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CITY EVENT PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS



Holiday Cheer Is Here — Let's Party!

Wear your favorite holiday sweater and celebrate the warmth of the season at a special resident Holiday Patio Party to be held on Tuesday, December 11, 5-7 p.m.,

at the IW Club. You'll enjoy an array of festivities including a no-host bar, light holiday buffet, scrumptious desserts, cookie decorating table, and a raffle of great specialty items. What's more, Pottery Barn staff will be on hand demonstrating how to create an exquisite table centerpiece while the team at Williams-Sonoma presents a lively cooking demonstration.

The Indian Wells Fire Department will also be accepting new, unwrapped toy donations and sports equipment for the Spark of Love Toy Drive.

Please reserve your space no later than December 7 by visiting the IW Resident Information section at www.cityofindianwells.org and clicking on the event, or by calling (760) 346-2489. Reservations are limited to two residents per household with a valid Indian Wells Property Owner ID Card.

Improve Your Golf Game

The Indian Wells Golf Resort is now offering twice-weekly golf clinics for players wishing to hone their skills on the course. Clinics take place at the Indian Wells Golf Resort's practice tee on Tuesdays (full swing) and Thursdays (short game) at 11 a.m. and last approximately 45 minutes. The Indian Wells Golf Resort's friendly, qualified PGA professional staff provides instruction. Each session focuses on different areas of the game, including putting, chipping, irons and driving.

Cost is only \$25 per person per session. Reservations for each clinic will be taken the day prior to each clinic date. Please note that each session is limited to eight registrants.

For more information, contact Head Golf Professional Anthony Holder, (760) 834-3823. For golf clinic registration, please call (760) 834-3838.

2013 BNP Paribas Open Tickets Now on Sale

Discounted Loge Seats Available for Local Residents

Daily tickets and Daily Double Packages are now on sale for next year's BNP Paribas Open to be held March 4-17. 2013 at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden. Daily tickets range in price from \$13 for the first Thursday evening sessions to \$95 for Championship weekend loge seats. The Daily Double package is also a great option for fans, providing the same great seat (suite, box or loge) for both day and evening sessions. What's more, local residents, students, seniors, military and USTA members can receive 30 percent off loge seats for select sessions. Ticket sales are already outpacing last year so be sure to order early to get your favorite seat location and secure your tickets for the most-attended ATP World Tour and WTA tennis tournament in the world. BNP PARIBAS

For more information and to order packages, call the Indian Wells Tennis Garden box office at (760) 200-8000, or visit www.bnpparibasopen.com for a complete listing and description of all ticket packages and pricing.



Time to Renew City Business Licenses

Do you own a company or do business in Indian Wells? The City of Indian Wells requires a business license for all contractors, subcontractors, short-term rentals, mobile businesses and landscape companies. Anyone conducting a business, service, home-based occupation or contracting work within the City of Indian Wells must also obtain a business license. Please note that 2012 licenses will expire on December 31.

If you are a new or renewing business license applicant for 2013, you can download a business license application online at www.cityofindianwells.org (City Hall/Departments/City Services/Doing Business in Indian Wells). You may also come to City Hall to pick up a form and pay the business license fee. (Please note counter is closed from 12-1 p.m.) Business license forms may also be mailed to the City with check payment only.

For more information, call the City's Business License Division at (760) 346-2489.

America's Finances Topic of Next World Affairs Council of the Desert Dinner

Cato Institute Senior Fellow Daniel J. Mitchell will discuss the nation's fiscal issues at the next World Affairs Council of the Desert dinner set for Sunday, December 16.

A top expert on tax reform and supply-side tax policy, Mitchell is a strong advocate of a flat tax and international tax competition. Prior to joining Cato, Mitchell was a senior fellow with The Heritage Foundation, and an economist for Senator Bob Packwood and the Senate Finance Committee. He has written extensively in such publications as the *Wall Street Journal*, *New York Times*, and *Investor's Business Daily*.

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.



