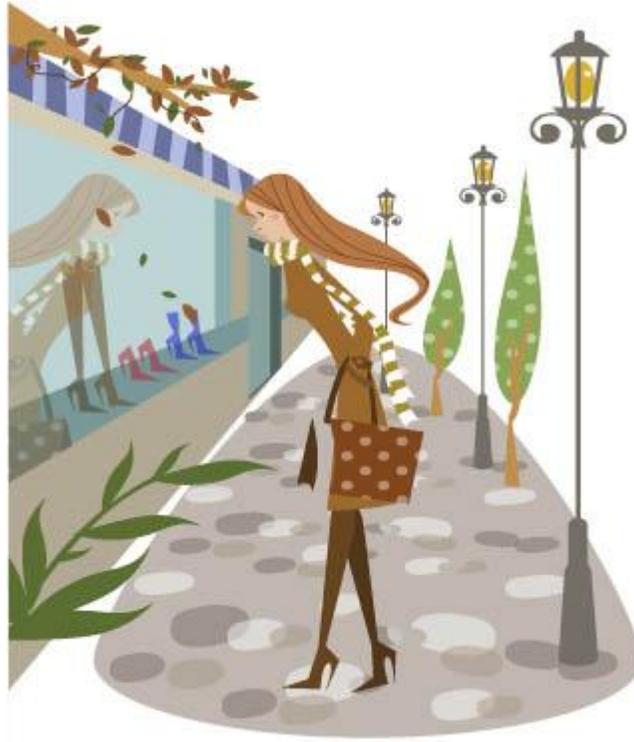


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Interior Elements & Design

422 w. 7th Street
Mishawaka, IN 46544

Open:
Tues-Thurs 10-5:30
Friday noon-5:30
Saturday 10-2
574-258-6080

Interior Elements & Design owner, Stefanie Buysse, tries to bring back the personal touch to shopping. Her shop features an array of gifts and accessories that you won't find at the local mall. They exude a nature-inspired, eclectic feel. Cork and stone decorated frames and mirrors, handmade metalwork jewelry, beautiful stationary, local artwork, painted glassware and much more fill her bright and airy space. An interior designer, Buyssee offers custom framing, design consultations and other specialized services for your home. She always strives for the best in customer service and even wraps your gift purchases! This is one store you can't miss.

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Candy Apple Corner

501 E. Lawrence Street
Mishawaka, IN 46545

Open:

Thurs-Sat 10-5 and by appointment

Closed for winter months- open for appointment

574-256-2433

Vintage-inspired and delightfully nostalgic, this shop will transport you back to yesteryear. Filled with the stuff you only wish your grandmother had, it carries everything from old-school pennants and city souvenir pillows to school desks and decorated dressers, antiques, vintage jewelry and more! Voluspa candles and local handcrafted jewelry also play into this delightful mix of contemporary and old-fashioned wares. In addition, owner and artist Glenda Goins paints furniture for the store and specializes in custom orders for wall murals and painted children's furniture-perfect for baby showers and birthdays. The icing on the cake? The storefront used to be a local grocery store. One visit to this shop and you'll be sold.

Girly Girl Gifts

1314 Mishawaka Ave.
South Bend, IN 46615

Open:

Tues-Fri 10-6

Sat 10-4

574-287-1423

www.girlygirlgifts.net

Aiming to make shopping fun again, owner Cynthia Basker hopes Girly Girl does the trick. Specializing in bridal gifts and accessories, but also incorporating general accessories and baby shower items, the shop is an offshoot of Basker's event planning business, Celebrated Events. Basker fills the shop with items not usually seen in the area, especially important for a bride and her big day! But it's not all about the bride: Bump brand merchandise for mothers-to-be, gift items and exquisite jewelry give the shop a lovely touch. Girly Girl even hosts shopping events and parties. The back room boasts a bar where pink girly cocktails are made for the attendees. So check out this exquisite shop to find the perfect gift for brides, expectant friends, or any girlfriends!