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Sales Tax Holiday

August 17 - 19, 2012

Texas shoppers get a break from state and local sales taxes on August 17, 18 and 19 - the state's annual tax holiday. Layaway plans can be used again this year to take advantage of the sales tax holiday.

As in previous years, the law exempts most clothing and footwear priced under \$100 from sales and use taxes, which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend. Backpacks under \$100 and used by elementary and secondary students are also exempt. A backpack is a pack with straps one wears on the back. The exemption during the sales tax holiday includes backpacks with wheels, provided they can also be worn on the back like a traditional backpack, and messenger bags. The exemption does not include items that are reasonably defined as luggage, briefcases, athletic/duffle/gym bags, computer bags, purses or framed backpacks. Ten or fewer backpacks can be purchased tax-free at one time without providing an exemption certificate to the seller.

Clothing & Footwear

Baby clothes, belts with attached buckles, boots (cowboy, hiking), caps/hats (baseball, fishing, golf, knitted), coats and wraps, diapers (adult and baby), dresses, gloves, gym suits and uniforms, hooded shirts and sweatshirts, hosiery, jackets, jeans, jerseys (baseball and football), jogging apparel, neckwear and ties, pajamas, pants and trousers, raincoats and ponchos, robes, shirts, shoes (sandals, slippers,

sneakers, tennis, walking), socks (including athletic), shorts, suits, slacks, and jackets, sweatshirts, sweat suits, sweaters, swimsuits, underclothes, work clothes and uniforms.

School Supplies

The 81st Texas Legislature passed HB 1801 (2009) expanding the list of items qualifying for exemption from Texas state and local sales and use taxes during the annual sales tax holiday in August. In addition to clothes, footwear and some backpacks, Texas families also get a sales tax break on most school supplies priced at less than \$100 purchased for use by a student in an elementary or secondary school.

Qualifying school supplies (if priced less than \$100): Binders, book bags, calculators, cellophane tape, blackboard chalk, compasses, composition books, crayons, erasers, folders (expandable, pocket, plastic, and manila), glue, paste and paste sticks, highlighters, index cards, index card boxes, legal pads, lunch boxes, markers, notebooks, paper (loose leaf ruled notebook paper, copy paper, graph paper, tracing paper, manila paper, colored paper, poster board, and construction paper), pencil boxes and other school supply boxes, pencil sharpeners, pencils, pens, protractors, rulers, scissors, and writing tablets.

For additional information, log onto http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tx98_490/tx98_490.html. The site also includes information for purchasing supplies under a business account.



Resistol Arena, home of the World Famous Mesquite Rodeo, is an indoor, air-conditioned, year-round event facility. For over 50 years, the top cowboys and cowgirls have competed in Mesquite while continuing their quest to reach the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas. Entertainment is their strength and convenience is a bonus; Resistol Arena is located just 12 minutes from downtown Dallas at 1818 Rodeo Dr, Mesquite, 75149. Join them for an affordable, exciting event; whether it's rodeo, concerts, arena cross, or Professional Bull Riders, you're sure to have a great time at Resistol Arena. The rodeo is every Friday and Saturday night at 7:30pm through August 25. Parking is \$5 per vehicle (paid upon arrival, no pre-purchased parking available). **Contact your concierge to purchase discount tickets.** For more information, visit www.mesquiterodeo.com.

Concierge Connection Specials:

- **General Admission (no discount), \$12** (sections 113-118) and is first come, first served seating
- **Regular Admission (seat only), \$16** (Adult) and **\$12** (Child, 3-12)
- **Express Admission Option 1 (includes a seat, BBQ sandwich, chips & drink), \$20** (Adult) and **\$14** (Child)
- **Express Admission Option 2 (includes a seat and BBQ Dinner), \$24** (Adult) and **\$20** (Child)



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2013 Season Preview

CATCH ME IF YOU CAN

FEBRUARY 12-24, 2013

CATCH ME IF YOU CAN is the high-flying new musical comedy based on the hit DreamWorks film and the incredible true story that inspired it!

Frank W. Abagnale, Jr., is a teenager who runs away from home in search of the glamorous life. With nothing more than a boyish charm, a big imagination and millions of dollars in forged checks, Frank successfully poses as a pilot, a doctor and a lawyer - living the high life and winning the girl of his dreams. Carl Hanratty is the dogged FBI agent who chases Frank to the end and finds something he never expected.

CATCH ME features a Tony Award-winning "dream team," with a book by TERRENCE McNALLY (*The Full Monty*, *Ragtime*), an irresistible score by MARC SHAIMAN & SCOTT WITTMAN (*Hairspray*), choreography by JERRY MITCHELL (*Hairspray*, *Legally Blonde*) and direction by JACK O'BRIEN (*Hairspray*, *The Full Monty*, *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*).

