

A NEWS PUBLICATION FOR THE CITY OF

INDIAN WELLS



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DESERT TOWN HALL

LOOK WHO'S TALKING



LEON PANETTA

TUESDAY,
JANUARY 28

Former U.S. Secretary of Defense and Director of the CIA, Leon Panetta is one of the nation's most respected bipartisan leaders in recent history. He has devoted his career to the American people, guiding U.S. intelligence, defense and economic strategies over the past four decades.



LISA LING & LAURA LING

THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 13

Acclaimed journalists and authors with many gripping stories to tell, Lisa Ling and Laura Ling will detail the harrowing experience of one sister's arrest in North Korea and another sister's fight to set her free, along with other stories full of compassion and hope.



KARL ROVE

THURSDAY,
MARCH 6

Political strategist, former Deputy Chief of Staff and Senior Advisor to President George W. Bush, Karl Rove is an iconic political strategist, whose provocative and robust knowledge of the major political issues of the day have made him one of the most sought-after political pundits of our time.



BENJAMIN CARSON, M.D.

MONDAY,
MARCH 24

Renowned pediatric neurosurgeon, inspiring storyteller and *New York Times* best-selling author, Ben Carson's remarkable journey from tough, inner-city youth to history-making neurosurgeon celebrates and illustrates the power we all have to excel and influence others.

This world-class venue, with preeminent speakers, is the desert's event of the year. Don't miss it. Call 760.610.2852 for tickets. For information visit www.DesertTownHall.org.

MESSAGE FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Thank you to the whole community, especially City Council members and City staff, for the wonderful welcome and hospitality you have shown my wife and me. We are very excited to be in Indian Wells and now, after two months on the job, I am even more excited.

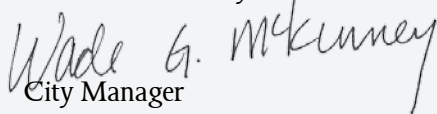
The City Council comprises thoughtful leaders with a conservative financial culture. They provide clear direction with the good of the City always first in mind. City employees are a talented group of committed professionals and everyone working for the City is doing more than one job. I am impressed by the proactive attitude and commitment to excellence here at City Hall, and I have heard often in the last two months of the importance of providing an exceptional experience and service to our residents.

There are many great projects on the move in Indian Wells and as we pull together as a community our future will be bright. The Tennis Garden has “topped out” its structure and construction continues to be on schedule for the best tournament ever. The Indian Wells Golf Resort is undergoing a refresh; we can all meet there in November in the new facilities to celebrate our community. Other projects around town are picking up speed as the economy recovers. City staff have had meetings involving most of the major projects and we anticipate public announcements before the end of the year.

City projects are progressing well. The Highway 111 project continues to be on schedule and construction should be completed before November. The new design crafted by the City Council and staff should provide good traffic flow and enhance the appearance of the intersection. The Village Utility Underground projects are progressing. The First Phase (Rule 20a) is nearly complete and District 2 will begin just after the first of next year.

These are exciting times for Indian Wells, and as we all work together - the community, City Council and City staff - we will be successful. We have an open door and an open ear, and I encourage you to be part of the dynamic process for Indian Wells' evolution and continued success.

