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# BigBreak ToShowcase Indian Wells!



It's official — *Big Break* contestants have discovered the utter enchantment of a day on the course at the Indian Wells Golf Resort! Our award-winning, hometown golf resort will be featured during the 15th season of *Big Break*, Golf Channel's top reality series. The *Big Break* program concept pits highly skilled golfers who aspire to compete on the PGA TOUR against each other in a variety of challenges that test their physical skills and mental toughness. One contestant is eliminated each week, with the last player standing awarded his "Big Break," a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to compete in select professional tour events with some of the best players in the world.

Tom Abbott and Stephanie Sparks host *Big Break Indian Wells*, which was filmed this past January on the Celebrity and Players Courses at the Indian Wells Golf Resort. The series features 11 men competing against each other in an attempt to make their lifelong dream of playing alongside the world's top golfers a reality. In addition to other prizes, the winning contestant will earn a coveted sponsor's exemption to a 2012 PGA TOUR event.

*Big Break Indian Wells* is slated to premiere on the Golf Channel on Monday, May 23, 2011, 6 p.m. PST. For the latest information and updates, visit www.golfchannel.com.

We invite you to take a break to watch *Big Break Indian Wells*, cheer on your favorite contestants, and enjoy our Golf Resort's "day in the sun!"





#### RESIDENT SPECIAL EVENT CALENDAR



#### Racquet Up

If tennis is your game and your ranking lands between 3.0 and 4.5, you're invited to play in the Tuesday, February 15 Resident Tennis Tournament. To be held at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden at 10 a.m., this resident-only event features mixed doubles competitions and a box lunch following play. Sign up as a single player or as partners.

Cost for this event is \$10 per person. Register with Ann Stenson astenson@indianwells.com, 1 (760) 346-2489 no later than February 9. Please note that payment is required at time of reservation; credit card payments will be taken by phone. Those paying by cash or check must pay in person at City Hall.

Although Valentine's Day is traditionally seen as a time for romance, it's also a time to celebrate friendship. Indian Wells residents are invited to do just that at the next Resident Patio Party to be held from 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, February 16 at the IW Club.

The evening will include a Valentine's Day inspired selection of hors d'oeuvres and a no-host bar. Please note that 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 (IW Resident Information, click on event under "Upcoming Events" section) or call City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489.



# City of Indian Wells City of Indian Wells Resident's lent's Resident's lent's Resident's lo 'ay, Thursday, 'ay, March 10 '0

#### Residents' Day Tickets Available February 14

Experience the thrill of watching the world's top tennis players compete in the first round of the 2011 BNP Paribas Open on Thursday, March 10. As part of the city's extensive Resident Benefit Program, Indian Wells residents can receive up to four free loge tickets for either that day or evening session.



Residents' Day tickets will be available for pickup at City Hall beginning February 14, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, log on to www.cityofindianwells.org or call 1 (760) 346-2489.

#### In the Event of an Emergency

The City of Indian Wells will host an Emergency Preparedness Expo and public safety presentation on Tuesday, March 22 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at City Hall. Lieutenant Lori Marquette will also give a public safety presentation from 5:30-6:30 p.m. that you will not want to miss.

Expo vendors will include American Red Cross, Coachella Valley Water District, Emergency Disaster Systems, Quake Safe Kits, Riverside County Animal Control, Southern California Gas Company, and State Farm Insurance.

Learn how to identify hazards in your home, as well as safe spots, danger spots, and evacuation routes. Everyone should have an emergency preparedness plan in place.



# Look Who's Talking at 2011 DESERT TOWN HALL **INDIAN WELLS**

TIME Editor-at-Large and CNN host Fareed Zakaria will take the Desert Town Hall-Indian Wells stage on Tuesday, February 15 for what promises to be a most engaging evening.



The host of CNN's popular international affairs program Fareed Zakaria GPS, Dr. Zakaria is also a columnist for The Washington Post and bestselling author of The Future of Freedom and The Post-American World. In 2010, Foreign Policy magazine named him one of the top 100 global thinkers.

