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LOOK WHO'S TALKING IN 2012 Desert Town Hall – Indian Wells Celebrates What Promises to Be a Superb 20th Season!

Desert Town Hall – Indian Wells, the desert's premier lecture series for two decades, has announced its first two prestigious speakers for the 2012 season.

On Sunday, February 12, 2012, Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells welcomes *New York Times* op-ed columnist and author, **David Brooks**. A renowned political and social analyst, Brooks is a keen observer of the American way of life and a savvy commentator on present-day politics and foreign affairs.

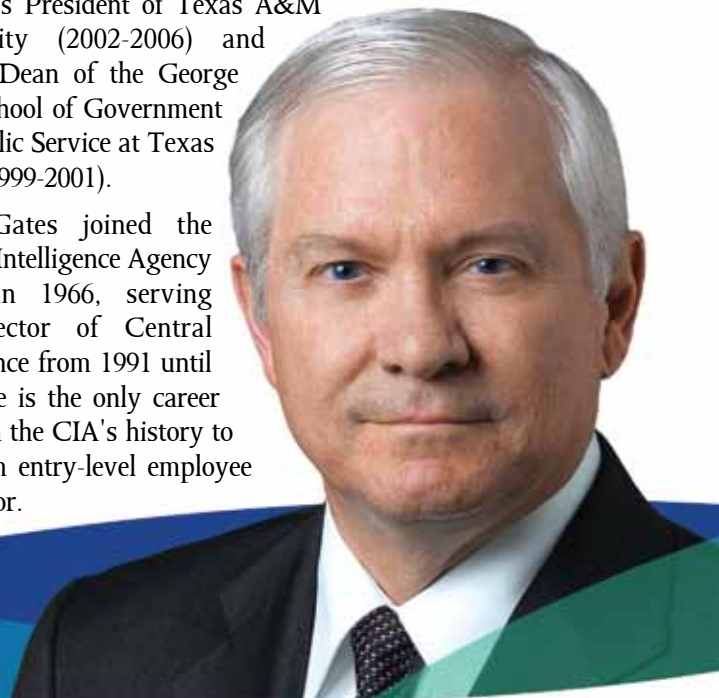
A regular analyst on *NewsHour with Jim Lehrer* and NPR's *All Things Considered*, Brooks has also authored *Bobos in Paradise*, *On Paradise Drive*, and his newest book: *The Social Animal: The Hidden Sources of Love, Character and Achievement*.

Brooks has also served as the senior editor of *The Weekly Standard*, a contributing editor at *Newsweek* and the *Atlantic Monthly*, and op-ed editor for *The Wall Street Journal*. He has written for many periodicals including *The New Yorker*, *Forbes*, and *The Washington Post*.

Former U.S. Secretary of Defense **Dr. Robert M. Gates** will appear at Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells on Monday, March 5, 2012. Dr. Gates served as the 22nd Secretary of Defense (2006-2011) and is the only Secretary of Defense to be asked to remain in that office by a newly elected president. Dr. Gates has served under eight presidents including President George W. Bush and President Barack Obama.

Prior to becoming Secretary of Defense, Dr. Gates served as President of Texas A&M University (2002-2006) and Interim Dean of the George Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M (1999-2001).

Dr. Gates joined the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in 1966, serving as Director of Central Intelligence from 1991 until 1993. He is the only career officer in the CIA's history to rise from entry-level employee to director.



The remaining speakers for the Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells 2012 season had not yet been announced as this publication went to press. Stay tuned for more information in upcoming issues.

For more information, including Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells series and single lecture ticket pricing and purchase, visit www.deserttownhall.org or call (760) 416-3400.

UPDATES FROM THE CITY

Important Information Regarding November 8, 2011 Special Election

The City of Indian Wells will hold a special election on Tuesday, November 8, 2011 for Ballot Measure H (see details at right). Sample ballots will be mailed to residents who are registered voters between September 29 and October 29. Please note that voter registration closes October 24.

The Riverside County Registrar of Voters is encouraging voters to vote by mail (VBM) to assist in quicker election night returns. The Registrar begins the process of counting VBM ballots seven days before election day, and VBM count results are included in the first reporting on election night at approximately 8:30 p.m. Vote by mail ballots can be dropped off in the blue box at City Hall reception area beginning on October 11.

