

Community

INFORMATION

JULY AND AUGUST 2024



CITY OF PALM DESERT

Palm Desert Civic Center
73510 Fred Waring Drive
760-346-0611

Open Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

palmdesert.gov
DiscoverPalmDesert.com

Visitor Services
760-568-1441

Short Term Rental Hotline
760-862-6900

Code Enforcement Hotline
760-776-6360

Report Graffiti
760-340-5776

Palm Desert Police Department
Emergencies: **Call 911**
Non-emergencies: **760-836-1600**

Palm Desert In Touch

Get information on City meetings, parks, trails, and public art, plus identify issues, including graffiti and code violations, and report them directly to City staff.

Information: palmdesert.gov/intouch

EngagePalmDesert.com

The City's civic engagement platform allows residents a chance to ask questions, share comments, and contribute ideas on City projects.

ARTISTS CENTER AT THE GALEN

72567 Highway 111
760-565-6130

artistscouncil.com

The Artists Center at the Galen will be closed for the summer from July 1 – September 5.

For details about future events, exhibitions and workshops, and to learn more about the Artists Council, visit: artistscouncil.com

CSUSB PALM DESERT CAMPUS

37500 Cook Street
760-341-2883
pdc.csusb.edu



Summer Administrative Hours (June 3 – August 9)
Monday – Thursday, 7 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Closed Friday
Campus Administrative Hours (beginning August 12)
Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Educational Programs

Bachelor's and master's degrees, teaching credentials, and certificates. New programs include Hospitality Management, Entrepreneurship, Cybersecurity, Social Work, Kinesiology, and Child Development.

Information: csusb.edu/pdc/our-programs

Campus Organizations

Join the Cal State University Associates and become a member of a premiere organization of campus supporters. Enjoy educational and enlightening speaker events throughout the season. The majority of membership dues support student scholarships.

Learn more: CalStateUniversityAssociates.com

COACHELLA VALLEY ANIMAL CAMPUS

72050 Pet Land Place, Thousand Palms
760-343-3644

rcdas.org

Services include animal adoption and licensing.

COLLEGE OF THE DESERT

43500 Monterey Avenue
760-346-8041
collegeofthedesert.edu



Street Fair

Saturdays and Sundays,
8 a.m. – 2 p.m., October – May
Information: **760-636-7957** or
codaastreetfair.com

COD Veterans Resource Center

760-773-2536

Summer Hours

Monday – Thursday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Closed Friday
Provides critical services for veterans and their dependents to support their success, retention, and educational needs.

DESERT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

75080 Frank Sinatra Drive
DesertHorticulturalSociety.org
admin@deserthorticulturalsociety.org

DESERT RECREATION DISTRICT

Palm Desert Community Center
43900 San Pablo Avenue
760-568-9697

MyRecreationsDistrict.com

Monday – Friday, 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Saturday, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Closed Sundays



PLEASE NOTE: The Community Center is closed for renovations. The offices and front desk have been relocated to the Parkview Building in the Civic Center parking lot at 73710 Fred Waring Drive. Check the website for details.



Tai Chi for Your Health
Mondays, 12 p.m.
Portola Community Center
\$55 per month

Beginning Guitar
August 7 – September 4, 6 p.m.
Portola Community Center
\$80 per session



Second Level Guitar
August 7 – September 4, 7 p.m.
Portola Community Center
\$80 per session

Ballroom Swing and Salsa Lessons
Wednesdays, July 10 – July 24 or
August 7 – 28, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Palm Desert Amphitheater
\$52 per session or \$18 daily drop in fee

Line Dancing
Wednesdays, July 10 – 24 or August
7 – 28, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Palm Desert Amphitheater
\$43 per session or \$13 daily drop in fee

Youth Beginners Tennis
Monthly Sessions
Mondays and Fridays, 6 – 7 p.m.
Civic Center Tennis Courts
\$60 per session
Ages 7 to 11



