



INDIAN WELLS

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Free Tennis Tickets for Residents to 2009 BNP Paribas Open



Ticket Request Forms Accepted at City Hall – First Come, First Served!

The first major U.S.-based tennis tournament of the season arrives in Indian Wells on March 9 with a new title sponsor, the world's top tennis players, thousands of fans, and festivities galore. This year, the City of Indian Wells is pleased to offer a unique opportunity to Indian Wells property owners



wishing to attend the BNP Paribas Open. A limited amount of complimentary tickets for all tournament sessions are now available. Please note that, due to popular demand, ticket distribution will be limited to two per household.

You can pick up a Ticket Request Form at City Hall or log on to www.cityofindianwells.org to download a form in advance. Ticket Request Forms must be submitted in person only to City Hall and you must show a valid Indian Wells Property Owner ID card. Ticket applicants will be notified by e-mail or by phone as soon as requests are filled and tickets are available for pick-up.

For questions or more information, please call (760) 340-0740. Enjoy this exciting, world-class event!

Let the Games Begin!

Be sure to take advantage of all the BNP Paribas Open has to offer, including these highlighted activities!

Saturday, March 7

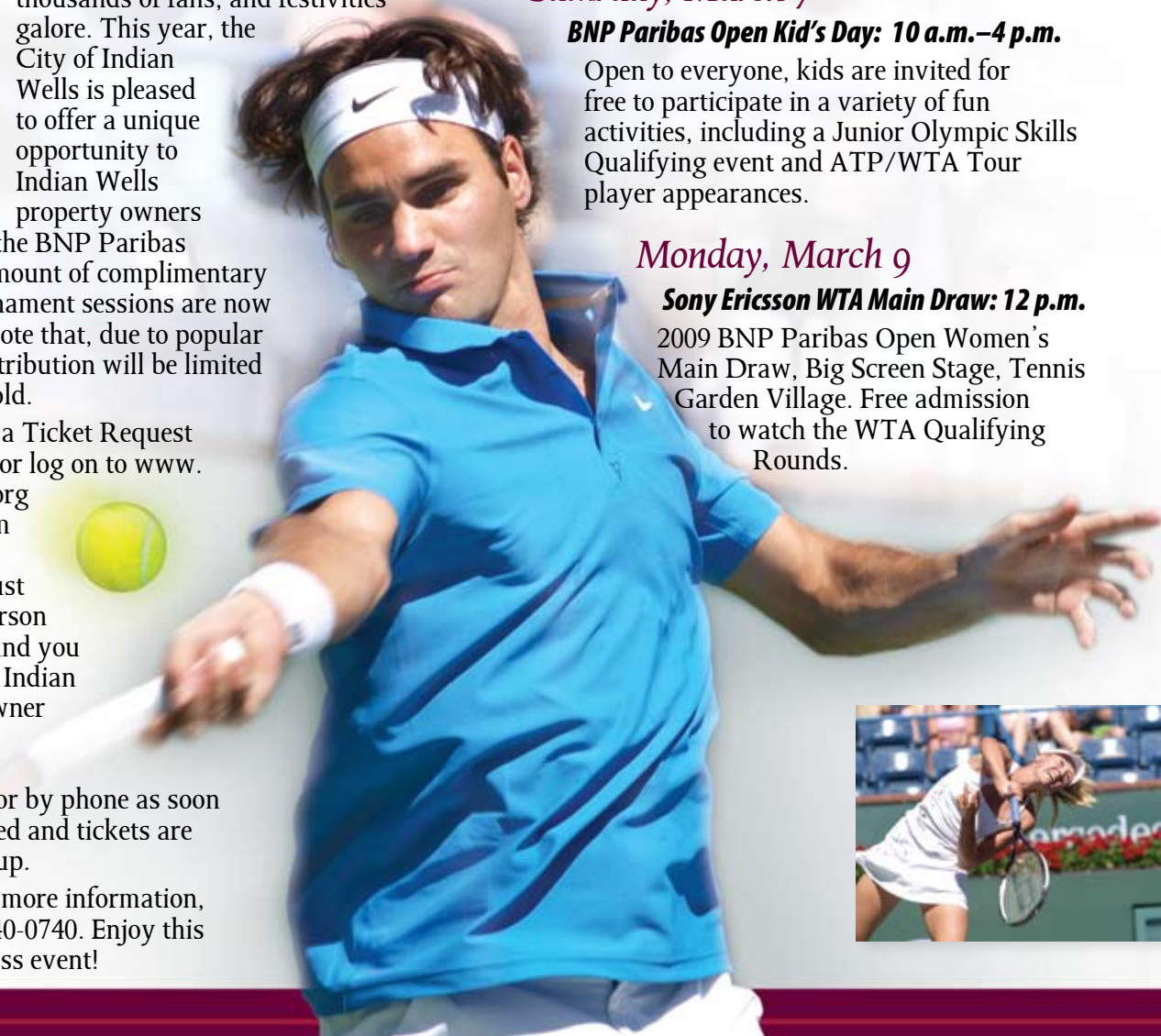
BNP Paribas Open Kid's Day: 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Open to everyone, kids are invited for free to participate in a variety of fun activities, including a Junior Olympic Skills Qualifying event and ATP/WTA Tour player appearances.

