

for the beautiful friend

By Ann Marie Scheidler

MAKE IT BETTER READER:
JEANNIE EDWARDS OF LAKE FOREST

Jeannie knows gift-giving. As a mother of three with a law degree from **Notre Dame**, wife to former NBA player **Kevin Edwards**, professional model and competitive athlete, finding that perfect gift becomes a full-time job as she gets ready to host her annual holiday party for her closest friends.



FOR THE GIRLS

1. TOUCH OF GLAMOUR

"Sometimes earrings are all you need to finish an outfit," says Edwards, who loves to give pretty jewelry to her friends. Viv & Ingrid's siam and aqua quartz siam five-drop chandelier earrings are a statement on their own. **\$245, Alexandra's Collections, 259 Market Square, Lake Forest, 847-234-1661, shopalix.com**

2. CHILL

"Just what we need to do when the holidays get hectic," says Edwards. This luxurious line of fragrance created by Chicago's very own Lynette Lovelace is subtle and peaceful with hints of calming rose, fresh citrus and heliotrope with a dry amber and vanilla finish. **\$22-\$48, lifetherapy.com**

3. BEAUTIFUL PJ'S

From the Lady Godiva collection, this luxurious robe and chemise in rosewater and beige will keep you warm on cold winter nights. **\$92 and \$66 respectively, Eberjey, Posh Essentials Boutique, 658 Central Avenue, Highland Park, 847-945-POSH, shoppingposh.com**

4. WARM HANDS

Keep your fingers fashionable and frostbite-free with Talbots' Echo-touch technology iPod Touch Gloves. At the tip of the index finger is a pad that allows you to keep your fingers warm while typing on your iPod or iPad! **\$49, Talbots, talbots.com**

5. SWEEP ME OFF MY FEET

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No two are alike! Each headband is carefully handcrafted with the finest materials and crystals. All pieces are 100% woven cotton elastic and backed with vintage-inspired lining. **\$30-\$80, Deepa Gurnani, Alexandra's Collections, 259 Market Square, Lake Forest, 847-234-1661, shopalix.com**

7. LUCKY CHARM

Burberry has done it again! The Burberry Beauty Lip Charm offers a natural-looking gloss to create an effortless glow with a fluid finish. Complete with an interior mirror and magnetic closure, the Lip Charm is perfect for on-the-go touch ups during the hectic holiday party season. "I love this for my daughter—and for myself," says Edwards. **\$85, Burberry Beauty, burberry.com; Nordstrom, Old Orchard Center, or nordstrom.com**

8. SPARK MY MISTLETOE AND BRING ON THE TINSEL

This nail polish is so hot that it might cause a real spark in the coolest red and silver of the season. **\$8, Nicole for OPI, Ulta, Deerfield, Deer Park, Skokie, and Vernon Hills, ulta.com**

GUY GIFTS

9. THE WELL-KEPT MAN

Real men worry about their skin. From Chicago-based Cellular Intelligence, these products designed just for men will give your man younger and healthier skin. **\$34-\$112, cimedspa.com**

10. BAMBOO MEETS MASSAGE

Fans of deep tissue massage will have a soothing new option. The Bamboo Fusion Massage uses heated bamboo shoots to relieve aches and pains, while relaxing and re-energizing to promote mental and physical well-being. **\$105 for 50 minutes or \$158 for 80 minutes, Mario Tricoci Hair Salons & Day Spa, Chicago, Naperville, Oak Brook, Orland Park, Schaumburg, and Vernon Hills; tricoci.com**

11. ROCK N' ROLL

Who says jewelry is just for women...how about a statement accessory for your man? From Santa Monica-based King Baby Studio comes handcrafted pieces that unite chunky sterling silver with precious stones and leather. If your significant other has a rocker side, this may be the gift for him. **Cuff, \$520, EXTRAS at E-Street Denim, 1876 First Street, Highland Park, 847-433-8338, estreetdenim.com**

12. SUPER FRESH

LACOSTE Essential Sport is a brand new fragrance that provides energy and invigoration with ice cold freshness. This fragrance is bright, masculine and extremely fresh and fabulous for men of all ages. **\$65 for 4.2 oz., macys.com or Bloomingdales.com**

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