Youth Advanced Beginners Tennis
Monthly Sessions
Mondays and Fridays, 7 – 8 p.m.
Civic Center Tennis Courts
\$60 per session
Ages 11 - 15

Youth Soccer Clinic
Monthly sessions
Saturdays, 10 – 11 a.m.
Civic Center grass area behind YMCA
\$40 per session
Ages 5 – 8



Youth Soccer Clinic
Monthly sessions
Saturdays, 9 – 10 a.m.
Civic Center grass area behind YMCA
\$40 per session
Ages 2 – 5

Palm Desert Resident Cards
Palm Desert Resident Cards for use at
Desert Willow Golf Resort are issued
by the Desert Recreation District at the
Parkview Building (temporarily).
Information: [cityofpalmdesert.org/
departments/special-programs/
desert-willow-golf-resort](https://cityofpalmdesert.org/departments/special-programs/desert-willow-golf-resort)

Golf Center at Palm Desert
74945 Sheryl Avenue
760-779-1877
golfcenterpd.com
Check the website for hours.
Home of the First Tee of the Coachella Valley
youth golf program includes a 9-hole par
three course, driving range with chipping
and putting greens, foot golf, and more.

DESERT ROSE SOCIETY
desertrosesociety.com
The Desert Rose Society will not
meet in July or August. The next
meeting will be held Tuesday,
September 10 at the Portola
Community Center. Regular meetings will then
continue on the second Tuesday of the month.
Social starts at 4:30 p.m., followed by a short
meeting and guest speaker at 5 p.m. offering
advice on growing roses in the Coachella Valley.



We are actively seeking new members!
Visit: desertrosesociety.com

**DESERT SANDS UNIFIED SCHOOL
DISTRICT**
47950 Dune Palms Road, La Quinta
760-777-4200
dsusd.us

Summer School graduation is Thursday, July
18. The first day of classes for the 2024-
2025 school year is Tuesday, August 20.

For the latest information, visit:
dsusd.us/calendar

DESERT WILLOW GOLF RESORT
38995 Desert Willow Drive
760-346-0015
desertwillow.com
Visit website for current hours.



Junior Golf Summer Camp
Monday – Thursday, July 8 –
August 15, 8:30 – 11 a.m.
Ages 14 and younger
Expert instructors provide an engaging,
fun and safe learning environment where
young golfers can develop their skills and
love for the game. Instruction includes swing
fundamentals, short game, putting, rules,
and more. Students will also get real-world
experience playing the beautiful Desert Willow
course. \$299 per week for each junior golfer.
Visit: DesertWillow.com/junior-golf



The Terrace Restaurant
Discover exceptional dining in a resort-style
atmosphere, perfect for business gatherings,
a post-round meal, or a relaxing escape.
Whether you prefer to dine indoors or
outdoors, you'll enjoy breathtaking views
of the Firecliff Course, the majestic Santa
Rosa Mountains, and vibrant desert flora.
For hours and menus, visit: [desertwillow.
com/terracerestaurant](https://desertwillow.com/terracerestaurant)

FAMILY YMCA OF THE DESERT
43930 San Pablo Avenue
760-341-9622
ymcaofthedesert.org



Y Day Camps
June 10 – August 23
Variety is the spice of life! Themed Camps at
the Y offer an array of enrichment activities,
games, sports experiments, and loads of fun.
Registration fees range from \$145 to \$180.

Flag Football
League starts September 2
Games are Fridays, September 27
– November 22, 5 – 9 p.m.
Join the excitement of our NFL Flag Football
League! Coed teams, TK through eighth
grade. League Organization and practice
starts September 2. Games played at
Hovley Soccer Park. Registration fee: \$120,
includes NFL jersey and team photo.

