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WATER CONSERVATION CONTINUES...



The City of Indian Wells is proud to report that it has exceeded the Governor of California's 2015 mandatory drought restriction measures through various initiatives, some of which the City began implementing in 2009. The City is also taking additional actions to provide further compliance with the state and local water district's new

water conservation mandates. This includes removal of turf in the City medians along Cook Street, Eldorado and Rancho Palmeras, and replacing it with drought-tolerant plants and water-efficient irrigation using non-potable water. The City is also reducing turf around City Hall and re-landscaping with drought tolerant plants, and it continues to analyze water usage to determine other opportunities for conservation. Further City accomplishments in the area of resource conservation can be viewed online at City of Indian Wells Conservation Measures.

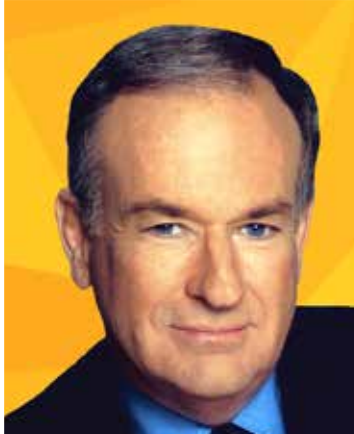
A very special success story can be told about the water conservation efforts of our own City and area residents. Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD)

customers used 41% less water in July 2015 than they used in the same month in 2013 – and this comes with rewards. CVWD currently offers a rebate program to assist Indian Wells homeowners who wish to reduce their outdoor water usage by converting lawns to drought tolerant landscaping, by installing smart irrigation controllers and by replacing inefficient spray nozzles. More information on rebate assistance is available at CVWD Drought Tolerant Landscapes.

Please be aware that the City of Indian Wells made changes to the landscaping approval process to make it easier for residents to adjust their landscaping to a more drought-tolerant palette. REMINDER: changes regarding lawn/turf conversion and other landscaping adjustments do require that residents get proper City permits for this – so please make this your first stop as you move toward water-efficient yards and gardens.



A Stellar Line-Up Is Coming to Renowned Desert Town Hall



**BILL
O'REILLY**
FRIDAY, JANUARY 29



**NANDO
PARRADO**
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22



**FELIPE
CALDERÓN**
THURSDAY, MARCH 10



**DAVID
PETRAEUS**
THURSDAY, MARCH 24

Indian Wells is the proud location for Desert Town Hall, the acclaimed annual lecture series kicking off a remarkable new season on January 16, 2016. The first speaker for next year will be author and FOX News anchor Bill O'Reilly. Additional presenters will include Andes air disaster survivor Nando Parrado (February 22), Former President of Mexico Felipe Calderón (March 10), and retired U.S. Army General David Petraeus (March 24).

The best way to secure admission is to become a season subscriber or sponsor, as this is how most Desert Town Hall seats are filled. While individual tickets are sold out for 2016, names may be added to the wait list. Please call (760) 610-2852 for details or visit www.deserttownhall.org for complete details on the upcoming series including speaker bios and ticket information. All lectures are presented at Renaissance Indian Wells Resort & Spa, off Highway 111.

Youth Town Hall Celebrates Local High-School Students

Desert Town Hall is more than just a famous speaker series. It is also the sponsor of Youth Town Hall, enabling 600 students from 22 area high schools to attend the four Town Hall lectures. Participating students are awarded the title of Youth Ambassador and represent the socio-economic diversity found in the Coachella Valley. This enriching, inspiring experience for teens is funded largely by donors,

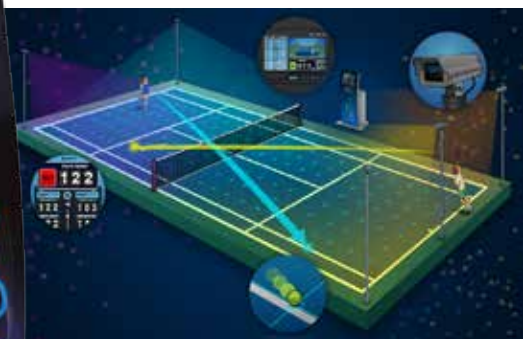
and it is made even more special thanks to a private reception which Youth Ambassadors are invited to attend before each lecture. During these receptions, attendees can ask questions and have candid conversations with Town Hall speakers, often about youth-related issues.

Applications for this coming season's Youth Town Hall should be available on the Desert Town Hall website this fall.