If you are a registered voter who prefers to cast your ballot in person, please note that if you have voted at the Hutton House in the past, your polling place is now at City Hall. For those residents who have previously voted at City Hall, your polling place is now located at 45-200 Club Drive (across the parking lot from Vicky's of Santa Fe). Polls open at 7 a.m. on Election Day and close at 8 p.m.

For more information, call Chief Deputy City Clerk Anna Grandys at (760) 346-2489.

City of Indian Wells Ballot Measure H The Facts

Hotel transient occupancy tax (TOT) is an important, needed revenue source for the City of Indian Wells, enabling the City to continue providing quality public services to its community. The City's primary economic engine is tourism and the City collects TOT primarily from the four major hotels within the City. Transient occupancy tax is paid by guests staying at Indian Wells hotels and is not a tax burden on local residents.

The State of California has appropriated City Redevelopment Agency monies to balance the State budget. This has resulted in a loss to the City's General Fund of approximately \$3.6 million, which must now be offset by budget cuts and new revenue generation.

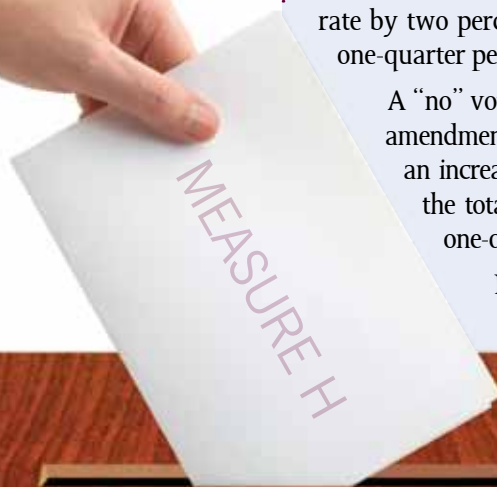
The City proposes to increase the transient occupancy tax from the current rate of 9.25% to 11.25%. The new tax is projected to generate approximately \$1 million in additional revenue needed to help ensure the long-term fiscal health of the City. The City's hotels support the TOT increase as they too have a vested benefit in ensuring the City's financial stability and its ability to promote tourism. The proposed 11.25% rate is equivalent to the average rate in the Coachella Valley, and below the average for a luxury destination across the country. Indian Wells hotel general managers are in support of this ballot measure, and concluded that the increase will not have a negative impact on hotel gross sales or the ability to book future leisure and group business.

Measure H is a general tax and may be used for any general governmental purpose of the city, such as expenditures for fire, paramedic, and police services; street maintenance; public works projects, graffiti removal; and maintenance of parks and public facilities. In order for the City to adopt the amendments to its Municipal Code as described above, Measure H must be approved by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters of the City.

A "yes" vote on Measure H authorizes the City to adopt the amendment to the City Municipal Code, thereby increasing the TOT rate by two percent (2.0%) to establish the total rate at eleven and one-quarter percent (11.25%).

A "no" vote on Measure H prohibits the City from adopting the amendment to the City Municipal Code, thereby prohibiting an increase of the TOT rate by two percent (2.0%) such that the total rate would remain at its current level of nine and one-quarter percent (9.25%).

Notwithstanding the support of the local hotels, opponents might argue that the added tax may impact tourism and may be a tax on family and friends of residents.



Expert on China Initiates World Affairs Council Season

Will China's Rise Lead to Conflict? Dan Blumenthal of the American Enterprise Institute will address this intriguing topic on Sunday, October 23 at the first World Affairs Council of the Desert Speaker Program of the 2011-2012 season.

Blumenthal is a current commissioner and former vice chairman of the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission. Previously, he was senior director for China, Taiwan, and Mongolia in the Secretary of Defense's Office of International Security Affairs.

As a resident fellow at the Washington-based American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research, Blumenthal has been working on the national security implications of U.S.-China relations.

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 (760) 322-7711.



Pay Tribute to the Nation's Veterans

Please join the City of Indian Wells for its annual Veterans Day Ceremony set to take place on Friday, November 11, 2011 at 10 a.m. under the white tent adjacent to City Hall.

The Veterans Day program will include a special keynote speaker and the unveiling of new names – Indian Wells residents who served in the U.S. armed forces – inscribed on the granite walls within the Eisenhower Walk of Honor.

