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Calendar of Events



July 2012

This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave. -Elmer Davis-

10	IEF Board Meeting	7:30 a.m.	Chamber Office
10	Young Citizen of the Year Competition	6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	Irwindale Senior Center
11	Environmental Committee	Noon	Athens MRF
12	Business Ambassador Mtg.	8:00 a.m.	Chamber Office
12	CARB Compliance for California Truck Fleets	9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	San Gabriel Valley Corporate Campus
17	South Africa & Costa Rica Preview	6:00 p.m.	Chamber Office
19	L.A.'s Largest Mixer	5:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Shrine Auditorium
20	IEF BBQ	6:00 p.m.	MillerCoors
23	Board Meeting	3:00 p.m.	Chamber Office
26	GMI/Mini Expo	7:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.	Picasso's Cafe

August 2012

"Summer's lease hath all too short a date."
-William Shakespeare-




1	Environmental Committee	Noon	MillerCoors
2	Business Ambassador Mtg.	8:00 a.m.	Chamber Office
9	Luncheon Presenting Sponsor: Embassy Suites	11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	Embassy Suites Arcadia
14	IEF Board Meeting	7:30 a.m.	Chamber Office
23	Good Morning Irwindale	7:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.	Picasso's Cafe
27	Board Meeting	3:00 p.m.	Chamber Office

September 2012

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."
-Helen Keller -



5	Environmental Committee	Noon	Acrylatex
6	Business Ambassador Mtg.	8:00 a.m.	Chamber Office
11	IEF Board Meeting	7:30 a.m.	Chamber Office
13	Environmental Awards Luncheon	11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	City of Hope
20	Mega Mixer	5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.	Inland Community Bank
24	Board Meeting	3:00 p.m.	Chamber Office
27	GMI/Mini Expo	7:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.	Picasso's Cafe
27	Octoberfest Multi Chamber Mixer	5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	Doubletree Claremont



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The promotional portion of the program runs from September 4th through October 19, 2012.

MillerCoors, the presenting sponsor, will host the Texas Hold-em style poker tournament in the MillerCoors "pub" with professional dealers and tables.

For participation or sponsorship opportunities please visit our event calendar page at www.IrwindaleChamber.org or please call us at 626-960-6606.

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June Business of the Month



Business Accomplishments

Mariposa is a full service landscaping company that has been successfully satisfying clients for over 30 years. In 1977, Terry Noriega established Mariposa Landscapes by providing landscape maintenance and installation for custom residential and small commercial clients. After five years, he created the Public Works Maintenance Division. In 1989 the Public Works Installation Division was added, and in 1999 a Tree Care Division was formed. Mariposa is a certified MBE company with the city and county of Los Angeles. The company also serves Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura counties. Mariposa Landscapes staffs over 400 workers, supervisors, and management personnel.

In 2010 Mariposa received the Merit Award from PLANET, Professional Landcare Network for creating a sustainable landscape at the Irwindale SCE Gateway Business Center.

Community Service


Mariposa contributes to various local communities, usually for youth and education programs such as the Irwindale Education Foundation for the last 10 years, and the Cal Poly Pomona Horticultural Youth Organization.

Chamber of Commerce Activity

Mariposa is a twenty year member of the Irwindale Chamber of Commerce and continues to contribute to the Chamber's various functions.

Due to publication deadline the current business of the month is featured on our website at www.irwindalechamber.org
To nominate your company as Business of the Month please contact the Irwindale Chamber for further information and details at 626-960-6606.

Irwindale Educational Foundation BBQ
Friday, July 20, 2012
@ MillerCoors



The Irwindale Educational Foundation (IEF), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, provides scholarship grants to qualified City of Irwindale residents and employees and their family members. Scholarship grants are also available to employees and their family members for companies located in Irwindale, and who are in good standing with the Irwindale Chamber of Commerce.

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State Law Gives Registered Domestic Partners Employment Law Rights

By: CalChamber Alert

I know California includes employees' domestic partners in many of its employer group health insurance and leave laws, but who exactly qualifies as a domestic partner and what proof may I require?

