

Finì Concierge, Inc. May Newsletter

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Greetings!

With the warmer weather, we know lots of people participate in charity walks, golf tournaments and auctions to raise money for causes important to them. If you're involved in an upcoming event, we'd love to help you spread the word. Email us the details and we'll include the information in our Community Corner.

Help us help others!

Chantal and Ed Boxer

Finì Concierge, Inc.

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Planning a Move?



If you, your family or your business are thinking of moving this year, it's never too early to start the move process. And using Finì Concierge's service, Simplified Moves, is easy, simple and stress free!

Simplified Moves is a customized moving plan for you. It includes assistance from Finì Concierge that is one phone call or email away at any time during your move.

Assistance includes but is not limited to the following:

- Obtaining two or three move estimates so you can compare moving companies and their pricing, insurance and storage options.
- Being onsite to meet vendors for estimates and/or to oversee and coordinate on the day of the move.
- Turning off utilities or canceling services at your old home and setting them up at your new home. ie: Landscaper, cleaners, cable, electricity.
- Providing referrals to vendors for cleaning services, locksmiths, home repair, or utilities to name a few.
- Sending reminders with weekly to do list items to keep you on track and make sure everything is done in time for your move.
- Arranging travel and transportation before, during or after your move.
- Providing tips and suggestions based on actual moving experience.
- Offering a move binder which includes forms that you can use to track each and every part of the move process and stickers to keep your stuff organized. ie: Stickers for items that will be packed last and opened first, items to donate and items to trash.

Contact your Fini Concierge moving expert to customize your move plan now!

Celebrating your Mother



Sunday, May 9th is **Mother's Day**. Mother's Day is a special holiday that has been nationally recognized as a significant holiday in the United States since 1914. This holiday is celebrated by many other countries in the world as well on various days.

Mother's Day is a great chance to spend some quality time with your mom and even to celebrate all of the mom's you know. It is also a great way to remember a mom who is no longer with you.

The following are just a few ways to celebrate Mother's Day this year.

1. You can never go wrong with a traditional celebration of your mom by sending her **flowers & cards**. Better yet deliver them in person; but if you can't then personalize your card by including a special thanks for something specific your mom has done for you or by including a special memory that you have of her.
2. Get your creative juices flowing and use a online photo program such as Snapfish or Shutterfly to **create a photo book**. It is quick and easy to use and the end result is touching and everlasting.

3. Throw a **Mother's Day event**. You can invite just your mom and celebrate with the kids but send her a personalized invitation and pick up a cake. Or throw a full on affair; invite the family or other mom's you know and contact Fini Concierge to assist you with food, decorations and favors.

4. Do something for your mom that will keep you in touch all year long. From sending her a gift from a **monthly gift club** (plants, wine, coffee, books) to planning one event per month for the two of you to do together throughout the year (museum trips, lunch dates, and/or spa days) Pre-set the dates and present your mom with a **gift wrapped calendar** for the year.

5. For new moms something that will allow her to spend some time on herself will be greatly appreciated. Give a **gift certificate** for a mani/pedi, for a movie date or for some time from Fini Concierge.

6. For a mom who is no longer with you, **donate time and/or money** in your mom's name to an organization that supports women and children or another cause that you and your family believe is important.

Contact Fini Concierge to assist you in coming up with a creative way to celebrate Mother's Day this year and to pick out a perfect gift. If you are a mom, forward this email to your partner and/or children!

Wine of the Month



Marietta Cellars' 2006 Petite Sirah

"The 2006 Petite Sirah looks like blue/purple-colored motor oil. Seriously intense notes of blueberries, blackberries, camphor, and flowers are accompanied by a boatload of tannins, but they are relatively civilized in this big, full-bodied wine. It should soften over the next decade, hold steady for another 10-15 years, and still be alive at age 30." 91+ Points Robert Parker, Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, February 2010

- 1-5 bottles price: \$22.33
- 6+ bottles price: \$21.25

Please click on the following link to order your wine. Once your order is submitted Fini Concierge will take care of the details.

[Order Form](#)

Enjoy!

Crazy Busy Tip of the Month



Thinking Great Ideas

While our brains are always active, even when we are asleep, thinking is



neither automatic nor constant. A moment of thinking varies in intensity and duration as much as attention does. Indeed, the two go hand in hand.

Thinking is the act of focusing attention and trapping and sculpting the objects of your focus. Interestingly, some of our most original thinking is done without our knowing it...the unconscious is like a great incubator.

To come up with your greatest ideas, you need time not only to stop and think, but also to "fiddle around" and play with what you've got. That means moving mental obstacles out of the way and letting all of your mind do its work.