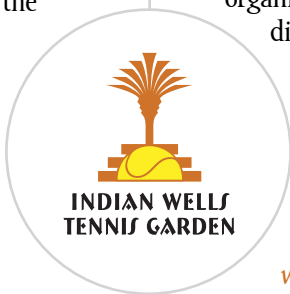
The ROAD to Wellness

Improving fitness and advancing personal tennis skills are within convenient reach at Indian Wells Tennis Garden. While the BNP Paribas Open comes to mind when thinking of this famous facility, its fitness and recreational programs offer residents a great way to get back into shape for the season. Personal training is available at the IWTG Fitness Center, and for tennis players of all skill levels, PlaySight



Smart Courts offer the next generation of tennis surfaces equipped with the most advanced training analysis and debriefing capabilities in the world. The new SmartCourt has been set up on practice courts 7 and 8. Players can have their game evaluated by one of the IWTG teaching pros.

To purchase a tennis membership, which also includes access to the Fitness Center, visit www.iwtg.net/membership, or to arrange a game, connect at www.iwtg.net/game-arranging. To reach IWTG by phone, call (760) 200-8400.



WHEELCHAIR TENNIS CLINICS NOW AVAILABLE

Wheelchair Tennis clinics are offered at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden and are presented weekly for beginner and intermediate/advanced players of all ages. There is no charge to attend, and for those who do not have equipment, sports chairs and racquets are available for demo usage. The loaner chairs are provided in partnership with Incight, a non-profit organization that supports and empowers people with disabilities, serving key life areas of education, employment and independence. IWTG's current schedule includes Beginner Wheelchair Tennis Clinics on Mondays, starting October 5 from 4:45 to 6:00 p.m., and Intermediate/Advanced Wheelchair Tennis Clinics on Mondays from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. Details are available at www.iwtg.net or (760) 200-8200.



TENNIS LOVERS: MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Coming in 2016:



The BNP Paribas Open, March 7 – 20.
Residents Day – Thursday, March 10.

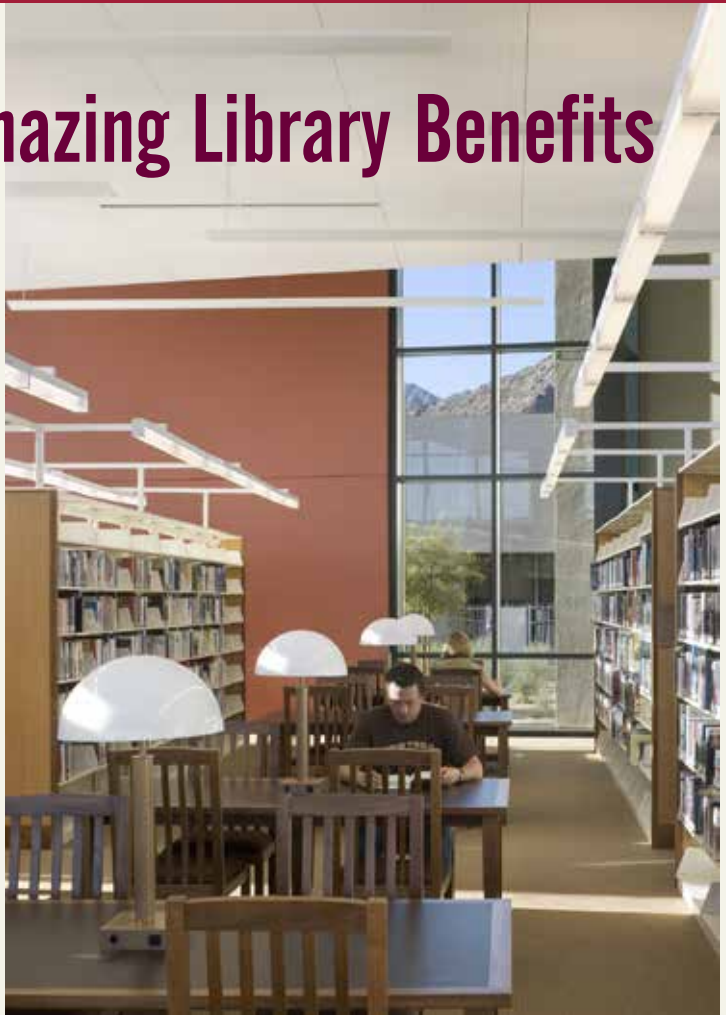
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For more information, call (760) 341-7323 or visit www.ranchoiragelibrary.org.



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News for Green Thumbs

If you're not familiar with the City of Indian Wells Community Garden, this special resident benefit can be found on the east side of Eldorado Drive, just north of City Hall and adjacent to the City's Fire Department. The 36 garden plots are raised for easier access, requiring less bending over to reach plantings and soil. Plots vary in length, but each one is four feet wide to ensure easy maneuvering and gardening from either side of the plot. A very modest rental fee is in place for these plots and covers the plot itself, amenities and utilities (water is set on a timer, or manual watering is possible). The new garden rental season begins this month and runs to next August. For details, call (760) 346-2489.