California law defines a domestic partnership as two adults who have chosen to share one another's lives in an intimate and committed relationship of mutual caring, and who have formally registered as domestic partners with California's Secretary of State.

The California laws that cover domestic partners for purposes of employer group health insurance or leave rights specifically include only those individuals who have formally registered as domestic partners.

Couples who live together but who have not registered with the Secretary of State are not entitled to employer health insurance coverage for a domestic partner, nor to leave rights such as family leave and kin care.

Registration

In order to register as a domestic partner, California law generally requires that both partners are members of the same sex. Opposite sex partnerships also are permitted, however, when at least one of the partners is over the age of 62 and eligible for certain types of Social Security benefits.

The law also requires that both partners be over the age of 18 (unless there is a court order granting permission to a minor),

and that neither partner be married nor related to the other partner by blood in a way that would prevent marriage.

Partners can register by completing a Declaration of Domestic Partnership Form, having both partners' signatures notarized, and submitting the form with the required fee to the California Secretary of State.

After the declaration is filed, the couple will receive a Certificate of Registration of Domestic Partnership. Note that domestic partner registration that may be offered by some California cities/counties does not provide the same statewide legal rights to employees as does registration with the California Secretary of State.

Common-Law Marriage

Sometimes employees who are living with an opposite sex partner will claim they should be entitled to leave or insurance benefits because they consider themselves to be common-law spouses, which is a form of marriage recognized in some states once a couple has been living together in a committed relationship for a certain number of years.

In most cases, California does not recognize common-law marriage, however, and does not consider it to convey the same legal rights as a formally registered domestic partnership.

Therefore, couples claiming to be married by common law are not entitled to domestic partner participation in employer group health plans or to employee leave rights that are afforded to registered domestic partners.

Equal Treatment

Whether an employer may request proof of domestic partnership before extending insurance or leave rights depends on the employer's policy with regard to requesting proof for married employees. Employees seeking to cover their domestic partner under an employer's group health insurance plan, or who request leave to care for a domestic partner, must be treated the same as married employees seeking such coverage or leave.

Only if a company policy requires proof of marriage (such as a marriage certificate) for such benefits for married couples may an employer require proof of domestic partnership when a domestic partner requests those same benefits. Requiring more documentation from domestic partners could be a violation of California anti-discrimination laws.

The Labor Law Helpline is a service to California Chamber of Commerce preferred and executive members. For expert explanations of labor laws and Cal/OSHA regulations, not legal counsel for specific situations, call (800) 348-2262 or submit your question at www.hrcalifornia.com.

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(‘Job Killer’-continued from coverage)

incorporate concepts related to healthy food access and urban agriculture. *With May 17 amendments, no longer a “job killer.” The CalChamber still opposes.*

- **AB 1963 Targeted Tax on Services** — Originally imposed a new sales-and-use-tax base on numerous services, disadvantaging California businesses that will not benefit by the proposed reduction in other tax rates. *Amended April 25 to require a study of proposed changes.*
- **AB 2425/SB 1471 Impedes Economic Recovery** — Delays the economic recovery of California’s housing market by allowing borrowers, including strategic defaulters and investors, to interrupt the foreclosure process to forestall legitimate foreclosures. *AB 2425 in Assembly Banking and Finance. SB 1471 in Senate Banking and Financial Institutions. Both bills failed April 27 deadline to move to fiscal committee. Topic is now subject of discussions by a legislative conference committee.*
- **AB 2517 Inappropriate Wage Liens** — Creates a dangerous and unfair precedent in the wage and hour arena by allowing employees in the car washing industry to file liens on an employer’s real property or any property where work was performed, based on an alleged but unproven wage claim. *Refused passage in Assembly, May 31.*
- **AB 2540 Targeted Tax on Services** — Originally imposed a new sales-and-use-tax base on numerous services, disadvantaging small businesses that may not necessarily benefit from the proposed tax exemption for the first \$10,000 in business income. *Amended April 25 to deal with different subject, so no longer a “job killer.”*
- **SB 950 Unreasonable and Duplicative Tax Penalties for Employers** — Forces taxpayers to overpay their taxes in order to avoid severe penalties. In Senate Governance and Finance Committee. *Failed April 27 deadline to move to fiscal committee.*

