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BNP PARIBAS OPEN CELEBRATES ITS 35TH ANNIVERSARY

PLAYERS TO WATCH MARCH 8-21

The BNP Paribas Open is right around the corner, bringing more than 300 of the world's most talented tennis players to the Indian Wells Tennis Garden. The complimentary tournament tickets that city residents receive for Residents' Day (March 11) and other dates throughout the tournament is one of the great benefits of Indian Wells property ownership and, by now, most of you will have picked up your tickets at City Hall.

We thought you might want to get to know some of these amazing athletes, so below and on the next page you'll find a listing of 21 players to watch (and you'll find the full listing of 35 to watch in honor of the tournament's 35th anniversary at www.bnpparibasopen.org, click on NEWS).

To find out who will be playing on your court on game day, visit the BNP Paribas Open for daily postings, check *The Desert Sun* newspaper, or pick up a daily draw sheet at the Tennis Garden.

- 1. Roger Federer:** The World No. 1 player, and three-time BNP Paribas Open champion, had an incredible year in 2009. He surpassed Pete Sampras' mark of Grand Slam titles by capturing his first French Open title and following that up with his sixth Wimbledon title just a month later.
- 2. Maria Sharapova:** One of the most-recognized athletes in the world, this Russian starlet returned from shoulder surgery in 2009 by playing doubles at the BNP Paribas Open. She went on to reclaim her form throughout the season and won her 20th career singles title at Tokyo. In addition, she reached the quarterfinals at the French Open and the semifinals of two other events.
- 3. Rafael Nadal:** The World No. 2 Spaniard is the defending men's champion of the BNP Paribas Open. In 2009 he captured the Australian Open, but injuries in the second

half of the year derailed him from maintaining the No. 1 ranking with which he began the year. He came back at the end of the year to help his country capture another Davis Cup title, the second in as many years.

- 4. Kim Clijsters:** The new mom made an incredible comeback to the Sony Ericsson WTA Tour last year. After taking more than two years off, she burst back onto the scene, and in her third tournament she captured the US Open title and her second career major. The two-time BNP Paribas Open champion will want to make it a trifecta in March.
- 5. Novak Djokovic:** The 2008 BNP Paribas Open champion won five titles in 2005, including three events in the fall swing at the end of the season. The World No. 3 is always entertaining to fans, and will be looking to hoist the trophy on center court again this year.

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PLAYERS TO WATCH (continued from page 1)

6-9. Dinara Safina, Svetlana Kuznetsova, Elena Dementieva and Vera Zvonareva:

This quartet of Russians are all ranked in the top ten, and have been dominant performers on the Tour the past few years.

10. Andy Roddick: The American played one of the greatest matches of his career at Wimbledon in 2009 before falling to Federer 16-14 in the fifth set. A semifinalist here last year, and a first-time doubles champion (with Mardy Fish) he captured the 28th title of his career at Brisbane in the first week of the 2010 season.

11. Caroline Wozniacki: This 19-year-old made tremendous strides in 2009 winning three titles and reaching the finals at the U.S. Open to catapult her to a career-high ranking of No. 4 in the world.

12. Andy Murray: A BNP Paribas Open finalist last year, the Scot captured an ATP World Tour-best six titles in 2009 and reached a career-high No. 2 ranking in August before finishing No. 4. Last year, he also reached the semifinals at Wimbledon and the quarterfinals at the French Open. His all-court game makes him a threat to capture his first title in the desert this year.

13. Victoria Azarenka: A BNP Paribas Open semi-finalist last year, the World No. 7 left her mark on the Tour last season by capturing three titles, including a victory in Miami the week after Indian Wells. She also won the doubles title at the BNP Paribas Open last year, with Zvonareva, who defeated her in the singles final.

14. Juan Martin Del Potro: The 6' 6", 21-year-old Argentine defeated Federer in five incredible sets, at the U.S. Open last summer, to win his first major title. Unquestionably one of the brightest young stars on tour, he will be looking to collect his first Masters 1000 title in Indian Wells.