MORE TO LOVE AT VUE

GRILLE & BAR



VUE Grille and Bar has earned rave reviews on Yelp for its Thursday, Friday and Saturday night feasts. On Thursdays, the popular two-course special includes live Maine lobster, Caesar salad, house-cut fries and great savings on wine. Friday afternoons and evenings, VUE's famous fish and chip fry runs from 4 to closing, while on Saturday nights, the restaurant's three-course prime rib special is offered from 4 to 9 p.m. Reservations are strongly recommended and may be requested at (760) 834-3800.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHEF

Indian Wells Golf Resort and VUE Grille and Bar are proud to introduce new Executive Chef, **Joseph Canlas**. Joe brings an amazing culinary background to the area, having moved here from San Francisco, where he ran the kitchen at California's oldest restaurant, the famed Tadich Grill -- established in 1849. Prior to living in San Francisco, Joe's skills were lauded by diners in Washington, D.C. where he was a sous chef at the Occidental Grill next door to The White House, and where he also worked at that city's Watergate Hotel and historic Tabard Inn. Joe also served as the corporate chef for Maryland's Fountain Rock Restaurant Management Group, overseeing the culinary activities of four establishments. A native of the Philippines, married and a father of three, Joe has a degree in business and also studied the culinary arts at l'Académie de Cuisine in Gaithersburg, Maryland. He is now on-site at VUE and Indian Wells Golf Resort and looks forward to bringing an outstanding new dining experience to our residents.



WinnResidential

On July 1, 2015, award-winning WinnResidential was awarded a three-year contract to manage 218 housing units in the City of Indian Wells, comprised of the residential communities of Indian Wells Villas with 90 units, and Mountain View Villas, with 128 units. This contract was awarded through an open, public RFP process, and the City's Housing Authority will oversee the efforts of WinnResidential, which carries full responsibility for managing these properties. To contact them directly: Indian Wells Villas 760-568-9199 or Mountain View Villas 760-772-4688.

WinnResidential is a national organization managing more than 100,000 units, with a property portfolio spanning market-rate, affordable, senior and mixed-income housing along with condominiums and homes for America's military families.



Its ResidentsFirst program has a goal of providing the best apartments, customer service and value in the industry. The company's 3,000-plus employees manage over 97,000 apartments and condominiums in more than 23 states, and its projects encompass 23 military-housing installations containing 41,000 homes, and more than 6,000 senior housing residences throughout the nation including nearly 700 senior housing residences in California alone. Owners of the managed properties of WinnResidential include Lend Lease, SunTrust Bank, Fidelity Investments, The Canyon-Johnson Fund, Harvard

University, Common Ground Community, NHP Foundation, AEW Capital, The Diocese of Bridgeport, Homes for America, The Boston Housing Authority and the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

What's Happening In and Around Indian Wells

OCT
9-12

Modernism Week Fall Preview!

Historic bus tours, architectural walking tours, museum and neighborhood visits, modernism yard sales, parties, a vintage car show and much more. Purchase tickets at www.modernismweek.com/october-2015/.



OCT
17

Save the Date: Desert Garden Community Day at The Living Desert

The Desert Horticultural Society of the Coachella Valley presents a day of workshops, informational exhibits and garden tours about desert-friendly, water-wise gardening in our area. Class info: www.deserthorticulturalsociety.org.

OCT
24, 25 & 31

Mark Your Calendars: Howl-oween at The Living Desert

This "Spooky Zoo Adventure" is for big and little kids alike and includes a special Halloween Night bash for members. Kids are encouraged to dress up in their favorite costumes on these dates and enjoy one of the many exciting activities typically planned for Halloween night including 20 trick or treat stations, a monster maze, pumpkin bowling, pumpkin decorating, animal encounters, Living Desert zoo mascots, storytelling, face painters, bounce houses, craft workshops and more. Explore more at www.livingdesert.org/event/howl-o-ween/ or (760) 346-5694.



Tech Ed Is On Its Way to Joslyn Center

New ways to connect are coming to The Joslyn Center, as iPad® and computer classes are forming for the fall. Students will find a supportive and understanding environment in which to learn more about their devices and technology. To reserve a spot, call instructor Cassandra Beegle at (760) 537-1728.

The Joslyn Center has also announced that it will be among 30 Coachella Valley charities to be beneficiaries of December's Barry Manilow GIFT OF LOVE concerts, presented at Palm Desert's McCallum Theatre on December 8, 9, 11, 12 and 13, 2015. Special ticket packages and VIP levels are available. For more information, visit agiftoflove.stiletto.com.



