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'TIS THE SEASON!

Buena Vista Street Decks Halls for Holiday Festivities

The most wonderful time of the year has officially arrived, and citizens from every corner of town have joined to make Buena Vista Street the bee's knees of Southern California. With traffic-stopping window displays, wreaths adorning hand-crafted bells, and a towering 50-foot Christmas tree donned with state of the art lights, the community has truly written itself a love letter, a season's greetings to all who visit that the holiday spirit is alive and well.

Perhaps best exemplifying this spirit is the recently formed Buena Vista Street Community Bell Ringers, who appear each evening, gathering the inspired with their singing of carols and ringing of bells. The performance culminates as they join the Citizens of Buena Vista Street for a jolly neighborhood procession to Carthay Circle. There,

a heart-warming tree-lighting ceremony illuminates the night sky, creating a new tradition for all who participate.

Even the local businesses are striking the harp and joining the chorus, playing cherished holiday music and offering new seasonal items like vintage tree skirts, whimsical nutcrackers, peppermint mochas, and marshmallow snowmen. Declared local grocer Mortimer Mackenzie in his distinctive high-pitched voice, "Ah gee, it sure is swell around here. Like it's Christmas Eve every day."

Indeed, it's truly a magical time to be on Buena Vista Street, and it comes but once a year. Holiday offerings can be found at Elias & Co., Los Feliz Five & Dime, Julius Katz & Sons, Clarabelle's Hand-Scooped Ice Cream, Trolley Treats, and Fiddler, Fifer & Practical Café. The tree-lighting ceremony occurs at 5:00 p.m. each night on Carthay Circle.

"I" on Food with Inglebert Irving Carthay Circle Restaurant:

Oh Come All
Ye Tasteful



Forgive this critic for seasoning a humbug on his palate, but the holidays have returned, and with them, the traditional platters of over-spiced, under-executed mush on every plate. As I always profess, discover what you do well and stick to it. Don't get cute. Don't do specialty. So, upon learning that the Carthay Circle Restaurant would be offering a "unique" holiday menu, the red pen of sardonicism eagerly raised its indulgent head.

Entering the grand dining establishment, I must admit I was charmed by the seasonal adornments - hand-crafted wreaths, garlands, and even a gingerbread cottage paying homage to a certain seven diminutive companions. The staff was warm and genuine and they led me to a delightful candlelit table, but I would not be distracted. The food was the Cratchit to my Scrooge, and I was eager to withhold the lump of coal.

Within moments my entrée arrived, a rather surprising display of Sierra Golden Trout with Hot Almond Dried Cranberry Couscous, Smoked Bacon and Lemon Thyme Vinaigrette - hardly the mulled mash I expected. The bold flavors immediately warmed my stomach and, like a visit from a Christmas spirit, melted my icy exterior away. I topped it off with a divine Warm Rocky Road Brownie Sundae, and my chains of despair fell to the floor. I wished my server "happy holidays," flipped coins to nearby children, and even danced with fellow diners to the nostalgic holiday tunes playing above. Before the evening was over, I thanked my chef and promised never to trust my seasonal preconceptions again.

Needless to say, I give Carthay Circle Restaurant my merriest recommendation and suggest a visit right away, before the holiday menu vanishes like a grim future. Carthay Circle Restaurant is located on Buena Vista Street, and it offers an autumn menu, a Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 22, and three-course Christmas dinners between Dec. 20-26. Priority seating is recommended. Call 714-781-DINE (3463).



Inglebert also recommends:

- Peppermint hand-scooped ice cream and hand-dipped vanilla ice cream with holiday toppings at Clarabelle's Hand-Scooped Ice Cream
- Slow roasted turkey, mashed potatoes and cranberry sauce at Flo's V-8 Café
- Holiday brownie & strawberry skewers at Paradise Garden Grill
- Holiday Cone Sippers and Lightning McQueen Popcorn Buckets at Cozy Cone Motel
- Holiday shaped sourdough breads - Turkey, Candy Cane, Stocking, Christmas Tree and Snowman at Pacific Wharf Café



Santa Claus Lands at Elias & Co.!

Kids of all Ages Invited to
Express Holiday Wishes

Whether it's an electric train set, a yo-yo, or an adorable teddy bear, Santa Claus has come to town early this year and he wants to know what the tots fancy. Indeed, he's making his list and checking it twice, and with the assistance of his stylish helpers, he's going to find out first-hand who's naughty and nice.

