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# Desert Town Hall-Indian Wells Announces 18th Stellar Season



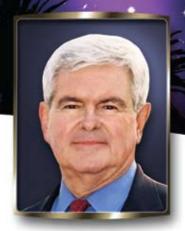
January 26, Tuesday DR. ANDREW WEIL



February 12, Friday
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What do a famous physician, the prior U.S. Secretary of State, the former president of Pakistan, and a well-known conservative politician have in common?

Next year, they will all grace the stage of Desert Town Hall-Indian Wells, the premier speaker program in the nation held annually at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa.

Now entering its 18th season, this prestigious, scintillating series kicks off on January 26 with Dr. Andrew Weil. Dr. Weil is a leading proponent of integrative medicine, an innovative healthcare approach that comprises body, mind and spirit. The Harvard-educated physician is also the founder and director of the Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine at the University of Arizona in Tucson, and the best-selling

author of health and wellness books including *Spontaneous Healing* and 8 *Weeks to Optimum Health*.

On February 12, former U.S.
Secretary of State and national
security advisor Condoleezza Rice
will share her unparalleled expertise
on global affairs, national security,
and education. Rice is currently the
Thomas and Barbara Stephenson
Senior Fellow of Public Policy at the
Hoover Institution and professor of
political science at Stanford University.

Desert Town Hall-Indian Wells welcomes President Pervez Musharraf on March 2. In the course of his seven years at the helm of affairs in Pakistan, President Musharraf played a vital role in the global war on terror and endeavored to empower the people of Pakistan through initiatives girded by

his vision for a modern, democratic, non-fundamentalist Islamic Pakistan.

The 2010 Desert Town Hall-Indian Wells series will conclude on April 7 with an appearance by Newt Gingrich, the former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives. Gingrich is well-known as the architect of the "Contract with America" that led the Republican Party to victory in 1994 by capturing the majority in the U.S. House for the first time in 40 years. He is also the author of 19 books and, along with his wife, Callista, hosts and produces documentary films.

Reserve your series or individual tickets today by calling 1 (760) 416-3400. More information is available at www.deserttownhall.org.

# SPECIAL TICKET OFFERS FOR ANNUAL BNP PARIBAS OPEN

**PURCHASE TODAY!** 



## World-renowned Tennis Tournament Coming Up March 8-21, 2010

The most-attended tennis tournament in the world outside of the four Grand Slams will celebrate its 35th anniversary next March and you will not want to miss all the action at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden.

To mark this special occasion, the BNP Paribas Open is offering a number of terrific ticket deals and promotions. For a limited time, tennis fans can purchase a Daily Double box seat ticket with a prime seat location in the lower bowl for both day and evening sessions. Plus, while supplies last, fans can take advantage of special \$35 grandstand tickets for the final championship weekend.

Daily tickets range in price from \$10 to \$80. Additionally, Coachella Valley residents can receive a 30% discount on loge tickets throughout the tournament (excluding March 19 day session, March 20, and March 21).

Online ordering is easier than ever before and you can even print your ticket at home. Order your tickets online today at www.bnpparibasopen.org, by calling 1 (760) 200-8000, or by visiting the Indian Wells Tennis Garden box office at 78-200 Miles Avenue (Mon-Fri 10 a.m.  $-5\ p.m.$ )



### Holiday Shopping at the 2010 BNP Paribas Open Store

For a unique personal or business holiday gift that provides a souvenir of the incomparable Indian Wells tennis experience, visit the online BNP Paribas Open store. Reasonably priced signature products include t-shirts, hats, visors, and players towel! www.bnpparibasopen.org.

# City Ushers in the Holidays with Inaugural Tree Lighting Celebration

The City of Indian Wells will officially kick off the holiday season with a Tree Lighting Ceremony at City Hall on Saturday, December 5 beginning at 6 p.m. Members of California Desert Chorale will be on hand to perform caroling favorites. Complimentary cookies, coffee, hot chocolate, and hot apple cider will be served.

The city's fire department will be accepting new toy donations (unwrapped) for the Spark of Love Toy Drive.

Invite your family and friends to join us - no RSVP required. For more information, call City Hall, 1 (760) 346-2489.