On Monday, March 7, Desert Town Hall-Indian Wells presents George W. Bush, the 43rd President of the United States and founder of the George W. Bush Foundation. Beginning in January 2001, President Bush served two consecutive terms as Commander in Chief. The No Child Left Behind Act, adding a Medicare prescription drug



benefit, implementing free trade agreements with more than a dozen countries, and launch of a global HIV/AIDS initiative are among his achievements while in office. Random House recently published his memoir entitled Decision Points.

Jeannette Walls (March 18) and Bill Bradley (April 7) round out the 2011 Desert Town Hall-Indian Wells season.



All lectures begin at 6 p.m. in the Emerald Ballroom of the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa. All 2011 Desert Town Hall-Indian Wells events are sold out. Stay informed of 2012 series announcements by visiting www.deserttownhall.org and signing up to receive the latest updates.





# Sign Up for April 18 RESIDENT Golf Tournament

Get ready for a day of fun competitive golf! The City of Indian Wells will host the second annual Resident Cup on Monday, April 18 on the Celebrity Course at the Indian Wells Golf Resort. This terrific golf outing with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start will include competitive and social divisions. Play in a foursome of your own choosing or the city will place you into a foursome.

Cost for this resident-only event is \$100 per person, which includes continental breakfast, one round of golf, barbeque lunch, and fun activities out on the course. A non-golfing spouse or friend is welcome to join you for lunch for an additional \$25. Golfers must be Indian Wells residents.

Reserve your space in the Resident Cup today by calling Ann Stenson, 1 (760) 346-2489.

#### Resident Cup Competitive Division

Format: Shamble

Scoring: Best two net scores from each hole to reach a team score for that hole.

Entry Criteria: To enter this division, each player must have a current SCGA or GHIN index,

and a valid handicap number. A player's handicap will be set at zero if there is no

valid number.

Main Prize: Indian Wells Mayor's Cup

#### Resident Cup Social Division

Format: Shamble

Scoring: Players record individual score; lowest one

score will be used as team score.

Entry Criteria: None; this division is ideal for players

without an established index.

Main Prize: Indian Wells Resident Cup

### New date for Indian Wells ATHENA Awards luncheon: Tuesday, March 22, 2011

# 2011 ATHENA Awards to Honor Dr. Linda Iger and Reverend Patricia Spicer

The City of Indian Wells is very pleased to announce that Dr. Linda Iger and Reverend Patricia Spicer have been chosen as the 2011 recipients of the City Of Indian Wells ATHENA Awards. Both will be honored at a luncheon ceremony to be held on Tuesday, March 22 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Crystal Ballroom of the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa.

Professional Excellence Award honoree Dr. Linda Iger is a clinical neuropsychologist with a private practice in Indian

Dr. Linda Iger

Wells. Among her many accomplishments, Dr. Iger has been instrumental in changing the lives of women from around the world who suffer from chronic fatigue syndrome (CFS) and fibromyalgia. Dr. Iger discovered and developed distinct profiles for these illnesses, which paved the way for changes in diagnosis and treatment. Through her amazing dedication, Dr. Iger also self-funded the largest research study on CFS/fibromyalgia

ever conducted with more than 2,000 patients in 15 countries. The study's outcome led to the development of the Iger Neurocognitive Assessment, a useful tool that physicians and medical professionals use when diagnosing and treating CFS and fibromyalgia patients.

Dr. Iger has published more than 30 journal articles and presented her research at more than 20 hospitals and numerous medical conferences in the United States and Canada.

Reverend Patricia Spicer will receive this year's Community Service Award for her dedication to making a



Reverend Patricia Spicer

difference in the lives of women, families. and children of the Coachella Valley. A resident of Indian Wells for more than 33 years, Rev. Spicer has been actively involved in community service on all levels with accomplishments too numerous to mention. She currently serves on the boards of Marywood-Palm Valley School and Women Leaders Forum of the Coachella

Valley. Rev. Spicer's previous board involvement has included Family YMCA of the Desert, Mid-Valley Interfaith Council, and La Quinta Arts Foundation. She has also served on the Indian Wells Community Activities Committee and as vice-president of the Indian Wells Garden and Community Club. She has even served as co-pilot for her husband, Larry,

an Indian Wells council member and pilot who flies medical missions for Angel Flight.