CPR Training Can Save a Life



According to the American Heart Association, 88 percent of cardiac arrests occur at home. Yet 70 percent of Americans are unsure of what to do during a cardiac emergency because they do not know how to administer cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) or their training has lapsed. Proper CPR techniques administered immediately after sudden cardiac arrest can double or triple a person's chance of survival.

If you would like to learn the basic techniques of life-saving CPR, The City of Indian Wells is offering free classes for residents next year on the following dates: January 16, February 13, March 20 and April 24. Each class will be held from 1-4 p.m. in the executive conference room at City Hall. Advance reservations are required. Early registration is encouraged as attendance is limited to ten participants per class.

For more information and reservations, call City Hall at (760) 346-2489.

Holiday Happenings at Indian Wells Hotels

Our outstanding Indian Wells hotels are spreading good cheer this December with a marvelous array of attractions and activities. There's no place like home for the holidays!

Eat, Drink and Be Merry at Hyatt Regency Indian Wells Resort & Spa

The spirit of the season shines brightly at Hyatt Regency Indian Wells Resort & Spa where you can indulge in a variety of holiday-inspired dining experiences and spa treatments. Throughout the month of December, take advantage of daily promotions including:

Monday: Discounted Holiday Rocks 30-minute

Express Manicure at Agua Serena Spa

priced at \$40.

Tuesday: Complimentary seasonal dessert at

Lantana, with entrée purchase.

Wednesday: Half priced bottles of wine at Lantana,

with entrée purchase.

Thursday: Seasonal cocktail flight at Agave Sunset,

priced at \$7 for four mini-cocktails.

Friday: Dine at Lantana and receive \$25 off

your next visit when you spend a

minimum of \$75.

Saturday: \$15 Day Use Pass for Agua Serena Spa.

Sunday: Discounted Cranberry Facial at

Agua Serena Spa priced at \$99.



On December 25, enjoy a special Christmas buffet at Lantana featuring roasted prime rib and sautéed sea bass entrées, along with elaborate dessert offerings. Price per person is \$29 for adults, \$18.50 for children

6-12, and complimentary for

children 5 and under (excluding tax and gratuity).

And why not ring in the New Year close to home at Agave Sunset, Hyatt Regency Indian Wells' popular bar and lounge? Festivities include live entertainment by local legend John Stanley King from 9 p.m. to 1

a.m., party favors and ball drop with complimentary champagne toast. Cost is \$20 per person or free of charge for those dining at Lantana that evening.



The luxurious Agua Serena Spa will also be offering select "Spa'liday" specials from December 1 through January 31, 2013.

For holiday dining reservations, please call (760) 674-4165. For details

on spa specials, call Agua Serena Spa at (760) 674-4100. www.hyattregencyindianwells.com.



Crooner Frank DiSalvo Headlines Indian Wells Resort Hotel New Year's Eve

Ready to ring in the New Year with dinner and dancing? Trip the light fantastic to your heart's content on December 31 when renowned singer Frank DiSalvo and his Swing City Band take the stage at the Indian Wells Resort Hotel.

The Indian Wells Resort Hotel's New Year's Eve celebration features a four-course dinner, party favors, and midnight champagne toast. Dinner seating available from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Dancing from 9 p.m. to midnight. Cost is \$129.95 per person (plus tax and service charge) for dinner guests; \$25 per person live entertainment cover fee for non-dining guests.

Advance reservations are required; credit card guarantee due when making reservations. Call (760) 345-6466 ext. 7584.

Treat Yourself to a Spa Esmeralda Experience





Grab your girlfriends and join the beauty experts at Spa Esmeralda for a fun, festive evening of pampering on Friday, December 7 from 5-8 p.m. Enjoy free spa product samples, complimentary body and skin care demos - including the NuFace 5 minute face lift — and Warm Apple Cider massages while sipping Candy Cane Cooler cocktails and sampling delicious appetizers.

Agim Salon stylists will also give presentations on updos and the latest looks

for the holidays, and free makeup consultations will get you looking gorgeous for the new year. Gift baskets and gift certificates will be available for purchase.