## IW CLUB: NEW HOURS, NEW MENUS, **HOLIDAY FEASTS AND MORE!**

Seasonal Hours at IW Club and Fairway Grille Through June 1, 2010



#### **IW Club Lunch and Bar Menu**

Monday-Wednesday (Bar open until 10 p.m.) 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday-Saturday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Bar open until 11 p.m.)

#### **IW Club Dinner and Bar Menu**

Monday-Wednesday 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. (Bar open until 10 p.m.) Thursday-Saturday 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. (Bar open until 11 p.m.)

#### Sunday

Brunch Buffet: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch and Bar Menu (Bar open until 9 p.m.) 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dinner 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. (Bar open until 9 p.m.)

#### **IW Café**

Monday-Sunday 6 a.m. to 3 p.m.

#### **IW Café Tapas & Wine Bar**

Monday-Sunday 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

#### **Fairway Grille**

Monday-Sunday 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

#### **IW Club Golf Shop**

Monday-Sunday 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.



# IW Club Executive Chef Chris Olson Unveils New Menus

The IW Club has several new delicious menu items this fall and winter thanks to the culinary creativity of Executive Chef Chris Olson who has worked diligently to develop what he calls a "seasonally fresh menu that takes traditional dishes and puts a modern twist on them."

New mouthwatering options on the lunch menu include a Lean Turkey Pastrami Reuben and Tender-Loin Tip Tacos; on the dinner menu, you'll find new starters and signature entrees like "Hoptober Beer Can" Half Chicken, Braised Beef Short Ribs, Cedar Planked Salmon, and more. The Smoked Turkey Chili with Rattlesnake Beans (not real "rattlesnake" but rather a Southwestern version of the pinto bean) and Praline Baked Brie on the bar menu are not to be missed, while the new IW Café tapas and wine bar menu adds eclectic small plates ranging from Five Cheese Flatbread to Panko Crusted Rare Tuna and Grande Chicken-Chorizo Nachos.

Lunch and dinner reservations in season are highly recommended. For reservations and information, call 1 (760) 834-3800.



### Celebrate New Year's Eve at the IW Club

To herald the New Year, the IW Club is planning a special dinner menu for December 31. Dinner will be served from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. with the bar closing at 10 p.m.

For information, visit www.indianwellsgolfresort.com or call 1 (760) 834-3800. Indian Wells Golf Resort holiday dining hours are as follows: Christmas Day and New Year's Day – IW Café: 6 a.m. to 12 p.m., IW Club: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Fairway Grille: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., beverage carts: 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. All daytime venues will be open for regular hours of operation on December 31.



## Foreign Policy Specialist to Speak at December World Affairs Council Event

Mr. Christopher Preble, the director of foreign policy studies at the CATO Institute in Washington D.C. will discuss "Meeting the Challenge of Iran" at the next World Affairs Council of the Desert.

This special dinner event will be held

on December 13 at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa.

Preble, a specialist on Iran and Iraq, has written more than 100 articles for such influential publications as The Wall Street Journal, USA Today, the Foreign Service Journal, and the Harvard International Review. He is also the

author of several books.

The evening begins with a reception and no-host cocktail hour beginning at 5 p.m., followed by dinner at 6 p.m. and presentation at 7 p.m.

For details and ticket information, call 1 (760) 322-7711 or visit www.worldaffairsdesert.org.

## Libertine Has the Ultimate Gift for Wine Aficionados

Libertine has the perfect gift for the wine lover on your list this holiday season: hand-painted wine aerators. Each of the three original designs comes complete with fitted sediment trap and metal-toned base. The numbered, limited edition series aerates

younger wines so that they are ready to be enjoyed instantly. All three styles sparkle with hand-set Swarovski© crystals – jewelry for your wine. As a December special, Libertine



offers Indian Wells residents these exquisite creations for the special sale price of \$80 each.

Libertine, a fine jewelry salon, is located at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa. For more information, call 1 (760) 773-0220 or visit www. libertinejewelry.com.

### Ring in 2010 with KJJZ's Fitz, Warren Hill and The Smooth Brothers at Hyatt Grand Champions



One of the valley's most popular radio hosts, KJJZ's Jim "Fitz" Fitzgerald, presents an exciting New Year's Eve Celebration on Thursday, December 31 in the Indian Wells Ballroom at the Hyatt Grand Champions Resort, Villas and Spa.

