

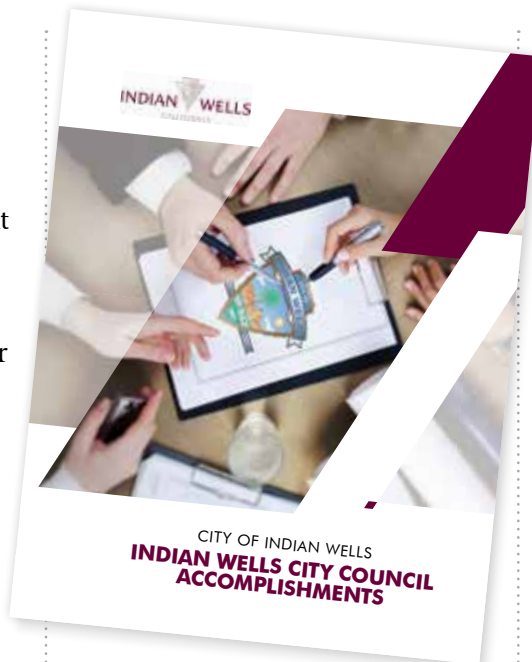
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# INDIAN WELLS

## STATE OF THE CITY HIGHLIGHTS ASSETS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ANTICIPATED FISCAL PRIORITIES

On Thursday, April 21, the City of Indian Wells presented its first live-streamed State of the City address, the City Council shared updates with Residents watching both in person and from afar. During the one-hour presentation, the past year's advancements and future priorities were outlined, highlighted by the following:

- Public safety is the City's top priority, and the past year has seen the lowest Indian Wells property crime rate in a decade. The Indian Wells Police Department has made strategic use of data and enforcement to achieve a 32% decrease in traffic collisions, and the Indian Wells Fire Department has maintained a 3.5-minute average response time for service calls.
- The City has again maintained annual revenue above expenses, with the past fiscal year's expenses at \$16.1 million versus revenue of \$16.4 million.
- City leaders recently conducted a 10-year forecast of future budgets. The City may have modest financial challenges in coming years if costs for contracts such as the County Sheriff and County Fire Department are not contained. Those services had increases in cost by 7.5% and 6% respectively this year. This issue is shared by many cities in the region, and City leaders are working collectively with our neighbors to find solutions
- Making the City's award-winning golf resort financially self-sufficient was another goal for 2017. Troon Golf has conducted recent strategic planning sessions to build a road map toward this self-sufficiency in the next 18 months.
- To increase dining business, VUE has launched a new themed buffet for the last Tuesday of each month. The cost is \$15 for Residents and \$22 for non-residents – and Resident Benefit Cards may be used. Happy hour beverage pricing will also be offered for the 4 to 7 p.m. event.
- The City is working with local hotel properties to help promote the appeal, amenities and desirability of the golf resort.
- The City is targeting business development as another key priority. There are 10 undeveloped properties in the city, including the 2.6-acre restaurant and retail center planned at Washington Street and Miles Avenue, south of the Tennis Garden.



- The BNP Paribas Open attracted more than 400,000 attendees and brought in \$2.7 million in City ticket tax for 2015. Planned Tennis Garden improvements include an extensive update to Stadium 1.
- A year of conservation efforts is paying off. The City is at 100% compliance in its usage of non-potable water at City properties.

Residents who missed the presentation can view the State of the City in its entirety daily at 1 p.m. on IWTV (Time Warner digital channel 122 and Fios channel 32) or on demand on the City's website. The State of the City PowerPoint presentation is also available for download at [www.cityofindianwells.org](http://www.cityofindianwells.org).



## Congratulations to Indian Wells Golf Resort!

Indian Wells Golf Resort is celebrating a special accolade this month, as it has been named one of *Golfweek* Magazine's "Best Courses You Can Play" for 2016. News of the prestigious award is accompanied by the following May announcements sure to delight local golfers.