Monday, March 9

Sony Ericsson WTA Main Draw: 12 p.m.

2009 BNP Paribas Open Women's Main Draw, Big Screen Stage, Tennis Garden Village. Free admission to watch the WTA Qualifying Rounds.



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Tuesday, March 10

ATP World Tour Main Draw: 1 p.m.

BNP Paribas Open Men's Main Draw, Big Screen Stage, Tennis Garden Village. Free admission to watch the WTA and ATP World Tour Qualifying Rounds.



Saturday, March 14

Tennis Village Entertainment sponsored by KJZ begins: 5 p.m.–7 p.m.

Live music, entertainment and refreshments through March 20.

Desert Fashions by FILA and Trina Turk: 6 p.m.

Join FILA for a private, indoor runway fashion show that includes the latest Trina Turk styles. Ticket price includes cocktails, hors' d'oeuvres, gift bag, runway seating, evening box seat ticket, and more. To order tickets, call 1 (800) 999-1585.

March 11 - 22

Player Autograph Signings & Stadium Promotions

Check daily draw sheet or *The Desert Sun* for daily autograph signing schedule. Plus, fun sponsor promotions and special offers will take place throughout the tournament on the Stadium Court. Look for the City of Indian Wells air cannon between matches for a chance to catch some great prizes!

Wednesday, March 11

"Tennis Talk" begins

Join guests until March 20 for lively tennis talk on the Tennis Garden Village Stage. Check daily draw sheet for times and guest speakers.

Thursday, March 12

City of Indian Wells Residents Day

Indian Wells residents are entitled to four free loge tickets plus a parking pass for today's day or nighttime matches.



Friday, March 13

Wheelchair Tennis Exhibition

Top-ranked wheelchair tennis players compete in an exhibition match in the main stadium.



Salute to Heroes: 6:30 p.m.

The BNP Paribas Open hosts a special pre-match ceremony on the Stadium Court recognizing veterans, military personnel, police and firefighters. All of above can receive two free tickets for the evening session by showing proper ID at South Gate Box Office.

Sunday, March 15

Night at the Matches Benefiting The Champions Volunteer Foundation

Watch world-class tennis, and enjoy fine dining and visits from professional tennis players – past and present – from the owner's private suite. Reserve your seat today by calling (760) 835-3803 or e-mail lindab1@dc.rr.com.

March 20 – 21

BNP Paribas Open Tri-Level Championships

This doubles competition represents 12 different USTA sections from around the country.

Saturday, March 21

Main stadium starting at 11 a.m.

Women's Doubles Final
Men's Singles Semi Finals
Men's Doubles Final



Sunday, March 22

Main stadium starting at 12 p.m.

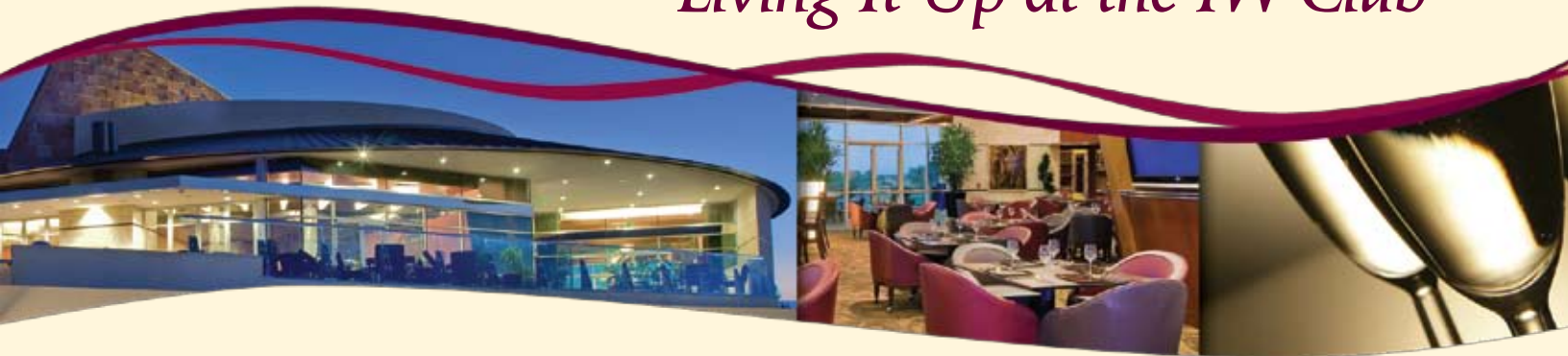
Women's Singles Final
Men's Singles Final



Event schedules and times are subject to change.
For regular updates, visit www.bnpparibasopen.org.
During the tournament, you may also check *The Desert Sun*, daily draw sheet, or call the Sports Information Line at (760) 200-8120.