Everyone is welcome, no RSVP is needed, and light refreshments will be served.

Time to Renew Your Property Owner ID Card

Be sure to take advantage of the many resident benefits the City of Indian Wells offers by renewing your free annual Indian Wells Property Owner Identification Card.

For each residential dwelling in Indian Wells, a Property Owner Identification Card may be issued to the property owner, his/her spouse or domestic partner, and each dependent child (under the age of twenty-one years and unmarried) of the property owner and/or the spouse of the property owner.

Indian Wells property owners who have a photo on file at City Hall may request a renewal online at www.cityofindianwells.org (Click on the IW Resident Information icon, Property Owner ID Card, Online Renewal Form).



New Indian Wells property owners and first-time cardholders must apply for the Property Owner Identification Card in person at City Hall during normal business hours (Monday–Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.). Please bring valid proof of property ownership such as a recorded grant deed or escrow closing statement. Current cardholders who wish to include new photos on their 2012 card must also process their renewals in person at City Hall.

Please note that valid Property Owner ID cards are required to gain entry to resident events and to obtain resident discounts at the IW Club, Indian Wells Golf Resort, Indian Wells Tennis Garden, and four Indian Wells resort hotels.

For additional information regarding Property Owner ID cards, please contact the City of Indian Wells Finance Department, (760) 776-0235.



Lon Grundy Appointed Indian Wells Golf Resort General Manager

Please join us in welcoming Lon Grundy as the new general manager of the Indian Wells Golf Resort. Grundy brings 20 years of experience in golf management to his newly appointed position. He spent ten years with Marriott Golf at multiple locations, including five years at Camelback Golf Club in Scottsdale, Arizona where he served as head golf professional.

For the past ten years, Grundy has been working for Troon Golf in various positions including two years as regional marketing director at Troon Golf world headquarters. He most recently served three years as the general manager of Troon North Golf Club in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Grundy now resides in Indian Wells with his wife, Kim, and their two boys, Ethan and Hayden.



Make the IW Club Your Dining and Entertainment Venue of Choice This Fall!

IW Club Restaurant and Bar - Expanded hours begin October 1:

- Lunch: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Seven days a week
- Brunch: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays
- Dinner: 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Seven days a week
- Bar: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sundays
11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays – Tuesdays
11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesdays – Saturdays

Please remember to bring your valid Indian Wells Property Owner ID card to receive your resident discount on all food and non-alcoholic beverages.

For more information, visit www.indianwellsgolfresort.com or call (760) 834-3800 for dining reservations at the world-class IW Club!



Course Maintenance Continues at Indian Wells Golf Resort

Please make a note of the remaining closure dates at the Indian Wells Golf Resort as Golf Resort staff complete 2011 aerification and overseeding:

Celebrity Course Closure Dates

- October 18 – November 3: Overseed
- November 3 – November 23: Cart path only

Players Course Closure Dates

- September 26 – October 13: Overseed
- October 13 – November 4: Cart path only

Thank you for your patience.

Explore the Possibilities on October 22

Calling all women in need of renewal and inspiration: You will not want to miss The Wealth of Possibility Summit to be held on Saturday, October 22, 2011 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the IW Club at the Indian Wells Golf Resort.

This enlightening event is designed to help women reignite their passions and explore life-changing opportunities. Along with award-winning KESQ news anchor Karen Devine who will serve as the emcee, some of the Coachella Valley's most insightful and talented women leaders will share their strategies and tools for success.

The registration fee of \$97 per person also includes lunch, snacks, amazing raffle prizes, and a gift bag during the Summit. A percentage of ticket sales will benefit the City of Indian Wells "Help for Homeless" fund.

Find out more about this sensational event and purchase your ticket today by visiting www.wealthofpossibilitysummit.com, calling 1 (800) 832-2134, or sending an e-mail to info@wealthofpossibilitysummit.com.



Great Golf Outing for a Great Purpose

The EWGA (Executive Women's Golf Association) Foundation will host its 2011 Charity Golf Tournament on Sunday, October 23, 2011 on the Players Course at the Indian Wells Golf Resort. This Association-wide fundraising event benefits the LPGA/USGA Girls Golf, a nationwide developmental junior golf program for girls ages 7 to 17.