15. Melanie Oudin: This 18-year-old captured the hearts of fans with her dramatic run to the quarterfinals of the U.S. Open last summer. She will be looking to make a similar run here in the desert this spring.

16. Bryan Brothers: The twin brothers, Mike and Bob, are one of the greatest doubles teams of all time, yet the one win still lacking from their resume of 56 career titles is the BNP Paribas Open.

17. Daniela Hantuchova: The 2002 and 2007 BNP Paribas Open champion is always a threat in Indian Wells. Unquestionably one of her favorite tournaments on tour, the Slovakian star always seems to bring her "A" game to Indian Wells.

18-19. Sam Querrey and John Isner: The future of American men's tennis comes in one size – tall. Querrey at 6' 6" and Isner at a towering 6' 9" both pack gigantic serves, but have proved that they are more than just missile launchers. Querrey won in Los Angeles last summer and Isner won the first ATP World Tour title of his career at Auckland.

20-21. Ana Ivanovic and Jelena Jankovic: This Serbian duo had some struggles in 2009, but bright things still lie ahead for the young stars. Ivanovic, who won the BNP Paribas Open in 2008 and the French Open that year as well, is a fan favorite. Jankovic, currently ranked No. 8 in the world, won two tournaments last season.

www.bnpparibasopen.org (760) 200-8000

BNP Paribas Open Event Highlights

Monday, March 8

Sony Ericsson WTA Main Draw: 12 p.m.
Women's main draw at the Tennis Garden Village stage. Free admission at the gates to watch the WTA Qualifying Rounds.

Tuesday, March 9

ATP World Tour Main Draw: 1 p.m.
Men's main draw at the Tennis Garden Village stage. Free admission at the gates to watch the WTA and ATP Qualifying Rounds.

Thursday, March 11

City of Indian Wells Residents' Day

Friday, March 12

Salute to Heroes: 6:30 p.m.

The BNP Paribas Open hosts a special pre-match ceremony recognizing veterans, military personnel, police and firefighters. The preceding also receive two complimentary tickets for the evening session by showing proper ID at the south gate box office.

Saturday, March 13

Desert Fashions by FILA: 5:30 p.m.

Professional ATP and WTA players join models down the runway for a private, indoor runway fashion show in the Garden Club Courtyard. Ticket price includes cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, gift bag, runway seating, evening box seat ticket, and raffle tickets to win prizes. To order tickets, call 1 (800) 999-1585 or visit www.bnpparibasopen.org

To view and print out a full schedule of the event calendar visit www.bnpparibasopen.org (SCHEDULES, EVENTS). For more information, call 1 (760) 200-8000.





BNP Paribas Open Exclusive - Indian Wells, CA Tuesday, March 16, 2010



Take advantage of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to watch the best tennis on the West Coast with one of the sport's greatest players:

Andre Agassi

You'll watch the women's round of 16 and men's third round singles matches at the 2010 BNP Paribas Open.

- You will enjoy both the day and night sessions on Tuesday, March 16 at the BNP Paribas Open.
- Watch the matches in the comfort and privacy of a stadium suite - the air-conditioned suite is professionally hosted and catered, and features TVs and intimate seating both inside and out for only 15 couples.
- Enjoy match commentary from eight-time Grand Slam singles champion Andre Agassi during one of the day matches.
- Experience a VIP tour of the Indian Wells Tennis Garden by former Davis Cup member and Tournament Chairman, Charlie Pasarell.
- A visit in the suite from a surprise special guest.
- Complimentary valet parking.
- Take away a commemorative photo and gift to remember this remarkable experience.
- Transform public education for underserved youth; proceeds from this event will benefit the Andre Agassi Foundation for Education.

\$6,000 per person

A portion of your donation will be tax-deductible as allowed by law. Transportation and accommodations are not included. Time in suite with Andre is to be determined by Foundation. For more information, please contact Darian at 702-227-5700 or darian@agassi.net.