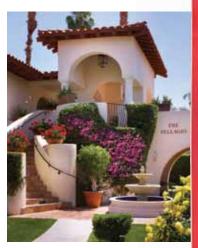
Admission is \$40. Please call (760) 836-1265 by Wednesday, December 5 to reserve your spot; space is limited.

Miramonte Resort & Spa Presents **Desert Holidays Celebration**

'Tis the season to be jolly at the Miramonte Resort & Spa, which once again hosts its delightful Desert Holidays extravaganza. Upcoming festivities at the resort include cooking classes, Holiday Tapas Thursdays, live entertainment, chestnut roasting, s'more toasting under the stars, and so much more.

Artisan Grove Kitchen is also featuring a globallyinspired epicurean dining experience with rotating menu selections, as well as special multicourse menus for Christmas and New Year's Eve dinner celebrations.

Download the Miramonte's holiday events calendar at www.miramonteresort.com or call (760) 341-2200.



The 12 Days of Esmeralda

Take part in some of the most cherished traditions of the holiday season at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort & Spa. There's something for everyone during twelve days of family-friendly festivities!



Dec. 18: Sacred Heart Choir Carolers 5:30-6:30 p.m., Glo Lobby Bar



Dec. 19: Holiday Cookie Decorating

2-4 p.m., STIR Lounge (Reservations required)

Dec. 20: Holiday Cocktail Class

4-5 p.m., STIR Lounge (Must be 21 or older; reservations required.)



Dec. 21: Xavier Choir Carolers

5:30-6:30 p.m., Glo Lobby Bar







Dec. 23: Pancakes & Santa

9-11 a.m. breakfast buffet, Cava (\$24 for adults, \$12 for children. Reservations required. Call (760) 773-4444.)

> **Dec. 24: Tree Trimming** 11 a.m.-3 p.m.





Dec. 25: Gingerbread Houses

11 a.m.-3 p.m. (Reservations required)



Dec. 26: Roasting Chestnuts

4-6 p.m., fire pits





Dec. 27: S'mores 7-9 p.m., Rose Lawn

> Dec. 28: Eggnog Tasting 4-6 p.m., Glo Lobby Bar (Reservations required)



All events are complimentary (except Pancakes & Santa) and open to Coachella Valley residents and guests. A donation of one or two cans of food for the FIND Food Bank is appreciated. Some activities require an RSVP and have limited space. For event information and reservations, call (760) 836-1286.

Happy Holidays from the IW Club!



From the cascading waterfall that heralds its entrance and sweeping panoramic views to its artful décor and exceptional cuisine, we think you'll agree that the IW Club is one of the most spectacular dining and entertainment venues in the desert.

This season, plan to entertain family and friends often at the valley's premier spot for all-day dining, happy hour, live entertainment, special events, and more.

Set a relaxing tone for the day with a steaming hot cup of coffee and scrumptious pastry from the IW Café – free Wi-Fi is available too. Upstairs, the IW Club Restaurant & Bar is the perfect place to enjoy Executive Chef Chris Olson's fresh, seasonal menu for Sunday brunch, lunch or dinner whether in the richly appointed dining room or outdoors on the spacious, scenic terrace.

And, be sure to visit the IW Club for the popular, gently-priced Happy Hour held from 3-6 p.m. daily where you can indulge in a variety of appetizers, beer, wine and cocktails. The bar sports seven flat screen TVs to cheer on your favorite teams.

You'll find the latest IW Club menu offerings online at www.iwclub.com.



IW Club Holiday Hours and Dining

Christmas Eve

Normal business hours Lunch: 11 a.m. — 3 p.m. Happy Hour: 3-6 p.m. Dinner: 5-9 p.m. Bar: Open until 10 p.m. IW Café: 6 a.m. — 5 p.m.

Christmas Day

Lunch: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. IW Club Bar and Restaurant closes at 3 p.m. IW Café: 6 a.m. — 5 p.m.

