



Surf 'N Slam Times

December 26-27, 2011 San Diego, CA

Marriott-Mission Valley Hotel

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men" Col.

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WELCOME TO SAN DIEGO! We trust your flights and drives went well and that you're excited to be in California! We're excited to have you here and we look forward to the best Surf 'N Slam tournament ever! Below are some initial things you should be aware of to help you settle in and plan for today and tomorrow:

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION BOOTH: If you have any questions or problems, the tournament information booth will be staffed daily to assist you. It is located in the hotel lobby. You will be able to exchange t-shirt sizes and purchase shirts, banquet tickets, extra trolley passes, Disney & Zoo tickets and transportation passes. Game passes are only sold at the game sites. Lobby Booth Schedule: Dec. 26: 8am-8pm; Dec. 27, 28 & 30: 8:30am-7:00pm; Dec. 29: 7:45-10am.

ORIENTATION: The Mission Valley Marriott is situated in an area with lots of fun things to do nearby.

SEARS, SPORTS AUTHORITY, ROSS, PAT & OSCARS, WENDY'S, DAPHNE'S GREEK CAFE, SOMBRERO MEXICAN, DRAGON CHEF, HAWAIIAN LION COFFEE and JERSEY MIKE'S SUBS: These stores/restaurants are located across Qualcomm Way from the hotel. Pat & Oscar's serves great barbecue chicken and ribs and large salads for good prices.

SAN DIEGO TROLLEY to SHOPPING and SIGHTSEEING: The famous San Diego Trolley stops right here at the hotel (Rio Vista Station) every 15 minutes (Westbound at :13, :28, :43, :58; Eastbound :11, :26, :41, :56). Go out the back doors of the hotel (between the elevators and the restaurant), turn right and walk to the back corner of the parking lot behind the pavilion and follow pathway to trolley. Starting December 27, you may use your trolley passes for unlimited system-wide trolley travel on Dec. 27, 28, 29 & 30. The first stop west (only two minutes away!) takes you to the Mission Valley Mall (shopping, restaurants, and 20 movie theaters), the second stop west takes you to Hazzard Center (grocery store, shops, food), the third stop is Fashion Valley Mall. You can also get to Old Town (fifth stop, 12 minutes) and to Downtown San Diego (transfer to Blue Line at Old Town, get off at Civic Center) where you can find Horton Plaza, an upscale 4-level shopping mall. Horton Plaza is also in the charming "GasLamp Quarter" with nice shops and dining.

FASHION VALLEY MALL: This spectacular multi-story mall has Nordstrom, Nieman Marcus, Saks Fifth Avenue, and over 150 other stores and restaurants. You can ride the trolley located just behind the hotel (on Dec. 27-30 you can use your free trolley passes.) There is also a beautiful paved walkway along the river, nearly 2 miles each way.

MISSION VALLEY MALL: Shopping, restaurants, 20 movie theaters. A one mile walk along the paved river walkway behind the hotel or one trolley stop from the hotel.

HAZZARD CENTER: Grocery stores, bookstores, restaurants. About a 1.5 mile walk along the paved river walkway two trolley stops from the hotel.

FENTON PARKWAY: Fenton Parkway is one trolley stop EAST (toward Santee/Qualcomm Stadium) and has a McDonalds, Starbucks, IHOP, Cold Stone Creamery, IKEA, Costco, and other good restaurants.

OTHER SIGHTSEEING OPTIONS: Pick up a flyer from the tournament lobby booth with directions (via public transportation) to other fun sights around San Diego. Visit **Old Town** (Mexican-style village with shops and restaurants), **La Jolla** (upscale shopping and restaurants like Hard Rock Café, La Jolla Caves), **Coronado** (famous Hotel del Coronado, Coronado Bridge, Coronado ferry to Downtown), and **Mission Beach** (Belmont Park roller coaster, roller-blading).

OTHER INFORMATION:

KARAOKE! Tuesday, Dec. 27 from 8:00-10pm in Cabrillo. Come show off your vocal talent. Everyone is welcome.

DIVISION I WOMEN'S SURF 'N SLAM TOURNAMENT: If your team is interested in going to the Univ. San Diego vs. Cal State Bakersfield women's basketball game on Tuesday, Dec. 28, please see Erik at the lobby booth. We are offering free tickets and bus transportation. Bus will depart at 6:30pm from the door by the elevators; game starts at 7:00pm.

HOTEL: Newsflash from the Marriott Staff: In order to comply with fire codes, NO rollaway beds will be allowed in two-bedded rooms. Only rooms with one king-size bed will be allowed a rollaway.

