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April Is Earthquake Awareness Month – ARE YOU PREPARED?

In light of the devastating earthquakes that recently struck New Zealand and Japan, the City of Indian Wells encourages all residents to create or update their emergency preparedness plans. In fact, the most important action you can take is to develop an organized plan and prepare by

obtaining all the supplies you will need to be self-sufficient for at least three to five days after a major quake strikes. Here are some key facts and procedures that you should know:

Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and Temporary Shelter

The City of Indian Wells EOC is located at the police substation, next to the fire station adjacent to City Hall. The building has been retrofitted to withstand a 7.5 earthquake and can run off a generator. State-of-the-art equipment includes a radio room equipped with all paperwork to communicate with Riverside County officials. The phone number when the EOC is activated during a major disaster is 1 (760) 773-6655. In addition, the City's finance department is trained in FEMA administration procedures. The American Red Cross has designated Southwest Community Church, 77-701 Fred Waring Drive, as an emergency shelter.

Drop, Cover, Hold On and More

The best procedure for protection indoors during an earthquake is to **Drop** to the ground; take **Cover** under heavy furniture like a desk, table or bench; and **Hold On** to your position until the shaking stops. If you are in bed and cannot take cover as above, hold on and protect your head with a pillow. If you are outdoors, avoid standing outside of buildings next to exterior walls. Find a clear spot, drop to the ground, and stay there until the shaking stops. If you are driving, move immediately to a clear area away from buildings, trees, bridges, overpasses or utility wires. Stop and stay in your vehicle until shaking completely subsides, then proceed with caution.

Quake Recovery and Restoration

Expect aftershocks, help your neighbors who need special assistance, and provide first aid where appropriate. Evacuate and stay out of damaged buildings and stay away from downed power lines. Check for damage using a flashlight – do not use matches or turn on electrical switches. Clean up flammable liquids immediately, but leave the area quickly if you smell chemical fumes or gas or hear hissing. Turn off the gas at the outside main valve if you can, and call the gas company from another location. If you see sparks, frayed wires or smell hot insulation, turn off the electricity at the main fuse box or circuit breaker. Call an electrician if there is water near the main electrical source. If you suspect damage to the sewer and water line avoid using toilets and drinking tap water, and call a plumber. Inspect chimneys carefully for damage to avoid the possibility of future fires.

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RESIDENT SPECIAL EVENT CALENDAR

APRIL 5 Coffee & Conversation



Meet fellow residents from 7:30-9:30 a.m. in the IW Café at the Indian Wells Golf Resort. Catch up on the latest news and enjoy a steaming hot cup of complimentary java paired scrumptious pastry tasters. No RSVP is needed – just show up for this casual morning coffee break!

APRIL 18 Resident Golf Tournament

Is there a great day of golf and a possible trophy in your future? There will be if you sign up for the second annual Resident Cup set for Monday, April 18 on the phenomenal Celebrity Course at the Indian Wells Golf Resort.



Play in a foursome of your choice or organizers can place you into a foursome. The \$100 registration fee includes continental breakfast (7:30 a.m.), one round of golf (8:30 a.m. shotgun start), barbecue lunch, and fun activities. A non-golfer can join you for lunch for an additional \$25.

To reserve your space, call Ann Stenson at 1 (760) 346-2489. You may also download entry forms for both the Competitive and Social Divisions on the Resident section at www.cityofindianwells.org. Completed entry forms must be received no later than Friday, April 8.

APRIL 30 Document Shredding Event



The next City of Indian Wells document shredding event will take place on Saturday, April 30 from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. at Burrtec Waste and Recycling, 41575 Eclectic Street in Palm Desert (one block west of Cook Street between 42nd and Hovley).

Protect your identity and privacy by letting certified mobile shredders destroy sensitive documents that you no longer need. Proof of Indian Wells residency is required.

For more information, please call Indian Wells Recycling Coordinator Kenn Stevens at 1 (760) 674-1040.

APRIL 11 IW Financial Education Summit

Morris Beschloss, the Coachella Valley's leading economic analyst, will discuss the implications of policies shaped on Capitol Hill during the final session of the free IW Financial Education Summit.