Wade G. McKinney



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City Manager



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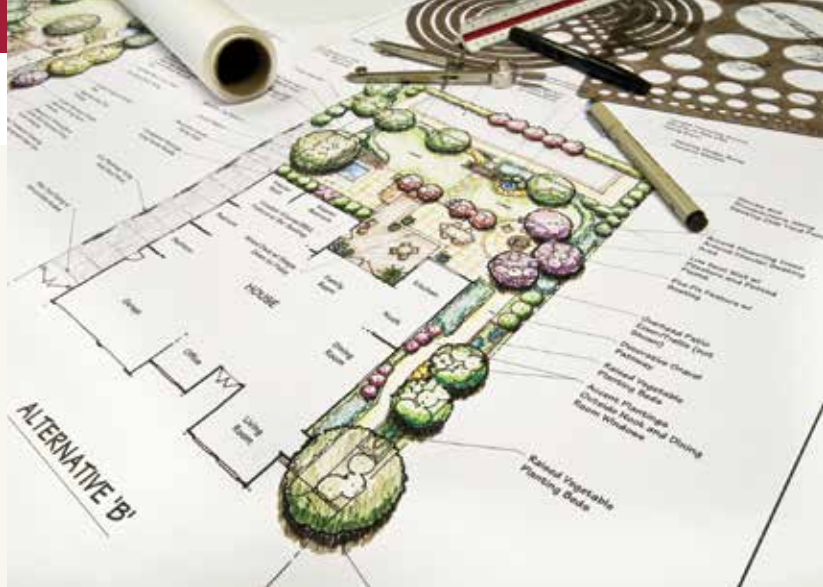
Housing Element Update: Draft Now Available Online

The City of Indian Wells Draft Housing Element 2014-2021 is now available for download on the City's website at www.cityofindianwells.org. The Draft Housing Element is scheduled for review by the Planning Commission on September 26, 2013 and City Council on October 17, 2013.

For more information about the Housing Element Update process, visit www.cityofindianwells.org (City Hall/Departments/Planning Department) or contact Community Development Director Warren Morelion at wmorelion@indianwells.com, (760) 776-0229.

This issue marks the debut of our new "Did You Know?" section, designed to provide you with important information about our community.

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Homeowner Landscaping

The City of Indian Wells has an Architecture and Landscape Committee (ALC) that meets the first Tuesday of every month. The Committee's purpose is to ensure that the general appearance of all proposed structures, buildings and landscaping are compatible with the surrounding area, and to also ensure harmony between structures and landscaping. All homeowners not within a Homeowner's Association (HOA) are required to submit an application to the City for ALC review and approval before commencing any of the following improvements:

- 🌿 Obtaining a permit to construct a building or structure in any zone;
- 🌿 Undertaking any external modification to a structure visible to any roadway or open space, public or private;
- 🌿 Installing new landscape adjacent to a roadway or open space, public or private;
- 🌿 Replacing or modifying existing hardscape or landscape in any front, side or rear yard, which abuts a roadway or open space, public or private in excess of fifty (50) percent of the yard area;
- 🌿 Installing new or modifying an existing antenna, outdoor lighting, landscape lighting, private tennis court, emergency generator, wall, fence, or other such barrier.

If you have any questions regarding the Architecture and Landscape Committee, please contact the City's Planning Division at (760) 776-0229.



Eureka!

COMES TO INDIAN WELLS

Another excellent eatery has opened its doors in Indian Wells! Situated on the corner of Cook Street and Highway 111, Eureka! is known for its all natural beef burgers, fresh baked breads, local produce and artisan spirits. In addition to its chef-driven California cuisine, the restaurant features 30 craft beers and two wines on tap, as well as 21 small batch American whiskeys served late seven nights a week.

Eureka Restaurant Group describes its value-driven dining experience as "Eatertainment" combining gourmet food, an innovative bar program, live sports, and live entertainment in a modern yet rustic setting.

Eureka! is located at 74985 Highway 111 in the Village at Indian Wells shopping center. For more information, call (760) 834-7700 or visit www.eurekarestaurantgroup.com.

June 20 Council Meeting Highlights

Adopted Ordinance Adding Chapter 3.28 to the Municipal Code Prescribing Procedures by Which the City Council May Establish Parking and Business Improvement Areas Within the City.

Adopted Resolution Declaring the City's Intention to Form the Indian Wells Village Underground District No. 2 Assessment District and Set August 15, 2013 Public Hearing Date. [Public Hearing date changed to October 3, 2013]

Regarding Sands Hotel Request for Determination Whether Existing Legal Non-Conforming Use Allows Conversion to Full Hotel Use, Determined the Conversion of 35 Timeshare Units on these Premises to Hotel Units would be Substantially the Same Use as the Remaining 19 Hotel Units in the Complex Pursuant to City's Non-conformance Ordinance in Section 21.90.030.