Living It Up at the IW Club



Make the IW Club your “social center” this season with the variety of events and specials available to residents.

The IW Club is now serving dinner seven nights a week, plus offering **nightly dinner specials**. To see Executive Chef Matthew Pike’s menu, visit www.cityofindianwells.org (IW Club, Nightly Specials). For reservations, call (760) 346-2653.

Be sure to mark your calendars for every second and fourth Thursday of each month when the IW Club hosts **Patio Parties** exclusively for Indian Wells residents. These casual outdoor gatherings from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. feature complimentary light appetizers and a no-host bar. No need to RSVP – simply show up to enjoy the festivities.

The IW Club also has a **nightly happy hour** from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Mix and mingle enjoying 50% off the Appetizer Menu (resident discount does not apply), draft beer, and well drinks.

Local gemologist Matilde Parente continues her six-part **Breakfast & Birthstones** series on Thursday, March 12 at 9 a.m. This month’s featured gems are

Aquamarine (March) and Sapphire (September). Cost is \$20 per person, which includes valet parking and a specialty breakfast prepared by Chef Pike.

Coming up in April: A special IW Club **Easter Brunch** on Sunday, April 12 from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The delicious menu includes mouthwatering pastries, a variety of hot entrees, made-to-order omelets and more. The full menu is available online at www.cityofindianwells.org (IW Club, Easter Brunch). Cost is \$45 per adult; \$22.50 for children under 12 (note: resident discount does not apply for this event). Reservations are required, (760) 346-2653.

As a reminder, the IW Club is available to host a variety of special events, from intimate gatherings to weddings and large-scale meetings. Chef Pike and his team also offer offsite catering for home and business events.

For more information, call (760) 346-4653 or visit www.indianwellsresort.com.

Elder Statesman of Peace to Speak on March 4

He believes in the “power of forgiveness and reconciliation and that without forgiveness there can be no peace, and without peace there certainly can be no future.”

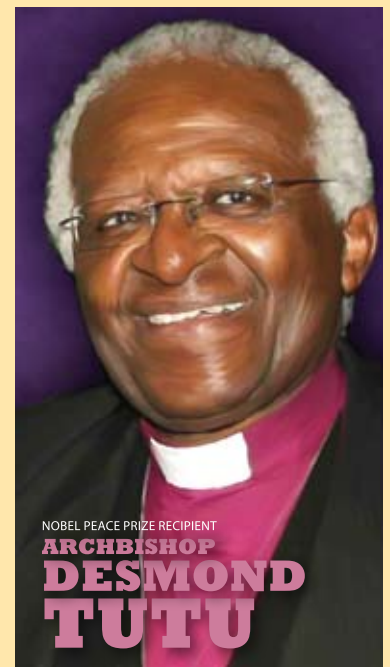
He is Archbishop Desmond Tutu, who on Wednesday, March 4, will take the Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells stage to share his vision and knowledge of “Africa’s Rebirth.”

Born near Johannesburg, South Africa in 1931, Tutu’s decision to enter the ministry and his career as a crusader for justice in South Africa earned him a Nobel Peace Prize in 1984. In 1986, he was elected Archbishop of Cape Town, an office he held until his retirement in 1996. That same year, South African President Nelson Mandela appointed Tutu to chair the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, the body set up to probe gross human rights violations during apartheid.

Since that time, Tutu has helped raise awareness of HIV/AIDS, served as a visiting university professor, authored a number of books, and is the guide and inspiration for The Desmond Tutu Peace Centre, set to open in Cape Town in 2010.

The 2009 Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells series will conclude on Friday, April 3 with another Nobel Prize recipient: Paul Krugman, who received the coveted Nobel in Economic Sciences last year for his groundbreaking work on international trade theory and economic geography.

For Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells details and ticket availability, call (760) 416-3400 or log on to www.deserttownhall.org.





Delight Your Palate at March 25 Wine Tasting

Reservations are now being accepted at City Hall for the upcoming Resident Wine Tasting to be held Wednesday, March 25 beginning at 5 p.m. in the Celebrity Ballroom of the IW Club. This elegant event will include tastings of several premier wines paired with appetizers and dessert. Cost is \$25 per person; advance paid reservations required. For details, call (760) 346-2489.