Formerly scheduled for April 5, this seminar will now be held on Monday, April 11 at 5 p.m. in the IW Club at the Indian Wells Golf Resort.

Please RSVP to Ann Stenson, 1 (760) 346-2489, astenson@indianwells.com by April 5. The evening includes complimentary appetizers and valet parking.



APRIL 20 Kentucky Derby Patio Party

Don your Derby hat and sip a refreshing mint julep at the next Resident Patio Party celebrating the 137th running of the legendary Kentucky Derby. The festivities will be held on Wednesday, April 20 from 5-7 p.m. at the IW Club. Enjoy generous appetizers and a no-host bar.

Advance reservations with a valid IW Property Owner ID card are

required and limited to two residents per household. Reserve online on the Resident section at www.cityofindianwells.org or call 1 (760) 346-2489 for this "evening at the races!"



APRIL 30 Animal Clinic & Adoption Day

You can ensure the safety of your dog with permanent identification by taking advantage of the free microchipping services that will be available during the Saturday, April 30 Indian Wells Animal Clinic and Adoption Day.

The Clinic will also administer low-cost vaccinations, sell licenses, and have pets available for adoption. The City of Indian Wells Municipal Code requires that all dogs four months or older be vaccinated against rabies and licensed. All dogs must be on a leash and cats in carriers. Please bring proof of Indian Wells residency.

For more information, call City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489 or contact Riverside County Animal Services, 1 (760) 343-3644, www.rcdas.org.



City of Indian Wells State of the City Address

Please join Indian Wells City Council and City Hall staff for the 2011 "State of the City" address to be held on Tuesday, April 5 at 6 p.m. at the Miramonte Resort and Spa. The Highway 111 widening project and the city's financial outlook are among the topics to be discussed. There will be a question and answer period following the presentation.

Light refreshments will be served. The public is welcome to attend this event; no reservations are needed.



Residents Must Carry Property Owner ID Cards to Obtain Discounts

The City of Indian Wells has adopted a convenient new card-encoding system to ensure Indian Wells property owners receive their IW Club and Indian Wells Golf Resort discounts.



Indian Wells City Hall and the Golf Resort have installed magnetic strip card readers to process Indian Wells Property Owner Identification Cards. For instance, property owners who wish to receive their 20% resident dining discount at the IW Club must have their cards swiped at which time the discount will automatically be applied to their bill.

Indian Wells property owners must have a valid 2011 Property Owner ID card to gain admittance to all city-sponsored events. Indian Wells property owners who have a photo on file at City Hall may request renewal online at www.cityofindianwells.org by clicking on IW Resident Information, Property Owner ID card, Online Renewal Form.

New Indian Wells property owners and first-time cardholders must apply for the card in person at City Hall during normal business hours (Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.) with a document showing valid proof of property ownership. Residents who wish to have their ID photo changed must also reapply in person.

For more information, visit the City of Indian Wells website or call 1 (760) 346-2489.



Lend Your Expertise to a City Committee

Make a difference in Indian Wells by volunteering your time on a city committee advisory commission, committee or board.

Interested residents can apply through May 11, 2011 for upcoming vacancies. At this time, applications will be accepted for: Planning Commission (2), Architecture Landscape Committee (2), Community Activities Committee (3), Golf Resort Advisory Committee (2), Grants-in-Aid Committee (2), and Palm Springs Airport Commission (1). The two-year terms begin on July 1, 2011.



To apply, download the application on the city's website, www.cityofindianwells.org (under Committees), and submit it no later than May 11, 2011 to the city clerk by mail or in person, 44-950 Eldorado Drive, Indian Wells, CA 92210. Applications can also be picked up at City Hall or mailed on request.

FACES OF INDIAN WELLS:

Deputy Don Calkins Helps Ensure Our Streets Are Safe



After 10 years serving the Indian Wells community, Deputy Don Calkin's enthusiasm for his job has not waned one iota. You'll often see this highly trained traffic enforcement expert patrolling the streets of Indian Wells on his motorcycle looking for speeders and motorists who run stop signs and traffic lights.

Calkins has been with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department since 1989 and with the traffic division since 1995. He was assigned to the Indian Wells Police Department in 2001 as the city's



first dedicated traffic officer. In addition to extensive training in traffic collision investigations, Calkins has also undergone specialized instruction for dignitary protection and security. In 2010, he was awarded "Officer of the Year" by his peers.