Approved Amendment No. 1 to the South of Miles Indemnification Agreement and Authorize Mayor to Sign Same.

Adopted as Amended Resolution Amending and Restating Resolution No. 2003-59 Concerning the Art in Public Places Program Fee.

Approved Second Addendum to the Management Contract with Troon Golf for One Year Extension of the Operation of the Indian Wells Golf Resort.

Adopted as Amended Resolution Regarding Eligibility Requirements and Policy Guidelines for the Grants-in-Aid Committee and Directed Staff to Create Two Separate Application Processes, One for the \$5,000 Grants and Another Application for the Homeless Category which would Require More Detailed Information.

Rescheduled the August 15, 2013 City Council meeting to August 8, 2013 and scheduled Council interviewing committee applicants on August 7, 2013.

Approved Cooperative Agreement with Riverside County to Provide Fire Protection and Prevention, Rescue, and Medical Aid Services and to Authorized the Mayor to Execute the Same.

Adopted Resolution Approving the 2013 Update to the Local California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA] Guidelines.

Approved Cooperative Agreement for Operation and Maintenance of Traffic Signal and Safety Lighting with the City of La Quinta and Authorized the City Manager to Execute Said Agreement.

Officer's Contract and Mileage in the Amount of \$569,154; and Sheriff's Contract in the Amount of \$2,713,988 [Budgeted].

Please note: The above list has been edited for space. To view the June 20 City Council Highlights list in its entirety, please visit www.cityofindianwells.org.

July 11 Council Meeting Highlights

Adopted Resolution ordering the levy and collection of fees for refuse collection and recycling services for Fiscal Year 2013-14 residential and commercial properties.

Approved Strategic Plan for the Indian Wells Golf Resort including the IW Club Banquet Services, IW Club Restaurant, Golf Operations, overall Operations and Budgeting; Approved up to a 6,500 square foot banquet structure and site design; found the Strategic Plan components are exempt from CEQA requirements pursuant to Section 15301; and Approved five year loan for the capital improvement projects. Directed to Staff being to bring back to Council for consideration and approval prior to implementation the following: the final banquet event structure; solutions to safety and transportation, and proposed plans to change to the existing furniture and fixtures at the IW Golf Resort.

Approved the 2014 Cultural and Promotion Agreement for Desert Forum, Inc. in the amount of \$50,000.

Adopted Resolution designating the street name of Desert Research Trail to the access easement on Lot "W" of Tract No. 28016-1 for the University of California's Boyd Deep Canyon Research Center in Palm Desert.

Adopted Resolution amending Section 3.07.120(b) of the City Council Policy Manual concerning term limitations and committee hiatus which states any period of time the committee is on a hiatus will be included as part of the appointee's term.

Approved Designation of Mayor Roche as voting delegate and Council Members Hanson and Mullany as alternates for the City of Indian Wells during the League of California Cities Annual Conference in September 18-20, 2013.

Approved the proposed 2013 third quarter City Council meeting dates calendar.

Approved Requisitions for BG Structural Engineering in the amount \$140,000 and for RA Structural Engineering in the amount of \$60,000 for building plan check services for fiscal year 2013-14.



The Mayor will hold office hours by appointment. Please call (760) 346-2489 to schedule.





Indian Wells Golf Resort Launches Online Newsletter

Be sure to check out the Indian Wells Golf Resort's new digital newsletter! The premiere issue of the "Indian Wells Insider" made its debut this summer. The newsletter features great information for residents and visitors alike, including interviews with Golf Resort staff, highlights on special promotions, the latest updates at the IW Club, and much more. Starting this month, The Golf Resort will distribute a monthly edition.