Register by October 7 to play in this very special charity golf tournament. The entry fee of \$225 per person includes: four-person team play for the October 23 tournament with continental breakfast, all golf fees including greens fees, golf cart, range balls prior to play, goody bag, and EWGA Foundation banquet awards luncheon. The event also includes a pre-tournament Championship Finals Awards Dinner (\$100 per person) on October 22.

For additional information and online registration, visit www.ewga.com (Events). You may also call (561) 691-0096 or e-mail events@myewga.com.



Give Yourself Permission for a Spa and Salon Mini-Escape

Agua Serena Spa and The Medical and Skin Spa at Hyatt Grand Champions Resort, Villas and Spa. THE WELL Spa at Miramonte Resort & Spa. Spa Esmeralda at Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa. These fabulous spa sanctuaries of Indian Wells are among the 20 premier spas and salons that will be taking part in the inaugural Palm Springs Desert Resort Cities Spa & Salon Month from October 1-31, 2011.

Each Spa & Salon Month partner is offering one or more sensational spa treatments, salon services, and/or spa-themed getaway packages designed for locals and destination visitors; many featuring ample discounts off original prices.



Spa & Salon Month is presented by The Girlfriend Factor (www.thegirlfriendfactor.org) in association with the Palm Springs Desert Resort Communities Convention and Visitors Authority.

For a list of participating Spa & Salon Month partners, as well as complete package and booking details, visit www.PalmSpringsSpaAndSalonMonth.com.

IW Club Offers a "Take-Out" Thanksgiving Feast

Keep the preparations simple and still serve a delicious multi-course meal this Thanksgiving by letting IW Club Executive Chef Chris Olson and his talented culinary team cater your holiday dinner. Orders serve 6-8 people.

HOLIDAY SELECTIONS

Traditional Turkey Dinner \$160

Farm Raised Citrus Roasted Turkey (12-14 lb.)
Country Style Mashers • Giblet-Sausage Gravy
Garden Beans/Brussel Sprouts/Carrots/Cauliflower/Squash
Smashed Garnet Yams ~ Pecans ~ Maple Glaze
Roasted Apple – Sage Stuffing • Cranberry Citrus Relish
Assorted Rolls • Pumpkin Pie with Amaretto Whipped Cream

All Natural Free Range Diestel Turkey \$250

Organic, Minimally Processed Slow Roasted Turkey (12-14 lb.)
Country Style Mashers • Giblet- Sausage Gravy
Garden Beans/Brussel Sprouts/Carrots/Cauliflower/Squash
Smashed Garnet Yams ~ Pecans ~ Maple Glaze
Roasted Apple – Sage Stuffing • Cranberry Citrus Relish
Assorted Rolls • Pumpkin Pie with Amaretto Whipped Cream

All Natural Prime Rib Dinner \$250

Slow Roasted Garlic Rosemary Rubbed Prime Rib
Baby Spinach Greens • Shitake Mushrooms • Cranberries
Goat Cheese • Toasted Almonds • Creamy Lemon Honeycomb Dressing
Creamy 3 Cheese Au Gratin Potatoes
Garden Beans/Brussel Sprouts/Carrots/Cauliflower/Squash
Au Jus • Horseradish Cream • Yorkshire Pudding
Apple-Cranberry Crisp

Additional A La Carte Sides

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| Farm Raised Citrus Roasted Turkey (12-14 lb.): | \$80 |
| All Natural Free Range Diestel Turkey (12-14 lb.): | \$160 |
| Giblet – Sausage Gravy (1.5 Quarts): | \$14 |
| Country Style Mashers (2 Quarts): | \$18 |
| Roasted Apple ~ Sage Stuffing (1.5 Quarts): | \$18 |
| Seasonal Vegetable Medley (1.5 Pounds): | \$18 |
| (Includes: Garden Beans/Brussel Sprouts/Carrots/Cauliflower/Squash | |
| Smashed Garnett Yams ~ Pecans ~ Maple Glaze (1.5 Quarts): | \$18 |
| Cranberry Citrus Relish (.5 Quarts): | \$10 |
| Assorted Rolls & Butter: | \$12 |
| Pumpkin Pie with Amaretto Whipped Cream: | \$18 |
| Apple-Cranberry Crisp: | \$18 |

Orders with credit card must be in no later than Tuesday, November 15, 2011. Pick-up Thursday, November 24, 2011 between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. Meals come with reheating instructions and a meat thermometer.

