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Concierge Newsletter

Don't look now but we are on the downhill side of the calendar year. How did THAT happen? August brings us really hot weather, back-to-school preparations, high school football and Restaurant Weeks in each of our major cities. See the column to the right for links to your city's event and enjoy exploring new restaurants while supporting local food banks.

Schools across Texas will be opening their doors this month, some as early as August 14 – others as late as August 26. The back-to-school shopping frenzy will reach it's peak with the state-wide Sales Tax Holiday, August 9-11. If this is a new concept for you, click on the link provided to learn more about what merchandise will be tax-free that weekend. Once schools start, keep a watchful eye on students in and near school zones. Phones and speeds need to go down, or you could receive a hefty ticket and two points added to your driver's license.

The month may be hot, but there are still fun festivals and events to attend. Enjoy a wide variety ranging from grape stomps to rodeos, and balloon, bat and gourd festivals. And why not wrap up the month at the beach in Galveston for the American Institute of Architects' Sandcastle Competition? Click HERE for a wideranging list of events scattered across the state with direct links available to find out more about the ones that interest you. Stay cool!

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Get On the List!

Be the first to hear about concierge specials and receive the newsletter! Simply send an email request to cmullikin@cousins.com to be added to the list. Please specify the building name where you are located.

The Concierge Desk will be closed Tuesday, August 6 – Friday, August 9. Thank you for planning your ticket purchases accordingly.



September 27 – October 20 | Fair Park, Dallas Concierge Pricing Available

It's almost time for the State Fair of Texas. Mark your calendars, plan your visit and use our special Cousins concierge link to purchase your tickets online, saving up to \$5 per ticket. Whether you go for the car shows, the free concerts, the food, the State Fair Classic football rivalry between Grambling and Prairie View A&M (Sept. 29) or the Texas/OU Red River Showdown (Oct. 12), there's something for everyone. If you are a State Fair foodie, don't miss the 15th Annual Big Tex Choice Awards on August 25. Tickets are available online and all proceeds from the event go to the State Fair Scholarship Fund. Tucked into historic Fair Park in Dallas, the largest state fair in the U.S. is not to be missed.

Discounted daily general admission tickets are available for \$13 each (for ages 3+) through our ticket link. Prices at the gate are \$18 and \$14. Print your tickets at home or load them on your smartphone. Food/ride coupon vouchers are also available for advance purchase through the link in \$50 increments (a great idea!). A \$3 service fee per order will apply. Click HERE to purchase your tickets. For more information on season passes, parking, daily schedule, food options and more, visit www.bigtex.com.

It's Time For **Restaurant Weeks**

The culinary version of a holiday arrives this month

in our cities - Restaurant Weeks! Clear the calendar and eat out often - without guilt and with a purpose. Money is raised to fund our food banks through restaurants' donations of a portion of meal proceeds. Diners are not solicited for donations. Check individual participating restaurant sites to verify days of the week for meal service times for brunch, lunch and dinner. Reservations can be made through each event's website. Bon appetit!



Houston starts off first, with **Houston Restaurant Weeks** running August 1 -September 2, raising money for the country's largest food bank. The Houston

Food Bank services Harris, Galveston and Montgomery counties. View the restaurant list at www.houstonrestaurantweeks.com. When making reservations, be sure to request the HRW Special Menu. Prix fixe meals range from \$20 - \$45.

Dallas/Fort Worth restaurants step into the culinary event with a Preview Weekend, August 2-4, for many of the



restaurants. The full roster joins in August 5-September 1. DFW Restaurant Week showcases North Texas restaurants and donates funds raised to the North Texas Food Bank and the Lena Pope Home. Prix fixe meals range from \$20 - \$49. View the list of participating restaurants at www.dfwrestaurantweek.com.



Austin celebrates its own special flavors with Austin Restaurant Weeks, August 15 - September 2. Hosted by the Central Texas Food

Bank, area restaurants offer prix fixe lunches, dinners and drinks, ranging in price from \$20 -\$50 for meal options. To view the restaurant list, visit www.austinrestaurantweeks.

Austin

Concierge Ticket Services

Ticket offers may vary due to seasonal availability. Click on links provided, using codes or passwords for savings. If you don't find what you're looking for, please contact Carol at 832.252.2037 or at cmullikin@cousins.com. See our *new offers this month.

THEME PARKS

<u>SeaWorld</u> - Use company code **COUSINS** to set up your account for ticket purchases.