Calkins is actively involved in the many year-round public and traffic safety programs the Indian Wells Police Department administers including seat belt enforcement, DUI crackdowns, and initiatives designed to reduce distracted driving. The Indian Wells Police Department also works closely with Gerald R. Ford Elementary School to enhance school safety by monitoring any suspicious cars/activities in the area.

Beyond the fact that he enjoys the beautiful setting of Indian Wells, Calkins has high praise for his colleagues, City officials and staff, and the citizens of our community.

"They are very supportive of us and very appreciative of the work we do," Calkins says. "It really makes the job nice to have that level of interaction with the City and residents."

Calkins encourages residents to participate in making our neighborhood streets safer by focusing solely on driving when they are in their cars.

"When people don't pay attention while driving, that's when crashes can occur. So please, pay attention to driving, pay attention to speed limits, and drive safely."



Thursday, April 7

BILL BRADLEY

to Speak at April 7 Desert Town Hall Indian Wells

Bill Bradley has traveled across America as an Olympic basketball star, a member of the New York Knicks, a U.S. senator from New Jersey, a merchant banker, and best-selling author. On April 7, this dynamic statesman takes the Desert Town Hall Indian Wells stage at 6 p.m. to share the most inspiring stories from his encounters with extraordinary people throughout the country.

Senator Bradley is also the host of the award-winning Sirius XM Satellite Radio program *American Voices*, and author of *The New American Story*, *Values of the Game*, and *The Journey from Here*.

Tickets may still be available for this last Desert Town Hall Indian Wells event of the 2011 season held at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa.

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.deserttownhall.org or call 1 (760) 416-3400.

Fireworks Alert

There will be private fireworks displays on April 2, 2011 at 9 p.m. at the Eldorado Country Club, and on April 30, 2011 at 9 p.m. at the Indian Wells Country Club. These events are not open to the public. Please remember to bring pets indoors. Thank you.



A
TREAT
for
Wine
Lovers

Tickets are now on sale for the Coachella Wine Festival, a four-day event set for April 14-17 that will feature boutique wineries, celebrity winemakers, and culinary delights from the Valley's hottest restaurants. April 15-17 activities will be held at the Miramonte Resort & Spa.

Wine Festival highlights include the Kristian Story Wines Winemaker Dinner with special guests Kristian Story and Antonia Quast on April 15 followed by a Just Dessert Soiree, and the Matchbook Wine Dinner on April 16. Grand tastings will take place on Saturday and Sunday from 12-4 p.m. Featured wineries include Mettler, L'Aventure, Tulip Hill, Kristian Story, Crew, Couples and Co., Derby, and 19th Hole. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Pendleton Foundation.

For more information and tickets, visit www.coachellawinefestival.com, or call 1 (760) 799-7076.

Media Bias Topic of Discussion at World Affairs Council Dinner

Jon Sawyer, executive director of the Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting, will headline the next World Affairs Council of the Desert speaker program set for Sunday, April 17 at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa. Sawyer's talk will center on media bias in foreign affairs.

A seasoned journalist, Sawyer's assignments have taken him to more than five dozen countries including Africa, Cuba, Haiti, Eastern Europe, the former Soviet Union and China. After 9/11, Sawyer focused much of his coverage on the Middle East and predominantly Muslim nations. His many honors include the National Press Club's award for best foreign reporting.



World Affairs Council of the Desert speaker programs are open to the public. Each event features a 5 p.m. reception and 6 p.m. dinner followed by the speaker presentation and short Q&A session. Cost: \$55 for members, \$65 for non-members.

For information and reservations, visit www.worldaffairsdesert.org, e-mail worldaffairs@verizon.net, or call 1 (760) 322-7711.



INDIAN WELLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
"HOT ROD SUNDAY"

Coming to Indian Wells Village

Insert the Beach Boy's Greatest Car Songs CD into your car stereo and head on over to the Indian Wells Chamber of Commerce's 4th Annual Hot Rod Sunday set for Sunday, April 17. The festivities will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Indian Wells Village at the northwest corner of Cook Street and Highway 111.