Leanna Bonamici



Adele Ruxton

ATHENA Awards Inspire and Honor Leadership Qualities

Martha Mertz founded ATHENA International in 1982 to advocate for and recognize the leadership abilities of women. Today, her mission encompasses a global reach. Since the program's inception, more than 5,000 awards have been presented in over 500 communities in the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, China, Russia, and the United Arab Emirates.

On Monday, March 16, the Indian Wells community will celebrate two of its own women trailblazers – Leanna Bonamici and Adele Ruxton – during the fifth annual Indian Wells ATHENA Awards Luncheon to be held at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

You will not want to miss this dynamic event, which inspires all individuals to achieve their full potential. Cost: \$40 per person; \$400 for a table of ten.

For details, visit www.cityofindianwells.org; call (760) 346-2489 for reservations

March Is Marvelous at the Living Desert

In the mood for jazz, a Grand Canyon excursion, or simply sprucing up your desert garden? This month, The Living Desert can satisfy a desire for all three!

On March 8 and March 29, groove to the stylings of top West Coast jazz artists in an intimate, cabaret-style setting during Jazz at The Living Desert (4 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. performances each day).

Please note that seating is limited and advance paid reservations are required. For details, call Glenn Scott, (760) 346-5694 ext. 2162.

All aboard the Grand Canyon Railway! That's exactly what you may hear if you join The Living Desert's Grand Canyon Trip set for March 10–12. The tour includes a round-trip train ride from Williams, Arizona to the Grand Canyon, a stay at the Grand Canyon Hotel in Williams, and a shopping/sightseeing stop in Sedona, Arizona. For information, call Melody Winston, Palm Springs Tours & More, (760) 329-2204.

Stop by The Living Desert March 28 and 29 to check out the park's Plant Sale in the Palo Verde Garden Center. The Garden Center is known for having one of the finest selections of Southwest desert plants in the region, including the rarest of specimens.

To learn more about The Living Desert's outstanding programs and events, visit www.livingdesert.org.





IW Club Executive Chef Matthew Pike participated in the fourth annual Pendleton Foundation Chef's Auction held November 18, 2008 at Rancho Las Palmas Resort and Spa. Throughout the evening, the talents of 16 local chefs were auctioned off, raising \$110,000 for the charity named for Karen Pendleton, a cancer survivor. All proceeds from the event are directed to local cancer patients and their families struggling with the financial impact of the illness. Indian Wells residents Claire Levine and Jack Berlin scored a winning bid to have Chef Pike prepare a private dinner for eight at their beautiful home in Toscana Country Club.



Indian Wells Social Season Kicks Off with a Rousing Start



A crowd of excited Indian Wells residents lined up at the registration table for the first IW Season Social of 2009, held on January 14 at the IW Club. Nearly 200 residents attended the festive event. Chef Pike's sumptuous menu included a cooked-to-order pasta station with lobster ravioli and penne pesto, beef tenderloin carving station, and a variety of mouthwatering tarts for dessert!



Steve Rohlin and Doug Lawellin



John and Karen Tincher



Phillip and Beverly Sheller



Don Bickley and Anneli Hanna



Angie and Dale Hickman



Peter Foster and Susan Dubbs



Marguerite Dumont and Mennie Wong



Jean Rolland, Pat Simmons and Joan Haller



Karen Cheney, Judith Hamilton and Nat Cheney



Kyle Boyd, Judy Hoyt, Ronald Krajian, and Gisela Burmeister



*Standing: Laura and Michael McCoy, Wayne Brown, Jane Baer
Seated: Natalia Brown, Sandy Hill, Ken Baer*



Kathy Dolinar and Leda Seals



Desert Town Hall's Youth Ambassador Program Broadens Horizons

Kira Klatchko is an attorney at Best, Best and Krieger Law Firm in Indian Wells. Lincoln Jesser is a senior at Palm Desert High School. What do these two Coachella Valley residents have in common? They have both been a part of Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells' innovative Youth Ambassador Program in operation since 1993.

Today, the Youth Ambassador Program invites 150 local high school and college students to each Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells evening lecture. Students and educators also participate in a reception prior to each event where they have an opportunity to interact with the renowned guest speakers.

"A key part of the program is that our students get a chance to exercise their leadership skills by introducing speakers at the student reception," notes Sue Krenwinkel, a former Palm Springs High School counselor who has been actively involved with the Youth Ambassador Program for several years.



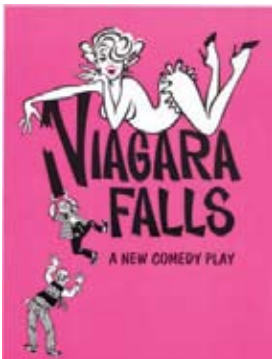
"We never know what is going to inspire our youth to greater potential, but we believe that exposing them to well-known personalities is one way to increase the possibility for critical thinking and expanded horizons," says Tim Parrott, executive director of Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells.