## Indian Wells Golf Resort to Play Key Role in Troon Challenge

The road to the 2016 Troon Challenge can begin with an important qualifier at Indian Wells Golf Resort, as the Celebrity Course will host a regional qualifier on Sunday, June 5. Two teams at this event will qualify to participate in the tournament final, which will take place in Scottsdale, Arizona later in the summer. More than 35 Troon-managed golf courses nationwide will host 2016 qualifiers between now and August. Participants for the June 5 event will compete in a modified best-ball shamble, and teams can consist of two men, two women, or a man and a woman. The cost to enter is \$170 per team (\$160 for Troon Cardholders), which includes green fee, cart, practice balls prior to play, on-course contests, tee gifts and prizes. To sign up, or for specifics on the format, visit [www.troongolf.com/troon-challenge.html](http://www.troongolf.com/troon-challenge.html).

## A Salute to Economic Growth

On April 20th, more than 100 guests gathered at an elegant reception and ribbon-cutting celebrating the new Indian Wells location of First Foundation Bank.





*Save the Date:*



## 2016 MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

The City of Indian Wells annual Memorial Day Ceremony will be held on Monday, May 30 at 9 a.m. in the Indian Wells Golf Resort's Pavilion. This event is open to all, no RSVP is required, and light refreshments will be served. Please join us for this moving tribute to those who have given their lives in service to their country.

## How We Honor the U.S. Flag

The City of Indian Wells follows a formal policy for displaying the American flag, in honor of holidays and to recognize the passing of government officials, current and former City officials, and current and former City employees. In compliance with the United States Flag Code and etiquette, City Hall flies the American flag daily. The flag is flown at half-staff on Peace Officer's Memorial Day (May 15), Memorial Day (May 30), Patriot Day (September 11), and Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (December 7). The flag may also be flown at half-staff when the U.S. president, state governor, or federal agency department head proclaims a period of mourning. On a local note, in 1954 U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower – a part-time Indian Wells resident – issued a proclamation on the proper times to fly the flag at half-staff. Here in Indian Wells, to recognize the passing of government officials and current and former City Council members and City staff, the City Manager or his/her designee shall declare that black Mourning Ribbons be placed at the top of the flagpole just below the finial or ornament, with the American flag flying at full-staff.



*Don't Forget:*

# JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> IS PALM TREE TRIMMING DEADLINE



Indian Wells is known for its magnificent palm trees, including the date palm, fan palm, and other ornamental species which thrive in the desert. Our stately palm trees have a defined life span, and when they reach their later stages – often at heights from 50 to 70 feet representing 70-90 years in age – the trees can become susceptible to disease and insect infestation. These ailments can lead to a significant increase in browning and loss of palm fronds and/or loss of the crown at the top of the tree altogether -- or even toppling of a tree. A high wind event may also worsen damage in a weakened tree, while falling fronds, crowns and trees can even result in major property damage or harm to people if struck by debris.

Strong consideration should be given to removing trees in serious states of decline. Additionally, the City of Indian Wells implements a regular program to inspect palm trees in public rights-of-way and on public property. The City strongly urges homeowners, property owners, HOAs, and business owners to regularly check the health and stability of palm trees located on their private property and private common areas by seeking professional advice from a landscape maintenance specialist and/or an ISA Certified Arborist. If needed, the City can provide a list of private professional specialists and arborists. Also, in order to comply with City ordinance provisions that ensure our neighborhoods remain healthy and clean, **date palms must be trimmed by June 30. Washingtonians, fan palms, and other palm trees must be trimmed by July 30.** You can avoid the unnecessary expense of repeat trimming by having your trees cut close to the deadlines after final bloom is assured.

## New Themed Buffet at VUE Grille & Bar!

Join neighbors and friends at an exciting new dining experience, as VUE presents its monthly themed dinner buffet on the last Tuesday of every month. Priced at \$15 for Residents and \$22 for non-residents, the flavorful 4-7 p.m. dinner also accepts Resident Benefit Cards and features Happy Hour drink pricing.