As a minister and educator, Rev. Spicer has presented many self-esteem programs throughout California, taught classes and mentored students along their ministerial paths, and counseled hundreds of women and families to more successful lives.

Tickets for the ATHENA Awards luncheon are \$45 per person; \$450 for a table of 10. Join us for this inspirational event and purchase your ticket today by calling Debbie Allen at 1 (760) 346-2489.



# Homeland Security Expert to Headline February World Affairs Council of the Desert

Dr. Paul N. Stockton, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Americas' Security Affairs, will speak about the danger of mega-catastrophes at the next World Affairs Council of the Desert dinner set for Sunday, February 27. Dr. Stockton is responsible for overseeing homeland defense activities, defense support of civil authorities, and Western Hemisphere security affairs for the Department of Defense. Assistant Secretary Stockton's notable career includes serving as Director, Center for Homeland Defense and Security from 2002-2006. In that position, he helped develop the curricula to strengthen U.S. all-hazards preparedness at local, state, and federal levels.

World Affairs Council of the Desert speaker programs are held on Sunday evenings at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa, and are open to the public. The events include 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.

#### FROM THE KITCHEN OF

### IW Club Executive Chef Chris Olson

Luscious golden beets and succulent blood oranges make a divine combination. Woo your sweetheart on Valentine's Day with this delicious salad!



#### **Ingredients**

- 3 medium size golden beets
- 6 blood oranges
- 2 Tbsp. blood orange juice
- 1 ½ Tbsp. extra virgin olive oil
- 1 ½ Tbsp. raspberry champagne vinegar
- 1 Tbsp. confetti edible flower leaves
- 2 heads of butter lettuce leaves
- Salt and cracked pepper to taste



- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- 2. Wash and trim tops off beets and put them in a small roasting pan deep enough to hold them. (Note: be careful when working with beets as juice stains everything it touches. Consider wearing an apron and plastic gloves.)
- 3. Add ½ inch of water, season with salt and pepper, cover with foil, and place beets in oven.
- 4. Roast for approximately one hour or until beets are tender when pierced with a knife.
- 5. While beets are roasting, wash and cut the rinds off blood oranges and slice them into ½ inch circles removing any seeds that you see. Reserve 2 Tbsp. of juice from two of the oranges.
- 6. When beets are cool enough to handle, use a paper towel and run beets one at a time to remove skins.
- 7. Slice beets into ¼ inch half moon slices and place in bowl with blood orange slice. Add vinegar, reserved blood orange juice, extra virgin olive oil, and salt and pepper.
- 8. Arrange butter lettuce leaves evenly on plates, disperse beet-orange salad, drizzle with dressing in bowl, and top with confetti flower leaves.

Enjoy!

**Executive Chef Chris Olson** 



# Party Animals!

If you think that something's brewing at the zoo, you're right! The Living Desert is set to host the 2nd Annual Brew at the Zoo on Saturday, February 26 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.



Enjoy an evening of generous appetizers, delicious craft beer, wine, and live blues music on two stages. The fun also includes camel rides, up-close animal visits, and a culinary inspired raffle.

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 beverages and eight appetizers. VIP tickets are

also available in advance for \$125 per person and include VIP Lounge access, Safari Shuttle service, premium wine selections, and unlimited food and beverage.

To purchase tickets, call 1 (760) 346-5694 ext. 2121 or visit www.livingdesert.org (Visit & Explore, Calendar of Events).



#### Gala to Benefit Living Desert Inhabitants

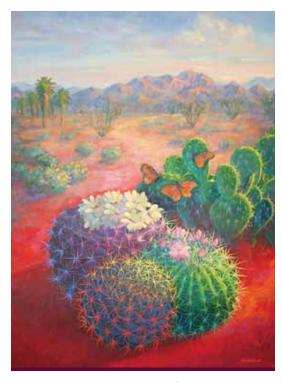
The Living Desert will hold its annual Zoobilee! fundraising gala on Sunday, March 27 at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa. The festivities begin at 5 p.m. with emcees and radio personalities Bill "Bulldog" Feingold and Kevin Holmes.