Check out the variety of hot rods, classic, custom and sports cars, as well as trucks and motorcycles. The first 100 participants receive special goody bags. The festivities include food, music, a raffle, 3 p.m. awards ceremony, and more. Car entry fee is \$30.

To learn more, visit www.indianwellschamber.com or call 1 (760) 346-7095.



Public Safety Tips to Air on Channel 17

The City of Indian Wells will be airing Lt. Lori Marquette's "How to Protect Yourself" presentation on Channel 17 (digital Channel 122). Be sure to watch for this educational public safety broadcast designed to help minimize your risk of becoming a victim of crime.

Safety at the Office

Did you know that approximately 1.7 million people in the U.S. are victims of simple and aggravated assaults while working? You can reduce your chance of becoming a victim of crime in the workplace by following these important office security tips:

1. Never leave your purse or billfold in plain view in a jacket pocket.
2. Personal property should be marked with your driver's license state and number.
3. Don't leave cash or valuables at the office.
4. If you work alone or before/after normal business hours, keep the office door locked.
5. If you work late, try to find a colleague or security guard to walk out with you.
6. If you are in an elevator with another person, stand near the control panel. If you are attacked, press the alarm and as many of the control buttons as possible.
7. Be alert for pickpockets on crowded elevators or in walkways.
8. Report all suspicious people and activities to the proper authorities: office manager, building security, and law enforcement.



Are You Prepared? *(cont'd from page 1)*

To store emergency supplies, choose a place in your home that will be relatively safe if an earthquake hits. Perishable supplies will remain stable longer if stored in a cool, dark location. One suggested method for storing emergency supplies is to place them in a large, covered trash container in layers detailed below. Plastic containers come in all shapes and sizes. They are also water and rodent proof and are fairly durable. Be sure the container comes with a securing lid and on wheels for easy transport.

Top: Flashlight, radio, batteries and first aid kit including prescription medications.

Middle: Three-day supply of food requiring no refrigeration. Date all food items.

Bottom: Bedding, clothing, personal supplies, fuel and light (e.g., candles, matches), hand operated can opener and disposable dining utensils, shovel, infant needs, personal documents, cash, and water purification tablets.



More emergency preparedness information can be found at www.oes.ca.gov, www.fema.gov, www.redcross.org and www.preparenow.org.



CITRUS COLLECTION ENDS APRIL 30

Please remember to donate your unwanted citrus fruit in the collection bins located in the parking lot adjacent to the Emergency Operations Center behind City Hall. Appointments are still available if you need volunteer assistance picking the fruit from your trees. Please contact Indian Wells Recycling Coordinator Kenn Stevens at 1 (760) 674-1040.



AN INDIAN WELLS-STYLE EASTER SUNDAY

IW Club at the Indian Wells Golf Resort

Gather family and friends to celebrate the Easter holiday on April 24 with a special Sunday Brunch at the elegant IW Club Restaurant and Bar. The multicourse menu will feature breakfast items including pastries, omelets, French toast, and Eggs Benedict; soup and salads; hot lunch selections and a carving station; and an exquisite dessert display.

The menu will be offered from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. To see the full menu, visit www.indianwellsresort.com (Dining at IW Club, Easter Sunday Brunch). Cost: \$35 for adults, \$15 for children (ages 6-11). Prices do not include tax and gratuity; resident discount does not apply.

Reservations are highly recommended. Please call 1 (760) 834-3800.

Miramonte Brunch to Feature Easter Egg Hunt

The Miramonte Resort & Spa will host an Easter Sunday Brunch in the resort's Mediterranean Ballroom from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on April 24. The extensive brunch menu includes pastries, iced seafood and tapas stations, salads, hot entrees, omelets, and Bananas Foster flambéd on the spot.

Easter festivities also include live music, an Easter egg hunt, and a photo opportunity with the Easter bunny!

Cost is \$39 for adults (includes one complimentary mimosa), \$19 for children 3-12, free for children under 3. Prices do not include tax and gratuity; resident discount does not apply.

For reservations, please call the Miramonte's Grove Artisan Kitchen at 1 (760) 341-7200.