If you're not familiar with the Joslyn Center, this exceptional facility for adults 50+ offers the opportunity to gather, socialize and learn, with classes and activities available for those interested in fitness, dance, yoga, cards and games, writing and painting, languages and more. Joslyn Center members can also take advantage of health services, such as blood pressure screening, hearing and vision testing, Medicare counseling and an annual health fair. Members receive free tax and legal services as well. The non-profit center also offers volunteer opportunities and is home to the Arthur Newman Theatre. The Joslyn Center is located in Palm Desert at 73-750 Catalina Way. To learn more about membership benefits and view the activities calendar, visit www.joslyncenter.org. To speak to a staff member call (760) 340-3220.



Important Reminder about SHORT-TERM RENTALS



The grandfathering registration period ended August 3. Property owners wishing to rent out their homes who were not grandfathered may still do so for a minimum of seven days and seven nights during next year's BNP Paribas Open. To do so, you must secure a short-term rental business license and permit. All rental owners must file their TOT forms every quarter (even if there is a zero balance), and fill out the Renter Registration form for all guests you rent to. The forms can be found on the City website at www.cityofindianwells.org/rentals. Residents with concerns about nuisance properties may call the hotline at (760) 883-1822.



The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute of UC Riverside has announced Rancho Mirage sessions for this fall, with first dates beginning on September 16. Among the 18 upcoming new courses are Art House Cinema; The Brethren: The Supreme Court; The Church and the State of America; The Story of Rock n Roll: The 60s; Sports and American Culture; Designing Your Ideal Retirement; and Putting Your Plan in Motion and Aging in Place. Courses are either free or priced at \$20 and are held at the Annenberg Center. Early membership and enrollment are strongly encouraged and may be submitted by telephone at (760) 834-0997 or online at www.extension.ucr.edu/osher/enroll_form.pdf.

Meeting Schedule

This month's City Council Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 17 at 1:30 p.m. Please note that City Hall is closed on Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day. For further information on commission and committee meetings, please see the monthly calendar at 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 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. You can also watch Council Meetings on IWTv (Time Warner digital channel 122 and Verizon FIOS channel 32).



For information on Mayor's office hours, please call City Hall, (760) 346-2489



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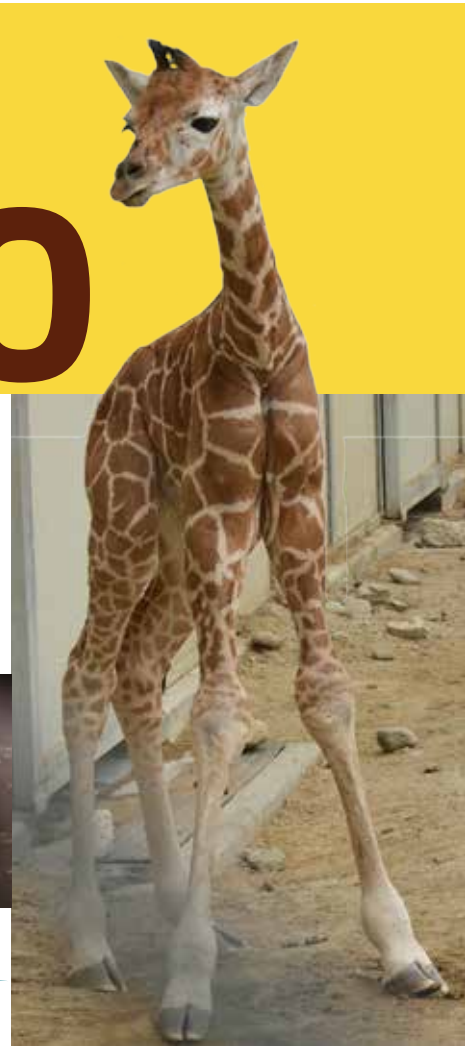
Be sure to visit www.cityofindianwells.org for the latest updates throughout the fall!

Register to receive the latest city news via e-mail by clicking on the "I WANT TO" section where you'll find "Email Sign Up" under "Apply for."



IT'S ALL HAPPENING AT THE ZOO

It's a great summer for animal lovers. The Living Desert zoo family has recently grown, with new arrivals that include three newborn ringtail cats, two young black-footed cats acquired from the Philadelphia Zoo, two infant porcupines and a beautiful new male giraffe weighing in at 150 pounds at birth. The baby giraffe has its own set of spots, as every giraffe has different markings, similar to the unique fingerprints we all have as humans.





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