Indian Wells Golf Resort Earns Troon Golf Award

Troon Golf has awarded the Indian Wells Golf Resort its prestigious “Facility Newcomer of the Year” for 2009. Troon annually bestows this award on the most successful facility added to the Troon Golf Collection each year. Past winners have included The Els Club in the United Arab Emirates, Cap Cana in the Dominican Republic, and The Peninsula Golf & Country Club in San Mateo, California.

Since June 2009, the Indian Wells Golf Resort has received six nationally recognized accolades and, since joining the Troon Golf family last year, Indian Wells has increased green fee revenues by 31% and total revenues by 15% compared to the previous year. The IW Club has also seen major improvement in food and beverage with two full menu revisions.

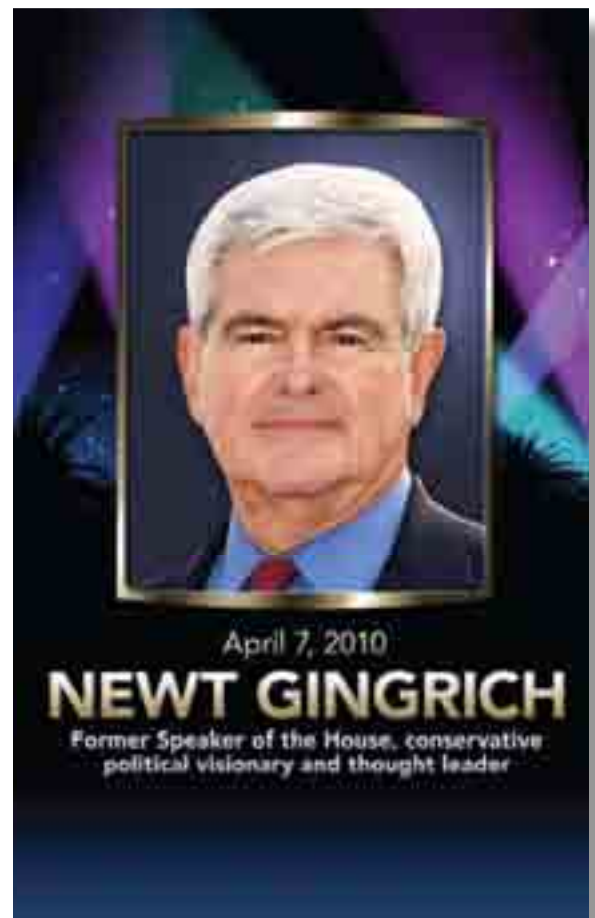
Newt Gingrich Winds Up 2010 Desert Town Hall—Indian Wells

Former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich takes the Desert Town Hall stage on Wednesday, April 7, wrapping up another scintillating season of one of the nation’s premier speaker series.

Gingrich is perhaps best-known as the architect of the “Contract with America” that helped the Republican Party capture the U.S. House majority in 1994 for the first time in 40 years. Under his leadership as Speaker, Congress passed welfare reform and passed the first balanced budget in a generation.

Gingrich is also an accomplished author, having published nineteen books including 11 fiction and nonfiction *New York Times* best-sellers. He and his wife, Callista, host and produce historical and public policy documentaries. The most recent, *Nine Days That Changed the World*, explores Pope John Paul II’s historic nine-day visit to Poland in 1979.

Desert Town Hall-Indian Wells is held at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa. For more information and to check ticket availability, visit www.deserttownhall.org or call 1 (760) 416-3400.



First Weekend in April Is All About Art



Invite your family and friends into town for Easter weekend and plan to attend the eighth annual Indian Wells Arts Festival to be held April 2-4, 2010 at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden. This leading fine arts festival transforms the Tennis Garden into a wondrous artisan village filled with 200 artists and their singular creations. Festival highlights also include a gourmet marketplace, wine tasting, children's activities, glass blowing and rock sculpting demos, and much more.

