

The Concierge Advantage

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The Pinnacle Concierge

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- -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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St. Patrick's Day, Soon To Be Underway!

Those Irish and Irish-for-aday eyes will be smiling this St. Patrick's Day when ShamRock 2008 returns to the Gaslamp on Monday, March 17, 4 pm to midnight. See the event flyer posted at the Concierge Desk for more details.

Why is there St. Patrick's Day? Saint Patrick, called the Apostle of Ireland, was carried off by Irish

marauders at age 16. He passed his captivity as a herdsman where he spent his time praying to God. After six years of slavery he escaped. For the next 15 years he studied the bible, was ordained a priest and returned to Ireland. Patrick was later appointed first bishop of Ireland and was highly responsible for bringing Christianity to Ireland. St.

Patrick's Day is celebrated on March 17, his religious feast day and the anniversary of his death in the fifth century. The Irish have observed this day as a religious holiday for thousands of years.



Easter Bonnet Parade & Hat Contest



Hop over to Petco Park's "Park at the Park" for this bunny fest and fundraiser. Petco Park's "Park at the

Park" is handed over to the little ones for this annual Easter event, March 22. The hat-making workshop starts at 11 am with the parade, egg hunt and hat contest and more hopping along afterward. All proceeds benefit the UCSD Medical Center Hematology/Ontology Department of Pediatric Research. For the hatmaking workshop prices range are \$5 for advanced purchase and \$6 at the door for children, and \$10 advanced purchase and \$12 at the door for adults. For more information contact your Concierge. "Park at the Park" is located at 8th Avenue and J Street.

Island Prime Wine Dinner Series

Once a month through May, Island Prime is exploring wines from around the world and pairing them with the savory creations of Chefs Deborah Scott and Mike Suttles. They will dive into the vast world of wine to have a better understanding of grapes, terrain and wine making. Through these dinners you will taste both esoteric and familiar wines to electrify your palate. The

dinners will take place in the Point Loma room or in the fully covered lanai. Seating is available for the first 30 people and is priced at \$125 per person to include food and wine pairings. Contact your Concierge for reservations that must go directly through the Wine Director. Did you know Island Prime received last year's Award of Excellence from

the *Wine Spectator*? Don't miss out on this journey into the baffling and exciting realm of wine!



Ocean Beach Kite Festival

Have fun with the whole family Saturday, March 1 and take flight with aviation aficionados in Ocean Beach for the city's 59th Annual Kite Festival. The celebration includes crafts, kite-making, a parade, carnival rides, musical entertainment and free hot dogs and popcorn for kids. Construct your own flying masterpiece from 9 am 'til noon, and then see how it sizes up to its fellow fliers during the best-kite contest at 1 pm. An ongoing OB tradition, the event takes place at Ocean Beach Recreation Center and Ocean Beach Elementary School, at the corner of Santa Monica Avenue and Ebers Street off Sunset Cliffs Boulevard. Pilot your own stringed armada, or slip into the ultimate window seat: Lie in the grass and watch as the sky fills with color. Either way, the kid in you is bound to soar.

2008 San Diego Resolution Run

Make good on your resolution for a healthy 2008 before you start making excuses. Starting at 7 am on Saturday, March 8 take a scenic run around Fiesta Island in Mission Bay, in either a 5K or 10K race that benefits the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Participants traditionally get their feet wet by running along the shore, but those who prefer to stick to pavement can opt for the flat-surfaced boardwalk. A number of prizes are up for grabs, including a new beach cruiser bicycle. Entry fees range from \$35 to \$45. Contact your Concierge for more information.

St. Patrick's Day Parade and Family Festival

For the love of the Irish...bands, floats, clowns and the mayor will convene for this spirited parade and festival hosted by The Irish Congress of Southern California. On Saturday, March 15 at 11 am the parade steps off from Sixth Avenue and Juniper Street. This two-hour parade marches right up to The Shamrockin' in the Park festival in the park which continues until 6 pm. The family festival has carnival rides and dozens of food booths selling much more than Irish fare. The free, all-ages festival takes up a grassy area of Balboa between Sixth Avenue and Balboa Drive, between Olive and Laurel streets. Irish singing and dancing also are on tap, along with plenty of opportunities to shop for souvenirs and crafts.

"In The Mood... A 1940s Musical"

With a Big Band Orchestra, singers and dancers, "In the Mood" presents a retro 1940's musical. Experience the music that moved a nation's spirit and helped win a war. Celebrating it's 15th Anniversary Tour with the music of Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Artie Shaw, Benny Goodman, Harry James, Erskin Hawkins, The Andrews Sisters, Frank Sinatra and more...all adding up to a Big Band Theatrical Swing Revue! "In The Mood" will be taking stage at 7:30 pm on Thursday, March 20 at the Balboa Theater. Contact your Concierge for ticket information and additional details of performances this month at the Balboa Theater.

San Diego Indie Music Fest

On Saturday, March 29 the San Diego Indie Music Festival celebrates remarkable independent music, film, art, business and thought. All ages are welcome from 12 noon to 12 midnight. Enjoy interactive art & activities, dance and delicious food and drinks. There will be seven stages and 70-plus artists. Come over to North Park for the festivities! This annual event takes place on Kansas Street between University and Lincoln Avenue to 29th Street between University and North Park Way. Tickets are \$23 general admission, \$20 senior, \$20 student and children 5 and younger are free. For a complete line up of artists, visit your Concierge.



Don't miss the OB Kite Festival

Your Pinnacle Concierge Team really helped out in February!

- U.S. Open tickets
- Rugby tickets at Pelco Park
- Reservations for Valentine's Day Cruise
- Spa reservations
- Car wash/detail referrals
- Dog/cat sitter requests
- Hotel reservations
- Car rental reservations
- Numerous direction print outs
- Dinner reservations



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