Desert Forum, Inc., which presents Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells, also sponsors a Youth Town Hall Program at local schools and other area venues.

To learn more about the Youth Ambassador and Youth Town Hall programs, visit www.deserttownhall.org (Youth Programs), and www.youthtownhall.org, or call (760) 416-3400.

Experience *Viagra Falls*

Special Rates for Indian Wells Residents



If you haven't seen the live hit comedy, *Viagra Falls*, currently playing at the Indian Wells Theater, here's a chance for you to see it at a reduced rate. The producers of *Viagra Falls* are offering all Indian Wells residents a ticket rate of \$35 per person when you book a party of six or more people. That's approximately 20% off the regular ticket price for a fabulous evening of laughter and fun.

Viagra Falls stars Harold Gould (*The Sting*, *Golden Girls*), Lou Cutell (many Broadway roles, *Seinfeld*), and Teresa Ganzell (*Three's Company*, *Malcolm in the Middle*). Performances are scheduled for Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30, and Sundays at 7 p.m. through March 22, 2009.

To purchase tickets, call (760) 341-2805. The Indian Wells Theater is located at the California State University, San Bernardino–Palm Desert Campus, 37-500 Cook Street in Palm Desert.



Renowned Piano Competition Begins This Month

The Virginia Waring International Piano Competition, Senior Division (18-36) will take place from March 29 through April 5, 2009 at the Indian Wells Theater and McCallum Theatre in Palm Desert. This prestigious competition is considered one of the world's major piano events, drawing participants from around the world. Highlights include solo, concerto, and chamber music competitions, and a solo master class with Yale School of Music's Boris Berman. Many of the events are free and open to the public. The competition concludes on April 5 with three finalists selected to perform full concerti with the Waring Festival Orchestra featuring the CSUN Symphony Orchestra, conducted by John Roscigno.

For a complete schedule of events, visit www.vwipc.org, or call (760) 773-2575.



City Continues Eco-Friendly IW HEAL Program

Great news for city homeowners and the environment! The City of Indian Wells will be continuing the “Indian Wells Home Energy Assistance Link” program (IW HEAL), which originally launched in 2008 as a one-year pilot program. IW HEAL offers monetary incentives to help homeowners invest in energy efficiency and save on utility costs.

In 2008, 110 city households purchased 139 approved appliances through the IW HEAL program. In electricity alone, this participation amounted to a combined energy savings estimated at more than 213,000 kilowatt hours and costs totaling approximately \$36,000.

The remaining \$59,000 from last year’s \$100,000 IW HEAL budget will be allocated to the 2009 program, with incentives available for qualifying Indian Wells homeowners – including those who received IW HEAL funding in 2008 – on a first-come, first-served basis.

IW HEAL incentives will be offered until December 31, 2009, based on the availability of funding. Monetary incentives are limited to

20% of the purchase price (including installation) of approved appliances, not to exceed \$500 per household per year. Residents may combine incentives up to the \$500 maximum.

Items eligible for IW HEAL incentives must be ENERGY STAR compliant. They include washing machines, dishwashers, refrigerator/freezers, electric water heaters, air conditioning units, pool pumps, and whole house fans. The 2009 program has been expanded to include the addition of an irrigation controller program, and permit fee waivers for homeowners who add solar installations and approved window replacements. No-fee inspections are required for all items permanently affixed to a property.

For more IW HEAL information and an application for download, visit www.cityofindianwells.org (GO GREEN) or call (760) 346-2489, ext. 227.



City Council Meetings to Be Broadcast on Channel 17

On February 5, City Council approved the launch of a six-month pilot program to tape and air city council meetings on Channel 17 (digital channel 122). The expanded communications initiative is designed to increase opportunities for resident awareness and involvement in the operations of city government.

Beginning on March 9, Channel 17 will broadcast city council meetings daily at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Meetings run, on average, approximately two hours.



This **Go Green** section is designed to highlight ways you can conserve energy, minimize costs, and help preserve the environment in the process. You will also find more information in the **Go Green** section of the city's website at www.cityofindianwells.org.

GO GREEN:

Why Should I Replace my Refrigerator?

One major way that you can save on household energy use and cost is by replacing your old refrigerator with an ENERGY STAR qualified model. In fact, ENERGY STAR qualified refrigerators use at least 20% less energy than required by current federal standards, and 40% less energy than earlier conventional models. ENERGY STAR qualified refrigerators and freezers are available in diverse configurations so that you don't have to sacrifice the features you desire.

Whether you use a standard or ENERGY STAR qualified model, you can reduce the amount of energy your refrigerator or freezer uses by:

- Placing your refrigerator away from a heat source like an oven, dishwasher, or direct sunlight.
- Making sure the door seals are air tight.
- Allowing air to circulate around the condenser coils, and leaving a space between the wall or cabinets and the refrigerator or freezer, and keeping the coils clean.
- Keeping your refrigerator between 35° and 38° F and your freezer at 0°F, and minimize the amount of time the refrigerator is open.
- If you must have a second refrigerator and you don't always use it, make sure that it is stored with the power off and door left ajar, until it is actually required.