This special event will include a cocktail reception, dinner, and a live and silent auction featuring several exceptional items including travel and dining packages.

Proceeds from Zoobilee! support The Living Desert's creatures, many of them endangered species.

Reserve your ticket or table today by calling 1 (760) 346-5694 ext. 2101 or visit www.livingdesert.org.





## Premier Arts Festival Returns to Tennis Garden

Join thousands of local and visiting art enthusiasts for the 9th Annual Indian Wells Arts Festival set for April 1-3 at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden. More than 200 talented artists participate in this outdoor art spectacular with original offerings that include paintings, ceramics, sculpture, photography, textiles, jewelry, and much more.

Experience on-site demonstrations like glass-blowing and weaving, and enjoy wine tastings, refreshments, and live musical entertainment. A special children's area offers plenty of activities for kids of all ages.

Admission is only \$10 for adults; free for children 12 and under. General parking is free; valet parking is available. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (gates close at 4:30 p.m.)

# City to Present IW Financial Education Summit

In partnership with sponsor UBS Financial Services, the City of Indian Wells is continuing its free financial education summit at the IW Club. The first session, which took place on January 25, focused on estate planning and taxes and long-term care.

On Tuesday, March 8 UBS Senior Strategist Katherine Klingensmith will share the latest insights on world economies and how decisions made globally can personally impact you and your finances.

The final session is slated for Tuesday, April 5 and will center on issues related to policymaking in our nation's capital.

All presentations begin promptly at 5 p.m. and include complimentary appetizers. Free valet parking is available.

Please RSVP to Ann Stenson, 1 (760) 346-2489, astenson@indianwells.com by March 2 for the March 8 seminar, and by March 30 for the April 5 seminar.

# Improve Your Golf

Beginning February 1, The Indian Wells Golf Resort will be offering golf instruction clinics every Tuesday and Thursday starting at 2 p.m. The 45-minute clinic will take place on the practice facility. Tuesdays will focus on full swing while Thursday participants will have a chance to hone their short game.

The cost is \$25 per person per clinic (resident discount does not apply). To register, call the Indian Wells Golf Resort golf shop the morning of each clinic to reserve your space. Each class will be limited to the first eight participants who sign up. The golf shop staff can be reached at 1 (760) 834-3838.

The Indian Wells Golf Resort also offers private and group instruction for golfers of all





# City Expedites Maintenance of Abandoned Properties with New Ordinance

Indian Wells City Council has approved a new ordinance that will require lenders to register all abandoned, foreclosed and defaulted properties with the City of Indian Wells. Lenders will also be required to hire local property management companies to inspect and maintain any abandoned properties on a regular basis.

Required registration of abandoned properties will hold lenders and banks responsible for the care of these properties. Moreover, it will aid city staff in identifying those responsible for upkeep of the premises. From an overall perspective, the new ordinance will help maintain and increase property values, and keep city neighborhoods clean, attractive and desirable to potential homebuyers.

Per the ordinance, lenders are also required to pay an annual registration fee of \$73 for each abandoned property.

The City of Indian Wells Municipal Code and new ordinances or those under consideration can be viewed online at www.cityofindianwells.org (City Council, City Council Business).

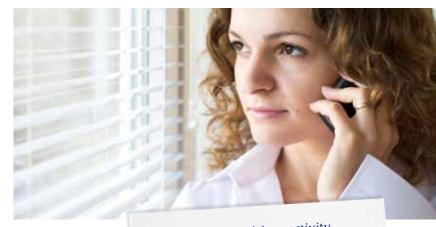
### Be Alert and Be Pro-Active

One of the issues that has come to the forefront in the world in which we live is the need to report anything that seems out of the ordinary including suspicious people and behavior.

Perhaps the best advice is to be aware of your surroundings and follow your instincts. Generally, anyone who seems slightly "out of place" for an area or time of day may be considered suspicious, and possibly indicate criminal activity. To help keep our neighborhoods safe, the Indian Wells Police Department encourages citizens to call the police department if you notice the following:

#### Any person(s) seen:

- entering your neighbor's house and you do not recognize the person.
- waiting in front of a house; particularly if the owners are absent.
- peering into a parked car who may be looking for a car to steal or for valuables left in the car.
- soliciting door-to-door and refusing to show a business/peddlers license, or who are seen peering into windows or garages.
- forcing entrance to or tampering with a residence, vehicle, garage, etc. is suspicious under most circumstances.
- running, especially if something of value is being carried.
- posing as utilities personnel without proper uniform or identification.
- exhibiting unusual mental or physical symptoms who may be under the influence of drugs.
- making advances towards a child who is resisting the advances of that person.