Mark your calendar for



and beyond!







# Stay and Play Here with Spring Golf Packages from Four Resorts

Golfers can enjoy local play and a luxurious overnight stay this month, thanks to four seasonal offers from Indian Wells resort hotels. City residents should encourage visitors and friends to take advantage of these packages, as they showcase the best of our city's stay and play features. For details and promo codes, visit [insider.indianwellsresort.com/i/655978-indian-wells-insider-march-2016](http://insider.indianwellsresort.com/i/655978-indian-wells-insider-march-2016).

## Hyatt Regency Indian Wells Resort & Spa Stay & Play Unlimited Golf Package

Accommodations, unlimited golf for one or two, full breakfast for one or two at Lantana, use of golf cart, driving range access, unlimited play on package day, replay round on space available basis and free twilight round of golf on day of arrival, based on availability.



## Renaissance Indian Wells Resort & Spa Unlimited Golf Package for One or Two

Accommodations, \$50 resort credit valid for spa or dining, unlimited golf for one or two on package day, replay rounds on space available basis, use of golf cart, driving range access and free twilight round of golf on day of arrival.

## Miramonte Resort & Spa Golf Package

Accommodations, unlimited golf on day of stay, complimentary round of twilight golf on day of arrival based on availability.



## Indian Wells Resort Stay & Play Unlimited Summer Golf

Accommodations, unlimited golf on day of stay, use of golf cart, driving range access, twilight round after 3 p.m. on day of arrival based on availability, and replay on package day based on availability.

## Fireworks Alert

There will be private fireworks displays at Renaissance Indian Wells and at Toscana Country Club on Saturday, May 14. These events are not open to the public. Please remember to bring pets indoors. Thank you.



# Coming this June: Great Food and Restaurant Week!



Get ready for ten days of enticing food and new dining experiences, as Palm Springs Desert Resorts Restaurant Week comes to town June 3 to 12. Restaurant Week provides the perfect opportunity to visit favorite local restaurants or try something new, as participating locations offer three-course meals priced at \$26 or \$38 per person (plus beverage, tax and gratuity). This year, nearly 100 restaurants will participate, while area hotels and attractions are also presenting special offers. It is strongly recommended that diners make reservations in advance by contacting restaurants directly or visiting [www.OpenTable.com](http://www.OpenTable.com). For all the epicurean details, go to [www.palmspringsrestaurantweek.com](http://www.palmspringsrestaurantweek.com).

