# Concierge Connection

"Helping Executives Get Back to Business"

## HOW TO USE THE CONCIERGE SERVICE:

ORDER TICKETS MONDAY-FRIDAY 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The delivery day for your building is every Friday by 12:00 p.m. All orders must be placed by 3:00 p.m. Thursday, the day before. Tickets not picked up by 5:00 p.m. on Friday will be returned.

## **3 WAYS TO ORDER**

PHONE (972) 770-4045 EMAIL services@conciergeconnection.org WEB www.cciservices.org

## WE DO NOT ACCEPT PERSONAL CHECKS OR CASH.

We accept ALL major credit cards, debit cards, and company checks.

PLEASE have your credit card ready when calling. There is a \$25 NSF fee for returned checks.

# Experience the Dallas Wind Symphony at Half Price

To celebrate their 25th Anniversary, the Dallas Wind Symphony is offering firsttime subscribers half priced season tickets and a money back guarantee! Simply call 214-880-0202 or go online **www.dws.org** to place your order.

# Sales Tax Holiday: August 20-22

Texas shoppers get a break from state and local sales taxes on the state's annual tax holiday. Lay-away 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 (with straps, that can be worn on the back) under \$100 and used by elementary and secondary students are also exempt. Ten or fewer backpacks can be purchased tax-free at one time without providing an exemption certificate to the seller.

## **School Supplies**

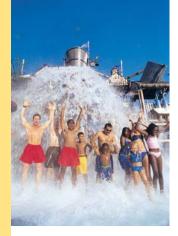
The 81st Texas Legislature passed HB 1801 (2009) expanding the list of items qualifying for exemption from Texas state and local sales and use taxes during the annual sales tax holiday in August. In addition to clothes, footwear and some



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, include binders, calculators, composition books, crayons, folders, highlighters, index cards, lunch boxes, pencils, pens, rulers and scissors. Clothing that is tax-free during the tax holiday includes baby clothes, jackets, raincoats and ponchos, hats, pajamas, jeans, robes, jerseys, boots, sweaters, swimsuits, shorts, socks and certain types of shoes.

► For additional information and a complete list of items that are exempt during the sales tax holiday, log onto www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/ taxpubs/tx98\_490/tx98\_490.html. The site also includes information for purchasing supplies under a business account.



## Hurricane Harbor & Six Flags Promotions

New Super Saver tickets have arrived. These tickets may be redeemed ONE DAY ONLY at your choice of either Six Flags Over Texas OR Hurricane Harbor! Take advantage of this incredible value, priced at only **\$22 per ticket** (tax included). Tickets are valid at Six Flags on any regular operating day through October 31 and at Hurricane Harbor on any regular operating day through September 26.

# Fall for SeaWorld San Antonio

800-700-7786; SeaWorldSanAntonio.com

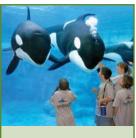
Fall is a great time to visit SeaWorld San Antonio with a variety of special events, shows and rides. Get ready for some frightening fun for the whole family during **Howl-O-Scream** during weekends in October. For all the thrill seekers, there's **Jack's Frightmare Forest** or you can take the kids to **Trick-or-Treat Street** for some ghoulish goodies.

Don't miss **Bret Michaels** at Nautilus Amphitheater on Friday, October 1. Fresh off of his win from NBC's "Celebrity Apprentice," he will be performing some of his hard-rocking hits. For concert time and details visit **SeaWorldSanAntonio.com**.

The exciting new show *Azul: Lure of the Sea* will continue through the fall at SeaWorld's Beluga Stadium. *Azul* includes colorful new costumes, enhanced sound and lighting and a cast of 22 high divers, synchronized swimmers, aerialists, bungee artists and animal trainers.

You may purchase discount tickets from your concierge. **We offer** a two-day ticket for less than the price of a one-day ticket. Simply purchase a ticket from us and we will include specific instructions with your order on how to obtain a second ticket valid any other day this 2010 operating season!

SeaWorld continues its SeaWorld Cares programs into the fall. Now through December 31, with each full-paid, single-day, adult admission purchased online, any child age 12 and under gets a \$5 admission, all of which goes to fund non-profit organizations working right now on wildlife conservation projects. Families can even choose which wildlife conservation effort receives their donation. Complete details are available at **SeaWorldCares.com**. Come create amazing memories with Shamu and crew. SeaWorld is open through January 2, 2011.