Costly Workplace Mandates

- **AB 1439 Automatic Minimum Wage Increase** — Increases the cost of doing business on California

employers by annually indexing the minimum wage rate upwards according to the percentage of inflation even during an economic downturn. *Held on the Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense File, May 25.*

- **AB 1808 Improper Characterization of Private Employees to Allow Potential Card Check Unionization** — Significantly expands the definition of “public employee” to include employees of any private employer where a public agency “shares” in the employment decisions of those private employees, thereby subjecting private employers to petitions of recognition from public employee unions. In Assembly Public Employees, Retirement and Social Security Committee. *Failed April 27 deadline to move to fiscal committee.*
- **AB 2217 Targeted Burden on Companies with Call Centers** — Discourages businesses from even locating a call center in California by requiring the business to adhere to overreaching mandates. *Failed passage in Assembly Labor and Employment Committee, April 19.*

Expensive, Unnecessary Regulatory Burdens

- **AB 2424 New State Goals for Forestry** — Increases costs of timber production by changing the state’s forestry goals to give equal consideration to each public need when reviewing forestry operations, including Timber Harvest Plans. *May 7 hearing in Assembly Natural Resources Committee canceled at author’s request.*

Fuel Price Increases

- **AB 2404 Illegal Tax Increase** — Increases energy costs, including fuel prices, on consumers and businesses by allocating funds from an illegal tax to various programs that are not necessary to cost-effectively implement the market-based trading mechanism under AB 32. *Held on the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File, May 25.*

For updates on “job killer”, visit www.CAJobKillers.com.



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10 Tips to Computer Security for Your Small Business

By: Smallbizla.org

As small businesses become more reliant on technology, they also become more vulnerable to cybercrime. **A Gartner study found that 90 percent of companies that suffer major data loss close within two years**—but that 80 percent of business owners have no plan to protect their data. Here are 10 tips to secure your business's computers.

- 1. Identify security needs and risks.** Inventory your computer equipment, data and potential risks. Who is using desktops, laptops, tablets or smartphones? Where and how are they being used? What data do you collect, store or share, and who can access it? If your computers or network security were breached, how would extended downtime, fines or lawsuits affect your company? **A Symantec study found cyber-attacks cost small and midsized businesses an average of \$188,242, with downtime costing \$12,500 a day.**
- 2. Begin with the basics.** Set up company computers and devices with strong passwords, and change them regularly. Ensure computers and devices are protected by antivirus, antispam and antispyware software; intrusion prevention systems; encryption technology to protect email traffic and wireless networks; and firewalls. AVG, BitDefender, McAfee, Norton, Symantec and Trend Micro offer popular security products.
- 3. Keep your systems updated.** Software updates often fix security problems, so download updates as soon as they become available. To make this easier, more software programs—including Windows, Office, Flash, Java and Adobe Acrobat—now offer options to download and install updates automatically; these can generally be accessed through “Settings” or “Preferences.”
- 4. Back up.** There's no excuse not to back up data when today's online backup solutions run unobtrusively in the background and store information safely offsite. BackBlaze, Carbonite, Mozy and SpiderOak are popular online backup services for small businesses. Ask about file sharing and sync across multiple devices and users, how much storage you get, how easy it is to restore data, and what backup and disaster plans the backup company itself has in place. Double your protection by backing up to external hard drives in your office.
- 5. Educate employees.** Even with the right systems in place, your business is still vulnerable to human error. Educate employees about the importance of using strong passwords and protecting them. Explain the risks of opening texts or attachments from unknown senders, clicking on suspicious links in emails, or sharing too much company information on social networks.
- 6. Think mobile.** If your employees use mobile devices for business, install updated security technology, encrypt data and use virtual private networks (VPNs) to enable secure remote access. Remind employees to be cautious about who may be watching when they enter passwords or view confidential data outside the office.
- 7. Keep devices safe.** While viruses and hackers capture headlines, the loss or theft of a physical device is still the most common cause of data breaches, according to Symantec. Remind mobile employees to be aware of their surroundings and never leave company laptops, tablets or cellphones exposed in a vehicle or unattended. Have them immediately report lost or stolen devices.
- 8. Don't mix business and family.** Working on the same computer your children use for games or email puts business data at risk. Employees who work at home might have valuable work data on family computers. Create rules for how data can be shared or, if employees use company computers to work at home, consider restricting access to certain websites or prohibiting use of those computers for personal business.
- 9. Secure your site.** Symantec reports 90 percent of consumers will leave your site if they get the warning “This site is not secure.” Privacy and security seals show customers your website is a safe place to browse or shop. Privacy seals verify your privacy protection policy; security seals verify that you use technology such as encryption and regular scans for malware. McAfee, Norton, Symantec and TRUSTe are among providers offering these seals.
- 10. Get expert help.** If you don't have an IT person on staff, enlist an IT consultant or SBDC Business Advisor to help you create a computer security policy. The SBA offers a series of free computer security workshops for small business owners, and the FCC has a customizable Small Business Cyber Planner.