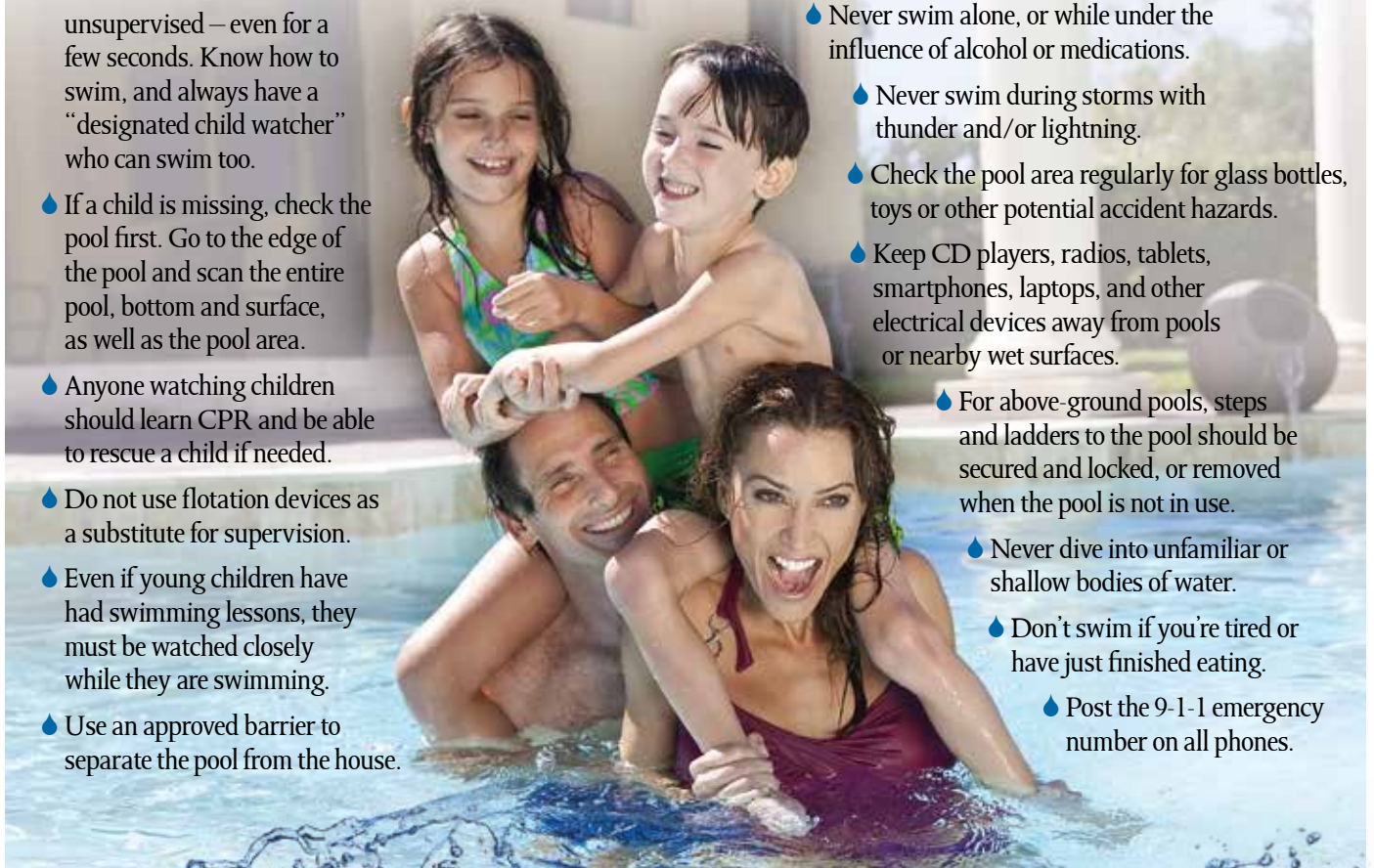
## Swimming Pool Safety Tips

With warm weather here and swimming pools a popular gathering spot, those involved with the supervision of children should be aware of the dangers associated with any body of water. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, approximately one in five people who die from drowning are children 14 and younger -- with children ages one to four having the highest drowning rates.

Here are some key tips to prevent these needless tragedies:

- ◆ Never leave small children alone and unsupervised – even for a few seconds. Know how to swim, and always have a “designated child watcher” who can swim too.
- ◆ If a child is missing, check the pool first. Go to the edge of the pool and scan the entire pool, bottom and surface, as well as the pool area.
- ◆ Anyone watching children should learn CPR and be able to rescue a child if needed.
- ◆ Do not use flotation devices as a substitute for supervision.
- ◆ Even if young children have had swimming lessons, they must be watched closely while they are swimming.
- ◆ Use an approved barrier to separate the pool from the house.