One of the most electric and popular showmen in contemporary jazz — saxman Warren Hill — headlines this sophisticated evening with dinner music and late night music in the Pianissimo Lounge provided by The Smooth Brothers.

The party begins at 6 p.m. with cocktails and open bar, and a three-course dinner (includes beer and wine) and dancing at 7 p.m. Highlights of the evening also include a 9 p.m. balldrop (East Coast) on video big screens and champagne toast, followed by Warren Hill's performance.

Cost is \$150 per person. To purchase tickets, call 1 (760) 674-4220. The resort is also offering a \$399 New Year's Eve room package (with additional nights at \$99). This special package features a standard room, two tickets to Fitz's New Year's Eve Celebration, and a breakfast buffet for two on New Year's Day in Lantana restaurant. For reservations, call 1 (800) 233-1234 and request offer code GCNYE.

# Satisfy Your Holiday Palate at Grove Artisan Kitchen

Savor the fresh flavors of the season at the casually elegant Grove Artisan Kitchen located in the Miramonte Resort & Spa.

Chef Robert Nyerick and his team have prepared special, multicourse menus for Christmas and New Year's Eve worthy of the most discriminating palate.



Christmas Dinner will be served on December 25 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. with a choice of four delectable main courses. Cost is \$45 per person.

A special New Year's Eve dinner menu will be served on December 31 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. to include an amuse, starter, salad, intermezzo of sorbet, choice of one of three entrées, and a special dessert. Cost is \$65 per person. Advance reservations highly suggested, 1 (760) 341-2200.



# First Patio Party Of The Season Draws More Than 300 Residents



Mark your calendars for the next patio party on January 21. Advance RSVPs will be required.



## CITY OF INDIAN WELLS SPONSORS DIVERSE CULTURAL EVENTS AND ORGANIZATIONS



## 2010 Palm Springs International Film Festival Update

Veteran actor Morgan Freeman will be honored with a Career Achievement Award and actress Anna Kendrick will receive the Rising Star Award at the 21st Annual Palm Springs International Film Festival Awards Gala to be held Tuesday, January 5, 2010 at the Palm Springs Convention Center. Kendrick stars in *Up in the Air*, a new "dramady" from Jason Reitman and co-starring George Clooney. More honorees and stars are still to be announced.

The 2010 Palm Springs International Film Festival will run from January 5 through January 18 at various venues throughout Palm Springs. A variety of ticket packages are now available. Individual ticket sales begin December 24 for Palm Springs International Film Society members and December 26 to the general public. For details, online pass and ticket purchase, and the latest news, visit www.psfilmfest.org.



# The Steinway Society of Riverside County Presents MUSIC OF THE MASTERS featuring Maestro Carlo Ponti, Jr.

With performing artists Jungwon Jin and Juliane Song, and Mileana Martinez

February 6, 2010 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Xavier College Preparatory High School 34-200 Cook Street in Palm Desert Donation of \$25 per adult, \$5 for 18 and under

Tickets now available for purchase by check or credit card payable to: The Steinway Society of Riverside County, P.O. Box 3015, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270 (Pick up tickets at Will Call).

The mission of the Steinway Society of Riverside County is to promote excellence in piano performance for all children; to bring music into the schools and encourage music education at all levels; provide financial awards through competition; and to provide music lessons for deserving children with a financial need.

For more information, call 1 (760) 341-4130 or visit www.steinway-riverside.org.

## Joslyn Center Offers Something for Everyone

The Joslyn Center came into existence to serve the over-50 population of Indian Wells, Palm Desert and

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Rancho Mirage. Although that is still its primary mission, three decades since its inception the Joslyn Center has become a great deal more.

From June through September, Joslyn Center is a Community Cooling Center. In the fall, the center serves the entire community with a free Health Fair and Flu Shot event, and offers a variety of social services including Meals on Wheels and Telephone Safety Net.

Moreover, the Joslyn's Arthur Newman Theatre offers a season of five productions annually by resident theatre

company, The Joslyn Players, as well as performances from outside producers.