If you see any suspicious activity, please call 911 or the non-emergency Riverside County Sheriff's Dispatch phone number, 1 (760) 836-3215. Please be prepared to provide the dispatcher with the following information:

DESCRIPTION OF THE PERSON(S)

SEX / RACE

COLOR OF HAIR / EYES

SCARS / MARKS / TATTOOS

FACIAL HAIR

LOCATION LAST SEEN /
DIRECTION OF TRAVEL

CLOTHING

HEIGHT / WEIGHT

VEHICLE DESCRIPTION



If you received a new iPad, PDA, cell phone, or television this holiday season, you're probably wondering what to do with electronic gadgets you no longer use or those that no longer work. Here are some important tips that will also help you protect the environment:

#### Don't Trash Old Electronics

It's illegal to toss electronic items and batteries in the trash. These products contain toxic chemicals like cadmium, lead and mercury, which can seep into landfills and groundwater. Plus many contain metals and other components that can be reused.

#### Donate for Reuse

If the device still works, consider donating it to a local school or nonprofit organization, contact the National Cristina Foundation (www.cristina. org), which matches donated technology to charities, schools, and public agencies throughout the United States and Canada and abroad.

#### Recycle

If your product no longer works, please recycle it through a reputable agency that doesn't export old and possibly toxic items to developing nations. Burrtec Waste & Recycling will pick up your electronics for free and recycle them. Please call 1 (760) 340-2113 to arrange for a pickup.

For comprehensive information about recycling electronics including details on manufacturer takeback programs and other initiatives, visit www.electronicstakeback.com.

### Household Hazardous Waste and E-Waste Disposal

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection is now available 52 weeks a 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 February 20**

So Much Depends art exhibition guest curated by Charlotte Eyerman. Royale Projects: Modern and Contemporary Art, 75270 Highway 111, Suite 205. 1 (760) 742-5182, www. royaleprojects.com

#### Now through March 20

Bette Davis Speaks by Dan Gordon starring Linda Gray, Kathleen Noone and Rolf Saxon, Indian Wells Theater, California State University San Bernardino — Palm Desert Campus. Tickets \$39. Call 1 (760) 341-6909. http://pdc.csusb.edu/

#### Now through May 31

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

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 December 31**

Children's Discovery Museum of the Desert, (760) 321-0602. Open Tuesday 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.ranchomiragelibrary.org (Events, Current Programs) for more information.

#### **Mondays through February**

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

#### **February 1**

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.

#### February 3

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

#### February 6

The City of Indian Wells presents "A Day at the Polo Grounds" exclusively for residents. Empire Polo Club: 12 p.m. SOLD OUT.

#### **February 8**



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 pastry tasters. No RSVP needed.

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

#### February 10

Best-selling writer Dennis Lehane, Rancho Mirage Public Library Foundation Author Luncheon, Westin Mission Hills Resort & Spa: 11:30 a.m. \$75 per person. For more information, call 1 (760) 341-7323 ext. 605.

#### **February 13 & 27**



THE LIVING DESERT

Jazzoo Concert Series at The Living Desert. Concerts at 4 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. Single performance ticket: members \$35, non-members \$45. Advance reservations required. Call 1 (760) 346-5694, e-mail jazzoo@ livingdesert.org, or visit www. livingdesert.org for online ticket purchase.

#### February 15

Resident Tennis Tournament, Indian Wells Tennis Garden: 10 a.m. (see page 2).



Fareed Zakaria, Desert Town Hall-Indian Wells, Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa: 6 p.m. 1 (760) 426-3400.

www.deserttownhall.org.

#### February 16

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. Valentine's Day 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 City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489.