Be sure to recycle your old or second refrigerators through initiatives like Southern California Edison's (SCE) Refrigerator and Freezer Recycling Program. SCE will not only pay you \$50 for your old working refrigerator and freezer, the company will transport your appliances for free to a recycling center where metals and refrigerants are removed in an environmentally safe manner.

To learn more about this program, call 1 (800) 234-9722, or visit www.sce.com (Residential, Rebates & Savings, Appliances). Indian Wells residents can also schedule a free appliance pick up from Burrtec. For details, call (760) 340-2113.



Indian Wells Hailed as California's First



Furthering its role as a leader in energy conservation, the City of Indian Wells has become the first California city to take part in an international program that promotes energy-efficient LED lighting. Cree, Inc., a North Carolina-based lighting manufacturer, is spearheading the LED City program, in which nine cities are presently participating.

Last November, Indian Wells installed 100 LED lights at City Hall, the Emergency Operations Center, and the city's Public Works Maintenance Facility. The city expects an annual savings of \$4,000, and will be evaluating the project for possible expansion into other city facilities.

According to Cree, LED lights use 85% less energy than standard incandescent bulbs and less than half the energy of compact fluorescent lamps. Their extensive longevity, combined with low-wattage output, enable hundreds of dollars of energy savings while minimizing mercury and landfill waste, as well as greenhouse gas emissions.

Next HHW Disposal Event to Be Held on March 21

The city's next monthly Household Hazardous Waste Disposal event will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2009 from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. in the parking area at Indian Wells 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. Free sharps containers will be available. Call (760) 346-2489 for more information or visit www.burrtecdesert.com/page91.html.



Animal Clinic & Adoption Day

Set for April 25

Update Your Pet's Vaccinations and License

An Indian Wells Animal Clinic and Adoption Day will be held on Saturday, April 25, 2009 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Indian Wells City Hall parking lot.

Free microchipping will be offered for residents' pets (Dogs must be licensed; proof of Indian Wells residency required). Please remember that city municipal code requires that all dogs four months or older must be vaccinated against rabies and licensed.

This event is sponsored by the City of Indian Wells and Riverside County Department of Animal Services. For more information, call City Hall at (760) 346-2489 or Riverside County Animal Services at (760) 343-3644.

Vaccination Fees: Rabies \$6, Bordatella \$6, DA2PPV (Distemper-Parvo) \$9, FVRCP (Feline Viral Rhino-tracheitis) \$7

License Fees:	1 YR	2 YR	3 YR
Dog license fee (altered)	\$8	\$15	\$19
Dog license fee (unaltered)	\$50	\$100	\$150
Senior Citizen Rate	\$6	\$7	\$8
Tag Replacement (Lost)	\$6		

ALL DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH/CATS IN CARRIERS



Increased Capacity Planned for April 25

Document Shredding Event

Due to the growing popularity of the city's free, no-limit Document Shredding Events, Indian Wells will have not one but two shred trucks onsite at the next event to be held on Saturday, April 25, 2009. This post-Tax Day event will be held from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (or until both trucks are full) in the Indian Wells Tennis Garden parking lot, Warner Trail entrance.

Documents that can be shredded include bank statements, medical records, and legal papers. All shredded materials are taken to a recycling facility. This free event is open to all Indian Wells residents with valid ID (no commercial business, please).

For more information, call (760) 346-2489 ext. 227, or visit GO GREEN (Scheduled Events) on www.cityofindianwells.org.

CAL FIRE/RCFD: Ten Kitchen Safety Tips



Careless cooking is the number one cause of residential fires. Never leave cooking unattended.

1. Clean the exhaust hood and duct over the stove regularly, and wipe up spilled grease as soon as the surface of the stove cools.
2. Never pour water on a grease fire; turn off the stove and cover the pan with a lid, or close the oven door.
3. Keep pot handles on the stove pointing to the back, and always watch young children in the kitchen.
4. Have a fire extinguisher near the kitchen. Keep it 10 feet away from the stove on the exit side of the kitchen.
5. Don't store items on the stovetop as they could catch fire, and be sure your stove is not located near a window where curtains are hanging.
6. Wear short sleeves or fleece clothing when cooking
7. Always use potholders.
8. Keep kitchen appliances clean and in good condition.
9. Follow instructions carefully when using microwave ovens.
10. If your clothing should catch fire, immediately STOP, DROP and ROLL to smother flames.

This safety message was brought to you by the Riverside County Fire Department. For more public safety tips, visit www.rvcfire.org (Your Safety).