Upcoming Joslyn Center events open to the public include the Wednesday Movie Matinee every Wednesday at 1 p.m. Admission is free for Joslyn Center members and only \$2 for guests, and includes popcorn and a beverage. December is classic film month: December 2: Love Story, December 9: The Way We Were, December 16: The Great Gatsby, and December 23: On the Waterfront (closed on December 30). More events are listed on page 10 of this newsletter.

The Joslyn Center is located at 73-750 Catalina Way in Palm Desert. The center closes for the holidays at 12 p.m. on December 24 and reopens at 8 a.m. on Monday, January 4. For more information, call 1 (760) 340-3220 or visit www.joslyncenter.org.



# Hundreds Attend City of Indian Wells November 11 Veterans Day Tribute



Approximately 500 Indian Wells residents and guests attended the city's Veterans Day Ceremony on a picture-perfect fall day in the desert. Amazing performer James Higgins brought the audience to its feet with his soul-stirring voice, while World War II survivor Platoon Sergeant Vincent Anderson, USMC, shared moving stories of his wartime experience. The event also included the unveiling of the names of 26 Indian Wells veterans newly inscribed on the granite walls of the Eisenhower Walk of Honor.











City Council Meetings — Live and On-Air

The Veterans Day Ceremony will air daily on Channel 17 (digital Channel 122) at 12 p.m. starting on November 23 for the remainder of 2009.

As a reminder, residents are welcome at all City Council meetings, which take place at City Hall on the first and third Thursday of each month at 1:30 p.m. The city calendar at www.cityofindianwells. org notes specific dates.



You can also watch your city government in action from the comfort of your own home. All City Council meetings are re-broadcast daily, in their entirety, on Channel 17 (digital channel 122) beginning on the following Monday at 9 a.m. and again at 7 p.m.

# Eisenhower Medical Center's Renker Pavilion Offers the Ultimate Healing Environment

When you are feeling your best, there is nothing like the experience of staying in a five-star hotel to enjoy luxurious pampering and amenities. Why shouldn't the same type of atmosphere and service be available when you or a loved one is seriously ill or recovering from surgery? Thanks to the vision and generosity of Indian Wells residents Greg and Stacey Renker, Eisenhower Medical Center offers extraordinary patient accommodations at the Greg and Stacey Renker Pavilion.

While in their 40s, both Greg and Stacey endured two separate life-

threatening experiences. The expert care and treatment they received at Eisenhower saved their lives. It also inspired them to create the Greg and Stacey Renker Pavilion, a contemporary, world-class healing environment with a total of 24 one- and two-bedroom luxury suites that comfortably accommodate patients and their overnight guests.

"When someone falls ill or is in recovery mode from surgery, it impacts not only the patient but the family and friends," says Michael Landes, president of the Eisenhower Medical Center Foundation.

"The ambiance of the Renker Pavilion, combined with individualized patient care and services, elicits an authentic healing experience that is really unique for each patient."

Suite amenities include fine linens, marble bathrooms with oversized tubs and showers, flat screen televisions with state-of-the-art sound, high-speed internet access, original art, gourmet meals provided room-service style or in a private dining room, and a full-time concierge service. Patients and their guests also have access to a private library with computer access, a family room, and a soothing meditation room.

Room rates range from \$395 to \$695 per night above insurance coverage. For more information or to arrange a tour, please call 1 (760) 773-1888, www.emc.org (Renker Pavilion).







# Now Accepting Reservations for Prestigious ATHENA Awards Luncheon

The City of Indian Wells will hold its sixth annual ATHENA Awards Luncheon Ceremony on Wednesday, March 24, 2010 in the Crystal Ballroom at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa.

This prestigious event will pay tribute to two exceptional women who reside in Indian Wells and have attained the highest levels of professional excellence and community service. The honorees will be announced later this month.

Moreover, ATHENA Awards founder Martha Mertz will once again join the festivities as the keynote speaker. Since Mertz founded the ATHENA Awards Program in 1982, more than 5,000 awards have been presented in over 500 communities in the United States, Canada, China, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United Arab Emirates.

Cost is \$45 per person; \$450 per table of 10. Be sure to reserve your seat today by calling 1 (760) 346-2489. The City of Indian Wells and Best, Best and Krieger serve as event sponsors.