- ◆ Have life-saving devices near the pool, such as a pole/hook or flotation device.
- ◆ Keep children away from pool filters, as the suction force may injure them or prevent them from surfacing.
- ◆ If you leave the pool area, take the children with you.
- ◆ Keep large objects such as tables, chairs, toys and ladders away from pool fences. Do not allow children to play around the pool, and store all toys outside the pool area.
- ◆ Never swim alone, or while under the influence of alcohol or medications.
- ◆ Never swim during storms with thunder and/or lightning.
- ◆ Check the pool area regularly for glass bottles, toys or other potential accident hazards.
- ◆ Keep CD players, radios, tablets, smartphones, laptops, and other electrical devices away from pools or nearby wet surfaces.
- ◆ For above-ground pools, steps and ladders to the pool should be secured and locked, or removed when the pool is not in use.
- ◆ Never dive into unfamiliar or shallow bodies of water.
- ◆ Don't swim if you're tired or have just finished eating.
- ◆ Post the 9-1-1 emergency number on all phones.





# Have You Tried Craft Cocktails at VUE?

VUE Grille & Bar is reinventing the classics with its special Craft Cocktail menu. For those curious about the term, craft cocktails are beverages where elements are hand-made or tailored specifically to the drink. They might feature traditional spirits, small-batch ingredients, custom glassware, house-made mixers or even unique special components created by the bartender. The results are often more interesting beverages, with these memorable drinks reflecting today's artisanal approach to bar offerings. At VUE, more than a dozen craft cocktails now await, including the Moscow Mule, the Perfect Manhattan, a multi-national Hanky Panky, Japanese Sangria and more. Additionally, don't forget VUE's Happy Hour, which features special pricing between 3 and 6 p.m. daily.



## Late Spring Happenings In and Around Indian Wells



### Mark your calendars!

Here are local activity dates for the next few weeks:



**May 30:**

Memorial Day Ceremony



**June 3-12**

Palm Springs Desert Resorts Restaurant Week



**June 5:**

Troon Challenge Golf Qualifier

## Desert Town Hall Readies for Upcoming Season

The new season of the desert's premier speaker series has four great names in store, with multiple categories of tickets offered. Each speaker evening begins at 5 p.m. with cocktails and music on the Rose Lawn of Renaissance Indian Wells Resort & Spa. Lectures start promptly at 6 p.m. in the resort's Esmeralda Ballroom. For the latest information on 2017 series ticket sales and to provide your contact information for ticket updates, please call (760) 610-2852.





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## City Meeting Schedule

City Council Meeting Thursday,  
**May 19, 1:30 p.m.**

For further information on commission and committee meetings, please see the monthly calendar at [www.cityofindianwells.org/cals/default.asp](http://www.cityofindianwells.org/cals/default.asp). All City Council, Housing Authority, Special Meeting agendas and associated staff reports are available for download in PDF format at [www.cityofindianwells.org](http://www.cityofindianwells.org) no later than noon on the Monday prior to meeting date. Printed versions may be obtained in the reception area at City Hall. City Council Meetings are broadcast live, and are also archived for later viewing in video and MP3 format at [www.cityofindianwells.org](http://www.cityofindianwells.org). You can also watch Council Meetings on IWTv (Time Warner digital channel 122 and Verizon FIOS channel 32).



## Joslyn Center Event Honors Former Indian Wells Mayor

The Seventh Annual Runway Event benefiting The Joslyn Center took place on March 31, and this year's gathering enjoyed not only a fashion show, lunch and silent auction, but also the awarding of the Merritt and Joslyn Award to former Indian Wells Mayor and philanthropist Mary T. Roche. Congratulations to The Joslyn Center and to Mary T. Roche, who has served both as Mayor and as a member of Indian Wells City Council. She has also been the inspiration behind a great many organizations, activities and events which benefit the greater Indian Wells community. The Joslyn Center has dedicated itself to enriching the lives of mature adults 50 years and better, for nearly 35 years. Runway Event proceeds and individual donations help support the center's ongoing operations, which fund free events and activities as well as critical social service programs such as Penny's Pantry, the Telephone Safety Net and Meals on Wheels.

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Register to receive the latest city news via  
e-mail by clicking on the "I WANT TO" section  
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Please note that City Hall will be closed on Monday, May 30 in honor of Memorial Day, but that the City's annual Memorial Day Ceremony will take place that morning at 9 a.m.





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