Community Opportunities

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

Through April 2009

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

Through May 2009

Season 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.

Daily through May 31, 2009

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



Daily through June 15, 2009

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.

Mondays through March

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

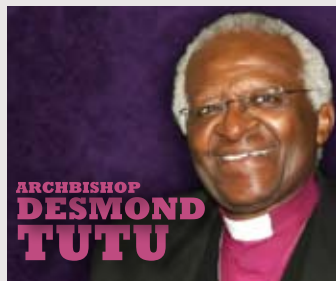
March 3

Indian Wells Historic Preservation Foundation Meeting, City Hall, (760) 346-2489: 4 p.m.

March 4

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

Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Desert Town Hall–Indian Wells, Renaissance Esmeralda Resort & Spa: 6 p.m. For ticket availability, call (760) 416-3400 or visit www.deserttownhall.org.



March 5

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

March 5 – April 4

TONY DELAP: *Modern Times exhibition*, Royale Projects–Modern & Contemporary Art, 75-270 Highway 111, Suite 205, Indian Wells. Reception: March 7 from 5 p.m.–9 p.m. (760) 742-5182. www.royaleprojects.com.

March 10

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

March 11

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

March 12

Breakfast & Birthstones, IW Club. Libertine jewelry owner Matilde Parente presents this morning gemology series for IW residents and guests. \$20 per person includes valet parking and breakfast. Space is limited; advance reservations suggested, (760) 346-4653.



Residents Day at BNP Paribas Open, Indian Wells Tennis Garden. Indian Wells residents are entitled to four free loge tickets plus parking pass for day or nighttime sessions. Call (760) 346-2489 for ticket availability.

Note: Community Activities Committee Meeting cancelled.

March 15

International Classical Concerts of the Desert presents the Borealis String Quartet, Gold Medal winner of the London Chamber Music Competition. Rancho Mirage Public Library: 4 p.m.–6 p.m. \$25 per person. Call (760) 416-5355 for tickets and information.

March 16

City of Indian Wells ATHENA Awards Luncheon, Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. \$40 per person; \$400 for table of 10. For tickets, call (760) 346-2489.

March 18

Free CPR Training for residents, City Hall, (760) 346-2489: 1 p.m.–4 p.m. Class is full.

March 19

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

March 20 & March 21

California Desert Regional Theater and artistic director Justin Blake present *Six in Ten*, a sampling of ten-minute comic plays, Rancho Mirage Public Library: 7 p.m.–8:15 p.m. Sponsored by the City of Indian Wells. Call (760) 341-7323 for details.

March 21

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

March 25

IW Season Social #3 Wine Tasting, Celebrity Ballroom, IW Club at Indian Wells Golf Resort. \$25 per person. Paid reservations required in advance at City Hall.

March 26

Indian Wells Garden & Community Club Luncheon: 11:30 a.m. For details, call Nancy Tapick, (760) 779-1332.

Indian Wells Free Community Day at the Palm Springs Art Museum

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

April 3

Indian Wells Historic Preservation Foundation 6th Annual Spring Luncheon, Celebrity Ballroom, IW Club, Indian Wells Golf Resort: 11:30 a.m. Guest speaker: Morris Beschloss, "A Look at Our Valley's Economy: Past, Present and Future." Members and friends of historic preservation are invited to attend. Cost is \$35 per person; reservations required by March 30. For details and reservations, contact Shirley Peterson, (760) 772-2881, or Adele Ruxton, (760) 346-8420.

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.

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.



January 15 City Council Meeting Highlights

Approved Resolution Approving Modification to Conditional Use Permit No. 2-97-2 Allowing Expansion of Existing Roemer & Harnik Law Office from 6,500 Square Feet to 11,300 Square Feet Located at 45-025 Manitou Drive.

Approved Resolution Approving Temporary Use Permit No. 2008-11 Approving Request for Annual Dr. Sebastian George Memorial Car Show to be Held on February 14, 2009 at Warner Trail Parking Lot Adjacent to Indian Wells Tennis Garden Located at 78-200 Miles Avenue.

Adopted Ordinance Amending Section 17.20.020 of the Municipal Code Modifying Sign Criteria for Village I Shopping Center.

Approved Release of Mass Grading Bond for Toscana Country Club.

Authorized Mayor to Execute Amendment Number Two to Memorandum of Understanding with CVAG Relating to AB2766 Funds Used for the Regional PM 10 Street Sweeping Program.

Awarded Contract to Screenmobile for Installation of 128 Screen Doors at Mountain View Villas.

Approved Change Order for Tyler Technologies in the Amount of \$1,129.59 for 2009 Annual Financial Software Support.

Directed Staff to Go Out for Bids for the Broadcasting of Council Meetings and Approved a Six Month Pilot Program to Broadcast City Council Meetings.