Cost: Adults \$10 at the gate; free for children 12 and under. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (gates close at 4:30 p.m.). Free general parking; valet parking available.



Tickets Available for March 24 ATHENA Luncheon

City residents and guests are invited and encouraged to attend the sixth annual ATHENA Awards Luncheon to be held on Wednesday, March 24 beginning at 11:30 a.m. at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa.

This year's ATHENA honors will be bestowed on two well-deserving recipients: Kitchen Kitchen owner Jan Boydston and retired healthcare professional Eileen Hall. ATHENA Founder Martha Mertz will be the keynote speaker.

Cost is \$45 per person or \$450 for a table of 10. Reserve your space today by calling 1 (760) 346-2489.

The PlayHouse at Indian Wells Presents Jimmy McCarthy's Wild Irish Wake IW Club, Indian Wells Golf Resort

The McCarthy family will gather for Jimmy's Wake Wednesday, March 17, 2010 – St. Patrick's Day

There is a mystery to solve. Who inherits Jimmy's pot of gold and was the death really an accident? Solve the mystery and win a prize!

A cast of Irish players will make you laugh and bring a twinkle to your eyes. Musicians will perform Irish music, tenors will sing classic Celtic tunes, and a grand time will be had by all!

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Meet the McCarthys at a no-host cocktail reception

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Corned Beef and Cabbage Buffet dinner and performance

Tickets: \$60 per person; advance reservations required: 1 (760) 360-9191.



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

The City of Indian Wells maintains an emergency telephone number to provide residents with updated details and instructions in the event of a power outage, street closures, earthquake or other disaster. Please keep this number handy so you will have access to vital information. Thank you.



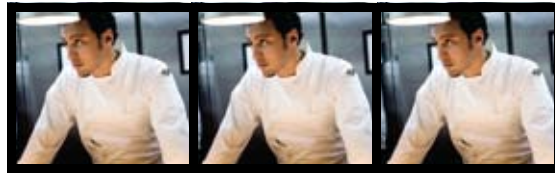
MORE MARVELOUS RESIDENT EVENTS IN MARCH (& APRIL 1)



March 4 Coffee & Conversations



Meet Indian Wells friends and neighbors on Thursday, March 4 at the IW Club Café and enjoy a complimentary cup of Starbucks coffee and scrumptious pastry tastes. These informal morning coffee gatherings take place from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and are a great way to begin your day!



Residents Invited to Free Screening of Today's Special

The Palm Springs International Film Society and City of Indian Wells cordially invite Indian Wells residents to a complimentary screening of *Today's Special*, shown at the 2010 Palm Springs International Film Festival.

This exclusive screening will be held on Tuesday, March 9 at 6 p.m. in the Indian Wells Theatre at California State University, San Bernardino – Palm Desert campus.

Advance reservations required, 1 (760) 346-2489. Two tickets per household as seating is limited. Moviegoers must present a valid Indian Wells Property Owner ID card for admittance to theater.



April 1 Resident Patio Party

Enjoy a light-hearted April Fools' Day afternoon at this fun IW Club patio party exclusively for Indian Wells residents. Patio parties feature complimentary appetizers, no-host bar and entertainment. Advance reservations are required; call 1 (760) 346-2489 to reserve your space. Two reservations per household limit; must show a valid Indian Wells Property Owner ID card upon entry.

The IW Club was clearly the place to be on January 21 as more than 200 Indian Wells residents attended one of the city's festive patio parties





**BETWEEN EARTH AND HEAVEN
THE ARCHITECTURE OF JOHN LAUTNER**

Turner Residence, Aspen, Colorado, 1982, The John Lautner Archive, Research Library, The Getty Research Institute, Los Angeles ©The John Lautner Institute

City Presents Premier John Lautner Exhibition at Palm Springs Art Museum

From his early days as an apprentice to Frank Lloyd Wright at Taliesin West to his celebrated 1960 Chemosphere in the Hollywood Hills, visionary architect John Lautner left his indelible imprint on Southern California architecture.