For details, and to register for summer
programs, visit: ymcaofthedesert.org

37th Annual Hoedown at Sundown
Saturday, November 2, Indian Wells Country Club
Grab your cowboy hats and join us for
cocktails, camaraderie, and a stomping
good time! Visit: [ymcaofthedesert.
org/hoedown-at-sundown-2024](https://ymcaofthedesert.org/hoedown-at-sundown-2024)

Jean Benson Child Development Center
75433 Orange Blossom Lane
760-836-3336
Serving children 2 – 5 years of age by supporting
their unique interests, skills, and needs through
a play-based curriculum. The focus is on social,
emotional, physical, and language development,
which form the basis of lifelong learning. Free or
low-cost tuition available for qualifying families.
Information: [ymcaofthedesert.org/jean-
benson-child-development-center/](https://ymcaofthedesert.org/jean-benson-child-development-center/)

THE GARDENS ON EL PASEO
73545 El Paseo
760-862-1990
thegardensonelpaseo.com

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF PALM DESERT & FIREHOUSE MUSEUM

72861 El Paseo

760-346-6588

hspd.org

The Historical Society of Palm Desert Museum is closed for July and August. We will re-open in October.

JOSLYN CENTER

73750 Catalina Way

760-340-3220

JoslynCenter.org

Monday through Friday,
8 a.m. – 5 p.m.



A Matter of Balance

Starts September 9

A four-week, eight session class that teaches participants how to prevent falls and recover quickly. *For more information, call: 760-340-3220*

Onsite Programs

Exercise classes, bridge, bingo, indoor pickleball, canasta, pinochle, mah-jongg, Scrabble, quilting, knitting, painting, table tennis, lawn bowling, art classes, New Joslyn Singers, Joslyn Strummers ukulele group, Joslyn Singles, virtual book club, HI-CAP Q&A, free blood pressure screenings on Mondays, and more.

Information: JoslynCenter.org/Programs or call 760-340-3220

Onsite Programs with our Partners

Braille Institute/low vision classes, First Foundation Fraud Prevention, Eisenhower Health lectures, Health Expos, *JFS Let's Do Lunch*, Riverside County Office on Aging Care Pathways, and more.
Information: 760-340-3220

Joslyn Wellness Center Programs

Free and low-cost programs include *Go4Life®*, *Aging Mastery Program®*, Brain Boot Camp, Problem-Solving Strategies, Mindful Living, Bereavement Group, free Fitness Center, and more. Some programs have a \$5 fee.
Information: Alex Garcia at 760-895-4656 or AlexG@JoslynCenter.org

Nutrition Programs

Meals on Wheels: Providing healthy meals Monday – Friday to seniors in Palm Desert, Sun City Palm Desert, Rancho Mirage, and Indian Wells. Thursday delivery of frozen meals for weekends is also available.

Information: JoslynCenter.org/Meals-On-Wheels-and-Pennys-Pantry or contact Bob Elias at 760-895-4635 or BobE@JoslynCenter.org

Penny's Pantry Community Food Bank:
First and third Fridays, 7:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Fresh produce and non-perishable food for low-income seniors.

Farmers' Market: Second and fourth Fridays, 9 – 10:30 a.m. (or until depleted). Free, fresh produce provided by FIND Food Bank.

THE LIVING DESERT ZOO AND GARDENS

47900 Portola Ave.

760-346-5694

LivingDesert.org

Summer Hours

June 1 – September 30, 7 a.m.

– 1:30 p.m. (Last admission 12:30 p.m.)



Tours and Experiences

Giraffe Feeding

June 1 – September 30, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Additional fee with paid park admission. Giraffe feeding gives guests a one-on-one encounter with these graceful giants.

Rhino Encounter

June 1 – September 30, 8 a.m.

Additional fee with paid park admission. This special opportunity offers guests the chance to meet a black rhino. Reservations recommended.