MARY POPPINS

MARCH 19-31, 2013

MARY POPPINS is bringing its own brand of Broadway magic to theaters across the country, which has *Variety* raving, "This is the rare touring production that over-delivers on every level!" Featuring the irresistible story and unforgettable songs from one of the most popular Disney films of all time, plus brand-new breathtaking dance numbers and spectacular stage-craft, MARY POPPINS is everything you could ever want in a hit Broadway show! So get swept up in the fun of this high-flying musical the *New York Post* gives 4 out of 4 stars and calls "a perfect piece of musical theater."

WICKED

APRIL 10 – MAY 5, 2013

SO MUCH HAPPENED BEFORE DOROTHY DROPPED IN. Long before that girl from Kansas arrives in Munchkinland, two girls meet in the land of Oz. One - born with emerald green skin - is smart, fiery and misunderstood. The other is beautiful, ambitious and very popular. How these two grow to become the Wicked Witch of the West and Glinda the Good makes for "the most complete - and completely satisfying - new musical in a long time" (*USA Today*).

On Broadway and around the world, WICKED has worked its magic on critics and audiences alike. Winner of 35 major awards, including a Grammy® and three Tony® Awards, WICKED is "Broadway's biggest blockbuster" and "the defining musical of the decade" (*The New York Times*).

THE LION KING

OCTOBER 1-20, 2013

Experience the phenomenon. The most eagerly awaited stage production ever will leap onto the stage. Visually stunning, technically astounding and with a musical score like none other you've ever heard. Giraffes strut, birds swoop, and gazelles leap. The entire savannah comes to life and as the music soars, Pride Rock slowly emerges from the mist.

Marvel at the breathtaking spectacle of animals brought to life by a cast of more than 40 actors. Wonder at the inspiration of award-winning director Julie Taymor, who created visual images for this show that you'll remember forever. Thrill to the pulsating rhythms of the African Pridelands and an unforgettable score including Elton John and Tim Rice's Oscar®-winning song "Can You Feel The Love Tonight" and "Circle of Life."

The Addams Family Musical

October 2-21, 2012

Nothing changes a family faster than a daughter in love. The weird and wonderful family comes to devilishly delightful life in a Broadway musical. This is definitely not the same old song and dance. Spend an evening with Gomez, Morticia, Uncle Fester, Grandma, Lurch and Pugsley as they face a brand-new predicament. Daughter Wednesday has fallen in love with a young man. A nice young man, from a normal family. And the Addams household is about to be turned upside-down. It's a family portrait that's completely off the wall.

NOTE: Please be aware that this show is during the State Fair of Texas. Tickets to this show include free admission to the fair. Traffic will be heavier than usual, and parking is not reserved. For full details on what to expect, you may visit www.dallassummermusicals.org. **Contact your concierge to purchase your tickets!**



Purchase a 12-13 Season Subscription and Receive

20% OFF! Presenting The Las Colinas Symphony Orchestra's 2012-2013 Season, Viva España

The sensuous rhythms and exotic melodies of Spain will highlight the 22nd concert season of the Las Colinas Symphony Orchestra. Titled "Viva España", the 2012-13 Season will feature not just native Iberian composers such as Albéniz, Granados, and Turina, but also the many composers from other nations who have found the seductive sounds of Spain to be irresistible.

The LCSO's audience can look forward to Spanish music by Russians (Rimsky-Korsakov's *Capriccio Espagnol*, Glinka's *Summer Night in Madrid*), Frenchmen (Debussy's *Ibéria*, Chabrier's *España*, Ravel's *Bolero*), Italians (Berio's *Ritirata notturno de Madrid*), and other great composers from around the globe. Additionally, the season will explore music inspired by Spanish literature and from operas set in Spain: *Don Juan* by Richard Strauss, Wagner's *Parsifal Prelude*, Mozart's *Overture to The Marriage of Figaro*, the ballet music from Verdi's *Il Trovatore*, and much more.

A distinguished international roster of guest soloists will collaborate with the orchestra, including native Spaniard Daniel del Pino playing Falla's *Nights in the Gardens of Spain*. Subscribers can look forward to a musical fiesta as fiery as a Flamenco dance and as rich as a bottle of Rioja! Olé!

Season Tickets are priced as low as **\$53** and Single Tickets are priced between **\$15** and **\$45** and all are available by telephone (972-252-4800), fax (972-252-4877), or email (info@lascolinassymphony.org).