To place an order and schedule pick-up time, please call (760) 834-3817. (Please note that the resident discount does not apply for this special.)

Or Savor the IW Club's "Dine-In" Thanksgiving Menu

Prefer to skip the at-home holiday preparations altogether? This Thanksgiving, relax and enjoy the ambiance and delectable special menu at the IW Club Restaurant on Thursday, November 24, 2011 from 3-8 p.m. Choose from a la carte options or a prix fixe menu at \$49 per person with choice of one from each course below.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY MENU

Soup \$6

SUGAR PIE PUMPKIN GUMBO
Chicken Apple Sausage • White Rice

Salads \$10

KENTER CANYON GREENS ~ FIGS ~ AGED GOAT CHEESE
Walnut Praline • Banyuls Vinegar • Walnut Oil
ACORN SQUASH RAVIOLI ~ DUCK CONFIT ~ ARUGULA SALAD
Huckleberry Emulsion

Entrées \$29

ALL NATURAL "TR RANCH"
PRIME RIB of BEEF
Yukon Mashed Spuds • French Fine Beans • Fried Onions • Au Jus • Horseradish Cream
SCOTTISH SALMON SALTIMBOCCA
Prosciutto • Sage • Brussel Sprouts • Sweet Potato Gnocchi • Brown Butter Beurre Blanc
TRADITIONAL ROASTED TURKEY
Whipped Spuds • Country Gravy • Garnet Yam Custard • Apple Sausage Stuffing • Cranberry Allspice Compote

Dessert \$9

PUMPKIN TRILOGY
Hazelnut Pumpkin Cheesecake • Apple Pumpkin Bread Pudding • Spicy Pumpkin Panna Cotta

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

INDIAN WELLS POPS!

From Harry James to spy tunes and Broadway classics, you'll thoroughly enjoy the eclectic selection of live music the Indian Wells Pops has planned for the 2012 season (see listings below). Indian Wells Pops concerts take place in the Indian Wells Theater on the Palm Desert Campus of California State University, San Bernardino. Season tickets for all three shows are available through December 15, 2011 for only \$120 per person; individual show tickets \$50 per person.

For tickets, visit www.IWTheater.com to purchase online, call (760) 341-6909, or stop by the Indian Wells Theater box office, located on the Campus on Cook Street between Gerald Ford and Frank Sinatra (just south of I-10).

Sunday, January 22, 2012 – 2 p.m.

A Tribute to the Music of Harry James

Featuring

Troy Clarke and Cassie Miller

Trumpeter Dr. Jack Poster, former lead trumpet with the Harry James Orchestra (1969-1971), proudly presents hits such as All of Me, Days of Wine and Roses, Don't Get Around Much, and Blue Tango.



Sunday, February 26, 2012 – 2 p.m.

Good Guys & Bad Guys: The Music of Spies and Private Eyes

Featuring

Patricia Welch and Bill Killpatrick

The All Star Big Band performs songs from your favorite spy movies including classic James Bond, Dragnet, and The Pink Panther.



Sunday, March 25, 2012 – 2 p.m.

Broadway Showstoppers: From the Golden Age of Broadway Theater (1940-1960)

Featuring

Kim Huber and Roger Befler

Savor a delightful afternoon of music from classic Broadway musicals such as Oklahoma!, Carousel, and South Pacific.



Where School Is Cool



Like to study fascinating subjects in the company of other sharp-minded individuals? If so, consider taking one or more of the non-credit university levels courses offered by Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, located on the Palm Desert Campus of California State University, San Bernardino.

Fall 2011 course offerings include *Geology-Earth, Wind, and Fire; Causes Célèbres: Trials and Controversies in the Modern World; Literature and Short Stories; Communication and the Human Experience; The World of International Cinema*, and more. The fall schedule also includes lecture classes taught by Palm Springs Art Museum faculty members.



Osher Lifelong Learning Institute offers two membership options: a) Quarterly Membership for \$150,

which entitles students to take up to five courses per quarter and b) Weekly Membership for \$25 per week, which permits students to take up to five courses in the same week. Many courses begin the last week of October so register soon.