From now until May 23, Coachella Valley residents can experience the depth and breadth of Lautner’s renowned works at the Palm Springs Art Museum in a stunning exhibition entitled *Between Earth and Heaven: The Architecture of John Lautner*.

The City of Indian Wells is the exclusive Presenting Sponsor of this world-class exhibition. Indian Wells residents and up to six guests may use their printed pass from the city’s February newsletter for complimentary admission on any day during the exhibition’s run. If you did not receive your pass, you can pick one up at City Hall.

In addition, the city is hosting a free Community Day for all desert residents on March 4. To learn more about *Between Earth and Heaven: The Architecture of John Lautner* and the Palm Springs Art Museum, visit www.psmuseum.org.

Cabaret Theatre West Presents “Gershwin Time”

The new Cabaret Theatre West at the Hyatt Grand Champions Resort, Villas and Spa has been getting rave word-of-mouth reviews thanks to an amazing creative

team and cast. And, music lovers of all ages who adore inimitable standards like “Embraceable You” and “The Man I Love” will not want to miss the Cabaret’s second show of the season chronicling the lives and music of the renowned George and Ira Gershwin.



“Gershwin Time” performance dates are March 10, 11, 18, 19, 25, 26, and April 1 & 2. Cabaret Theatre West will end their inaugural season with “Fabulous Fifties” on select dates in April and May.

Theatre doors open at 6:30 p.m.; all performances begin at 7 p.m. Tickets for individual performances are \$45 per person.

Why not make a night of it and enjoy a pre-theatre dinner at Lantana and post-performance beverage and dessert in the Hyatt’s Pianissimo Lounge?

For more information and to purchase tickets online for Cabaret Theatre West, visit www.cabarettheatrewest.com or call 1 (760) 568-0024. Group sales are available.

“Imagining the Future” Focuses on Solar Energy and Drinking Water

Join the City of Indian Wells and UCR Palm Desert for the next two installments of “Imagining the Future,” a free speaker series featuring leading UCR Engineering faculty and their innovative research. Next up:



Wednesday, March 10

UCR’s Solar Energy Research Initiative: What Does It Mean to the Coachella Valley?

Matthew Barth, Ph.D.

Director, Transportation Systems Research

Wednesday, March 31

Pharmaceuticals in Drinking Water: Are We at Risk?

David Cwiertny, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor, Chemical/Environmental Engineering

Held in the IW Club at the Indian Wells Golf Resort, each evening features a one-hour presentation followed by Q&A. This series is free and open to the public. Advance reservations are required. 1 (760) 834-0924.

Take the Census 2010 Challenge

Want to make an important pact? Let's all fill out the 2010 U.S. Census forms and mail them back by April 1 to ensure that we have the best response rate in the Coachella Valley!

Why is it so crucial to fill out this form? Census data affects the number of seats each state occupies in the U.S. House of Representatives. Moreover, the federal government allocates more than \$400 billion annually to states based, in part, on census data. This information guides planning for services and infrastructure projects like new hospitals, roads and public works projects, emergency services, and more.

You will receive a 10-question form and post-paid envelope in the mail in mid-March. Please fill out the form completely. If you are staying at your vacation home or second residence, please check question #10 "At a seasonal or second residence." If you check a box on the form incorrectly, draw a line through it and mark the correct box for the question.

If you do not receive a form in the mail, call the Telephone Questionnaire Assistance center at 1 (866) 872-6868 (open 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day until July 30, 2010).

For comprehensive information about the U.S. Census, visit <http://2010.census.gov>



IT'S IN OUR HANDS



Indian Wells resident and donor Wayne Hoffman (second from left) with pilots Don Eccker and Jaye Mathews, and Palm Springs Air Museum President and CEO Sharon Maguire

City Residents Donate Stearman to Palm Springs Air Museum

Indian Wells residents Wayne and Laura Hoffman have donated a fully restored, two-seater 1943 Stearman biplane to the Palm Springs Art Museum. During the 1930s and 1940s, the plane was used as a military trainer. More than 10,000 were built by the end of World War II, and reportedly 1,000 are still flying today.