Sign up to receive the newsletter and details on the latest special offers by visiting www.indianwellsgolfrsrt.com, where you can also book tee times online.

IW Club Offers a Variety of Specials Plus Live Entertainment

Lunch, happy hour or dinner – the IW Club is the place to be! Bring your family, friends and colleagues to take advantage of a value-added experience at the Indian Wells Golf Resort's premier dining venue.

Order a lunch entrée between now and September 30 and you'll get a glass of house wine for only \$1 (valid Monday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.). The bar features Happy Hour every night with select, specially priced menu items and discounted beer, wine and well cocktails. The IW Club also offers nightly specials, including industry nights, from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday nights (5-9 p.m.) feature a prime rib special for \$20 that comes with a house salad, twice baked potato and chocolate cake. You'll also enjoy live entertainment Monday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. and 6:30 -9:30 p.m.

For complete details and reservations, visit www.iwclub.com or call (760) 834-3800.



World Affairs Council Speaker Series Returns in October

On Sunday, October 20, World Affairs Council of the Desert will kick off its 2013/2014 season with John L. Peterson of The Arlington Institute and what promises to be a thought-provoking program on climate change.

Considered by many to be one of the most informed futurists in the world, Peterson founded The Arlington Institute (TAI) in 1989. The non-profit, future-oriented "think tank" operates on the premise that effective thinking about the future is impossible without casting a very wide net.



Peterson's prolific career in government and politics includes stints at the National War College, Institute for National Security Studies, Office of the Secretary of Defense, and the National Security Council staff at the White House. He is a decorated veteran of both the Vietnam and Persian Gulf Wars, and has served in senior positions for a number of presidential political campaigns.

An award-winning writer, Peterson's latest book is entitled *Out of the Blue: How to Anticipate Wild Cards and Big Future Surprises*.

World Affairs Council of the Desert speaker programs are held on Sunday evenings at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort & Spa. Open to the public, the events begin with a 5 p.m. reception, followed by a 6 p.m. dinner, speaker presentation, and Q&A session. Cost is \$65 for members and guests, \$80 for non-members.

For more information and online ticket purchase, visit www.worldaffairsdesert.org. You may also e-mail worldaffairs@verizon.net or call (760) 322-7711.

Meet Your Resident Representatives on City Committees

Citizen advocacy is a key part of enhancing quality of life in our special Indian Wells community. So many residents play an active role and provide valuable feedback ensuring that Indian Wells continues to grow and prosper, such as those who volunteer their time on City committees.

The City of Indian Wells is pleased to announce the annual appointment of residents to serve on City commissions and committees. The 2013-2014 committee rosters include the following Indian Wells residents:

Planning Commission

Peter Desnoes
Steve Kleeman
Dennis Pindiak
– *Vice Chair*
Brenda Reed - *Chair*
Lorelee Williams

Architecture and Landscape Committee

Mikel Breitenstein
Alan Broude - *Chair*
David Drake
David Narz – *Vice Chair*
A.J. Staples

Community Activities Committee

Linda Blank
Lucille Boston
Loretta Ferraro
Don Pelegrino
Gina Puls

Grants-In-Aid Committee

Rosemary Anaya
Donna Griffith
Roger Kipp
Judy Tobin May
Dave Rolston

Indian Wells Golf Resort Advisory Committee

Robert Bossone
Tom Davis
Kevin Driscoll
Ulrich Sauerbrey
Steven Sutton

Palm Springs International Airport Commission

Douglas Gordon

Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District

Dr. Bruce Underwood

Joslyn Center Representative

Janet Underwood

PENDLETON FOUNDATION *PRESENTS* POPULAR CHEF'S AUCTION



The Pendleton Foundation will host its Ninth Annual Chef's Auction on Thursday, November 14 from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Miramonte Resort & Spa. All participating chefs will prepare hors d'oeuvres with paired wines selected by Chef Herve Glin. Miramonte Executive Chef Robert Nyerick will serve a multicourse dinner menu with boutique wine pairings. Dinner and a live auction begin at 7 p.m.