For full details, a downloadable Fall 2011 course brochure, and course registration options, visit <http://cel.csusb.edu/osher.html>, or contact Steve McAdams at (760) 341-2883 ext. 14428, mcadamss@csusb.edu.



That's right, Frank DiSalvo, one of the desert's premier entertainers is back performing his Las Vegas-style shows at the Indian Wells Resort Hotel in the newly remodeled restaurant/lounge, Frank's Place.

You will be amazed by his vocal impressions of legendary singers like Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Bobby Darin, Nat King Cole, and Neil Diamond. His entertaining repertoire also includes hits from the 60's, plus blues, classical, and jazz guitar performances.

Don't miss this superb variety show! Frank DiSalvo performs every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night from 5:30-9:30 p.m. through May. Reservations are highly recommended. For more information, call Manny at the Indian Wells Resort Hotel, (760) 345-6466 ext. 7584, and visit www.frankdisalvo.com.



“Fall Back” on November 6 and Change Smoke Alarm Batteries

Remember to set your clocks back one hour when Daylight Savings Time ends at 2 a.m. on Sunday, November 6. The time change is also a great reminder to change your smoke alarm batteries. According to the U.S. Fire Administration, entire smoke alarm units should be replaced every eight to ten years. In the event of a fire, a working smoke alarm can make a difference between life and death.

Easy Access to City Council Agendas and Meetings

If you're unable to attend Indian Wells City Council meetings, there are convenient alternatives to stay abreast of City Council discussions and decisions. City Council

Agendas are generally available online the Monday before the meeting. Simply visit www.cityofindianwells.org, click on City Council, and click on View City Council Meetings. There, you will find current and archived Agendas available for download, as well as complete

videos of City Council meetings. You can also opt to receive Agendas and Minutes via an RSS (Really Simple Syndication) feed.

City Council meetings can also be viewed in their entirety on Time Warner digital channel 122.





SCE Baseline Changes to “Winter”

Beginning the first Sunday in October, your Southern California Edison baseline allocation changes to “Winter.” This means that if it is still warm out and you continue to use your air conditioner, a portion of your usage may fall into a higher tier based on credits for “reasonable energy needs of the average residential customer.”

For more information, visit www.sce.com (Customer Service, Billing & Payment, Understanding Tiered Rates, Tier 1 – Baseline).



What Can and Cannot Be Recycled

The City of Indian Wells and Burrtec Waste and Recycling strive to make it as easy as possible for Indian Wells residents to recycle. Burrtec provides back and sideyard service (no containers at curb), as well as free recycling containers. Depending on your needs, you may choose from 18-gallon crates, or 32- and 64-gallon wheeled carts. The list of items approved for recycling continues to grow, so please continue to do your part to help keep landfill waste at a minimum.

What Is Recyclable

All numbered plastics • Aluminum cans • Aluminum foil • Cardboard • Cereal boxes • Detergent containers • Empty aerosol cans • Envelopes • File folders • Frozen food boxes • Glass jars • Juice bottles • Junk mail • Liquor bottles • Magazines • Mixed paper • Newspaper • Pie tins • Plastic containers • Plastic milk jugs • Soda bottles • Telephone books • Tin cans • White paper

Non-Recyclable Items

Bathroom tissue • Bubble wrap • Cellophane • Clothes • Dishware • Dry cleaning bags • Facial tissue • Food • Food-stained paper • Household chemicals • Medical waste • Padded envelopes • Plastic bags • Sharps • Tyvec-type envelopes • Used paper towels • Waxed cardboard • Window glass

Please note that Burrtec is not accepting Styrofoam for recycling at this time. Also, green waste and used oil cannot be disposed of in your recycling container.

For detailed information on the services that Burrtec provides to Indian Wells residents, visit www.burrtecdesert.com, and select Indian Wells from the Burrtec Service Area drop-down menu. You may also contact Burrtec Customer Service at (760) 340-2113 or e-mail customerservice@burrtecdesert.com.



Household Hazardous Waste and E-Waste Disposal



Burrtec Waste & Recycling will collect household hazardous waste every day of the year at your own home. Simply call Burrtec at 1 (760) 340-2113 to schedule your pickup today.

Consider combining your request with other items you wish to discard like obsolete electronics, or old furniture or paint cans that you have been storing in your garage.