Schlitterbahn - Save at all Texas parks. Savings vary by park. Use eTicket code CUZ.

Six Flags Fiesta Texas (San Antonio) - Hard tickets available for \$49. Contact Carol. Online purchase also available. Click link, then enter Username COUSINS and Password SixFlags4.

Six Flags Over Texas (Arlington) – Save with Username **COUSINSOT** and Password SixFlags9

<u>Tickets at Work</u> – Use company code of **COUSINS**. Save on Cirque du Soleil, Disney parks, concerts, Universal Studios, Broadway and Las Vegas shows, hotels & more. Typhoon Texas - Save on season and any-day tickets at the Austin (Pflugerville) park. No promo code needed.

ARTS & LEISURE

Austin360 Amphitheater - Save 10% on concert tickets. Contact concierge to order.

*Board & Brush South Austin - Use coupon code COUSINSTEXAS15 to save \$15 off regular registration. Broadway in Austin – Save 10-15% using promo code COUSINSAUS.

<u>Circuit of the Americas - F1 Racing</u> – Pay no delivery charges for F1 events. Use promo code COTACON. FastPark&Relax - Set up account to save on satellite parking at Austin and Houston airports.

HEB Center - offers vary. Contact concierge for details. *Hotel Zaza /Downtown Austin - Use code VD51BTA to save 15% on your next stay.



Sunday, August 25 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. **Fiesta Gardens**

It began as a small hot sauce contest in 1990, and the 29th Annual Austin Chronicle Hot Sauce Festival has grown into

the largest competition of its kind and serves as a major fundraiser for the Central Texas Food Bank. Hundreds of gallons of hot sauce are consumed and beverages are on hand to cool off the overheated. In addition to the hot sauce competition, this uniquely Austin food event features tastings from local restaurants, sauces for sale, cookbooks, peppers and more. Live music includes Bruce Robison & Kelly Willis, Harry Edohoukwa, Mariachi Capital and Batty Jr. Admission is free with a \$5 cash donation or three non-perishable food items for the food bank. Click **HERE** for more information.



Domain 8 Summer Blood Drive August 13 | 8:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Summer is a busy time for We Are Blood. Your help is crucial to provide enough blood for the high demand during this time of year. If you have questions about eligibility, what to bring with you, what you should you eat, etc., click HERE for FAQS about donating blood or visit www.weareblood.org The bloodmobile will be parked in front of the building at 11601 Alterra Parkway. Click HERE to make your appointment!

Tood Trucks (a) The Terrace

August 7 & 21 - Mission Dogs August 14 - Garbo's Lobster



Mark your calendars and don't miss our food truck days at Terrace 6 from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Cash and major credit/debit cards are accepted.

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Save on **Broadway in Austin** ticket prices

Concierge Pricing Now Available

for 2019-2020 Season!

and service fees, PLUS purchase your tickets before the show goes on sale to the general public. Click **HERE** to connect to our special link, using **Promo Code COUSINSAUS** to access the offers. If you don't already have an account with Broadway in Austin, you will be required to create one. Tickets are emailed and are print-at-home. Prices increase as availability decreases so purchase your tickets early. When purchasing tickets, use browsers Firefox, Google Chrome or Safari. Due to software compatibility, you may experience difficulties in Internet Explorer or on a mobile device/tablet. No refunds or exchanges. Available online only. Click on each show's icon below for information about the story line.















Sept. 10-15

Oct. 8-13 Dec. 10-15

Jan. 21-26

Feb. 18-23

Mar. 11-22 May 12-17





Concierge Pricing Now Available

Let your creative flag fly at Board & Brush Creative Studios in South Austin at 8708 S. Congress Avenue, Unit 530. This DIY wood sign workshop makes for a fun teambuilding event for the office, birthday party, bridal shower or a girls' (or guys') night out. Board & Brush will provide all the supplies you'll need to create a personalized wood sign. You bring your creativity and personality, along with whatever food and drink is on your menu (Board & Brush is a BYOB establishment). Sign up online for a workshop at www.boardandbrush.com/southaustin and use our coupon code of COUSINSTEXAS15 to save \$15 off the regular price.

Dallas/Fort Worth

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Click on links provided, using codes or passwords for savings. If you don't find what you're looking for, please contact Carol at 832.252.2037 or cmullikin@cousins.com.

THEME PARKS

Epic Waters Indoor Park – Save 25% by using code dallascon2019.

