# Around the Mouse: Walt Disney World News, Sep 12, 2016

## What's New This Week?

# Walt Disney World Theme Parks

### Magic Kingdom Park

New! Specialty Treats Materialize During Mickey's Not-So-Scary Halloween Party: Here's a look at the creepy confections you can expect to find at this year's party.



#### **Main Street Bakery**

- Chocolate Worms and Dirt Cupcake
- Vanilla Spider Cupcake
- Halloween Sugar Cookie



#### Plaza Ice Cream Parlor

Ice Cream Cookie Sandwich



#### Gaston's Tavern

Enchanted Pumpkin Spiced Cupcake



## **Storybook Treats**

Candy Corn Ice Cream Cone



The Friar's Nook

Ghoulish Strawberry-lemonade Slushy



#### **Throughout the Park**

- Candy Corn Cotton Candy
- Vampire Mickey Popcorn Bucket
- Halloween Popcorn Bucket
- Halloween Hot Mug
- Poison Apple Stein

New! Special PhotoPass Shots at Mickey's Not-So-Scary Halloween Party: During each party,

Disney PhotoPass offers special themed photo stops in select locations that you won't want to miss. Visit the Disney PhotoPass photographer at the Main Entrance of Magic Kingdom Park to get a party-exclusive shot with the Headless Horseman. A Grim Grinning Ghost comes out to socialize at the hearse in front of the Haunted Mansion. An adorable pumpkin patch welcomes guests to the park entrance during this time

of year. A Disney PhotoPass Photographer is ready and waiting in Town Square to help you get a shot with Haunted Mansion gravediggers. The spooks are coming out for a swinging wake! Visit a Disney PhotoPass Photographer on Main Street, U.S.A. for a ghoulish delight with waltzing ghosts.



Disney's Animal Kingdom

**New! New Chicks at Kilimanjaro Safaris:** Two young pink-backed pelicans have hatched at Kilimanjaro Safaris. They are named for the light-pink color their backs turn during mating season. They nest in large groups and lay two to three eggs at a time. Hatching a pelican chick takes team work, and both parents incubate, or sit on, the eggs for around 30 days. It takes around 70-85 days after hatching for the chicks to fledge, or grow their feathers. As long as the nest remains intact, the pelicans will return to nest in the same nest year after year. You can see the pink-backed pelicans and their chicks on Kilimanjaro Safaris, on an island in the Safi River.



## Walt Disney World Resort Hotels

**New! New Animals at Disney's Animal Kingdom Lodge:** The red lechwe are the newest inhabitants of <u>Disney's Animal Kingdom Lodge</u>. Lechwe are distinguished by their long bodies and hindquarters that are higher than their shoulders. The red lechwe is a subspecies named for the reddish-brown color of their coats. As lechwe age, it is easier to detect the differences in males and females, as the males' coats turn a darker color. The red lechwe can be found at Kidani Village at Disney's Animal Kingdom Lodge, on the Pembe Savanna, which they share with red river hogs.



New! Menu Makeover at Garden View Tea Room at Disney's Grand Floridian: Recently, Afternoon Tea at Garden View Tea Room received a menu makeover, and now features the largest selection of Twinings loose-leaf teas, all of which are exclusive to Walt Disney World Resort. The stars of the new tea menu are the Twinings Signature Blends – served exclusively in the United States at the Garden View Tea Room – whether you select Perfect Afternoon, Garden Party or After Dinner Mint, you can't go wrong. Pure Black and Flavored Black Teas, Oolong, Green and White Teas and caffeine-free Herbal Infusions are also available. Teas are available in several 'shires' or packages, including The Bedfordshire Tea, The Derbyshire Tea, The Cheshire Tea, The Berkshire Tea and The Yorkshire Tea. Of course, there is a special tea available for guests age 3-9, Mrs. Potts includes tea sandwiches, a jam tart, delicate house-made pastries and a special 'dark tea' (chocolate milk).





## Walt Disney World Resort – General

**Update: Refillable Popcorn Offering Continues:** Walt Disney World will continue to offer a refillable, souvenir popcorn bucket at through Oct. 31. Guests may purchase the bucket for \$10 with refills available for \$1.50 each throughout their length of stay. A new fall-themed bucket design will be introduced in early September. Guests must have the fall themed bucket in order to be eligible for a

refill. This offering is available in Walt Disney World theme parks, water parks, Disney Springs and ESPN Wide World of Sports.

**New! Cirque du Soleil Schedule Changes:** Now through Oct. 27, Cirque du Soleil La Nouba will adjust its show schedule on Thursdays, with one performance at 6 p.m. Additionally, there will be no performances of La Nouba Sept. 18-24.

**New! Levi's Now Open at Disney Springs:** Now open near Amorette's Patisserie, Levi's offers the very best in denim and premium fabrics for the entire family. The new store features a tailor shop, exclusive to just a handful of Levi's locations worldwide and their first in Florida, offering Guests custom services such as embroidery, tailoring, hemming, and repairs.

**New!** House of Blues at Disney Springs to Host Craft Beer Event: House of Blues Patio will become a haven for fans of Big Storm Brewery on Sunday, September 25, 2016. Taking place from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m., the event will feature Big Storm tastings and beer flights, with a live musician performing on the patio stage while you sip the day away. For full details on "Local Brews, Local Grooves," visit <a href="http://www.houseofblues.com/orlando/localbrewslocalgrooves">http://www.houseofblues.com/orlando/localbrewslocalgrooves</a>.



#### **Merchandise Events**

#### Disney Springs

September 14-18 – Artist Greg McCullough returns to The Art of Disney in August. He will be meeting with guests and signing artwork from 1:00 p.m. to 8 p.m. each day. He will also be at the location from September 28 to October 2.

#### **Epcot**

September 14-18 – Guests can meet artist Larry Dotson in The Art of Disney in Future World from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. each day.

#### **Closures and Refurbishments**

Click <u>here</u> to view the latest renovations and closures at Walt Disney World Resort.