You are invited to take advantage of these 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, 2012

Season hours, The Living Desert Zoo & Gardens, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. with last admission at 4 p.m. Admission prices – Adults: \$14.25; Seniors (62+), Military and AAA: \$12.75; Children ages 3-12: \$7.75; Children under 3: free. Closed December 25. Members enjoy free annual and early (8 a.m.) admission to the zoo and gardens.

Daily through May 2012

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 2012

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 12 and under: free; Adults: \$12.50; 62 and over: \$10.50; Students: \$5.00. Free for active-duty military personnel and their families (with I.D.). Free public admission every Thursday from 4-8 p.m. during the downtown Villagefest. Free admission the second Sunday of every month.

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.ranchoiragelibrary.org (Events, Current Programs) for more information.

Mondays through October

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

October 1 – 31

Palm Springs Desert Resort Cities Spa & Salon Month presented by The Girlfriend Factor. (See page 5 for details). www.palmspringsspaandsalonmonth.com.



October 4

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

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

October 6

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

Beers & Brats, The Joslyn Center, (760) 340-3220: 2-4 p.m. Admission: \$8 per person. Entertainment by The Desert 5. www.joslyncenter.org.



October 8

Andrew Wyeth in Perspective opens at Palm Springs Art Museum, McCormick Gallery. www.psmuseum.org.



October 10

City Hall closed in observance of Columbus Day



October 11

Today's Grants-In-Aid Committee Meeting is cancelled.

October 12

Shot Clinic & Health Fair, The Joslyn Center, (760) 340-3220: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Free. www.joslyncenter.org.



October 13

Harvest Moon Ball, The Joslyn Center, (760) 340-3220: 2-4 p.m. Admission: \$8 per person. Entertainment by The Debonaires. www.joslyncenter.org.



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

October 20

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



October 22

Wealth of Possibility Summit (see page 5 for details)

October 26

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



Anthony Arizaga, flamenco guitarist, Rancho Mirage Public Library, (760) 341-7323: 7 p.m.

October 28-30



Howl-O-Ween, The Living Desert Zoo & Gardens. Highlights of The Living Desert's Wild West-themed Halloween festival include 16 trick-or-treat stations, kids play area, interactive show, live music, giant animated displays, costumer characters, live music and more. Hours: 6-9 p.m. Admission: Adult \$8, non-member adult \$9.75, children \$6.50. For more information, call (760) 346-5694 ext. 2000. www.livingdesert.org.

October 29

Meet the Author: Dyan Cannon, *Dear Cary: My Life with Cary Grant*, Rancho Mirage Public Library, (760) 341-7323: 7 p.m.

City Council

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Mayor

William T. Powers
Mayor Pro Tem

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Council Member

Larry Spicer
Council Member

Mary T. Roche
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Joslyn Center Representative

Samuel Oberman

Palm Springs International
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and Community Relations

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Public Works Director

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July 21 City Council Meeting Highlights

Adopted Resolution Approving an Updated Fee Schedule Related to Business License Fees within the City of Indian Wells.

Adopted Resolution Ordering the Levy and Collection of Fees for Refuse Collection and Recycling Services from Residential and Commercial Properties within the City Pursuant to the Indian Wells Municipal Code Section 8.04.190.

Received/Filed Planning Commission's Approval of Modified Conditional Use Permit Allowing Expansion of Existing Tennis and Fitness Center at the Eldorado Country Club Located at 46-000 Fairway Drive.

Approved Requisition to Palm Springs Desert Resort CVA in the Amount of \$190,400 for Funding Contributions Fiscal Year 2011-12.

Approved the cancellation of the regularly scheduled City Council/RDA meeting of September 1, 2011.

Directed Staff to proceed with the rehabilitation of 45-200 Club Drive, (reroof, HVAC replacements and limited floor/wall renovations and related facilities) for use as leasable office space and community meeting area, and to maintain the building located at 45-300 Club Drive as a possible City records storage area pending future disposition direction.

Approved Requisition for California Joint Powers Insurance Authority in the Amount of \$267,046 for Property, Earthquake, Flood and Automobile Insurance for Fiscal Year 2011-12.

Approved the designation of Mayor as the Voting Delegate and the Mayor Pro Tem as the Alternate Delegate to the Annual League of California Cities Conference in San Francisco on September 21-23, 2011.