All concerts begin at 8pm at the Irving Arts Center:

Irving Arts Center
Carpenter Hall
3333 N. MacArthur Blvd.
Irving, TX 75062

For more information on the Las Colinas Symphony Orchestra, visit www.LasColinasSymphony.org. All Artists and Repertoire are subject to change. **NOTE: The 20% discount on season subscription is ONLY valid through August 15!**

Concierge Connection Exclusive

Have you visited the new Cowboys Stadium yet? If not, here's your chance to take your family to an affordable live game! A limited supply of tickets will be available to these two pre-season games for **\$15/\$20 each** (upper 400 level seats) or other areas (levels 1-3) at **\$35/\$45 each** while supplies last. Contact your concierge for more details on placing orders for these two specific games. Should you be interested in regular season games throughout the year, call your concierge for pricing.



- **Saturday, August 25 at 7pm**
Cowboys vs. St. Louis Rams
- **Wednesday, August 29 at 7:30pm**
Cowboys vs. Miami Dolphins

Texas Rangers

The Texas Rangers 2012 Season is going strong! Discounted tickets range from **\$8-\$37 off** of the regular price and depend on your game date selection, section preference, and availability. Individual tickets are on sale to the general public. **Your concierge has order forms available—contact us to place your order!**



MORE DISCOUNT TICKETS & PASSES!

We have many discounts to theaters, sporting events, attractions, etc.; however, due to space limitations in our newsletter, we update and post those to our website on the 1st of each month. To access this list, please log onto www.cciservices.org and click on the **newsletter tab** at the top of the page, then scroll down to the hyperlink that says **Discount Tickets** to view or print a copy.

Entertainment Passbooks

All the Fun. Half the Price. We will be carrying Dallas and Fort Worth Entertainment Passbooks again this year at **\$30 each**. With hundreds of half-off and two-for-one coupons, the Entertainment Passbook is the best way to save money on dining, shopping, attractions and much more! This year's book will contain \$25 bonus cards to be used at restaurant.com. We expect to receive our shipment by mid-August, so contact your concierge for a copy.

FC Dallas

As a client of Concierge Connection, Inc., you have the opportunity to purchase tickets for FC Dallas home games at a special low price. The process is easy; just contact your concierge for a special web link and promotion code to purchase directly from FC Dallas. All orders are subject to availability and all sales are final.



August Schedule:

- **August 11, 8pm vs. Colorado Rapids**

Contact your concierge for a link to purchase tickets at a discount rate.

Dallas Mavericks

Dallas Mavs are now seating new customers for next season. If you are interested in season ticket packages,



group rates, luxury suite rentals, or single games, please contact Jim Wikman at 214-658-7196 or email jim.wikman@dallasmavs.com.

Grand Prairie AirHogs

For a fun outing, take your family to see an AirHogs game! Gates will always open one hour before the scheduled first pitch time. QuikTrip Park is located at 1600 Lone Star Parkway, Grand Prairie, 75050. For more information on schedule and game times, visit www.airhogsbaseball.com. Fans interested in purchasing a ticket plan can call 972-504-9383 or stop by the QuikTrip Park offices. The stadium is open Monday-Friday from 9am to 5pm.



Contact your concierge to purchase individual tickets at a discount.

Section	Day of Game Pricing	Discounted Pricing
Officer's Club Seats	\$15	\$12
Box Seats	\$12	\$9
Reserved Seats	\$8	\$5

KRLD RESTAURANT WEEK

AUGUST 13-19, 2012

Preview August 10-12,

Extensions August 20-September 2

Don't miss out on the 15th Annual KRLD Restaurant Week presented by Central Market! Select from over 125 restaurants and enjoy a fabulous three-course dinner for just **\$35 per person**. For each prix fixe dinner purchased, participating restaurants will make a \$7 donation to the North Texas Food Bank in Dallas or Lena Pope Home in Fort Worth to benefit families in need. Over the years, KRLD's Restaurant Week has raised millions for local charities. You can help by making your reservation and enjoying a delicious dinner out!



Restaurant Week Preview and Extensions

Experience KRLD Restaurant Week before anyone else during Restaurant Week Preview (August 10-12), when three-course meals will be offered for **\$43**. A number of participating restaurants are extending the \$35 promotion for an extra week (August 20-26) or two (August 27-September 2).

Central Market Fourth Course

Central Market shoppers who spend \$25 or more will receive gift certificates (while supplies last) that they can exchange at participating Restaurant Week restaurants for an additional course. Certificates will be accepted as long as the restaurant is participating in KRLD Restaurant Week.

Several of the KRLD Restaurant Week chefs will be demonstrating how to make their Fourth Course and giving samples as well. Check back for details on the schedule for the chef demonstrations at the Central Market near you.

