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WHAT'S IN STORE?

The following new retail establishments made big splashes on the local scene.

■ **Lululemon Athletica:** Town Center at Boca Raton welcomed the popular apparel store, which offers well-fitting activewear for yoga, dancing, running and “other sweaty pursuits” for men and women. The store also offers complimentary in-store yoga classes on Sundays.

■ **Bare Escentuals:** Known for its award-winning bareMinerals line, the preservative-free company, which opened at Town Center, also offers juicy lip colors, electric eyeshadow shades, sun-protection products and self-tanners.



Indi-Chic

■ **Indi-Chic:** Dan and Michelle Jaffe, a husband/wife team with an eye for style, opened this gem in Royal Palm Place. The spacious store is filled with indie finds ranging from cashmere sweaters and staple T-shirts to fringe handbags and funky flats.



Bare Escentuals

■ **Ann Taylor:** The iconic brand debuted a concept store at Town Center with a lavish grand-opening bash (sponsored by *Boca Raton* magazine) at the Seagate Beach Club in Delray Beach, where guests browsed the modern, feminine, sophisticated line. Ann Taylor opened another concept store in Palm Beach Gardens in May.



Lululemon Athletica

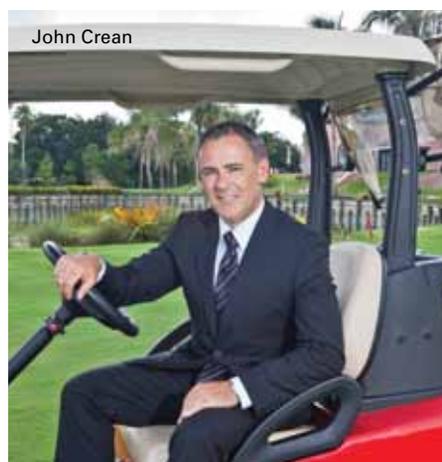
■ **Forever 21:** Before most of Boca was awake, hundreds of shoppers lined up inside Town Center for the grand (re)opening of Forever 21 in January. The first 400 shoppers were given gift cards with varying amounts of credit to use in the new 19,000-square-foot, two-story, expanded store. The youthful line is known for its overwhelming (and outrageously affordable) selection of men and women’s clothing and accessories.



Ann Taylor concept store

[51] WELCOME TO THE CLUB

After decades of running exclusive clubs, **John Crean** now belongs to one as well. The general manager at Broken Sound Club in Boca, who has drawn raves for his commitment to sustainability, qualified for membership in the Honor Society of the Club Managers Association of America—an appointment that only a select group of club managers around the world have earned. Crean, who has led Broken Sound Club to prestigious five-star Platinum Club of America status, also achieved Certified Chief Executive honors.



John Crean

[52] YES, VIRGINIA, THERE IS A WINE SHOP

She was always a big deal—one of only a handful of women in the world to pass the Court of Master Sommeliers diploma exam—and now she is branching out. **Virginia Philip** (inset), a longtime fixture at The Breakers, opened Virginia Philip Wine Shop & Academy this year in West Palm Beach, complete with classes and wines, tastings and advice. She’ll also be a virtual wine sommelier (her menu pairings will be available on a tabletop iPad) at Stéphane’s, the new contemporary French/American undertaking with chef John Belleme opening in Boca this summer.