WRISTBANDS, TROLLEY TICKETS, BANQUET TICKETS, ETC: Wristbands and trolley tickets are all in your coach's packet. Wristbands allow entry onto tournament busses and into games and banquet. No admittance allowed without showing

wristbands. *Treat these like cash. The fee to replace them is \$80 if they are lost.* Banquet tickets are LIMITED and will be for sale for \$20, first-come first-served.

GAME BUSSES: Game busses will depart in the BACK of the hotel by the elevators, NOT from the front lobby entry. Bus schedules are available at the Surf 'N Slam booth in the lobby. If you miss the bus to your game, you are responsible for your own transport. Ask at the desk if you need help figuring out the bus schedule.

DIRECTIONS to GAMES, ATTRACTIONS, RESTAURANTS, ETC.: Directions available at the tournament lobby booth.

ROOM KEY WON'T WORK?? Don't put your cell phone next to your room key . . . it de-magnetizes the key so that it won't work to unlock your door!

CURFEW: To ensure a positive experience for all participants (and other hotel guests), there will be an 11:30pm curfew. Players should be in their rooms and quiet by 11:30pm (at the latest!). **COACHES & CHAPERONES:** it is impossible for the hotel security staff to enforce this curfew without your help. Please monitor your team's rooms to make sure their tournament participation is not jeopardized! If rooms are noisy and guests complain, the head coach will be contacted. The Surf 'N Slam staff and the other hotel guests thank you in advance for your help!!

Wii in CABRILLO: Come play Wii in the Cabrillo Room from 10am-10pm. Guitar Hero and other games are available. Coaches must check out the game console and games from the hotel front desk. 10am-10pm, 2 hr. max.

HOLIDAY BOWL TICKETS: The Holiday Bowl (Texas vs. California) is Dec. 28 at 5pm. Ticket Info: 619.283.5808, tix are \$70-85. You can use your trolley passes to get to Qualcomm Stadium.

TOURNAMENT TRIVIA: Below are some interesting bits of information about the **San Diego Surf 'N Slam** tournament, celebrating its 21st year:

- ❖ There are 24 high school teams (14 boys teams and 10 girls teams) involved in this year's Surf 'N Slam. 11 of the teams are past participants of either the Phoenix Cactus Jam or the Surf 'N Slam. Schools with 3 or more years at Surf 'N Slam: Justin-Siena Girls (6th year in a row), Ballard Boys (4), Newport Boys (3), University Girls (3).
- ❖ 3 schools have won championships in past Surf 'N Slam tournaments (Conestoga Boys '08, Ballard Boys '00, University Girls '05)
- ❖ 5 U.S. states + 2 Canadian provinces + Norway are represented in the 2011 Surf 'N Slam tournament: Alaska, California, Kentucky, Washington, and Wisconsin, plus Alberta and British Columbia, Canada.
- ❖ There are over 400 Surf 'N Slam guests staying at the Mission Valley Marriott.

FROM THE STAFF: *The staff of Basketball Travelers, Inc., University City High School and Mission Bay High School wish to extend to you our best wishes for a fun, exciting, and safe Surf 'N Slam tournament adventure. It is our desire that your experience here in California be the best possible! If there is anything we can help you with please contact us at the information booth in the hotel lobby or at the game sites during game times. It is our goal to make the Surf 'N Slam the best high school tournament in the country and we appreciate any feedback we receive from you.*

TUESDAY'S GAMES (December 27): (Double-check your game time). Good luck to everyone in your first game! Please be sure to double check with the tournament lobby booth if you have questions about the bus schedule.

	<u>Home Team (white)</u>		<u>Away Team (colored)</u>	<u>Time</u>
<u>At University City High School</u> Boys "Surf" Division	University City (CA) (local)	vs.	Ballard (WA) (14)	12:00p
	Jackson (WA) (20)	vs.	Scripps Ranch (CA) (local)	1:45p
Boys "San Diego" Division	Auburn Mountainview (WA) (15)	vs.	Bentley (CA) (13)	9:00a
	International (CA) (9)	vs.	Colony (AK) (15)	10:30a
Girls "Slam" Division	University (CA) (14)	vs.	Daysland (CAN) (23)	3:15p
	Palo Verde (CA) (drive)	vs.	Mt. Baker (CAN) (19)	4:45p
<u>At Mission Bay High School</u> Girls "Surf" Division	International (CA) (14)	vs.	Lexington Catholic (KY) (38)	10:30a
	Lomira (WI) (34)	vs.	Cardinal Newman (CA) (12)	12:00p
	Anacortes (WA) (15)	vs.	Justin Siena (CA) (14)	1:45p
Boys "Slam" Division	Mission Bay (CA) (local)	vs.	Chief Sealth (WA) (14)	9:00a
	Newport (WA) (14)	vs.	Bergkameratene (NOR) (18)	3:15p
	Conestoga (PA) (19)	vs.	South Anchorage (AK) (15)	4:45p