SeaWorldCares.com Get a child's ticket for only \$5



# AT&T Performing Arts Center

Blue Man Group comes to Winspear Opera House, September 14-26



Blue Man Group is best known for their wildly popular theatrical shows and concerts which combine comedy, music and technology to produce a totally unique form of entertainment. Although it is impossible to describe, people of all ages agree that Blue

Man Group is an intensely exciting and wildly outrageous show that leaves the entire audience in a blissful, euphoric state. With no spoken language, Blue Man Group is perfect for people of all ages, languages and cultures. This unique experience is a form of entertainment like nothing else; guaranteed to be an outing you will never forget. Contact your concierge to purchase tickets.

# Dallas Symphony Orchestra

The Dallas Symphony Orchestra is your DESTINATION for the best music and finest entertainment! At the DSO you can enjoy brilliant Classical and Pops Series performances and a variety of special concert events throughout the year-all in the worldrenowned Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center. This season kicks off in August with Gershwin Favorites, conducted by Marvin Hamlisch, Kenny G, Chris Botti, Jim Brickman, Frankie Valli, Music of Michael Jackson and much more. As one of the nation's most highly acclaimed symphonies, the





DSO offers complimentary event space with the purchase of 10 or more tickets to a DSO concert. Event space is available for up to 300 people! For discount tickets and information, please contact your concierge. Visit **DallasSymphony.com** for the full 2010-2011 season schedule.

# **RESTAURANT** RESERVATIONS



Did you know we would be happy to make your restaurant reservations for you? Simply log onto our website at **www.cciservices.org**, click on the "services" tab at the top of the page, scroll down to tions." fill out the form and submit We will take care

"reservations," fill out the form and submit. We will take care of your reservations and email you a confirmation. Additional questions or comments, simply email us at reservations@ conciergeconnection.org.

# **TRAVEL** ARRANGEMENTS

You can now get assistance with your travel arrangements. Simply log onto our website at **www.cciservices.org**, click on the "services" tab at the top of the page, and scroll down to "travel." In addition, we will offer discounts on ALL cruises and allinclusive packages. However, we will feature (as they become available) greater discounts for cruises and all-inclusive packages on "select group dates."



You can now obtain discounts on admission at all three parks (New Braunfels, South Padre Island and Galveston). See discount pricing on the back page of this newsletter.

- 1) Simply log onto our Corporate Partner Link: www.schlitterbahn.com/partners
- 2) Click on the park of your choice
- 3) Enter the quantity of the items you want and follow the prompts

#### **NOTE: Your discount promotional**

code is 555001050. Enter your discount promotional code (in the field provided) to receive your discount. DON'T FORGET ... If the promotional code is not entered BEFORE you check out, you will be charged full price!

# **Texas Rangers**

The Texas Rangers 2010 season is here! Discounted tickets range from **\$2-\$15** off the regular price and depend on your game date selection, section preference, and availability. Please contact your concierge

to place your order as availability is limited!

- Aug 13 vs. Boston Fantastic Fireworks Friday
- Aug 25 vs. Minnesota \$1 Hot Dog Night, Autograph Wednesday
- Aug 27 vs. Oakland Fantastic Fireworks Friday
- Aug 28 vs. Oakland Rangers T-Shirt (First 8,500, 13 & under), Mercy Me Pre-Game Concert
- Aug 29 vs. Oakland Rangers Chest Protector Backpack (First 8,500, 13 & under)

# **Concierge Connection**

## **Exclusive**

Have you visited the new Cowboys Stadium yet? If not, here's your chance! We have a limited supply of tickets to these two games for \$20 each (upper level) while supplies last. Tickets are available in other levels and to other games...call your concierge for pricing.

Thursday, August 12 at 8pm **Cowboys vs. Oakland Raiders** 

Thursday, September 2 at 7pm Cowboys vs. Miami Dolphins

# **XLV Volunteer** Program

The Host Committee's official launch of the XLV Volunteer Program took place on April 22, the NFL's Draft Day. The deadline for volunteer

recruitment is quickly approaching. Please encourage your friends, family, coworkers and any other contacts to register to volunteer as soon as possible. All volunteers will be issued a limited edition and official volunteer uniform and will also be invited to a volunteer appreciation event following

Volunteers registered by August 31 are automatically entered to WIN a pair of tickets to the XLV Countdown Live From Cowboys Stadium, a historic night of football and music headlined by Tim McGraw to kick off a memorable football season for North Texas. FIVE **XLV Volunteers will** win a pair of tickets to the countdown event!

Super Bowl XLV! Anyone interested should visit northtexassuperbowl.com and select "volunteer" to begin volunteer registration. Volunteers will staff numerous activities and venues throughout the region, including the area's airports, major hotels and the NFL Experience.



