colour palette (colours that enhance your skin undertone).

Update your wardrobe with a top in the current colour (if it is in your colour palette), with a pair of shoes or ankle boots or how about a splash of purple or metallic in a handbag?

Now, here is a great idea ... shop your closet first, then make a list of items that would enhance your look. Now you have a focus when you step out shopping and it will help you to mix new items with what is already there.



A note of caution: Before you attempt to reach a new height in shoes, you may want to invest in an insurance policy first!

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