For Restaurant Week, including the preview and the extensions, ordering off the regular menu is not included in this special price. Beverages, tax, and gratuity are also not included. Reservations are required, and seating is limited. The participating restaurant list can be viewed at **OpenTable.com**. You may make your reservation by calling the restaurant, or reserving online at **OpenTable.com**.

VISIONS: The Women's Expo to

Celebrate 23rd Year

Dallas Market Hall, August 25-26

VISIONS: The Women's Expo, the largest and oldest event in the southwest dedicated to women brings to Dallas Market Hall two days of shopping, bargains, fashion, food, entertainment, cosmetics, travel, vacation and free health & beauty screenings. Local style expert Victoria Snee will be discussing how to look your best with her book, *The Beauty Buzz*. Attendees can indulge themselves with facials, hair styling, teeth whitening, free and fun entertainment, and enrich their soul with a number of volunteer opportunities. So grab your girlfriends, bring your family, and get ready to have fun, shop, sample and taste. Now in its 23rd year, VISIONS introduces cutting-edge products, services, education and entertainment as a beacon of ideas and shopping for women in Texas. Show hours are (10am-6pm) on Sat, and (11am-5pm) on Sun. Ticket prices are **\$10** for adults, **\$8** for seniors (60+), and children under 12 are FREE. You may purchase a ticket on the website for Saturday, August 25 ONLY at **\$8**, Sunday for **\$5** or a two-day pass at **\$16**. For additional information or to purchase tickets, visit **www.visionsexpo.com**.



The Otis Uduebor Sickle Cell

Foundation 5K & Family Day

On Saturday, September 22, The Otis Uduebor Sickle Cell Foundation will host its annual "5K & Sickle Cell Family Day" from 9am to 4pm at Bachman Lake Park, 3500 W. Northwest Highway, Dallas, Texas 75220. The festivities will start with a 5K run/jog/walk (registration starts at 9am and race starts at 10am) followed by the 4th annual family-style picnic in the park. This event includes inspirational speakers, health information, mentor opportunities, food, fun, games, music, prizes and activities for all ages. It is designed to connect sickle cell families with each other and increase public awareness of sickle cell disease.

All food and festivities are FREE to the public! There is a **\$25** registration fee to participate in the 5K (includes t-shirt). Proceeds raised through the 5K help support the Otis Uduebor Sickle Cell Foundation in their on-going mission to provide programs like Sickle Cell Family Fun Day and will also benefit efforts to raise funds to provide free sickle cell screening in the North Texas area. Pre-register by September 19 online at **www.theotisfoundation.org** or by phone at 800-455-8949 to be eligible for the grand prize give-away! Free food is served on a "first-come, first-served" basis. Sponsorship and volunteer opportunities are available; simply email contactus@theotisfoundation.org if you are interested.

NewlyMaid Up-Cycling Program

Say "I do" to bridesmaid dress-swap website

NewlyMaid is an up-cycling program that gives women a major discount on cute little black dresses in exchange for old bridesmaid frocks. Tons of people have taken advantage of NewlyMaid's offer to score an affordable, wearable dress and donate their barely used frocks to charity. Here's how it works:

Step 1: Buy yourself a brand new little black dress at a discount. There are a variety of flattering dresses on the site, including the on-trend lace Natalie (\$75); the Tina (\$70), a matte jersey with asymmetrical hem; or the one-shoulder Jennifer (\$69) to name a few. The price is significantly lower than retail because it reflects the trade-in of your old, gently used dress.

Step 2: Pick the dress you want to ditch. NewlyMaid accepts not only bridesmaid dresses but also mother-of-the-bride, maid-of-honor and even prom dresses. The dress must be made by a bridal dress manufacturer and be in good condition, with zippers and clasps working and no stains, rips or pulls visible. It does not have to be dry-cleaned!

Step 3: Receive your new dress and mail back your old one. Your new dress will come packaged with a pre-paid shipping mailer so you do not have to pay shipping to send in your old dress. Place your old dress in it and send it back to NewlyMaid. Then the company will get your dress to Clothes4Souls, a charity that brings shoes and apparel to people in need around the world. (Dresses in perfect or near perfect condition are given to young women in the U.S. who want to go to prom but can't afford a new dress. Less-perfect used dresses are sent to business owners overseas who repair them or use the fabric to make something completely new. Those garments are then resold, which benefits the small-business owners, their families, and community at large). It's a win-win!

Step 4: Enjoy! Wear your new little black dress and enjoy the extra room in your closet.

NOTE: This promotion is only valid until August 15. Use code (4MYLBD) when ordering. In addition, receive a \$10 coupon to the Dessy Accessory Store.