Private Safari Tours

Daily two-hour guided morning tour, with private shuttle and Giraffe feeding. Reservations required. For pricing and times, visit: LivingDesert.org

Special Programs

July Zoo Camp

July 9 – 11, 16 – 18, 23 – 25, and July 30 – August 1, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

ZooCampers from grades K-6 will learn about wildlife through STEM activities, arts and crafts, up-close animal encounters, and more. Registration required. Visit:

LivingDesert.org/ZooCamp

Zookeeper Academy

July 1 – 3, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Zookeeper Academy has returned this summer, exclusively for grades 7-9! This career-based camp will offer a thorough and engaging exploration of zookeeping roles. Registration required. Visit: LivingDesert.org/ZooCamp

LEARNING IN RETIREMENT

The Shops at Palm Desert

lirpalmdesert@gmail.com

lirpalmdesert.com

The Learning in Retirement Fall Semester will return November 4, with a schedule of 29 informative and enjoyable classes custom-built for seniors. Courses are offered both in-person or over Zoom. Take up to five classes for just \$45. Registration begins October 7. Visit: lirpalmdesert.com

MCCALLUM THEATRE

73000 Fred Waring Drive

760-340-ARTS (2787)

McCallumTheatre.org



New Season on Sale!

The McCallum has no shows scheduled for July and August, but tickets for all 2024-2025 season shows are on sale now, including a roster of six Broadway musicals, jazz, classical, comedy, and tribute shows, along with a few surprises.

Tickets: McCallumTheater.org/all-shows

PALM DESERT AQUATIC CENTER

73751 Magnesia Falls Drive

760-565-7467

pdpool.com



Full facility rentals are available. Contact pdacprograms@desertymca.org for more information.

Recreational Swim with All Attractions Open

July 1 – August 18

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Fridays and Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. – 5:45 p.m.

After August 18

Saturdays and Sundays, 10:30 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Summer Swim Lessons

Ages 6 months – 17 years.

Registration: pdpool.com/swim-lessons-and-programs

Water Exercise Classes

Mondays through Saturdays, various times.

Registration: pdpool.com/exercise-programs

Dive-In Movies

Gate opens at 7:30 p.m., movie begins at sundown.

Only \$8 per person, children under 2 are free.

July 12: *Jaws* (rated PG13 – contains graphic content)

August 9: *Emperor's New Groove*

August 31: *Kung Fu Panda 4*

Hot Summer Nights

Tuesdays, July 2 – August 13, 7:30 – 10:30 p.m.

Come to the pool at sundown and play into the night! Enjoy late night music and DJs, along with open rec swim, water slides and food at the snack bar.

Long course lap swimming all day on weekends.

PALM DESERT AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

72559 Highway 111

760-346-6111

pdacc.org

Business First

Wednesday, July 24, 4 – 5 p.m.

Cambria Gallery, 42210 Cook St, Suite M
An opportunity to chat and ask questions in an informal setting with representatives from various City of Palm Desert departments.

Monthly Mixer

Wednesday, July 24, 5 – 7 p.m.

Cambria Gallery, 42210 Cook St, Suite M
Learn more about Palm Desert Area Chamber of Commerce activities, membership, and meet with fellow local business owners.

For pricing and registration for all events, visit: pdacc.org

60th Annual Golf Cart Parade Sign Up

Enter your float in the Parade, reserve your VIP seat, let your business shine with a Marketplace Booth, and much more!
We can't wait to see you at the parade.

Registration information: pdacc.org

PALM DESERT PUBLIC LIBRARY

73300 Fred Waring Drive
760-346-6552

PalmDesertLibrary.org

Hours

Monday – Wednesday: 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Thursday – Saturday: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday: 1 – 5 p.m.

Closed July 4

For details, visit: PalmDesertLibrary.org

We're officially open! Join us July 1 for special welcome back activities and learn about our newly reimagined Palm Desert Library.