Items that can and cannot be recycled

As part of its longstanding commitment to safeguarding the environment, the City of Indian Wells partners with Burrtec Waste and Recycling Services to divert as much material as possible from landfills. The city and Burrtec offer a comprehensive residential recycling program; one benefit is that residents may request an unlimited number of recycling containers in sizes of 18, 32 and 64 gallons. Simply call Burrtec at 1 (760) 340-2113 to have containers delivered directly to your home.

#### Items accepted for recycling include:

- White and colored paper (whole or shredded, smooth or glossy)
- Papers with staples, post-it notes, tape or paper clips
- Newspaper
- · Phone books
- "Junk" mail, envelopes, and magazines
- Soft-bound books (entire book) and hard-bound books (inside only without cover)
- File folders and cardboard flattened
- Aluminum and tin cans
- Clear plastic bottle and containers (#1-#7 check number on bottle)
- Plastic, empty medicine bottles
- Glass bottles
- · Aerosol containers

#### The following items are NOT accepted for recycling

- Food
- Food-stained paper items
- Toilet and facial tissues
- Used paper towels
- Styrofoam
- Medical waste, needles and syringes
- Tyvek envelopes
- Non-numbered plastics
- Plastic dry-cleaning bag
- · Plastic bags
- Household chemicals
- Bubble wrap
- · Padded envelopes
- · "Green" waste
- Dishware
- Oil
- Clothing
- Wax-coated materials (such as soda paper cups)

To learn more about waste and recycling in the City of Indian Wells, visit www. burrtecdesert.com (Services, Residential, Indian Wells), call Burrtec customer service at 1 (760) 340-2113, or log on to the GO GREEN section at www.cityofindianwells.org.

### Wishing You Have a Very "Green" Holiday Season



Burrtec Waste and Recycling also collects Christmas trees and other holiday greenery for recycling starting on December 26 through the second week of January. Trees must be cut into four-foot lengths (or smaller), bound, and placed next to your trash and recycling bins for collection on your regular pick-up day (no flocked trees accepted).

A few more tips for a more sustainable holiday season: Use reusable shopping bags for your gift purchases, try to buy wrapping paper made of recycled content, reuse shipping materials (like foam peanuts), and consider sending holiday greetings via e-mail.

### Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Event Scheduled for December 18

The City of Indian Wells will hold its monthly Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Disposal collection event on Friday, December 18, 2009 at City Hall from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the parking area at City Hall. 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 and labeled and in leak-proof containers.

Call 1 (760) 346-2489 for more information. Additional waste disposal and recycling details are available at www.cityofindianwells.org (GO GREEN) and 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.

#### **December 2009**

Children's Discovery Museum of the Desert, (760) 321-0602. Open Tuesday through Sunday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.; closed Mondays and some holidays. 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 December**

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

#### **December 1**

Residents' Night at WildLights, The Living Desert: 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Advance reservations required; maximum of two people per Indian Wells household. 1 (760) 346-2489.



#### **December 2**

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

#### **December 3**

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

World Affairs Council of the Desert's Academic WorldQuest sponsored by Peter Solomon, Indian Wells Theater, CSUCB-Palm Desert campus: 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. 13 Coachella Valley high school teams participating for prizes and chance to qualify for National WorldQuest in Washington D.C. www.worldaffairsdesert.org.

#### **December 5**

City of Indian Wells Tree Lighting Holiday Celebration, Indian Wells City Hall: 6 p.m. No RSVP required (see page 2 for details).

#### December 5 & 6

Arthur Newman Theatre, Joslyn Center, *Christmas Yve* with Yve Evans and her band. December 5: 7 p.m., December 6: 2 p.m. Tickets \$30, Joslyn members \$25. Box office 1 (760) 340-3220, ext.109. www.joslyncenter.org.

#### **December 6**

Indian Wells Historic Preservation Foundation Annual Meeting, Indian Wells Resort Hotel: 2 p.m. Guest speaker: Dick Oliphant, former Indian Wells mayor. Light refreshments. Members and friends of Historic Preservation are invited to attend. RSVP to Adele Ruxton, 1 (760) 346-8420.

#### **December 6, 10 & 11**

Glory Shone Around performances, California Desert Chorale, Indian Wells Theater, California State University-San Bernardino, Palm Desert campus: 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call 1 (760) 346-4933, www. californiadesertchorale.org. The City of Indian Wells serves as the Gold Sponsor for the 2009-2010 season.