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law, is an illegal use of drugs for purposes of the ADA, and that the plaintiffs' federally proscribed medical marijuana use therefore brings them within the ADA's illegal drug exclusion."

The case involved Title II of the ADA, which prohibits discrimination against the disabled in the provision of public services. The lawsuit alleged that attempts by two cities to interfere with access to medical marijuana facilities violated Title II of the ADA.

Though the case does not involve the employment discrimination provisions found in Title I of the ADA, the definition of disability is the same in both Title I and Title II of the ADA. Thus, the *James* ruling would also likely apply to employment discrimination cases.

Same Result Under the FEHA

In 2008, the California Supreme Court ruled that an employer may refuse to hire or may terminate an individual who tests positive for marijuana use, even if the individual has a physician's prescription for the usage. *Ross v. RagingWire Telecommunications Inc.*, 42 Cal. 4th 920 (2008).

Gary Ross applied for a position with RagingWire. Ross suffered from chronic back pain and had a prescription under the state Compassionate Use Act to use marijuana for his pain. During a routine, pre-employment drug test, marijuana was found in Ross's system. He was terminated after eight days of employment.

The court ruled that Ross did not have a claim for wrongful termination or for violation of the FEHA. The court first noted that the state Compassionate Use Act did not give marijuana the same status as other legally prescribed drugs: "No state law could completely legalize marijuana for medical purposes because the drug remains illegal under federal law."

Instead, the state law merely exempts medical marijuana users from criminal prosecution. The court found that nothing in the state law was intended to impact employer rights.

The court upheld the termination and found that the FEHA does not require employers to accommodate the use of marijuana by waiving their policy for testing for illegal drug use.

Can't Discriminate Based on Underlying Disability

Employers can choose not to employ an individual based on current illegal drug use, but they cannot discriminate on the basis of an individual's underlying disability. Employers will need to demonstrate that any actions taken against the applicant or employee were based on knowledge of the current use of illegal drugs, not on the person's underlying disability.

For instance, an employee who used medical marijuana to relieve symptoms for his/her disability in the past, but who no longer uses medical marijuana would generally be entitled to protection. Individuals who are addicted to drugs, but who no longer use drugs illegally and receive treatment for drug

addiction or who have been rehabilitated successfully, are entitled to protection by the ADA from discrimination on the basis of past drug addiction.

An employer should not discriminate against the disabled individual based on his or her past drug use. There may be limited exceptions.

Past illegal drug use may warrant exclusion from employment in specific occupations, such as police officers, or where the employer can demonstrate a direct threat to the health and safety of the individual or others. However, any decisions to take action based on prior illegal drug use should only be made after consulting an attorney.

