

# **The Concierge Advantage**

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# 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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## The First Father's Day

The idea for creating a day for children to honor their fathers began in Spokane, Washington. Sonora Smart Dodd thought of the idea for Father's Day while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909. Having been raised by her father after her mother died, Sonora wanted her father to know how

special he was to her. It was her father that made all the parental sacrifices and was, in the eyes of his daughter, a courageous, selfless, and loving man. Sonora's father was born in June, so she chose to hold the first Father's Day celebration in Spokane, Washington on the 19th of June, 1910. In 1926, a

National Father's Day Committee was formed in New York City. Father's Day was recognized by a Joint Resolution of Congress in 1956. In 1972, President Richard Nixon established a permanent national observance of Father's Day to be held on the third Sunday of June. Happy Father's Day!

## **Old Globe 2006 Shakespeare Festival**

In its 2006 summer season, the Old Globe will welcome back Darko Tresnjak and three Shakespearian classics with a local connection. - "A Midsummer Night's Dream" June 18-September 29 (previews June 18, 20-21 and July 3) – "Othello" June 23-October 1 (previews

June 23-25 and July 6) "Titus Andronicus" June
28-Septeber 30 (previews
June 28, 30, July 1 and
8). These three
Shakespearian classics
were all featured during
the 1935 California
Exposition which was also
the theater's inaugural
season. Darko Tresnjak

returns as this year's artistic director and directs "A Midsummer Night's Dream," and "Titus Andronicus." Jesse Berger directs "Othello." Tickets run \$19 - \$59. Please see your Concierge for more information.

## 13th Annual Taste of Gaslamp - June 17 & 18

This Father's Day weekend, treat Dad to a little bit of everything. Start the summer off right by experiencing all that downtown has to offer at the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Taste of Gaslamp where more than 20 downtown restaurants will offer samples of their favorite dishes. Get tickets early for this annual dining

event. Tickets are priced at \$25 per person each day or \$40 for the weekend. With downtown's wide variety of worldly eats, foodies are sure to find something worthwhile. The Gaslamp has it all: Thai, Indian, Mexican, California cuisine ... you name it. Also at the event, the 21-

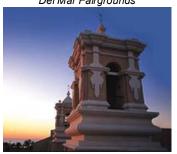
and-older crowd can enjoy the Samuel Adams' Beer Garden. Tickets are on sale now and are available by calling (619) 233-5227 or contact your Concierge for assistance. Tickets can be picked up at the will-call booth on the day of the event at the corner of Fifth and Island Avenues.

Temecula Balloon Launch

# The Pinnacle Concierge really helped out in May!

- Made numerous dinner and brunch reservations to local restaurants
- Ordered flowers
- Travel arrangements made to include hotels and transportation
- Made Spa reservations
- Researched and made recommendations for: Housekeeping, Carpet Cleaning, Trainer, Handyman, Car Detailing, Lighting, Moving Company, and Party Supply Rental

Del Mar Fairgrounds



## **Temecula Valley Balloon and Wine Festival**

The bright blue skies of Southern California are a welcome backdrop for the annual spring Temecula Valley Balloon and Wine Festival. During the casual three-day fest, visitors sample local wines, check out a smattering of vendors, listen to live music and watch the horizon for colorful hot-air balloons in flight. This year's event takes place June 2-4, 2006, at Lake Skinner. Opening night (Friday) features a fiery balloon glow after sundown, when colorful tethered crafts are lighted from within. Saturday and Sunday begin with an early-morning balloon launch (weather permitting). The balloon glow, which also takes place Saturday night, is orchestrated to music broadcast from the Main Stage. Wine tastings are offered at an additional cost and happen daily in the Wine Garden, with samples from more than 20 Temecula Valley and South Coast appellations. Your Concierge can help with ticket purchase or you can purchase them at the event. Make your over-night accommodations soon as this popular event causes many sold out hotels and camp sites.

### **Earl Thomas at the Birch North Park Theater**

On Saturday, June 3, hear the rich, powerful voice of Earl Thomas give the first music concert of the newly reopened North Park Theater, with guests 32nd Street Jazz Band and The Jezebelles. There is more to the recently restored North Park Theater than operas and plays. Whether or not you caught Earl Thomas' exalted all-acoustic opener for Aretha Franklin at Humphrey's last year, you can be sure that the 730-seat North Park Theater will provide a superior setting for his hall-filling voice. This show also features an opening set by the 32nd Street Jazz Band and a guest appearance by Thomas' dad, Papa T. Tickets run \$21.50 to \$51.50. Contact your Concierge for more information.

### The San Diego County Fair is Back Again

"Ride the Tide to Fun" is the theme of 2006's San Diego County Fair, which kicks off June 10 and runs through July 4 at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. The annual event will feature water, as it's the world's lifesource, along with world renowned environmental artist, Wyland. Tickets are \$11 for adults, \$5 for children ages 6 to 12 (free for kids 5 and younger) and \$6 for seniors 62 and older. On Wednesdays and Thursdays from 11 am to 8 pm you can pay \$25 for a wristband that allows unlimited rides, if your stomach can handle it. Parking fees are \$8 per vehicle (\$14 for preferred parking by the gate, as available). Free off-site parking and shuttles usually are available at the Del Mar Horsepark, east of I-5, and at additional locations on weekends and July 4. The fair is closed on Mondays, except for July 4 which is closing day. Gates open at 10 am daily.

### Coronado Low Tide Ride & Stride

Cyclists and runners alike come together for this scenic event on the Silver Strand, between Imperial Beach and Coronado, on Thursday, June 15. Held at low-tide on packed sand, the Low Tide Ride & Stride starts at 8 am (five minutes later for runners and walkers). The 8.2-mile course begins at YMCA Camp Surf at Seacoast Drive and Carnation Avenue in Imperial Beach and ends at Sunset Park in Coronado, passing through the Naval Amphibious Base beaches and the Hotel Del Coronado. All participants will get a T-shirt and every child will be awarded a ribbon! Contact your Concierge for more information.