Locals and visitors alike are invited to hop a Red Car Trolley over to Buena Vista Street's swanky Elias & Co. for all the holiday festivities. But beard-yankers beware, this department store Santa is the real McCoy - Kris Kringle, Papa Noel, Julenissen, and Shengdan Laoren, all rolled into one big bowl full of jelly. While the holiday hero's excited to extend the 'ol knee for every believer out there, be sure to get there soon. Come December 24th, he'll lay a finger aside his nose and up the chimney he'll rise.

Elias & Co. is located on Carthay Circle, near the Buena Vista Street Christmas tree, and offers a wide assortment of holiday merchandise, including unique ornaments, vintage stockings, and even adult and children's seasonal clothing. For shoppers on the go, a nifty package pick-up program is available as well.

♦ Look inside to get the latest scoop ♦

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

My miraculous dog, Lady and I have always found the holidays to be the ideal time to raise one's social status. That revealed, I want everyone to know that during these marvelous months of wonder, I will only be using my formal name, Mrs. Donna Lin DeLarria. Lady and I have also assumed the unofficial positions of mascot and mayor of Buena Vista Street for the time being.

Lovingly,
Donna the Dog Lady



Dear Editor,

There are a lot of citizens doing a lot of good this tip-topperest time of year, and not just because Santa's got his eye on them, either. I can already tell I'm going to be issuing a lot of Holiday Good Behavior Citations, and I just wanted to give everyone out there a fair warning.

Judiciously,
Calvin the Cop

Dear Editor,

This season, I have the most important job in the whole neighborhood - to deliver personal messages from all the kids to Santa Claus! And what's more, there are even some letters from Santa to the kids! All the way from the North Pole! So many holiday wishes if I don't get them delivered on time... I'm so nervous. I just want everyone to know that I'm doing my very best. I promise.

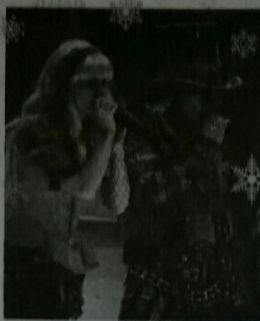
Merrily,
Molly the Messenger



Local Spotlight: Trolley Treats

When the husband and wife team of Carol and Woody Hoffenberger were looking for a way to combine their individual passions - his for model trains, and hers for candy making - the solution was simple. Create a candy kitchen themed as a train station, complete with a model trolley running over the Rio Fudge, through the Taffy Valley, all the way to the majestic Candy Mountain, which can be found in the store's window.

So what's the secret to their success? "Compromise," attributed Carol, "Woody was able to get his trains out of the living room..." "And Carol agreed to get her candy creations out of the kitchen," beamed



Weather Report: Snow in Southern California

Believe it or not, sun-seekers, the forecast calls for that most elusive of meteorological miracles - a white Christmas! Only it doesn't occur once in a blue moon, but every week during the holidays, right in the heart of Hollywood Land.

To experience Jack Frost nipping at your nose, take a journey through the icy

rabbit hole into the wild, whimsical world of Mad T Party. There, you'll meet the White Rabbit, The Mad Hatter, and Alice, as they rock the night away with topsy-turvy renditions of classic holiday songs. Then, just as things are heating up, the sky will part, the festivities will halt, and all will watch with wonderment as the holiday magic drifts to the party below.

Who Knew?

The Buzz with Gayle & Gail

Beautiful and Unique Snowflakes



Stellar dendrites. Capped columns. Needles. And sectored plates. Indeed, no two snowflakes are alike, dearies. Sure you gotta look at 'em through a microscope, but that's where you find the rewarding details. So just what are the frosty little gems around here this holiday season? Go ahead, grab that nearby table. Order that egg nog latte at the Fiddler, Fifer, & Practical Cafe. Because G & G are about to take you in for a closer look.

Sticking with the F, F & P, anyone notice the adorable garland that just arrived there for the holidays? Yep, straw, sticks, and brick. All done in classic vintage style. Just give them some space when you admire the minutia, huffers and puffers.

Since we're on pigs, how about that barn under the Carthy Circle Christmas tree? It's a replica of Walt Disney's Carolwood barn, which he built as a workshop to tinker on his miniature steam train collection.