#### **December 8**

Opera Arts presents "Singing Stars of Yesterday and Today," Joslyn Center: 7 p.m. Coffee and cake at a "Meet the Artists" Reception following performance. Tickets \$20. Box office 1 (760) 340-3220, ext. 109. www.operaarts.org, www.joslyncenter.org.

#### **December 10**

Coffee & Conversation for Indian Wells Residents, IW Club Café: 7:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m., Enjoy a complimentary cup of Starbucks coffee with pastry tasters. No RSVP needed.

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

#### **December 12 & 13**

The Edwards Twins, Joslyn Center. December 12: 7 p.m., December 13: 2 p.m. Tickets \$25. Box office: 1 (760) 340-3220, ext. 109. www.joslyncenter.org.

#### **December 13**

A Big Band Christmas, Indian Wells Pops, Indian Wells Theater, Cal State San Bernardino Palm Desert campus: 2 p.m. For tickets and information, call 1 (760) 341-2883, ext. 78154 or visit http://pdc.csusb.edu (Public Events).

#### **December 14, 2009**

Music of Chanukah with cantor Beth Garden, Rancho Mirage Public Library, 1 (760) 341-7323: 7 p.m.

#### **December 15**

Home for the Holidays concert, The Coachella Valley Symphony, Sierra Ballroom at Sun City Palm Desert: 7 p.m. For tickets and information, call 1 (760) 360-2222, www. coachellavalleysymphony. com. The City of Indian Wells is a Presenting Sponsor of the Coachella Valley Symphony.

#### **December 16**

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.

#### **December 17**

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

#### **December 18**

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



#### **December 18 - January 2**

WildLights Holiday Festival, The Living Desert: 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Call 1 (760) 346-5694 or visit www.livingdesert.org for details. The City of Indian Wells is Presenting Sponsor.

#### **December 25**

Christmas Day. City Hall closed.

#### **December 29**

Metropolitan Opera Singing Stars of Tomorrow, Rancho Mirage Public Library, 1 (760) 341-7323: 7 p.m. Presented by Opera Showcase of the Desert.

#### **December 31**

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



#### October 15 City Council Meeting Highlights

Approved Resolution Approving General Plan Amendment Housing Element Update for Planning Cycle 2008-2014.

Adopted Ordinance Adding Municipal Code Section 17.20.051 Establishing Sign Criteria for Desert Horizons Country Club.

Adopted Ordinance Adding Municipal Code Section 17.20.052 Establishing Sign Criteria for Indian Wells Country Club.

Approved Change Order to Vintage Landscape in the Amount of \$18,000 for an Irrigation System Retrofitting Pilot Program in Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Zone No. A-25, Sundance.

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

Approved Proposed Bag Drop and Starter Boxes at the Indian Wells Golf Resort.

Approved Resolution Bill Authorizing Execution and Delivery of Purchase and Sale Agreement and Related Documents with Respect to Sale of Seller's Securitization Program Proposition 1A Receivable from the State of California.

Approved Change Orders for Palm Safety Assessment Program in the Amount of \$18,498 and Approve Supplemental Appropriation for Same.

Approved Contract with Burke, Rix, Hines and Associates in the Amount of \$24,000 for Fiscal Year 2008-09 and \$25,000 for Fiscal Year 2009-10 for Grant Writing and Lobbyist Services and Approve Supplemental Appropriation for \$49,000.

Awarded Construction Contract to MicroCool in the Amount of \$40,998.14 for Installation of Misting System at the IW Club.

Awarded Contract to Holland Glass & Mirror in the Amount of \$9,438 for Replacement of Banquet Doors at the IW Club.

#### November 5 City Council Meeting Highlights

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Continued Discussion Relating to Inclusion of Private School's in the City's School Grant Program.

Approved Phase I of the Indian Wells Community Garden consisting of 27 raised garden boxes and Approved a Supplemental Appropriation in the amount of \$60,000.

Approved Requisition for Hospitality eBusiness Strategies in the Amount of \$29,040 for 2nd Quarter Search Engine Marketing Services for Fiscal Year 2009-10.