Approved Term Limits for Commissions, Boards and Committee Appointments.

Approved Requisition for OB Sports Golf Management in the Amount of \$41,408.34 for LG Skins Game Hospitality on November 28-30, 2008.

Approved Requisition for Source One Events in the Amount of \$34,748.27 for Operational Payments for LG Skins Game Vendors.

Authorized Chairman to Execute Amendment No. 2 to CVAG Reimbursement Agreement Establishing CVAG Contribution of \$40,466,250 for All Three Phases of Highway 111 Beautification Project.

February 5 City Council Meeting Highlights

Approved Elizabeth Luce as 2009 Recipient of the Senior Inspiration Award.

Approve Requisition for Hospitality eBusiness Strategies in the Amount of \$28,935 for 1st Quarter On Line Marketing Services for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

Directed Staff to Begin Accepting Community Assistance and School Grant Applications Per City's Current Procedures.

Directed Staff to Draft a Policy to Include Three Items from the Suggestions Stated in the Staff Report and Bring the Matter Back to Council for Adoption.

Directed Staff to Draft Ballot Language Relating to Council Term Limits for the Regularly Scheduled November 2, 2010 Election and to Bring the Matter Back to Council for Consideration at a Future Date.

Adopted Resolution Adopting a Policy Concerning Distribution of City Controlled Tickets to City Officials.

Received and Filed the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2008.

Approved the Continuation of the IW H.E.A.L. Incentive Program, Without the Incentive for Homeowner's Association Pumps for Pools and Spas, for Calendar Year 2009.

Awarded Contract to Point 7 West for Broadcasting of City Council Meetings for Six Month Trial Period and Approve Supplemental Appropriation for Same.

Approved Change Order No. 1 for Gafcon, Inc. in the Amount of \$54,000 for Consulting Services Relating to Litigation and Soils Subsidence Issues at Mountain View Villas Phase I.



Mayor's Public Office Hours

Drop by and share your perspectives on Tuesdays

11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
IW Café at IW Club,
Indian Wells Golf Resort
1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Indian Wells City Hall

Donate Your Extra Citrus Fruit Today!

Don't forget – the City of Indian Wells Citrus Collection benefitting Hidden Harvest continues until April 30. Simply drive up and drop off the extra fruit from your trees in the bins located outside the Emergency Operations Center next to City Hall. Seniors and disabled individuals who would like the Girl Scouts to assist can call City of Indian Wells Recycling Coordinator Kenn Stevens at (760) 674-1040.



Fireworks Alerts

Private fireworks displays will be held on March 14, 9 p.m., at Desert Horizons Country Club, and on March 28, 9:30 p.m., at the Eldorado Country Club. These events are not open to the public. Please remember to bring your pets indoors. Thank you.

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Thiebaud Exhibition

Runs Through May 9

Be sure to stop by the Palm Springs Art Museum to see *Wayne Thiebaud: 70 Years of Painting*. This special exhibition features more than 100 works encompassing the talents of this great American artist. The City of Indian Wells is the exclusive presenting sponsor; city residents receive free admission for up to six people. (See the February 2009 issue of this newsletter for your entry pass).

For museum hours and information, visit www.psmuseum.org or call (760) 322-4800.

Upcoming Events

April 3

Paul Krugman
Desert Town Hall—Indian Wells
Renaissance Esmeralda
Resort and Spa
6 p.m.

April 9

Breakfast & Birthstones
IW Club
9 a.m.

April 12

Easter Brunch
IW Club
10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

April 22

IW Season Social #4
Celebrity Ballroom, IW Club
Indian Wells Golf Resort
5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

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Popular Arts Festival Returns in April

Resident artist Diane Morgan's exquisite watercolor reflects the beauty of the desert and serves as the commemorative poster for the 7th annual Indian Wells Arts Festival to be held April 3–5, 2009 on the grass concourse at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden.

Two hundred artists from across the country will display fine arts and quality crafts in diverse media including painting, drawing, jewelry, sculpture, ceramics, glass, photography, weaving, and wearable art.

The festival will also feature special exhibitions and ongoing demonstrations in rock sculpting, wood carving, glass blowing, and more. Highlights also include wine tastings, a beer garden and refreshments, live music, and a Children's CreativeZone.

On Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., the Indian Wells Chamber of Commerce presents the fourth annual "Chef Masterpieces" with wine and food pairings. Tickets for this event are \$25 per person (festival admission additional) and can be purchased by calling the Chamber at (760) 346-7095.

The Indian Wells Arts Festival will be open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (gates close at 4:30 p.m.). Cost: \$10 per person; free for children 12 and under. General parking is free; valet parking is available.

For more information, visit www.indianwellsartsfestival.com or call (760) 346-0042.



Indian Wells artist Diane Morgan's
Bird in Paradise, watercolor 28" x 21"