The Concierge Advantage

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What's Happening in our Lobby?

Your Concierge along with San Diego Valet will be hosting another morning coffee social appropriately named, "High Rise Java"! It will be held on Wednesday, December 13 beginning at 6:30 am. Our coffee and pastry will be supplied by Richard Walker's Pancake House. Please stop by for your morning pick-me-up!

Concierge At Large, Inc. is rallying to help ensure a

Downtown For The Holidavs

San Diego downtown residents are eager to have their metropolitan center to have its own memorable holiday traditions. For the third annual Downtown for the Holidays, downtown builders will sponsor a gingerbread house construction, San Diego's downtown redevelopment agency will kick in \$2,500 for snow, and Seaport

wonderful holiday season for the children at the Polinsky Center here in San Diego. Won't you please contribute? The Polinsky Children's Center offers a safe environment, providing food, housing, and a supportive learning atmosphere, fostering self- esteem and confidence. The Center remains committed to offering any help needed to get the children through their difficult time. The Polinsky Center's motto

Supplies. Gift Certificates. Movie Passes, Writing Journals, and Organizers. We thank you in advance for your generosity. Happy Holidays! Finally, on December 9 fruitcake chucking contest snow will be delivered to on Sunday, December 3. Park at the Park behind Petco Park at 1 pm. The Children's Museum will host activities near the ice rink, including a giant

is: A Safe Haven for the

located in the lobby are

items for kids from infancy

ready to be filled with

to teen. Things like:

Clothing, Toys, School

Games, Arts & Crafts

Supplies, Wallets, Board

Children: Protect the

Child, Preserve the Family. Donation bins

interactive snow globe, from 11 am to 2:30 pm; and a gingerbread house building contest in the same area from noon to 2:30 pm. Enjoy these new holiday traditions!

spinning at the Horton Plaza ice rink, and the Gingerbread City display at the Downtown Information Center is already open for viewing. Be ready for December 4. when all the lights and decorations go up.

Village will hold its first

Skaters already are

San Diego Festive Culinary Adventures

After weeks of hectic shopping, standing in line at the post office and making the obligatory appearance at the office party, the holidavs will soon be here. Have yourself a merry little Christmas by imbibing in holiday cheer and festive culinary adventures at some of San Diego's most beloved restaurants. Many feature carolers, visits from Santa and even après-dinner ice skating. Reserve with your Concierge now. Restaurants in the holiday spirit include: Bertrand at Mr. A's, The Marine

Room, Mille Fleur, The Hotel Del Coronado, Four Seasons Aviara, Ocean House, George's At The Cove, The Shores, and Karl Strauss Brewerv... just to name a few! Check with your Concierge for more selections and reservations.

The Pinnacle Concierge

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Your Concierge Will Assist With:

- -Travel planning
- -Dining reservations
- -Theater & event tickets
- -Golf tee times
- -Hotel reservations
- -Spa services
- -Dry cleaning pickup and delivery
- -Pet care services

and much more!

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All Decked Out for the Parade of Lights

Pinnacle Concierges really helped in November

- Registration information for Thanksgiving 5K run/walk

- Organized and co-hosted a cooking class with Big City Chefs

- Obtained shuttle and dinner cruise information for trip to Maui

- Reserved flights on Southwest and printed boarding passes

- Set up spa services at Spa Velia and Anatomy Day Spa

- Purchased tickets to Chargers game and researched ticket info for San Antonio Spurs basketball, Rose Bowl & Holiday Bowl games

- Researched limousine rates and printed Amtrak schedule

- Set up golf fee times and rentals

- Offered suggestions on Temecula Wineries and directions

- Scheduled DMV appointment

Pacific Holiday Bowl teams TBA soon!



San Diego Parade of Lights

The 33rd annual Port of San Diego Bay Parade of Lights is one of the highlights of Christmas in San Diego. More than 100 boats, colorfully decorated and brightly illuminated, will sail the 7-1/2 mile route, from Shelter Island to the Navy's carrier turning basin, from 5:30 to 9 pm on both December 10 and December 17. Prizes are awarded for the most spectacular boats. For the best viewing from a boat, event organizers suggest hovering near the 10th Street terminal, where the parade route turns for Coronado. If you're on land, the north and south ends of the Embarcadero and the pathway along Coronado are usually less crowded. The park behind Seaport Village is another good spot to view the boats. And if you're planning to watch from Harbor Island, arrive early. Better yet, choose one of the many waterfront restaurants and enjoy the show during dinner! Your Concierge can make the reservations for you. You can also enjoy Boat Parades in Mission Bay or Oceanside Harbor both on December 9.

Kwanzaa Celebration in Balboa Park

Kwanzaa is a time for reflection and reconciliation. Balboa Park's WorldBeat Center celebrates this special holiday with African drumming, dance, festivities, food and more on December 27 & 31 at 7:30 pm. Highlights include performances by the WorldBeat Center's African Drum & Dance Troupe, speakers talking about the principles of Kwanzaa and the festive lighting of the candles. The WorldBeat Center is located at 2100 Park Boulevard in Balboa Park.

San Diego Big Bay Balloon Parade

On December 28 at 10 am, the Port of San Diego Big Bay Balloon Parade will commence. This event features more than 30 balloons that will soar above the one-mile parade route, starting at North Harbor Drive in front of the County Administration building. In addition to the Balloon Parade, this event will also feature racing wiener dogs, floats, marching bands and drill teams. Grandstand tickets are \$15 and can be purchased in advance. A family festival



follows the parade from 11:30 am to 1 pm at the Broadway Pier. Kids can ride rides, play carnival games and hear a final showdown between two marching bands from the parade representing the schools in the Holiday Bowl game. And before the parade, a 5K run/walk will begin at 9:30 am. Runners and walkers will take off along the parade route, concluding the trek at Tuna Harbor Park.

2006 Pacific Holiday Bowl

This annual gridiron football classic matches a representative from the Pacific-10 Conference A against a team from the Big 12 Conference A. The 2006 game marks the 29th edition of a bowl game that has a history of exciting finishes, dating back to the inaugural event in 1978, when Navy came back to beat BYU 23-16. Two years later, BYU made a miracle comeback of its own, capped by Jim McMahon's Hail Mary completion as the clock ran out, in a 46-45 victory over SMU. The trolley provides direct service to Qualcomm. In previous years, the trolley has offered Green Line special event service, with trolleys arriving at the Q about every 5 minutes beginning at 2 pm. The Holiday Bowl is Thursday, December 28 at 5 pm, of course at Qualcomm Stadium. See your Concierge for ticket availability.