Wayne's love affair with planes started at an early age. A World War II veteran, he co-founded Flying Tigers International, an expedited global airfreight service, serving as Chairman of the Board for 20 years. The company was eventually sold to Fed Ex.

The Hoffmans own Pacific Executive Aviation, a "fixed base" operation in Ramona near San Diego, where they service all San Diego fire fighter aircraft, as well as private planes.

The Palm Springs Air Museum is an educational non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve, educate and honor our veterans. More than 28 flyable planes and interactive exhibits are housed in 75,000 square feet of climate-controlled hangar. www.palmspringsairmuseum.org, 1 (760) 778-6262.



Next Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Event – March 20, 2010

The City of Indian Wells will hold its next monthly Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Disposal collection event on Saturday, March 20, 2010 in the City Hall parking lot from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. City residents are encouraged to bring unwanted paint containers, household cleaners, batteries, fluorescent tubes and bulbs, medicines, and personal medical “sharps” – including needles and lancets – for safe disposal. Please deliver wastes only during hours of operation. All waste products should be properly identified, labeled and in leak-proof containers.

For more information, call 1 (760) 346-2489. Additional waste disposal and recycling details are available at www.cityofindianwells.org (GO GREEN) and www.burrtecdesert.com.



Indian Wells Landscaping Goes Organic

We've got some great news to share with you: For the past 18 months, landscaping maintained by the City of Indian Wells has gone organic. In other words, organic fertilizer consisting of decomposed mulch, worm castings, mycorrhizae, and compost tea has replaced chemical based ammonium sulfate fertilizers. The organic fertilizer mix reduces plant burn factors and saves the City \$12,000 annually as compared to use of non-organic products, so green efforts are generating cash savings! Enjoy the city's fantastic landscaping knowing that we work on making a beautiful environment green in many ways.

Eliminate E-Waste

Don't let e-waste items like consumer electronic equipment become part of the trash stream.

Donate still functioning equipment to someone who can use it, or call Burrtec Waste and Recycling Services to schedule your free e-waste pick up today at (760) 340-2113. www.burrtecdesert.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.

Daily through June 15, 2010

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.

Daily Through May 31, 2010

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 2010

Season and summer hours, 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 2010

Children's Discovery Museum of the Desert, (760) 321-0602. Open every day 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 March

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

March 1

The Band of the Irish Guards, McCallum Theatre, Palm Desert: 7 p.m. Presented by the City of Indian Wells. For Indian Wells resident discount, call McCallum Theatre Box Office at 1 (760) 340-ARTS (2787) Discount prices: \$70/60/50/20.



March 2

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: 2 p.m.

Former Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf, Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells, Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa: 6 p.m. For details and ticket availability, visit www.deserttownhall.org or call 1 (760) 416-3400.



March 4

Coffee & Conversations for Indian Wells Residents, IW Café at the Indian Wells Golf Resort: 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

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

March 6

Palm Springs Art Museum's 99 Bucks, Hotel Zoso, Palm Springs: 4:30–8 p.m. Hundreds of small, original canvases – some celebrity creations – will be for sale for just \$99. Admission is \$19.99 per person and includes one complimentary beverage and hors d'oeuvres.



March 8–March 21

2010 BNP Paribas Open tennis tournament, Indian Wells Tennis Garden. www.bnpparibasopen.org. tix@iwttg.net. Indian Wells Tennis Garden Box Office 1 (760) 200-8000.



March 9

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

Resident Movie Night screening of *Today's Special*, in the Indian Wells Theatre at California State University, San Bernardino – Palm Desert campus. Advance reservations required, 1 (760) 346-2489. See page 6 for story.

March 11

Indian Wells Residents' Day at BNP Paribas Open, Indian Wells residents are entitled for four free loge tickets for day or nighttime sessions. Call 1 (760) 346-2489 for ticket availability.



