



San Diego

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## Soak Up The Sun In San Diego

With longer days and warmer nights just around the corner, now is the perfect time to start planning your upcoming events. Invigorate an ordinary retreat, meeting or company function by getting out of the office. Consider planning the following events that are ideal for the spring and summer months.



*Hornblower Cruises and Events*

**Company Picnics** – Get outside and offer your employees some fun in the sun! A full-service catering company can supply everything for your picnic including creative menus, beverages, permits, serving staff, rentals and entertainment. They can assist with a menu and theme that fits your corporate culture and budget. Whether it's a beach barbecue, Hawaiian luau or simply having dishes that

show-off San Diego's culinary delights, caterers can add that special touch to make your event stand out.

**Retreats & Board Meetings** – Get out of the office and take your team offsite where their creativity can shine. Now is the perfect time of year to do some spring cleaning; out with old ideas and in with the new.



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**Activities & Teambuilding** – Building camaraderie and synergy within your company is an essential part of developing a productive business environment. Treat your staff to a fun activity such as a sporting event, bowling, a yacht excursion or golf tournament. Other ideas include cooking classes, teambuilding instruction or volunteering to support a charitable cause.

**Outdoor Events** – Take advantage of the beautiful Southern California weather and host your upcoming events outside. Pick a unique and refreshing venue that offers a view of the water, the city skyline or provides a great outdoor space that can bring sparkle to your next client appreciation event, theme party or product launch. San Diego offers premier venues that can cultivate creativity and inspiration.

**Sales Meetings & Seminars** – If you are planning a workshop or training seminar, consider a venue that features a full theater with audio/visual capabilities.

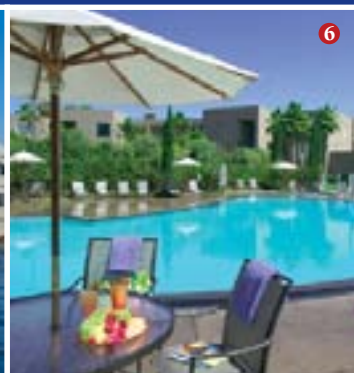
Many of these larger locations also have several rooms in a variety of dimensions that can accommodate intimate to large groups. Utilize the flexible space options by hosting your training session in one part of the venue followed by break-out sessions or a reception in a distinct space. This will add variety and movement to your event.



*Moonstone Lounge*

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# PARADISE OF THE PACIFIC

## Bali Hai Restaurant



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### TYPE OF CUISINE

Hawaiian/Pacific Rim

### PRICE RANGE

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Exotic dining on enchanting Shelter Island awaits you. The Bali Hai was erected in 1953. Fifty-five years later, the first and most famous tiki temple in Southern California continues to offer diners an escape to the islands with the culture and flavors of the South Pacific in true tiki fashion.

The mouthwatering menu is a creative blend of Polynesian, Hawaiian and Asian cuisine. Savor firecracker-seared Ahi with a spicy coriander and pepper rub while watching sailboats drift around the San Diego Bay. The Kimo's Baby Back Ribs marinated in a five-spice hoisin barbecue sauce and glazed with a coconut honey sauce will tantalize your taste buds and have you asking for an extra napkin.

The panoramic view of the city skyline is breathtaking. The bayside patio is the perfect venue for your wedding or special event and you can even dock your boat at the Bali Hai and join us for lunch, dinner or Sunday brunch.

# FLEXIBILITY & FUNCTION

## Scottish Rite Event Center



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STANDING CAPACITY

3000

BANQUET CAPACITY

650

CLASSROOM CAPACITY

440

TYPE OF CUISINE

All types

PRICE RANGE

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Dazzle your guests at the Scottish Rite Event Center, located in the heart of Mission Valley in San Diego. This centrally-located facility space can accommodate 10 to 3,000 people depending upon the select room and configurations, and is ideal for small boardroom settings to the grandest of events.

With more than 28,000 square feet of event space, the Center features an abundance of meeting rooms of various sizes and configurations with ample FREE parking. The Corinthian Ballroom is perfect for grand affairs such as large expos, training seminars, corporate parties or conferences. It seats 650 guests with rounds or can accommodate up to 1,200 people standing. The Golden Eagle Auditorium, with flexible seating for up to 650 guests, is ideal for concerts, trade shows and banquets.

Superior customer service coupled with award-winning catering makes the Scottish Rite Event Center an ideal place to hold your next event.

## NTC Promenade



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Corporate & Executive Retreats provide an opportunity for senior leadership teams to get away and convene at an offsite location. Regroup, renew and recharge your executive team at NTC Promenade's Command Center – the perfect place to build your team for the road ahead.

The executive conference rooms in the NTC Command Center provide the right atmosphere to get your leadership team on the right track. With no distractions from present-day concerns and none of the hustle and bustle normally associated with retreats held in larger venues, the intimate nature of NTC Promenade provides an environment conducive to teambuilding and brainstorming.

By choosing NTC Promenade as the location for your next corporate retreat or meeting, you can focus on your business and we will take care of the rest. Just give us a call and we'll take it from there.

# SUMMER CELEBRATIONS

## Carriage Trade Catering



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TYPE OF CUISINE

All types

PRICE RANGE

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Long days and warm nights make spring and summer such a great time to spend with friends and family. Backyard barbecues, beach parties, company picnics, weddings and special social gatherings are all memorable events that Carriage Trade Catering can help plan for you!

Carriage Trade has the expertise and resources necessary to fulfill the most demanding requirements. We are a full-service catering company, supplying **everything** you need for your event; food and drinks, serving and staffing, tables, chairs, china, glassware, silverware, table linens and cloth napkins. Additional services include security, valet, entertainment, sound and lighting, staging, floral centerpieces and thematic décor.

We custom design each menu around your theme, your tastes and the foods that are in season, fresh and available. We believe delicious food and exceptional service make a great and memorable event for everyone. No matter what the occasion may be, a classic is always in style.

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