#### February 17

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

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

World Affairs Council of the Desert, "The Danger of Mega-Catastrophes" with Dr. Paul N. Stockton, Renaissance Esmeralda Resort & Spa: 5 p.m. Reservations required, www. worldaffairsdesert.org, 1 (760) 322-7711.

Martha's Village & Kitchen Annual Charity Gala — An Evening of Motown, Indian Wells Country Club: 5:30 p.m. Cocktails, dinner, dancing, live and silent auction. For information, call 1 (760) 347-4741 ext. 316.

#### February 24

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

#### February 25

Gerald R. Ford Elementary School's 4th annual Walk-a-thon to benefit art, music, and technology programs. Walk begins at 1:45 p.m. Students are gathering donations. Private and community business sponsors are being sought as well. Monetary and/or raffle prize donations can be sent to: Gerald Ford School, Attn- PTO, 44-210 Warner Trail, Indian Wells, CA 92210. For more information, call Tracy Braun 1 (760) 636-6624.

#### February 26

Second Annual Brew at the Zoo, The Living Desert, 5-9 p.m. Tickets: \$35-\$125. www.livingdesert.org.

#### February 27

Torch Songs with Sherry Williams, Indian Wells Theater, California State University San Bernardino — Palm Desert Campus: 2 p.m. Tickets \$50. Call 1 (760) 341-6909. http://pdc.csusb.edu/

#### December 2 City Council Meeting Highlights

Adopted Resolution Reciting the Fact of the Consolidated General Municipal Election Held in the City of Indian Wells on the 2nd Day of November 2010, Declaring the Results Thereof, and Such Other Matters as are Provided by Law.

Adopted Ordinance Adopting a Development Agreement between the City of Indian Wells and Miles Lodge, LLC.

Adopted Ordinance Amending the Official Land Use/ Zoning Map of the City of Indian Wells.

Adopted Resolution Amending the Exclusive Agreement for Collection and Disposal of Solid Waste.

#### December 16 City Council Meeting Highlights

Adopted Resolution Ordering the Formation of Rule 20A Indian Wells Village Underground Utility District Along Warner Trail and Miles Avenue.

Approved Temporary Use Permit for Indian Wells Tennis Garden for Rock 'n' Roll Marathon to be held on December 31, 2011 with Proposed Temporary Partial Road Closures.

Adopted Resolution Establishing Costs for Processing Annual Registration Fee for Vacant and Abandoned Properties.

Adopted Urgency Ordinance Establishing a 45 Day Moratorium on Installation of Residential and Business Use Wind Turbines.

Received/Filed Report and Authorized Staff to Transmit to State Controller the Annual Redevelopment Agency Report Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 33080.1(f).

Adopted Resolution Approving the School Grant Funding Program for Fiscal Year 2010-11.

Approved Resolution Approving Annual Progress Report on Implementation of the Housing Element for the City.

Received/Filed Planning Commission's Approval of Modification to Southwest Community Church Conditional Use Permit for Temporary Kitchenette Facility, South Patio Area Improvements and Temporary Construction Trailer Located at 77-701 Fred Waring Drive.

Directed Staff to not provide a palm tree maintenance variance at 45447 Camino Del Rey and not to change the existing Municipal Code 8.08.010(y)(1) regarding palm tree trimming to minimize fire and pest hazards within the City.

Approved Staff's recommendation to maintain current synchronization of traffic lights along Highway 111.

Approved Amendment No. 3 to the CVAG Reimbursement Agreement for Highway 111 Improvement Project.

Approved the Annual Housing and Community Development [HCD] Report for the Redevelopment Agency to be Filed with the State Controller and Department of Housing and Community Development.

Approved Modification of the Zoning Code to regulate pool slides and directed Staff to draft an Ordinance for consideration at a future date.

#### January 6 City Council Meeting Highlights

Adopted Ordinance Adding Chapter 8.44 to the Indian Wells Municipal Code Pertaining to the Registration and Maintenance of Vacant and Abandoned Properties.

Adopted Ordinance Updating Title 16, Building and Construction, of the Indian Wells Municipal Code.

Approved Requisition to FCS Group for a Business License Fee Study in the Amount of \$15,400.