Details, details. We're assuming everyone's seen the tree's 3,000 traditional lights in five holiday colors, but did you notice the 100 uniquely crafted Disney bell lights? Or the 25 illuminated Santa faces? Zoom in on that fabulous fir for a few and see what you can find.

Away to the window, fly like a flash. Tear open the shutters and throw up the sash. In grand department store style, Elias & Co. has unveiled a stunning, can't-miss "Twas the Night Before Christmas" window display. Get over there and take it in now. Because, after all, who doesn't like to throw up the sash?

Classy, Gayle. Speaking of classy, how about those lights on Mickey's Fun Wheel at Paradise Pier? Nothing says season's greetings like a magical lighting display. Just be sure to watch for the little holiday touches.

And now for our top beautiful and unique snowflake. Wait for it. Here it comes, people. The gingerbread creations of Disney California Adventure! With Carthy Circle Restaurant's detailed seven dwarves cottage gingerbread, Flo's V8 Cafe's spot-on Tow Mater gingerbread, and Fiddler, Fifer, & Practical Cafe's first Walt Disney home gingerbread, the resort is full of can't-miss candied complexity. Just be sure to sneak a peek before someone else sneaks a bite.

Now get out there and get those eyes peeled, dearies. There are tiny details around every corner this holiday season, and, trust us, you don't want to be the one left out in the cold. Until next time, we'll see you on the streets. And as always, your secrets are safe with us.

CELEBRITY SIGHTINGS!

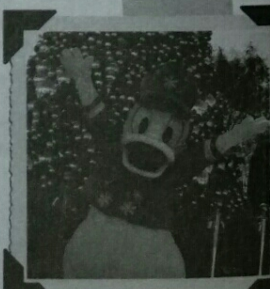
Seasonal Sweaters!



Duffy in can't-miss traditional!
Meet him at Treasures in Paradise in Paradise Pier for fleecy fun!



Mickey goes vintage!
Compare woolens with the big cheese on Buena Vista Street!

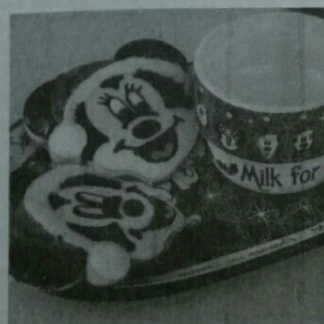


Donald Duck sports sparkly snowflakes!
Drop anchor at his Paradise Pier gazebo for merriment a la mode!

Woody. "And we've been chugging along ever since," declared the two.

Indeed, they have. And perhaps there's no more successful time than the holidays for this little business that could. In addition to their traditional fare, they'll now be offering an array of seasonal sweets, including caramel corn in specialty holiday tins, Santa Mickey and Minnie apples, peppermint and egg nog gourmet marshmallow treats, and a Santa Mickey milk and cookie plate.

For sweet-tooth indulgences, catch a Red Car to Buena Vista Street. Trolley Treats is located on Carthy Circle, right next to Clarabelle's Hand-Scooped Ice Cream.



Light My Way

Travels with Phiphi Francis

"O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree"



At this time each year, my search for the perfect Christmas tree commences. In my glorious, lifelong quest, I have traveled to Redwood City, CA, Fir, CO, La Pine, OR, and even Christmas City, UT. And while I've never found its elixir, the journey has led me to many, many beautifully decorated trees. Still, my belief in the one true tree exists, and after an inexplicable snow storm dusted the Route 66 town of Radiator Springs, my light came to me, suggesting that this place could just possibly be the keeper of my miracle.

Arriving in the charming, isolated desert community, I was immediately greeted with a delightful Snow Car. Not a snowman. A Snow Car, complete with a street cone nose and two eyes made out of coal. This, I surmised, was no ordinary desert rest stop, and my intrigue grew.

Continuing deeper into town, I stumbled upon my first tree. Or at least I thought it was a tree. Made entirely of white-walled radials, this tipsy tire "tree" was decorated with adoration, and I found it to be the most unique, eclectic holiday icon I had ever seen.

Until I crossed the street to discover a tree made entirely of rusty Route 66 street signs. At first glance I found it odd, but taking a closer look, it was crafted with such love that I couldn't help but find it brilliant.