Today's world can supply too much data and not enough thought. Too much to look at with too little time to do it, so that we tend not to take the "little detours" that can lead to big thoughts. Next time you want to "play" with your ideas a bit let go and do so!

For more information please click on the following link: [Crazy Busy Life](#)

CrazyBusy: Overstretched, Overbooked, and About to Snap! Strategies for Coping in a World Gone ADD by Edward M. Hallowell

Fini Happenings



Check out Fini Concierge videos on **YouTube**. Please click on the following link: [Fini Concierge YouTube](#)

Fini Yard Sale



Fini frequently receives requests to resell items that our clients own. Often times, they have moved and just don't have space for certain items. Other times they have vintage or custom pieces that they no longer use or wear. To assist our clients in reselling their items we will be listing them here. If you are interested in reselling or purchasing an item from the Fini Yard Sale, contact us and we can arrange for pick up and delivery.

Fini Community Corner



[Big Foot Moving & Storage, Inc.](#) Sponsors Full Moon Margarita Madness

Every month at Margaritas Restaurant, on the night of the full moon, a really big party is thrown and crazy things happen. The next **Full Moon Margarita Madness** is on Thursday, May 27th, and Saturday June 26th from 4pm to 11:45pm at Margarita's Restaurant in Waltham. Located at 211 Moody Street in Waltham.

Throughout the evening the lounge is piled high with giveaways, contests, flavorful specials, and lots of fun and excitement. You could win anything and everything-t-shirts, gift certificates, ski passes, skydiving and rafting trips, snowboards, and more! You have to see it to believe it!

Even better, 5% of the evening's gross lounge sales are donated to a local charity. This quarter, **Big Foot Moving & Storage**, Inc. of Arlington, MA will sponsor this event with proceeds benefiting "Our Place" a day care program run by the Salvation Army of Cambridge and Kid's F.e.a.s.t., a free after school drop in program run by the Salvation Army of Waltham.

Help support this great cause by joining Big Foot Moving & Storage on May 27th and June 26th for the next Full Moon Margarita Madness and see what all the excitement is about! Special appearance by Spider Man during Kid's Moon Madness, 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm.

Please click on the following link for more information: [Full Moon Margarita Madness](#)



About "Our Place"

"Our Place" is a licensed child care provider offering free child care for children aged 3 months to 7 years, whose families are living in local homeless shelters (including both family shelters and shelters for families victimized by domestic violence). Child care services are furnished from 8:30 AM to 3:15 PM. Children in the child care program participate in structured activities and receive free snacks and lunch. Also, children in need of medical care may be seen at an on-site health clinic.

Please click on the following link for more information: [Our Place](#)

About KID'S F.E.A.S.T.

Kid's F.E.A.S.T. is a free after-school drop-in program for children in grades 1 through 8. The program seeks to address deficiencies in the support system of under-privileged children in a safe, structured, nurturing environment. It is a feeding program with numerous components: (Food, Education, Activities, Spiritual, Teaching), all of which strengthens their social skills. Different electives are offered such as music, arts and age appropriate clubs. Attendance averages 50 children per day. The program is offered Monday through Thursday from 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm.

Please click on the following link for more information: [KIDS F.E.A.S.T.](#)




Upcoming & Ongoing Events



Check out your **local farmers markets** by clicking on the following link: [Farmers Markets](#)

Sowa Open Market in the South End at 460 Harrison Ave: Opening

 Weekend May 15h and 16th 10am-5pm and then every Sunday thereafter, excluding holiday weekends through October 25th. For more information please click on the following link: [Sowa Open Market](#)

14th Annual Nantucket Wine Festival: Opening reception on May 19th. For more information please click on the following link: [Nantucket Wine Festival](#)

29th Annual Herb Festival & Plant Sale: May 14th-16th in East Sandwich. For more information please click on the following link: [Herb Festival](#)

The 81st Annual Tour of the Hidden Gardens of Beacon Hill: May 20th from 9am-5pm, rain or shine. For more information please click on the following link: [Beacon Hill Garden Club Tour](#)

Reminders



Happy Mother's Day! on Sunday, May 9th.

The **Steamship Authority's high-speed vessel**, the M/V Iyanough, returned to service on April 14, 2010. One-hour from Hyannis to Nantucket. Please click on the following link for more information: [Steamship Authority](#)

Go Sox! To check out the schedule or for tickets for the Boston **Red Sox** please click on the following link for more information: [Red Sox Tickets](#)

Memorial Day is May 31st! Contact Fini Concierge to help you plan your three day weekend or to make travel, hotel or restaurant reservations.

Contributors

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Fini Concierge would like to thank the following individuals for contributing to our newsletter. Please contact Fini Concierge if you are interested in any of the services offered by our contributors.

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