NRH20 - Save over 30% by using discount code 2019Cousins.

<u>Schlitterbahn</u> – Save at all Texas parks. Savings vary by park. Use eTicket code **CUZ**.

<u>SeaWorld</u> - Use company code **COUSINS** to set up your account for ticket purchases.

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<u>Six Flags Over Texas</u> (Arlington) – Save with Username **COUSINSOT** and Password **SixFlags9**

<u>Tickets at Work</u> – Use company code of **COUSINS**. Save on Cirque du Soleil, Disney parks, Universal Studios, Broadway and Las Vegas shows, hotels & more.

ARTS & LEISURE

ATT-PAC – Service charges waived on most orders & discounts may be available. Contact <u>Carol</u> to place order. All sales final; no cancellations, refunds or date changes.

<u>Cambria Dallas Downtown</u> – Save with this special concierge reservation link. Availability and rates will varv.

<u>Canvas Dallas Hotel</u> - Use promo code <u>Corp Concierge</u> with link to save or call 214-421-1080 and ask for the Corporate Concierge corporate rate.

Dallas Arboretum – Hard tickets available for \$13 each. Contact Concierge for purchase.

<u>Dallas Summer Musicals</u> – Order before general public. Pay no regular service charges. Contact Concierge.

<u>Dallas Zoo</u> – Use store name of **COUSINS**. Saves \$5. <u>Fort Worth Zoo</u> – Click on Plan a Visit tab, then choose Corporate/Group Tickets option. Follow instructions and then enter code **COU201907**. Username is your email address.

<u>Go Ape</u> – Save 15% at this tree-top adventu<u>re</u> & zip line course with promo code **BIRD19** at Plano location. <u>Grapevine Vintage Railroad</u> – use promo code **CCI2019** at checkout for \$3 savings on the 1:15 p.m. train to FW Stockyards, Sat/Sun until 11/24.

<u>Great Wolf Lodge - Grapevine</u> - 20% off best available guest room rate. Use the Corporate Concierge code **CORP750A**. No proof of employment is needed. A credit card is required to make reservation and it will be charged per GWL policy.

<u>Medieval Times Dallas</u> - Save at least 20% with no processing fees. No code needed.

Perot Museum of Nature and Science – Purchase hard tickets (General Admission) for \$12 each through the Concierge Desk.

Texas Discovery Garden in Fair Park – Save \$2 off regular ticket prices. Click on link and use password DCxTXDG18.



Single Tickets Available August 23

Get Your Name on the List

The 2019-2020 season of the <u>hearhere speaker series</u> brings five inspirational, transformative personalities who are truly icons of our time to the <u>Winspear Opera House</u>. Single tickets are not available until August 23, but you can get in line through the concierge desk and when single tickets go on sale later this month, you'll be at the top of the list *and* pay no service charges. Contact <u>Carol</u> for more information. The

extraordinary season lineup includes Former First Lady Michelle Obama; director/writer/actor/producer Spike Lee; U.S. Astronaut and U.S. Navy Captain (Ret.) Scott Kelly; producer and host of the Netflix series Salt, Fat, Acid, Heat, Samin Nosrat; and astrophysicist Neal deGrasse Tyson



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June 22

Mesquite Championship Rodeo Ends August 24 Concierge Pricing Available

Put on the boots and hats and head to Mesquite for some Texas rodeo fun at the indoor, air-conditioned Mesquite Arena before the rodeo closes for the season. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and the rodeo start at 7:30 p.m. Concierge-pricing is listed below with regular pricing in parentheses.

Adults Reserved: \$22 (\$32) With BBQ Buffet: \$42 (\$54) With BBQ Buffet: \$25 (\$27) Senior Reserved (Ages 60+): \$22 (\$27) With BBQ Buffet: \$42 (\$49) Adult VIP (Ages 13-59): \$30 (\$40) With BBQ Buffet: \$50 (\$62) Child VIP: \$15 (\$15) With BBQ Buffet: \$25 (\$27) Senior VIP (Ages 60+): \$25 (\$35) With BBQ Buffet: \$45 (\$57)

<u>Additional Increase for Concert Dates</u> August 24th – Clay Walker + \$15 per Adult

Prices include tax and gratuity. *To purchase your tickets, call the Box Office at 972-285-8777, extension 2041 and ask for Brother Van Concierge Pricing.* Mesquite Arena is located at 1818 Rodeo Drive in Mesquite (I-635 and Exit 4). Parking is \$10 per car. Visit www.mesquiterodeo.com for more information.