More Easter Fun at Hyatt Grand Champions

The Hyatt Grand Champions Resort, Villas and Spa will also host a multicourse Easter Brunch to include an Easter egg hunt on Sunday, April 24 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Cost is \$44 for adults, \$20 for children 6-12, free for children 5 and under. All prices included tax and gratuity.

For reservations, contact the Hyatt Grand Champions concierge at 1 (760) 674-4080.





MUSIC, MARTINIS and Magnificent Views

Spend a perfect night out on the town in Indian Wells at the IW Jazz Café located at the Indian Wells Golf Resort's IW Club. Open from 8 p.m. until 12 a.m. Thursdays through Saturdays, this fabulous entertainment venue features a rotating roster of great jazz musicians, tasty "small plates" menu, beer, wine and specialty martinis.

Check the Dining section of the Golf Resort's website, www.indianwellsgolfresort.com, for the list of current and upcoming performers.

Click It or Ticket Campaign Starts May 23

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), wearing a seatbelt reduces the chances of dying in a car crash by 50 percent. Although seat belt use has increased from 90.4 percent in 2004 to 96.2 percent in 2010, there are an estimated 1.25 million California motorists who continue to drive without the protection of seat belts.

Always buckle up to get to your destination safely. That's the message that the Indian Wells Police Department is telling residents as part of the 2011 *Click It or Ticket* campaign set to run May 23 through June 5. Traffic officers and California Highway Patrol will be out in full force looking for anyone not properly restrained in vehicles.



Currently the fine for a first-time adult seat belt violation is a minimum of \$142.

For children under 16, the fine is now at least \$445 for a first-time offense. Avoid a heavy fine and potential fatality by wearing your seat belt. It only takes two seconds – two seconds that can save your life.

HEALTH & WELLNESS:

Manage Allergy Season with These Helpful Tips

Sniffing, sneezing, coughing and itchy, watery eyes. The flip side of the desert's magnificent landscape is the havoc that pollen, as well as other microscopic particles and blowing sand can play on your body and immune system. According to WebMD.com, at least one out of every 5 Americans suffers from allergies. In addition to any over-the-counter treatments or medications that your doctor may prescribe, there are several ways that you can significantly reduce the amount of allergens that you inhale. Consider these recommendations to help you minimize your allergy symptoms:

1. If you suffer from eye allergies, wear wraparound glasses to protect your eyes from pollen. If you are exposed to pollen, wash your eyes and glasses frequently with soap and water.
2. Believe it or not, you may be able to cook up allergy relief in the form of onion, garlic, cayenne pepper, hot ginger and fenugreek as these hot spices help clear the nasal passages.
3. Consider acupuncture, which studies have shown reduces allergy symptoms.
4. If you are allergic to pollen, keep your window closed and use air conditioning. Fans can stir up dust.
5. Shower or bathe before bedtime to wash out allergens in your hair or on your skin.
6. Avoid going outside on excessively windy days if you can, and try to stay indoors if pollen levels are extremely high.
7. If your allergy is severe, wear a pollen mask while outdoors for long periods of time.
8. Use high efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters. Clean air filters frequently and air ducts at least once a year.
9. Dust-proof your bedroom by eliminating wall-to-wall carpets, down-filled blankets, feather pillows and other dust catchers.
10. Substitute window shades for Venetian blinds that can trap dust. Wash curtains regularly in hot water to kill dust mites.

Sources: American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology, WebMD.com, drweil.com





Score One for the Environment by Recycling Your Cell Phone

According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), if Americans recycled the approximately 130 million cell phones that are disposed of annually, enough energy would be saved to power more than 24,000 homes in a year. In fact, the energy saved by recycling even one cell phone is enough to power a laptop for 44 hours.

Saving energy and conserving natural resources is the reason why the EPA's Plug-In to eCycling program has united with cell phone manufacturers, retailers, and wireless service providers since 2003 to encourage citizens to recycle their old or unwanted cell phones. Since the program began, Plug-In to eCycling partners have recycled more than 360 million pounds of electronics, including televisions, computers and cell phones.

Recycling, or reusing, cell phones keeps materials like precious metals, coppers and plastics—which also require energy to produce—out of landfills and incinerators. This helps prevent pollution and lower greenhouse gas emissions.