## Shrek the Musical

#### Presented by Dallas Summer Musicals September 28-October 17; Music Hall at Fair Park

Dallas is getting a make-ogre. Shrek the Musical tells the story of a swamp-dwelling ogre who goes on a life-changing adventure to reclaim the deed to his land. Joined by a wise-cracking donkey, this unlikely hero fights a fearsome dragon, rescues a feisty princess and learns that real friendship and true love aren't only found in fairy tales. Shrek the Musical is the 2010 State Fair of Texas

musical. Tickets to the musical will be honored as admission tickets to the fair on the day of the show purchased. Contact your concierge to purchase your Shrek tickets. For more information, visit ShrekTheMusical.com or dallassummermusicals.org. Log in to shrekster.com/dallas and join your city group for access to news, information and member's only exclusive content.

# **KRLD** Restaurant Week is Here!



This year's KRLD Restaurant Weekwhen more than 120 restaurants will offer three-course prix fixe meals for \$35 to raise funds for the North Texas Food Bank and Lena Pope

Home—is August 16-22. A number of participating restaurants are extending the promotion for an extra week (Aug 23-29) or two (Aug 30-Sep 5).

#### **RESTAURANT WEEK PREVIEW**

Experience KRLD Restaurant Week before anyone else during Restaurant Week Preview (August 13-15). Threecourse meals will be offered for \$42, which also includes a specialty cocktail made with either Ultimate Vodka or Patron XO Café.

#### **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 restaurants for an additional course. Certificates will be accepted as long as the restaurant is participating in KRLD Restaurant Week Aug 13-Sep 5.

For Restaurant Week, including the preview and the extensions, ordering off the regular menu is not included in this special price. Tax, gratuity and drinks are also not included. Reservations are required, and availability is limited. The participating restaurant





list can be viewed at **OpenTable.com**. You may make your reservation by calling the restaurant, reserving online at **OpenTable.com** or through the Reservations link under the Services tab on our website, cciservices.org.

# **Dallas Museum** of Art

Dine with the Dallas Museum of Art in August and show your receipt at the Museum's Visitors Services Desk to get **\$3 off** adult admission (limit 2 per receipt), valid any time during the month. Offer expires August 31, 2010. For dining Information, visit

dallasmuseumofart.org/Visit/Dine/ index.htm.





Reg. Discount

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Reg. Discount

140.71

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37.83

54.00

33.50

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45.00

\$25 Game Card for \$20

2 hour unlimited passes \$25

All day unlimited passes \$35

37.53

28.95

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8.75

7.75-8.50

7.75-8.50

(Season Pass Child 3-11) 97.41

(Child 3-11, 2 Day Pass) 54.05

(Adult, College St, Sr 65+) 13.50

(Students 6-18 w/ ID) 12.50

Children under 6 admitted FREE

(Adult, 2 Day Pass)

(Child Under 48")

(Child Under 48")

(Season Parking)

(Play Pass)

Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza with Audio

(Adult)

(Child Under 48")

(Senior 55+)

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And		AT&T Performing Arts Center Discounts apply to select shows			
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			(Senior 65+)	8.00	6.00
	1		(Child 3-12)	6.00	5.50
			Children 2 and under a	re FREE	
		Dallas Children's Th	neater	S	Save \$4-\$6
		Dallas Polo Club	(10 Lessons Includ	ding Hors	e & Tack)
SplachTown				500.00	250.00
SplashTown		Dallas Symphony O	rchestra 10% Disco	unt on se	lect shows
Houston's largest water park offers a cool Wild		Dallas Zoo	(Adult)	12.00	9.00
Wave Pool; the Blue Lagoon Activity Pool with			(Child 3-11)	9.00	6.00
swings, geysers, water cannons, a diving rock,		Entertainment Passl	oook (Dallas)		25.00
		FC Dallas	Discounts apply to AL	L games	
water stairs and waterfall; an exciting three-		Fort Worth Zoo	(Adult)	12.00	9.50
story Treehouse Island with ladders, slides,			(Child 3-12/SR 65+)	9.00	6.50
water cannons and a 1,000 gallon soaking		Hawaiian Falls	Big Kahuna	24.88	17.50
bucket; a refreshing, tree-lined lazy river, The			(same ticket pricing for		· · · ·
Guadalupe River Adventure; an interactive			Children 2 and Under a		
Crocodile Isle children's play area; and a fun			Season Pass	86.58	65.00
			Value Priced Walk-Up		
children's activity center, Leaky Pipes. Your			choice of hot dog, ham	-	
concierge now carries discount tickets (prices			strips with bag of chips	7.87	5.50
to the right). For more information, log onto			Value Priced Walk-Up		
www.splashtownpark.com.			DAY Drink Pass	ivical wi	9.00
		Hurricane Harbor	(Adult)	28.07	20.00
			(Child Under 48")	21.59	20.00
Entertainment		Nasher Sculpture Center			
LINCHAMMEN		-	(Adult)	10.00	8.00
Passbooks			(Senor 65+)	7.00	5.00
L M22DOOK2			(Military)	7.00	5.00
All the Fun. Half the Price.			(Student)	5.00	3.00
We will be carrying Dallas Entertainment			Children 12 and under		
		NRH20	(Regular 48" and up)	23.99	17.50
Passbooks again this year at <b>\$25 each</b> . With			(Under 48")	19.99	17.50
hundreds of half-off and two-for-one coupons,			Children 2 and under a		
the Entertainment Passbook is the best way to		Schlitterbahn E-Tic	ket Available through S	-	
save money on dining, shopping, attractions			(Adult 12 & older)	43.29	37.01
and much more! We expect to receive our			(Child 3-11)	34.63	29.22
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Sea World