The Art of the Brick Closes August 18

Concierge Pricing Available on General Admission Tickets

Featuring intriguing works of art made exclusively from one of the most recognizable toys in the world, <u>The Art of the Brick</u> at the <u>Perot Museum of Nature and Science</u> is a critically acclaimed traveling

exhibition boasting the world's largest and most elaborate display of pieces constructed using only LEGO® bricks. *General admission tickets are available through the Concierge for \$12 each* (gate prices are \$20 for ages 13-64; \$13 for ages 2-12; and \$18 for ages 65+) Contact Carol for purchase. *The Art of the Brick does* requires a separate ticket purchase of \$10 (ages 13-65+) and \$8 (ages 2-12) that is available at the Museum's box office. Member pricing will vary.



August 1 11:15 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Dickies BBQ

2nd Floor Amenities Area; cash/credit cards accepted.

Houston

Concierge Ticket Services

Ticket offers vary due to seasonal availability. Click on links provided below, using codes/passwords for savings. Contact Carol with questions at 832.252.2037 or at cmullikin@cousins.com.

THEME PARKS

ARTS & LEISURE

Hurricane Harbor Splashtown - Hard tickets available for \$26. Save online by entering username COUSINS19 & password 777Splash2048

Schlitterbahn – Save at all Texas parks. Savings vary by park. Use eTicket code CUZ.

SeaWorld - Use company code COUSINS to set up your account for ticket purchases.

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<u>Alley Theater</u> – Save up to 23% on select seating using Promo Code COUSINS.

Broadway at the Hobby Center - Save 10% & order tickets before the general public using Promo Code COUSINSHOU.

Cousins Houston Marketplace - No promo code needed. Offers and savings vary by season.

Disney On Ice - Save \$5 per ticket with User Code

TXGRP. Deadline to order is November 15.

FastPark&Relax - Set up account to save on satellite parking at Austin and Houston airports.

Houston Astros – Pay no service charges. Contact Concierge to purchase tickets.

Houston Museum of Natural Science – Save up to 60%. Varies by exhibit. Use password dino.

Lone Star Flight Museum - (now at Ellington Field) Children 3 and under admitted free. All tickets \$12 each. **Space Center Houston – Hard tickets available.** All tickets \$16 each.

Stages Repertory Theatre – Save 20% with code 19CP20

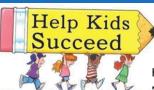


Thru August 25 @ **Alley Theatre**

Save Up to 23%

Agatha Christie's Murder on

the Orient Express, Alley Theatre's Summer Chills production, is a plot-twist masterpiece that has thrilled mystery lovers for years. And now audiences have the chance to experience this lush mystery live onstage. The classic thriller features renowned detective Hercule Poirot and a cast of very interesting characters sure to have everyone in the audience guessing just who did it and laughing along the way. To purchase tickets, visit www.alleytheatre.org and use our Promo Code of COUSINS.



5th Annual Fill-A-Backpack School **Supplies Drive Thru August 16**

Help underprivileged children succeed this year by participating in our 5th Annual Fill-A-Backpack School

Supplies Drive. It's easy as 1-2-3 to participate and your efforts give these children a great start to the school year.

- Register & pick up backpack(s) and supplies list(s) from the BriarLake Plaza Management Office (OBLP, Suite 175).
- Fill the backpack(s), using the grade-specific list(s) of school supplies provided.
- Please put the supplies list INSIDE the backpack and write your name & the backpack's "grade" on masking tape or painter's tape. Tape this to the OUTSIDE of the pack. Return filled backpack to the building Management Office by August

Contact Carol at cmullikin@cousins.com with questions or for the supplies lists. Monetary donations are also accepted. Please make checks payable to Sylvan Rodriguez Elementary.



Buy Your 2019-2020 Tickets **Beginning August 12**

Save on Broadway at the Hobby Center ticket

prices and service fees, PLUS purchase your tickets before the show goes on sale to the general public. Our link goes live once the 2018-2019 season is completed with the close of Rent on August 11. Click HERE to connect to our special link, using Promo **Code COUSINSHOU**. If you don't have an account, you will be required to create one. Tickets are emailed for printing at home. Prices increase as availability decreases. When purchasing tickets, use browsers Firefox, Google Chrome or Safari. Due to software compatibility, you may experience difficulties with Internet Explorer or on a mobile device/tablet. Click on each show icon below for more detail. Contact Carol with any questions.