Approved the disbursements of \$3,476.90 to Roy's Desert Resource Center from donations collected during the City's inaugural Help for Homeless campaign.

August 4 City Council Meeting Highlights

Adopted Ordinance Regulating Short-Term Residential Rentals.

Adopted Ordinance Regulating Hedges and Shrubs within Side and Rear Yards of Private Residential Properties.

Adopted Resolution Authorizing the Appeal of Fiscal Year 2011-12 Alternative Voluntary Redevelopment Program Community Remittance with California Director of Finance.

Accepted Report with No Further Action by Council Concerning Allegations Regarding Allegedly Unaccounted For City/Redevelopment Agency Funds.

August 18 City Council Meeting Highlights

Adopted an Ordinance Determining the City will Comply with Alternative Voluntary Redevelopment Program Permitting Continuation of the Redevelopment Agency.

Approved a Change Order to Palm Springs Desert Resort in the Amount of \$25,186.65 for Additional Transient Occupancy Tax Funding for Fiscal Year 2010-11.

Approved proposed budgetary reductions dealing with personnel reductions, eliminating most community and cultural grant funding, limiting community events, reducing marketing campaigns, also dealing with library services, city newsletter and school grants, among others.

Approved Replacement Requisition to West Coast Trees in the Amount of \$128,700 for Seventy-Eight 13 Foot Phoenix Dactylifera Trees for Highway 111 Phase 2 Median Landscape Fiscal Year 2011-12.

Approved a lease with the Desert Town Hall for office space at the property located at 45-200 Club Drive.

Approved a lease with the Indian Wells Chamber of Commerce for office space at the property located at 45-200 Club Drive.

Approved a requisition to Western Pacific Roofing Corporation in the amount of \$102,060 for the 45-200 Club Drive roof replacements.

Approved a requisition to Polar Barr Air Conditioning Inc. in the Amount of \$47,800 for 45-200 Club Drive HVAC replacements.

Approved the Argument in Favor of Measure H Relating to Increase of City's Transient Occupancy Tax for the November 2011 Ballot.

Adopted a Redevelopment Agency Resolution Approving and Adopting an Enforceable Obligation Payment Schedule Pursuant to AB1X 26.



Indian Wells Belles is a group of resident ladies who enjoy golfing. We play a fun, casual twice weekly 18-hole game at the Indian Wells Golf Resort on either The Celebrity or Players Course. If interested in joining, please contact Anne at carereviewresources@gmail.com (preferably e-mail) or (760) 776-9723.



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GO THE Extra Mile on 12/31/11

Online registration is now open for the inaugural Rock 'n' Roll New Year's Eve ½ Marathon Indian Wells/Palm Desert.

To register and learn more about this sensational long-distance running event, visit <http://runrocknroll.competitor.com/new-years-eve> (and refer to the City's September newsletter). Stay tuned for updates as race day approaches!




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Highway 111 Phase 2 Improvements Nearly Completed

Traffic along Indian Wells' main artery will soon return to normal as the City's Public Works Department wraps up Phase 2 of the Highway 111 enhancement project, which began earlier this summer. The project will enhance Highway 111 safety by providing traffic calming effects that will help reduce excessive speeding, minimize road noise, and prepare Highway 111 for future potential widening.



Upcoming Phase 3 improvements (estimated summer 2013) will widen Highway 111 to six lanes west of Cook Street along the existing commercial frontage, following utility relocations now under design.

In terms of Phase 2 costs, the \$ 5.1 million Phase 2 project is jointly funded by CVAG at \$3.0 million, and \$2.1 million from the City of Indian Wells. The City will recoup a significant portion of the \$2.1 million investment due to water expense reductions that will accrue over time from the use of irrigation water.

The City median island installation, working in cooperation with CVAG, saved approximately \$1.7 million over the alternative required road work without landscaped median installation.

The CVAG funding primarily originates from Measure A, which allocates a portion of overall California sales tax receipts to road improvements. The City's funding source for the Highway 111, Phase 2 project derives from tax-free municipal bond sale proceeds.

For more information, please contact the City of Indian Wells Public Works Department directly at (760) 776-0237.

Upcoming Events

November 11

**City of Indian Wells
Veterans Day Ceremony
Eisenhower Walk of Honor – City Hall
10 a.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.