Some charitable organizations accept old cell phones that are in working condition. Stores like Best Buy and Office Depot have cell phone recycling programs. Indian Wells residents may also call Burrtec Waste and Recycling for free e-waste pickup (see below.)

For more information about eCycling electronics, visit www.epa.gov/osw/partnerships/plugin/.



Household Hazardous Waste and E-Waste Disposal



Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection is available every day of the year right at your own home. No need to transport waste to City Hall or any other collection site. Simply call Burrtec at 1 (760) 340-2113 to schedule your pickup today.

You may also want to consider combining your request with other items you wish to discard like obsolete electronics (anything that plugs in or has a battery), old patio furniture, or old paint cans that you have been storing in your garage.

Take advantage of the special services offered to Indian Wells residents at no charge. For additional information, call City Hall at 1 (760) 346-2489 ext. 227 or e-mail gogreen@indianwells.com.



Community Opportunities

Please note: Many of the activities listed below require reservations and payment of fees. Please call contact phone numbers for full details.

Now through May 31, 2011

Season hours, The Living Desert, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. with last admission at 4 p.m. Admission prices – Adults: \$12.50, Seniors (62+) and Military: \$11, Children ages 3-12: \$7.50, Children under 3: free. Members enjoy free annual and early (7 a.m.) admission to the park.

Now through May 31, 2011

Season hours, Indian Wells Tennis Garden, (760) 200-8200: 7 a.m. – 9 p.m. weekdays; 7 a.m. – 6 p.m. weekends.

Now through May 2011

Palm Springs Art Museum, (760) 325-7186. Closed Mondays and major holidays. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Thursdays 12 p.m. – 8 p.m. Admission prices – Members and youths 17 and under: free; Adults: \$12.50; 62 and over: \$10.50; Students and active-duty military personnel (with I.D.): \$5.00. Free public admission every Thursday from 4-8 p.m. during the downtown Villagefest.

Now through April 30, 2011

Children's Discovery Museum of the Desert, (760) 321-0602. Open Monday through Sunday from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Admission prices – Ages 2 and up: \$8. CDMOD offers annual, individual memberships for \$25 per person. www.cdmod.org.

 The Rancho Mirage Public Library offers cultural events year-round including live music, poetry workshops, lectures, seminars, and more. Call (760) 341-7323 or visit www.ranchoiragelibrary.org (Events, Current Programs) for more information.

Mondays through April

Indian Wells Rotary Club Meeting, Indian Wells Country Club, 1 (760) 406-4000: 12 p.m.

April 1

Indian Wells Historic Foundation 8th Annual Spring Luncheon, Indian Wells Country Club: 11:30 a.m. \$35 per person. For details, contact Adele Ruxton, 1 (760) 346-8420, ARxtn@aol.com

April 1-3

The 9th annual Indian Wells Arts Festival, Indian Wells Tennis Garden: 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (gates close at 4:30 p.m.). Adults \$10; children 12 and under free. Complimentary general parking – valet parking available. For details, visit www.indianwellsartsfestival.com.



April 9

Party for the Planet – Earth Day Celebration, The Living Desert: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Half-price admission; members free. Fun, interactive activities include building recycled robots, crawling through a desert submarine, learning about water conservation via the Water Wonder Wheel, and much more. Bring a recycled item (e.g., bottle, phone, can) in exchange for a desert herb plant at the Living Wall. Sponsored by Newman's Own Foundation. www.livingdesert.org.

April 11

IW Financial Education Summit, Morris Beschloss, "Policymaking in Our Nation's Capital," IW Club: 5 p.m. (see page 2)

April 12

Grants-in-Aid Committee Meeting, City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489: 2:30 p.m.

April 14

Community Activities Committee Meeting, City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489: 3 p.m.

April 14-16, 21-23

Cabaret Theatre West, *The Sensational '60s: The Age of Change*, Hyatt Grand Champions Resort, Villas and Spa: 7 p.m. For more information and ticket purchase, visit www.cabarettheatrewest.com or call 1 (760) 568-0024.

April 14-17

Coachella Wine Festival, Miramonte Resort & Spa (see page 5).