Library Cards

Please visit the library to apply for a new limited edition library card celebrating our re-opening! An online library card application will be available soon. Visit: PalmDesertLibrary.org

Little Free Libraries

Borrow a book, wherever you are! Find books, take-home activities, and special Palm Desert Library items at one of these kiosk locations around Palm Desert:

Portola Community Center: 45480 Portola Ave

Ironwood Park: 47800 Chia Drive

Palma Village Park: 44550 San Carlos Ave

University Dog Park: 74802 University Park Drive

Joe Mann Park: 77810 California Drive

Events and Programming

Storytime at The Shops at Palm Desert

Tuesdays, through August 13, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Family YMCA of the Desert office, The Shops at Palm Desert, 72840 Hwy 111
Toddlers, preschoolers and caregivers are invited to join us for stories and engaging activities!

Mahjong

Tuesdays, 1 – 3 p.m.

Everyone is welcome!

Coffee with the Mayor

Wednesday, July 10, 11:30 a.m.

Enjoy free coffee, treats, and casual conversation with Palm Desert's Mayor in this informal question and answer session.

Summer Reading Challenge

Paleontologist for a Day: Thursday, July 11, 18 and 25, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Join us for a fossil excavation adventure. Children ages 3-11.

Fly Away With a Hot Air Balloon: Wednesday, July 17, 24 and 31, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Create your own whimsical hot air balloon (supplies provided). Teens and adults.

Summer Reading Challenge Celebration

Wednesday, July 31, 4 – 6 p.m.

Join us for a screening of the movie *Up!*, along with crafts, games and prizes.

PEGASUS THERAPEUTIC RIDING CENTER

35-450 B Pegasus Ct

760-772-3057

PegasusRidingAcademy.org



Offering therapeutic riding sessions for children and adults with special needs. Programming runs Wednesday – Saturday, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. as the weather permits. We are looking for volunteers!

Information: PegasusRidingAcademy.org

or call 760-772-3057.

SANTA ROSA & SAN JACINTO MTNS NAT'L MONUMENT VISITOR CENTER/ FRIENDS OF THE DESERT MOUNTAINS

51500 Highway 74

760-862-9984

DesertMountains.org

Open Thursday – Monday, 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Monument Night Adventures

Saturday, July 13, 8:45 – 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 24, 8 – 10 p.m.

Discover how the desert comes alive after dark! Do you know which animals change colors under a blacklight? Take a short walk along the Art Smith Trail basin looking for the many nocturnal creatures that inhabit our desert.

Reservations required: DesertMountains.org

or call 760-862-9984

Star Party at the Monument

Saturday, July 27, 8 – 10 p.m.

The Astronomical Society of the Desert conducts direct observations of the night sky through telescopes and giant binoculars.

Reservations required: DesertMountains.org/calendar or call 760-862-9984

Night Sky Viewing Stars and Planets

Saturday, July 13, 8:45 – 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 24, 8 – 10:30 p.m.

Friends of the Desert Mountains volunteer astronomers will be setting up telescopes and invite you to stop by any time while they are there to view the ever-changing display of fascinating objects in the night sky — stars, constellations, bright planets, the moon, and even meteors.

Events are subject to change. Visit:

DesertMountains.org/calendar

for the latest updates.

THE SHOPS AT PALM DESERT

72840 Highway 111

760-346-2121

shopsatpalmdesert.com



UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA RIVERSIDE/PALM DESERT CAMPUS

75080 Frank Sinatra Drive

760-834-0800

palmdesert.ucr.edu

VARIETY – THE CHILDREN'S CHARITY OF THE DESERT

42600 Cook Street, Ste 150

varietyofthedesert.org

760-773-9800, ext. 101



Caring Connections Program

Free developmental screenings for children up to five years of age. Inclusive adaptive opportunities are available at no cost with registration required.

Diaper Giveaway and Screening

First Wednesday of the month

through September

Families will receive free child development screenings, diapers, wipes, and educational toys, along with opportunities to learn about additional resources.

Info and event times: varietyofthedesert.org