Denied Waiver/Refund Request Made by Southwest Community Regarding Modification to Conditional Use Permit.

Directed Staff to draft an Ordinance regulating short-term rentals within the City.

Adopted RDA Resolution Approving Use of Redevelopment Funds for the Funding of the Economic Development Activities Undertaken by the Coachella Valley Economic Partnership and Approve Supplemental Appropriation in the Amount of \$100,000 for Same.

#### Agua Serena Spa Presents Healthy Hour/Happy Hour Series

Agua Serena Spa at Hyatt Grand Champions Resort, Villas and Spa is hosting a free monthly lecture series through June focused on health and wellness issues. The next one to be held on Thursday, February 24 at 6 p.m. will center on heart offer discounted beverages after the one-hour lectures with a valid redeemable discount card.

For more information and to RSVP for each session, call Spa Director Jennifer DiFrancesco, 1 (760) 674-4102.

Sheriff's Non-Emergency Phone Number

1 (760) 836-3215 (press option 5) or toll-free 1 (800) 950-2444

City of Indian Wells Citizen Emergency Hotline: 1 (800) 998-0513





City Council

Patrick J. Mullany Mayor

Douglas H. Hanson Mayor Pro Tem

William T. Powers

Council Member

Larry Spicer Council Member Mary T. Roche Council Member

#### Planning Commission

Francis A. Wong
Chairman

Jim Parrish Vice Chairman

Peter Desnoes
Commissioner

Richard Egan Commissioner

Brenda Reed Commissioner

#### Community Activities Committee

Douglas H. Hanson Mayor Pro Tem

William T. Powers
Council Member

Vicki Blythin

Gretchen Caldwell

Maureen Johnson Donald Pelegrino

Rocky Randall

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Greg Johnson City Manager

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Kevin McCarthy Finance Director

Corrie D. Kates
Community Development Director

Nancy Samuelson
Director of Marketing
and Community Relations

Mel Windsor Personnel/Public Safety Director

Paul Goble
Public Works Director

City event photography by Mark Cieslikowski

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### March 8

IW Financial Education Summit "Economic Policy and World Currency" IW Club at Indian Wells Golf Resort 5-6 p.m.

#### March 10

Residents' Day at BNP Paribas Open Indian Wells Tennis Garden Day and evening sessions

#### March 22

Indian Wells ATHENA Awards Luncheon Renaissance Esmeralda Resort & Spa 11:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m.

Emergency Preparedness Expo/ Public Safety Presentation Indian Wells City Hall 4:30-6:30 p.m.

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.



# Valentine's Day at the IW Club

Treat your sweetheart to a romantic dinner at the IW Club on Monday, February 14. The elegant restaurant will be offering a prix fixe option on the menu that includes a "Couples Toast," starter, entrements, entrée, and dessert from 5-9 p.m. Cost for this special menu is \$65 per person, plus tax and an added 18% gratuity (please note that the resident discount does not apply). The IW Club Restaurant will be featuring various specials during the weekend preceding Valentine's Day. Reservations recommended, 1 (760) 834-3800. For more information, visit www. indianwellsgolfresort.com.



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# 28 Days of Love at the Miramonte

The Miramonte Resort & Spa is offering several ways to say "I Love You" this month. Those seeking a romantic staycation may want to take advantage of the resort's overnight specials starting at \$220 per night.

The WELL Spa is featuring "Heartfelt Connections," a special treatment designed to reconnect couples. The package includes a 15-minute couples valley of the roses foot wash, 60-minute couples massage with custom blended aromatherapy oil, and a 30-minute couples valley of the roses soak with champagne and truffles. Cost is \$275 per couple.

Grove Artisan Kitchen Chef Robert Nyerick has also created a special LOVE Menu featuring selections that have aphrodisiac qualities. The LOVE Menu is \$48 per person; reservations are recommended.



The Miramonte is tempting local residents to visit the resort with the LOVE Pass. Throughout February, Coachella Valley residents can spend

the day exploring the resort's romantic grounds and relaxing poolside at no charge. In addition, local residents receive 20% off select spa treatments.

For more information or to make a reservation for the 28 Days of Love, call 1 (760) 341-2200 or visit www.miramonteresort.com.