April 15

Brew at the Zoo, The Living Desert (rescheduled from February 26): 5 p.m. Craft beer, appetizers, live music, camel rides, culinary-inspired raffle, and more than 30 vendors. Living Desert members: \$35 per person in advance, \$45 at the door. Non-members: \$50 per person in advance, \$60 at the door. Ticket prices include 10 beverage selections and eight appetizers. For tickets, call 1 (760) 346-5694 ext. 2121.



April 2-3

Spring Plant Sale, The Living Desert, Palo Verde Garden Center: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Features comprehensive collection of discounted Southwest native and desert-adapted plants, garden books, pottery, whimsical garden accessories, and unique gifts. Delivery services available. www.livingdesert.org.

April 5

Coffee & Conversation for residents only, IW Café at the IW Club, Indian Wells Golf Resort: 7:30-9:30 a.m. Complimentary cup of coffee and delicious pastry tasters. No RSVP needed.

Architecture and Landscape Committee Meeting, City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489: 10 a.m.

Indian Wells Historic Preservation Foundation Meeting, City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489: 10 a.m.

Indian Wells State of the City Address, Miramonte Resort & Spa: 6 p.m. Valet parking available. Open to the public; no reservations required.

April 7

City Council Meeting, City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489: 1:30 p.m.

Joslyn Center Thursday Dance, "Puttin' On the Ritz," from 3-5 p.m. Featuring champagne, appetizers, dessert and live music. Elegant dress suggested. Attendance limited to Joslyn Center members. \$10 person; advance ticket purchase required. 1 (760) 340-3220. www.joslyncenter.org.

Bill Bradley, Desert Town Hall Indian Wells, Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa: 6 p.m. www.deserttownhall.org, 1 (760) 416-3400



April 16

The second annual "Opera under the Stars," Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa Rose Lawn: 6:30 p.m. Reception, dinner and live opera performances. (See story in March newsletter.) \$125 per person; \$1,250 for tables of ten. For reservations, call 1 (760) 323-8353 or mail check payments to OperaArts, P.O. Box 5433, Palm Springs, CA 92263. www.operaarts.org.

April 17

World Affairs Council of the Desert, "How Biased Is the Media on Foreign Affairs," with Jon Sawyer, Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa: 5 p.m. Reservations required, www.worldaffairsdesert.org, 1 (760) 322-7711.

April 18

Second Annual Resident Golf Tournament, Celebrity Course, Indian Wells Golf Resort: 8:30 a.m. (see page 2). To register, call Ann Stenson 1 (760) 346-2489.

April 20

City of Indian Wells CPR class, City Hall: 1-4 p.m. Reservations required; space is limited. IW Property Owner ID required when reserving. Call City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489.



Resident Patio Party, IW Club at the Indian Wells Golf Resort: 5-7 p.m. Kentucky Derby theme with complimentary hors d'oeuvres and no-host bar. Advance reservations with a valid IW Property Owner ID card are required and limited to two residents per household. Reserve online at www.cityofindianwells.org or call 1 (760) 346-2489.

April 21

City Council Meeting, City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489: 1:30 p.m.

Free Health Speaker Series at Indian Wells Country Club. This month: Recognizing and Preventing Strokes. 5-6 p.m. RSVP to 1 (760) 345-2561.



February 17 City Council Meeting Highlights

Authorized Staff to Seek Federal and State Disaster Relief and Assistance for Damages Occurring during the Winter Storms of December 2010.

Approved Variance Allowing Encroachment of Five Feet into Twenty-Five Foot Front Yard Setback and Six Foot High Block Wall Ten Feet from Front Property Line Located at 77-375 Iroquois Drive.

Approved Variance Allowing Encroachment of Six Feet into Eleven Foot Side Yard Setback for Property Addition Five Feet from Side Property Line Located at 72-255 Saint Andrews Court.

Approved Change Order to Team Econolite in the Amount of \$25,000 for Traffic Signal Maintenance.

Approved Revisions to the City and Redevelopment Agency's Midyear Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-11.

Authorized Consolidation of Promissory Notes in the Amount of \$16.4 Million between the Indian Wells Redevelopment Agency and the City of Indian Wells.

Approved and Authorized the Recordation of Various Property Transfers from Indian Wells Redevelopment Agency to City of Indian Wells.

Adopted Resolution Amending Section 2.04.080 of the City Council/RDA Policy Manual Concerning Disclosure of Campaign Contributions.