SpeedZone

SplashTown

AMC Silver

Cinemark

THEATERS

AMC Gold (unrestricted)

Cinemark Platinum (unrestricted)

Studio Movie Grill (unrestricted)

Angelika Film Center

Landmark Theatres

Rave Motion Pictures

Six Flags Fiesta Texas (Adult)

Six Flags Over Texas (Adult)

# ASK A LAWYER Proaram

The Law Office of Ronald L. Baron is pleased to offer an ASK A LAWYER program for clients of Concierge Connection, Inc. Mr. Baron will offer one complimentary and confidential 15 minute telephone consultation. All Concierge Connection clients who subsequently decide to retain Mr. Baron's legal services will receive a 25% discount on Mr. Baron's standard hourly rates (with the exception of personal injury contingency cases). A licensed attorney since 1983, Ron Baron has extensive experience in representing a wide range of clients-dealing with straight-forward legal filings to complex litigation. He will represent clients on a variety of legal issues and is dedicated to serving his client's legal needs with affordable fees.

SCHEDULING YOUR COMPLIMENTARY **CONSULTATION:** Please schedule your complimentary consultation by contacting Mr. Baron at: www.ronbaronlaw.com. Mr. Baron will respond via email confirming your telephone consultation. In addition to standard business hours, he is also available for consultation on weekday evenings and weekends.

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## PASSES

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#### RESTAURANTS

Blue Mesa 10% Off In-House Party or Catered Event		
(10 Person Minimum)		
Buca di Beppo \$10 Off Purchase of \$20 or More		
Capital Grille		
w/Hot Cherry Peppers		
Cattleman's Fort Worth Steak House Free Non-		
Alcoholic Bvg/Slice of Cheesecake		
Chick-Fil-A (Any Location) FREE Brownie		
Corner BakeryFREE Sweet w/ Lunch or Dinner Entrée		
FREE Coffee (Valid Open-11am)		
Cyclone Anaya Complimentary Bowl of Queso		
Limit 1 per Table		
Dallas Fish Market Comp Bottle of Wine		
(Entrée Purchase Req., Sommelier's Choice of House Red/Wht)		
Deep Sushi 20% Off Meal (Dine-In Only)		
Dick's Last Resort 15% Off Food		
Egg & I Restaurant 15% Off Entrée		
(Also Applies to Catering Orders)		
Fedora (One Arts Plaza) \$5 Off Dinner (One per Table)		
HoffbrauComp Appetizer or Dessert		
w/ Purchase of Entrée (Value Up to \$6)		
I Fratelli Ristorante & Wine Bar (Irving) Comp Appetizer		
Iron CactusOne Complimentary Tapas Entrée		
La Hacienda Ranch Comp Buckaroo mea		
Mariano'sComp Kid's Meal		
Maximo Comp Appetizer (One per Table)		
Melting Pot \$10 Off (Valid Sun-Thu)		
On the BorderFREE Dessert w/ Entrée Purchase		
Pappas Bros Steakhouse		
Paul's PorterhouseComp Bananas Foster for		
Complete Party		
Press Box Grill 50% OFF Appetizer w/ Purchase of		
Entrée, Comp Appetizer w/ Purchase of 2 Entrées		
SambucaBuy One Lunch Entrée, Get One FREE		
Sonny Bryan's Smokehouse 10% Off Food		
(Includes Catering Orders)		
Sushi AxiomFREE Appetizer		
Texas de Brazil		
Veritas Wine Room		
Victory Tavern		

#### **GIFT CARDS** AMEX Gift Cards

\$20-\$500

(Denominations are available upon request; a \$3 activation fee will be applied to each card) NOTE: All gift card orders must be placed a minimum of

one week in advance to assure fulfillment of your order. In some cases it may take longer: please contact your concierge to determine when your order will be available for pick-up.

All sales are final. Subject to availability. PLEASE have credit card ready when ordering. Coupons are available with purchase only (when using our off-site services and sent out via courier). However, no purchase is required when picking up in person at the concierge desk.