## Learn To Play Croquet!

Take a free introductory lesson in the fun and easy game of croquet at the beautiful Indian Wells Golf Resort's Croquet Lawn. Learn to play

a fast and fun version of croquet: the Australian rules "Ricochet Croquet." Perfect for any skill or age level, Australian Ricochet Croquet is played in under 2 hours and is an excellent introduction to the sport of croquet. Once you learn Ricochet, you can easily move into other croquet games - Golf Croquet and American and International Association play.

The first lesson is free and will introduce you to croquet equipment, rules of play, strategy, and lawn etiquette. Further play costs an annual dues payment of \$100 for membership in the Indian Wells Croquet Club and the U.S. Croquet Association. Your membership includes free use of professional croquet equipment, unlimited free games of croquet on the Indian Wells Golf Resort croquet lawn with appropriate game scheduling, and reciprocity privileges at croquet clubs throughout the U.S.

To schedule your introductory croquet lesson, or for more information, e-mail the Indian Wells Croquet Club at iwcroquet@yahoo.com.



### Fireworks Alert

There will be a private fireworks display on Thursday, December 31, 2009 at the Vintage Club. This event is not open to the public. Please remember to bring pets indoors. Thank you.

### Citrus Collection Begins December 1

Donate unwanted or extra fruit from your trees in the collection bins located in the parking lot next to the Emergency Operations Center behind City Hall. Hidden Harvest will regularly collect the fruit to distribute to food banks in eastern Riverside County. For more information, refer to the city's November newsletter, visit www.cityofindianwells.org, or call 1 (760) 346-2489..





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#### SAVE THE DATE



December 10 and January 14
Coffee & Conversations
IW Club Café:
7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Brighten up your morning with a bit of socializing, and a complimentary cup of Starbucks coffee with delicious pastry tasters. No RSVP needed for this Indian Wells resident-only event.

#### January 20 Resident CPR Training Class City Hall: 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Learn vital CPR techniques. Space is limited to ten per class. To register in advance call 1 (760) 346-2489 and please bring Indian Wells Property Owner ID card to class to show proof of residency.



#### January 21 Indian Wells Resider

Indian Wells Resident Patio Party IW Club Café: 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

This monthly casual party exclusively for Indian Wells residents features complimentary appetizers, entertainment, and a no-host bar. Reservations limited to two residents per household. Advance RSVP required, 1 (760) 346-2489.

# February 11 An Evening of Music – Indian Wells Theater, CSUSB-PD 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

The City of Indian Wells and The Steinway Society of Riverside County present a special concert for Indian Wells property owners only featuring pianist Keenan Reesor and McCallum Open Call winner [name to come]. This cultural event begins with a 5 p.m. complimentary wine and appetizer reception followed by 6 p.m. concert. Advance reservations required; must show Indian Wells property owner card at the door. For reservations, call 1 (760) 346-2489.



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## Save The Date For These Upcoming Resident Events

# February 22 Resident Golf Tournament Indian Wells Golf Resort 8:30 a.m. shotgun start

Join your fellow Indian Wells residents for a sensational golf outing on the magnificent Players Course at the Indian Wells Golf Resort. Cost is \$100 per person and includes a continental breakfast, 1 round of golf, barbeque lunch, fun activities on the course, and a great gift bag. A non-golfing spouse or friend is welcome to join you for lunch for an additional \$25. Please note that golfers must be Indian Wells property owners and tournament is limited to the first 144 players who register. Partial proceeds from this event will go to The First Tee (www.thefirsttee.org).

Register today by calling Ann Stenson at 1 (760) 346-2489.





# February 25 Palm Springs Art Museum Tour: Palm Springs Art Museum: 9 a.m.

Enjoy a free private docent-led tour of the Palm Springs Art Museum followed by a picnic lunch in the museum's tranquil sculpture garden. A deluxe motorcoach from the IW Club will provide round-trip transportation. Advance reservations will be accepted at 1 (760) 346-2489 beginning on January 18. For Indian Wells property owners only; limited to two reservations per household.

#### March 11

Indian Wells Tennis Garden: Residents' Day at BNP Paribas Open

Mark your calendars for the annual Residents' Day at the BNP Paribas Open tennis tournament held at the state-of-the-art Indian Wells Tennis Garden. More details forthcoming. The city will also be offering Indian Wells households two additional tickets for the tournament. Stay tuned for more details.

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