January 7-12

Jan. 28 - Feb. 22







February 7-9

March 3-8

March 24-29

June 2-7

June 30-August 9



Save \$5 with New Value Pass | Good Until September 2

Don't miss your chance to visit the Houston Zoo and DINOSAURS with a \$5 savings for a limited time. The Value Pass includes unlimited walks through the DINOSAURS exhibit, all-day general Zoo admission -

including access to the new Texas Wetlands exhibit, a souvenir conservation bracelet and unlimited carousel rides. To purchase your passes, visit our Cousins Houston Marketplace. All tickets are delivered to your smartphone. Adults (12-64) are \$24.95; children (2-11) are \$22.95. Online service fees may apply.



Concierge Pricing Available for Texas Water Parks

Plan ahead for a last blast at one or more of our waterparks across Texas. Many of the parks have reduced weekend-only schedules after the Labor Day Weekend otember 2) with most closing for the season by mid September. On the fun and savings available through the Concierge Desk on

(August 31 – September 2) with most closing for the season by mid September. Don't miss out on the fun and savings available through the Concierge Desk on these tickets. Contact Carol at cm for links or hard tickets for Schlitterbahn parks in Galveston, New Braunfels, Corpus Christi and South Padre Island; Six Flags Hurricane Harbor parks in Arlington and Spring; and Typhoon Texas parks in Katy and Pflugerville. Go ahead – take one more big splash before we say goodbye to summer! Contact Carol for more information.



October 31 - November 3

Single-Day Formula 1 Tickets
On Sale September 1

Concierge Pricing Available

Multi-day tickets for the 2019 Formula 1 Pirelli U.S. Grand Prix, October 31 — November 3 in Austin, are on sale and single-day tickets for the high-octane event go on sale September 1. Save on delivery charges by clicking on the concierge link HERE. Be sure to click on the View All Events button to get to our discount. To make your ticket purchase, use our promo code of COTACON after you sign into your Circuit of the Americas account. If you do not already have an existing account with COTA, simply create an account, following the instructions on the link. Contact Carol with questions.

October 19 | 7:00 p.m. | NRG Stadium, Houston

Tickets are selling quickly! Purchase your concierge-priced tickets for Monster Jam at NRG Stadium - and receive one free Pit Pass with each ticket purchase (while supplies last). Save up to \$5 per ticket when you use Promo Code TXGR at www.ticketmaster.com.

Concierge Pricing Available for Sugar Land Skeeters

Save on Skeeters' home games at Constellation Field in Sugar Land (Houston area). To purchase your concierge-priced

tickets, www.sugarlandskeeters.com and use Promo Code Cousins. Field Box seats are available for \$11 each Monday – Thursday, and \$13 each Friday – Sunday. Regular price is \$15. Visit www.sugarlandskeeters.com for more information on the team.

August Home Games*

08/01-04 Lancaster Barnstormers 08/16-22 New Britain Bees 08/30-09/01 High Point Rockers Concierge-priced single Game tickets for the Houston Astros and the Texas Rangers regular season home games are available. Ticket pricing



is dynamic, so plan ahead and purchase tickets early. Ticket delivery varies by team, but the easiest way to receive your tickets is to use the Major League Baseball (MLB) app available for iPhones and Androids. PDFs of tickets are no longer accepted at either ballpark.



Contact <u>Carol</u> directly to purchase your Astros tickets, paying no service charges. Savings varies from \$7-\$15 per ticket. Pricing

applies to all sections but some lower rows in lower sections may be restricted.

August Home Games

08/02-04 Seattle Mariners 08/06-07 Colorado Rockies 08/19-22 Detroit Tigers 08/23-25 LA Angels 08/27-29 Tampa Bay Rays

Contact <u>Carol</u> to purchase your Rangers tickets or visit our link, <u>www.texasrangers.com/tickets</u>,

click Buy Now and enter our Promo

Code **concierge19**. Re-selling of these tickets through a secondary-market vendor is strongly discouraged. If you are unable to attend the game, contact <u>Carol</u> to work out an exchange for comparable seating at another game. Ticket pricing varies per game, but savings range from 25-35%. September 28-29 do not qualify for concierge pricing.

August Home Games

08/02-04 Detroit Tigers 08/15-18 Minnesota Twins 08/19-21* LA Angels

*Includes makeup of 07/01 game on 8/20 with double header