New Year's Eve & New Year's Day

Normal business hours
Lunch: 11 a.m. — 3 p.m.
Happy Hour: 3-6 p.m.
Dinner: 5-9 p.m.
Bar: Open until 10 p.m.
IW Café: 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The IW Club will be serving its regular a la carte menu along with select specials for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve dining. The New Year's Eve celebration also features live entertainment from 6-9 p.m. with an "East Coast" countdown to midnight. For more information and reservations, visit www.iwclub.com

or call (760) 834-3800.

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For further details, call the Library at (760) 341-7323.



New Year's Eve Bash to **Benefit Local Organizations**

Count down to 2013 at what promises to be a fun-filled "New York New Year's Eve" party at the Miramonte Resort & Spa on December 31. The festivities begin with cocktails at 6 p.m. followed by a 7 p.m. buffet dinner, music, dancing, and a 9 p.m. champagne toast to coincide with Manhattan's acclaimed midnight ball drop.

Cost is \$75 per person for dinner and champagne toast (no-host bar). Net proceeds benefit Desert Arc and Eisenhower Lucy Curci Cancer Center.

Please RSVP to Desert Arc, (760) 346-1611, by December 27.



Indian Wells Gift Giving Ideas for the Holidays

Making your list, checking it twice, and still stumped on what to get family, friends and colleagues for the holidays? Maybe you just need a bit of "Indian Wells" inspiration. This year, consider shopping local to help sustain our economy and the environment. Here are 10 sure-fire gift suggestions guaranteed to surprise and delight everyone on your list!



2013 Desert Town Hall speaker series tickets

www.deserttownhall.org (760) 610-2852

Signature Indian Wells apparel or gift card from the **Indian Wells Golf Resort golf shop** www.indianwellsgolfresort.com

(online store) (760) 346-4653



Spa treatment gift certificates or personalized treatment package from our luxurious Indian Wells spas:

Agua Serena Spa & Salon

www.hyattregencyindianwells.com (760) 674-4100

The WELL Spa

www.miramonteresort.com (760) 341-2200

Spa Esmeralda

www.renaissanceesmeralda.com (760) 773-4444



Adopt an Animal at The Living Desert

www.livingdesert.org (760) 346-5694



Tickets to the 2013 BNP Paribas Open

www.bnpparibasopen.com (760) 200-8000





Membership at Indian Wells Tennis Garden Tennis Club

www.iwtg.net (760) 200-8200



A cooking class at Kitchen Kitchen

www.kitchenkitchen.com (760) 773-9464







Flowers or designer gift basket from Angels Crossing Studio

www.angels-crossing.com (760) 776-5880



Jewelry from Libertine

www.libertinejewelry.com (760) 773-0220 or Jay's Jeweler's (760) 346-8299





Gifts and services from the **Village at Indian Wells shops** www.villageatindianwells.com



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City Hall Holiday Closures

December 14 at 12:00 p.m. December 24 and 25 December 31 at 12:00 p.m. January 1

Stay tuned for information on upcoming resident events at the IW Club. Also, be sure to visit www.cityofindianwells.org for the latest updates, and sign up to receive the latest city news via e-mail by clicking on the "mailbox" icon.



IE511 Travel Information System Offers Handy Mobile App

If you're a frequent commuter, chances are you are familiar with the Inland Empire 511 travel information system. This phone and web-based system launched in 2010 provides motorists in Southern California real-time traffic information, bus and rail trip planning, rideshare information, and more.

Simply call 511 from any phone in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties or click on www.ie511.org to get all the information you need to plan a trip, avoid congestion, and increase your mobility. The website features a real-time traffic map that provides travel time and incident information, construction information, and road conditions. IE511 is a toll-free number available at no charge other than your regular phone carrier contract charges. The service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

IE511 also offers a convenient free mobile application for your Android, iPhone and iPad so you can monitor real-time traffic information from your mobile device.

To learn more about this invaluable transportation tool and download the IE511 mobile app, visit www.ie511.org.