Winning bids will have one of the Coachella Valley's most spectacular chefs cook a private meal for eight, at either the patron's home or the chef's restaurant.

The Pendleton Foundation helps Coachella Valley residents diagnosed with cancer by supplying much needed assistance with food, gas, utilities and rent.

Tickets for the Chef's Auction are \$95 per person. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.thependletonfoundation.org or call (760) 776-0880.



Resident Art Expert Gives Unforgettable Museum Tour



Indian Wells resident and Community Activities Committee Member **Don Pelegrino** treats China's first lady **Madame Peng Liyuan** and her delegation to a June 7 tour of the Palm Springs Art Museum. Pelegrino is a leading, long-time museum docent who also hosts art tours at the IW Club.

Golf Resort's Chef de Cuisine Receives Hospitality Award

Congratulations are definitely in order for Indian Wells Golf Resort Chef de Cuisine **Cale Falk** who was recently honored with the "back of the house" hospitality award presented by the Greater Palm Springs Convention and Visitors Bureau.



Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert Has Plenty to Offer

The Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert opened on March 15, 2012. Since that time, this exceptional 8,500 square-foot museum has featured several exciting art exhibitions in the Galen building and Faye Sarkowsky Sculpture Garden.

The Galen's current exhibition *Across Dimensions: Graphics and Sculpture from the Permanent Collection* runs through October 27. This inspired show explores the interconnections between sculpture and the graphic arts.

The Galen building houses four separate gallery areas and the Annette Bloch Education Wing, which accommodates a broad spectrum of educational programs including artist demos, curatorial lectures and art films.

The four-acre Sculpture Garden features several outstanding sculptures amid winding walkways and a beautifully landscaped setting. The Sculpture Garden is open year-round with no admission fee.

The Museum is hosting a festive "Meet the Galen" membership drive and party on Friday, November 22 from 6-8 p.m. Members: \$40 single/\$80 couple (ticket option only). Non-members*: \$50 single/\$85 couple (*includes a one-year museum membership).

For full details about the Palm Springs Art Museum in Palm Desert, visit www.psmuseum.org/palm-desert/ or call (760) 346-5600.



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Connect with Us!

Stay tuned for information on upcoming resident events at the IW Club. Also, be sure to visit www.cityofindianwells.org for the latest updates. 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."

FOR THE LOVE OF THE GAME TWENTYNINE PALMS BASE TENNIS PROGRAM GOING STRONG

The Indian Wells Tennis Garden may be located in Indian Wells, but the Tennis Garden's staff's desire to instill passion for the sport of tennis reaches far beyond our city's borders.

Thanks to Indian Wells Tennis Garden CEO Raymond Moore, Director of Tennis Tom Fey, the Armed Services YMCA, War Casualty Family Assistance Fund, Babolot, and many volunteer tennis enthusiasts, active duty marines and their families stationed at Twentynine Palms have access to top-notch tennis instruction right on the base.

The inaugural seven-week winter session kicked off last January and February, and a seven-week summer session wrapped up last month. Each four-hour clinic is led by Fey who, along with three other coaches, travels to the base on select Saturdays to teach juniors and adults either the fundamentals or the finer points of play, depending on their level of experience.

"This summer, we averaged 30 people per Saturday clinic—we even have the base's Chief of Staff participating in the clinics," Fey says.

Moreover, the Indian Wells Tennis Garden/Coachella Valley National Junior Tennis League (IWTG/CVNJTL), United States Tennis Association (USTA), and Southern California Tennis Association (SCTA) will be partnering to resurface the two tennis courts at the base, repair the existing backboard, as well as install a new gate to make the tennis area wheelchair accessible.

Moore and Fey hope to build the instructional series into a year-round program and have spoken with Billie Jean King about running Mylan World Team Tennis on the base.