Throughout the town, I continued to find similarly exceptional trees. One made of bright orange street cones. One of a tower of oil cans. And one of twisted, artistic sheet metal. Everywhere I looked, there was remarkably unconventional holiday décor. Spark plug ornaments. Air filter garlands. Wire wreaths. I was bewildered, my preconceptions cluttered. Yet somehow, I felt as if I was growing.

Uncertain as to whether I had discovered the perfect tree, I left town. And as I headed back down Route 66, and the stars began to poke through the dimming canvas above, my light began to whisper to me. There was no perfect Christmas tree. As long as they were crafted with love and affection, they were all perfect. And my light was right. My lifelong quest was finally, contently complete.



Package Check Service

After shopping, check your purchases for pickup later in the day at Elias & Co. Resort hotel Guests may have purchases delivered to Bell Services for next-day pickup after 7 a.m. Certain restrictions apply.



Elves Spotted on Paradise Bay!

Santa's little helpers aren't what they used to be. With their high-tech gadgetry and stealthy modus operandi, Lanny and Wayne from ABC's "Prep and Landing" have been spied monitoring the behaviors of young visitors throughout the park.

Reportedly, each night while scanning for stirring creatures, they've arrived upon the gathering audience of the water spectacular, "World of Color." Forced to unleash their secret weapon, the "Sparkle Ornament," Lanny and Wayne transport entire crowds into beautiful holiday dream states before soaring away to continue their missions.

In another exciting "Prep and Landing" experience, Hollywood Land's Muppet Theater hosts a special, immersive 4-D showing of "Naughty vs. Nice" - a yuletide adventure featuring Lanny and Wayne's race to recover hacked North Pole technology before Christmas descends into chaos.

Haven't spotted them yet? You can capture them on paper. Art aficionados can learn to draw Lanny and Wayne at the Animation Academy.

Enjoy Holiday FUN

- ✦ Join Mickey as he welcomes Santa to Main St., U.S.A. in **A Christmas Fantasy Parade** ✦
- ✦ Fill your heart with the magic of the holidays in the fireworks spectacular **Believe... In Holiday Magic** ✦
- ✦ Take a stroll through Christmas Town with Jack Skellington in **Haunted Mansion Holiday** ✦



... And a Happy New Year!

Just as soon as everyone wraps up that Christmas, Chanukah, Kwanzaa, Ramadan thing, the clock'll start ticking towards the greatest holiday of all time! So be sure to set the cuckoo, people. Wind the grandfather. Because Disney California Adventure Park will be rockin' until 1 a.m. on New Year's Eve! And in addition to all the spectacular attractions, the place will be crawling with electrifying, one-night-only entertainment.

Over on Paradise Bay, they'll be counting down to the New Year along with a special midnight showing of "World of Color!" Hollywood Land will have a countdown of its own, as the Mad T Party band celebrates the very first un-birthday of the year. Live bands in Carthay Circle, Cars Land, and Paradise Garden Grill will rock the night away, along with much, much more, making Disney California Adventure Park the only place to be this New Year's Eve!

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Special Holiday Entertainment



Buena Vista Street

Red Car News Boys

Our own News Boys leap off the historic Red Car Trolley and pound the pavement of Buena Vista Street, peddling papers and performing a variety of authentic period tunes, all showcased via exciting new arrangements. What's more, spirited young Hollywood hopeful Mickey Mouse, who's just stepped off the train with his pal Walt Disney, makes a surprise appearance and joins in the fun!

Five & Dime

This talented bunch of working-class buddies played their way down Route 66 to Los Angeles, hoping for their big break. After they met a sensational female singer ("Dime") at the local variety store, their band instantly made "cents." These swingin' "hepcats" jazz up 1920s & '30s tunes from the back of their makeshift jalopy and cheer anyone who'll sing and dance along.

Citizens of Buena Vista Street

Buena Vista Street is a boulevard of dreams ... and dreamers! The citizens who populate the area, are preparing for the holidays, interacting with guests and creating impromptu laughs, smiles ... and memories, wherever they go. They reflect, in a variety of ways, aspects of California, and, in a greater sense, the resilient American spirit.

Buena Vista Street Community Bell Ringers

Join the Community Bell Ringers throughout the day, as they sing holiday tunes and ring joyous seasonal bells.