Note: Community Activities Committee Meeting cancelled.

March 14

International Classical Concerts of The Desert presents pianist Ilya Petrov, first prize Russian Federation. Rancho Mirage Federation. Rancho Mirage Public Library: 6 p.m. Series tickets \$100; single tickets \$25. For ticket and information, call 1 (760) 416-5355. www.internationalclassicalconcerts.org. The City of Indian Wells is a co-sponsor of the 2009-2010 season.



March 17

Free CPR Training for residents, City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489: 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. Space is limited to ten per class; advance reservations required.



Jimmy McCarthy's *Wild Irish Wake*, The Playhouse at Indian Wells, IW Club: 5:30 p.m. (see page 5 for details).

March 18

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

March 19

Free Family Fun Night, Children's Discovery Museum, Rancho Mirage: 5–8 p.m. www.cdmod.org, 1 (760) 321-0602. Sponsored by the City of Indian Wells.

March 20

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Event: City Hall parking lot, (760) 346-2489: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

March 25

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

March 27–28



Spring Plant Sale at The Living Desert's Palo Verde Garden Center. The Center has one of the most complete selections of Southwest desert plants in California. 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Living Desert is located in Indian Wells and Palm Desert. www.livingdesert.org, 1 (760) 346-5694.

March 28

Steinway Society's 6th Annual Festival Winners' Concert, Rancho Mirage Public Library: 4-5:30 p.m. www.steinwayriverside.org, 1 (760) 341-4130. The City of Indian Wells is the Presenting Sponsor of the 2009/2010 Steinway Society season.

The city's citrus collection program continues through May 26. Please drop off your unwanted citrus in the collection bins located next to the Emergency Operations Center behind City Hall (off Eldorado Drive). Hidden Harvest regularly collects the produce to be distributed to the hungry via food banks throughout eastern Riverside County.



January 21 City Council Meeting Highlights

Adopted Resolution Providing Workers' Compensation Benefits for City Volunteers in Accordance with Labor Code Section 3363.5.

Adopted Resolution Establishing Appeal Hearing Fees for Administrative Citations.

Approved Declaration and Disposal of Public Works Surplus Equipment.

Adopted Resolution Adopting Designated Speed Limits for Specified Streets and Rescinding Resolution No. 2008-50.

Approved Expansion of the IW HEAL Program effective October 15, 2009.

Approved Requisition to the City of Palm Desert in the Amount of \$304,577.35 for the Costs of the Fire Department's Ladder Truck for Fiscal Year 2008-09 and the Fourth Quarter Reconciliation for Fiscal Year Ending 2007-08.

Adopted Resolution Approving the Festival of Life Temporary Use Permit to be Held on April 9-11, 2010 and Located South of Miles 500' West of Washington Avenue in Indian Wells.

February 4 City Council Meeting Highlights

Directed Staff to provide Council with options for financing the assessment costs that would be most favorable to the Indian Wells Village homeowners; and to proceed with a nonbinding "straw vote" survey of the Indian Wells Village homeowners which quotes the assessment per homeowner, once approved by Council, to gauge if the assessment is acceptable to the residents; and a phased approach to the financing and establishment of the proposed Village Underground Utility with review of possible bond financing options, SE Rule 20 and State and Federal grant funding options for this project to reduce the fiscal impacts to the City.

Approved Change Order to David Evans & Associates in the Amount of \$1,480 for Mountain View Villas Phase II Landscape Architectural Services Adjacent to Highway 111 for Fiscal Year 2009-10.

Approved the Creation of a Resident Community Center Ad Hoc Committee and Recruitment Schedule.

Approved the Revised Fiscal Year 2009-10 Operating Budget for the City and the Redevelopment Agency Presented at the City's Mid Year Budget Review.