Approved Change Order to Province Homeowners Association in the Amount of \$60,000 for the Remaining Fiscal Year 2009-10 Landscape and Lighting District Pass-Through Levy.

March 3 City Council Meeting Highlights

Continued Discussion and Direction Regarding Indian Wells Community Center to July 7, 2011 Council meeting and suspended the Community Center Ad Hoc Committee until that date.

Approved drought tolerant Palm theme influenced Highway 111 median landscaping and the related median design aspects and the painted left turn pocket nose designs for the Phase 2 of the Highway 111 widening project.

Adopted Resolution Approving Temporary Use Permit Allowing Credential and Will-Call Shuttle Parking on April 14-17 and April 29-May 1, 2011 at Indian Wells Tennis Gardens Located at 78-200 Miles Avenue.

Approved Request to Match Employees' Share of the United Way 2011 Contribution in the Amount of \$4,078, to accept an additional donation of \$1,000 and approved matching of the extra donation by the City.

Approved the Annual Adoption of the City's Investment Policy.

Approved Requisition to Burrtec Waste & Recycling in the Amount of \$794,022.57 for Fiscal Year 2010-11 Solid Waste Pass Through.

Approved Requisition to Steve Ellington Masonry in the Amount of \$84,470 for Expansion of Civic Center Corporate Yard Green Waste Recycling Facilities and to Approve Supplemental Appropriation in the Amount of \$25,000.

Approved Requisition for Desert Sands Unified School District in the Amount of \$3,650,000 for Fiscal Year 2010-11 Tax Increment RDA Pass Through.

Approved Requisition for Coachella Valley Water District in the Amount of \$2,180,000 for Fiscal Year 2010-11 Tax Increment RDA Pass Through.

Approved Requisition for College of the Desert in the Amount of \$760,000 for Fiscal Year 2010-11 Tax Increment RDA Pass Through.

Approved Requisition for Coachella Valley Recreation and Park District in the Amount of \$665,000 for Fiscal Year 2010-11 Tax Increment RDA Pass Through.

Approved Requisition for Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control in the Amount of \$440,000 for Fiscal Year 2010-11 Tax Increment RDA Pass Through.

Approved Requisition for Riverside County Superintendent of Schools in the Amount of \$413,000 for Fiscal Year 2010-11 Tax Increment RDA Pass Through.

Approved Requisition for Desert Regional Medical Center in the Amount of \$11,000 for Fiscal Year 2010-11 Tax Increment RDA Pass Through.

Approved Requisition for Riverside County Regional Parks and Open Space Department in the Amount of \$10,000 for Fiscal Year 2010-11 Tax Increment RDA Pass Through.

Approved Requisition for Coachella Valley Public Cemetery in the Amount of \$8,000 for Fiscal Year 2010-11 Tax Increment RDA Pass Through.

April 28

Planning Commission Meeting, City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489; 1:30 p.m.

Healthy Hour/Happy Hour, "Exercise Programs Tailored for Tennis and Golf Players," Agua Serena Spa at Hyatt Grand Champions: 6 p.m. RSVP to Spa Director Jennifer DiFrancesco at 1 (760) 674-4102.

April 30



City of Indian Wells Free Document Shredding Event, Burrtec Waste and Recycling Services, 41-575 Eclectic Street, Palm Desert: 8 a.m.-12 p.m. For more information, call 1 (760) 674-1040.

City of Indian Wells Animal Clinic and Adoption Day, Indian Wells City Hall parking lot: 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. Sponsored by the City of Indian Wells and Riverside County Department of Animal Services. For more information, call City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489 or Riverside County Animal Services, 1 (760) 343-3644.



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Monday, May 30, 2011 – 9 a.m.

Indian Wells City Hall

Eisenhower Walk of Honor

Guest Speaker:

Captain Jonathan L. Harnden, Jr.

Commanding Office,
USS Bonhomme Richard

*No RSVP needed; light
refreshments will be served.*

Upcoming Events

May 16

**Big Break Indian Wells
Golf Channel Premiere
6 p.m. PST**

May 30

**City of Indian Wells
Memorial Day Ceremony
Indian Wells City Hall/
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9 a.m.**

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