Buena Vista Street Holiday Tree Lighting

Daily at 5pm, Holiday bells ring as the community of Buena Vista Street invites everyone to join together in a new heartfelt tree lighting tradition.

Santa at Elias & Co.

Children of all ages are invited to share their Christmas wishes with Santa Clause at Buena Vista Street's Elias & Co.!

Character Meet-n-Greet

Buena Vista Street is alive with optimism and opportunity. Something good is just around the corner. Thanks to his pal Walt Disney, Mickey Mouse is "just getting started" in making big dreams come true. His pals Goofy, Pluto and Chip 'n' Dale are always up for a swell adventure. Don't they look snazzy in their spiffy new holiday outfits? They're the bee's knees! The cat's pajamas!

"a bug's land"

Character Meet-n-Greet

Visit with some of your Favorite Disney-Pixar Pals at "a bug's land"

Condor Flats

Minnie's Fly Girls Charter Airlines

Minnie's Fly Girls Charter Airline is now providing service to Condor Flats with a tune-filled travelogue of song, dance and audience interaction. Your spirit will soar as Minnie and the girls serenade you with high-flying renditions of classics from Frank Sinatra's "Come Fly With Me" to Disney's "When I See an Elephant Fly." When passing through Condor Flats, be sure to book a flight with Minnie's Fly Girls Charter Airline. You'll soon be on cloud nine!

Connect with us on Facebook and Twitter for live updates from Disney California Adventure. Park. Throughout your day, check back for tips or ask questions to help make your visit even more magical. And be sure to share photos of your memories with us! Just follow @DCAtoday on Twitter or visit the DCAtoday Facebook page on your mobile device.



Grizzly Peak

Campfire Songs

Hear your favorite campfire songs as you stroll along Grizzly Trail.

Wilderness Explorer Ceremony

Do you have what it takes to become a Wilderness Explorer? Join Disney-Pixar's Russell and his dog Dug to take the Challenge and earn your merit badge! Who knows - you might even spot Kevin!

Cars Land

Red to the Rescue

Big and red on the outside, gentle and warm on the inside, Red the Fire Truck from Disney-Pixar's "Cars" arrives with sirens blaring, to water the flowers and clean up the streets of Radiator Springs! You're invited to meet him, take pictures and enjoy some "good clean fun!" You might get wet!

DJ's Dance 'n' Drive

Reports are coming in from the sleepy town of Radiator Springs that ultimate party car DJ has been shifting things into high gear. DJ's giant speakers and built-in disc changer guarantee a dance party will break out wherever he goes. And when he spins hits like "Life Is a Highway" and "Car Wash," he's bound to get everyone in Cars Land shaking their chassis to smooth moves like The Merge, the Rubberneck and the Fishtail.

Character Meet-n-Greet

Our two favorite four-fendered friends, Mater and Lightning McQueen, appear in Cars Land ... taking time from their busy road trips to meet guests and pose for photos! Here, in the heart of Route 66, they can frequently be found parked in front of the Cozy Cone Motel, where they interact with everyone - revving their engines, blowing their horns and having a grand ol' time!

Character Meet-n-Greets

"a bug's land"	Condor Flats
Flik	Aviator Minnie
Buena Vista Street	Redwood Creek
Mickey	Challenge Trail
Pluto	Russell
Goofy	Dug
Chip 'n' Dale	Paradise Pier
Santa & his helpers	Holiday Donald
Buena Vista	Holiday Duffy
Bell Ringers	Buzz Lightyear
Cars Land	Woody
Lightning	Jessie
McQueen	Hollywood Land
Holiday Mater	An array of
Red the	favorites, including
Fire Truck	Disney Jr. stars!

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Disney Parks Blog

DisneyParksBlog.com
the official blog of the Disneyland and Walt Disney World Resorts

Provides the latest, official information about Disney destinations as well as behind-the-scenes looks at what makes Disney Parks the most magical places on earth.