Approved Requisition to Hospitality eBusiness in the Amount of \$29,040 for Search Engine Marketing Services for Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2009-10

Directed Staff to agendize the Mountain View Villas Phase I Geotechnical Summary and Future Plans for the next meeting, and to include various estimates as to cost to demolish and potential re-build of the eight affected buildings; and to APPROVE appropriation of \$14,000 funded through the RDA 20% Set-Aside fund for site elevation data collection and a supplemental appropriation of \$68,573.87 funded through the RDA 20% Set-Aside fund required to complete the Phase I affected unit relocation.

Easter Sunday at Hyatt Grand Champions



Hyatt Grand Champions Resort, Villas and Spa will host a multicourse Easter Brunch on April 4 in its exquisite Lantana restaurant from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost: \$44*

for adults, \$20 for children 6-12, free for children five and under (*prices exclude alcohol, tax and gratuity). Reservations highly suggested, 1 (760) 341-1000.

Easter Sunday at the Miramonte



The Miramonte Resort & Spa will host an Easter Brunch on April 4 in the resort's spacious Mediterranean Ballroom from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This special holiday event will include a multicourse brunch with hot and cold entrée stations, live music, 12 noon Easter egg hunt, and 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. Reservations highly suggested. 1 (760) 341-7200.

Easter Sunday at the IW Club



IW CLUB

The IW Club will expand its fabulous Sunday Buffet Brunch for Easter Sunday. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Reservations recommended. 1 (760) 834-3800. Call for more details.



Fireworks Alert

Eldorado Country Club and The Vintage Club (7 p.m.) will hold private fireworks displays on March 20. The Vintage Club will also hold fireworks displays on March 25 at 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m.

These events are not open to the public. Please remember to bring pets indoors. Thank you.



Mayor's Public Office Hours

Drop by and share your perspectives on Tuesdays from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at City Hall.

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MARCH IS Red Cross Month

The recent devastating earthquake in Haiti underscores the importance of humanitarian organizations like the American Red Cross. The Riverside County Chapter of the American Red Cross offers comprehensive programs and services to provide relief to victims of disaster and help people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies.

Visit the Red Cross' Riverside County Chapter website at www.riversidecounty.redcross.org where you will find information on health and safety services, first aid and disaster training programs, how to volunteer, and much more. You can also purchase tax-free emergency preparedness supplies online.

For more information, call 1 (888) 831-0031.



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Upcoming Events

April 1

Resident Patio Party IW Club
5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Advance reservations required

April 7

Newt Gingrich
Desert Town Hall—Indian Wells
Renaissance Esmeralda
Resort and Spa
6 p.m.

April 14

"Imagining the Future"
Speaker Series
Making SMOG On the Laboratory
to Help Clear the Air Outside:
IW Club
6 p.m.

April 21 and May 19

Free CPR classes
City Hall: 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Advance registration required
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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.

Opera Under the Stars

OperaArts is pleased to announce the first annual *Opera Under the Stars* to be held Saturday, April 17, 2010 at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa in Indian Wells. The evening, which begins at 6:30 p.m. features a no-host cocktail hour, dinner, and a fabulous array of operatic arias, operetta, and classical Broadway favorites. The City of Indian Wells is the Presenting Sponsor of *Opera Under the Stars*.

"OperaArts is very grateful for the support of this event by the City of Indian Wells," says OperaArts Founder Arlene Rosenthal. "We are looking forward to a stellar evening of music and celebration with the community!"

Jackie Lee Houston will be this year's recipient of the St. Cecilia Patron of Music Award for her altruistic work in the community on behalf of culture and

the arts, and her generous philanthropic contributions to the entire valley. Heather James Fine Art has generously donated a special marble sculpture by Japanese artist Hikaru for the award.

Tickets for the event are \$125 per person and can be purchased online at www.operaarts.org or by calling (760) 323-8353.

OperaArts is a non-profit organization whose goals are to bring quality music, specifically Opera and Operetta to the public at large, accompanied by fine displays of the visual arts. OperaArts was created from the collaborative efforts of a small consortium of community residents and opera aficionados.