Hollywood Land

Mad T Party

Step through the rabbit hole into a wild, unbelievable world where up is down, this is that and everything is wonderfully off-kilter. Mad T Party celebrates the holidays with new arrangements of popular holiday hits from the Mad T Party band, while over at the House of Cards, the Hottest Deck in Town delivers some brand new dance sets. There's even more merry muchness, too, as the White Rabbit DJ checks his song list not once but twice to re-mix seasonal favorites

Naughty vs. Nice

An ABC holiday special

The yuletide adventures of Christmas elves, Lanny and Wayne, continue from a 2011 ABC holiday special, Prep & Landing: Naughty vs. Nice. With the Big 2-5 fast approaching, Wayne and Lanny must race to recover classified North Pole technology which has fallen into the hands of a computer-hacking Naughty Kid!

Disney's Aladdin - A Musical Spectacular

A 50-minute triumph of classic storytelling, fantastic effects, incredible dance numbers, impressive sets and imaginative pageantry, all set to the music of composers Alan Menken, Howard Ashman and Tim Rice. Hollywood Land theatergoers, be they street rat or sultan, will still be talking about this musical comedy long after the curtain drops.

Disney Junior - Live on Stage!

Join the gang from Disney Junior shows like "Mickey Mouse Clubhouse," "Handy Manny," and "Little Einsteins." Be on the lookout for "Jake and the Never Land Pirates" - the newest addition to the Disney Junior lineup - as they thwart their foe, Captain Hook!

Dancin' With Disney

Ever want to hit the dance floor with some of your favorite Disney characters? Well, here's your chance. A rockin' DJ hosts the ultimate Disney Dance Party in Stage 17 - you never know who might show up!



Paradise Pier

Phineas & Ferb's Rockin' Rollin' Dance Party

The ultimate summer vacationers, Phineas and Ferb, roll into Paradise Pier to party with their friends! Phineas and Ferb's fun-filled dance party gets rocked with a holiday twist, inspired by the Disney Channel original series.

Operation Playtime! Featuring the Green Army Men

A squad of Green Army Men ride into Paradise Pier with a bold new mission: to serve, protect ... and entertain!

Instant Concert! ... just add water

The fountains of Paradise Bay splash to life in a series of mini-concerts, conducted by the unexpectedly accomplished Maestro Goofy. Visible from all around the lagoon, this "Instant Concert" will delight music lovers of all ages!

World of Color

Witness an enthralling nighttime spectacular weaving water, color, fire and light into a kaleidoscope of fantasy and imagination. Watch Disney characters come to life on a shimmering veil of mist as more than 1,000 jets of water form fanciful shapes in time to the music. Joining this colorful cast of characters is Merida, from the Disney•Pixar animated motion picture Brave. Prep and Landing's Lanny and Wayne splash onto Paradise Bay, delivering sparkling holiday surprise to the iconic water spectacular.

Pacific Wharf

Mariachi Divas

Hear your favorite Mariachi music, played by the best of the best!



Count down to fun with the Pixar Play Parade, a bubbly playtime spectacular that invites you to play along with your favorite Disney-Pixar pals from "Toy Story," "a bug's

life," "Monsters, Inc.," "Finding Nemo," "The Incredibles" and "Cars"! Family fun and interactive surprises for guests of all ages. You might get wet!

NEED SUPPLIES?

MAPS

Plan your day by obtaining a map at the following locations:

- Main Entrance
- Chamber of Commerce (in other languages too!)
- Tip Board

Our Custodial and Guest Relations Park Ambassadors often carry maps too!

LOCKERS

Located just outside the park on the East Esplanade and inside the park on Buena Vista Street near the Sepulveda Building.

Insider Tip: There are a limited supply of lockers near Grizzly River Rapids that offer the first 2 hours free to keep your items dry while you ride the rapids.

SUNDRIES

Suntan lotion, sunglasses, batteries can be found at:

- Oswald's
- Los Feliz Five & Dime
- Radiator Springs Curios
- Rushin' River Outfitters
- Studio Store
- Tower Hotel Gift Shop
- Sideshow Shirts
- Treasures in Paradise

REFRESHMENTS

Stay hydrated by picking up your ice cold beverages at convenient locations throughout the park. Here are a few of our favorites:

- Mortimers Market on Buena Vista Street
- Fillmore's Taste-In at Cars Land
- Fairfax Market in Hollywood Land
- Studio Catering Co. in Hollywood Land

NEED INTEL?

The Tip Board on Buena Vista Street posts the latest information about Attraction wait times. The Chamber of Commerce is a great source for general information such as planning your day. You can also get special occasion buttons, foreign money exchange, Disney Dollars and more!