Best Practices

- Testing applicants for illegal drug use is generally permitted. Provide notice and draft clear policies to minimize expectations of privacy.
- Make sure that any testing process you use is reliable and takes measures to safeguard privacy.
- Random drug testing of employees can constitute an invasion of privacy except in certain safety-sensitive positions. Consult legal counsel if you believe your work environment necessitates random drug testing.

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The Green Pages

July 2012



SA RECYCLING – EMERALD IN THE ROUGH

By: Jeff Arbour, Environmental Specialist at MillerCoors and Chair of the Environmental Committee



If you have ever visited Terminal Island you may recall oil fields, ship yards, and highways choked with large rigs and tractor trailers. However, there is a “green industry” gem with deep roots in this industrial island. Located on the shore of Terminal Island (TI) is the region’s largest metals recycler, SA Recycling.

The Irwindale Chamber of Commerce Environmental Committee had the privilege of visiting SA in June 2012, and found a world class organization performing the tedious job of separating and managing our precious resources. SA recycling’s TI facility processes approximately 10,000 tons of ferrous and non-ferrous metals every day. SA receives used metal and metal products from all the major waste companies in the region. Scrap metal includes manufacturing scraps, appliances and automobiles. We even observed large fleet busses staged for recycling. This process not only allows metals to be melted down for new products, but offsets the need to mine the raw materials to create new metal products, therefore greatly reducing the environmental impacts.

SA uses state of the art technology to efficiently process metal containing equipment at a high rate. Plant Maintenance Manager Francisco (Poncho) Rojas took the Environmental



Committee through the process of their industrial shredder. Poncho has been with SA for 42 years, and is a symbol of SA’s family business style. The 9,000 horsepower mega shredder rises above the rest of the structures in the area, height only matched by the shipyard cranes at neighboring NYK Logistics. According to Poncho, this shredder has the ability to shred a car in 4 seconds. The shredded metal is conveyed to the next step in the process where ferrous metals are separated through magnetic separation. But this process comes at a cost. SA only runs this equipment on off-peak electricity hours to save cost and balance the energy load for the energy utility.

SA’s Health and Safety Manager, Frank Rojas, escorted the Environmental Committee to the waterside to observe their dock. Frank (Poncho’s son) reported that SA is not in the business of melting down the metals for re-use. Due to strict environmental regulations, this business has been pushed overseas. SA uses its waterfront location to load tens of thousands of tons of scrap metal onto barges headed to China and Korea. SA has successfully managed southern California’s strict environmental regulations through innovative technology, including a one of a kind air treatment system, which may be considered Best Available Control Technology (BACT) for the industry. In addition, SA reclaims, treats 100% of its stormwater runoff and process water for re-use on site.

In a world of great competition and temptations to cut corners to get ahead, it was refreshing to see an organization like SA do their business responsibly, while maintaining its status as an industry leader. The scrap at TI comes from many SA recycling facilities throughout Southern California. You can do your part to be green by visiting www.sarecycling.com to find the nearest SA Recycling facility to recycle your scrap metal or call 1-800-GOT SCRAP? to schedule a pick-up of your scrap items.



Summer Storm Fire Safety

By: www.usfa.fema.gov

Every year Americans look forward to summer vacations, camping, family reunions, picnics, and the Fourth of July. Summertime, however, also brings fires and injuries due to fireworks and outdoor grills. Annually just under 8,600 Americans are injured by fireworks and almost 5,000 are injured by charcoal/wood-burning and propane grill fires.

Families also enjoy camping. It is important to follow the park's rules for the use and extinguishing of campfires.

Summertime should be a time for fun and making happy memories. Knowing a few fire safety tips and following instructions will help everyone have a safe summer.

Fireworks Safety - If you ultimately decide to engage in this *very dangerous* activity, make sure fireworks are legal in your area and follow these safety tips:

- Never light fireworks indoors or near dry grass.
- Always have a bucket of water and/or a fire extinguisher nearby. Know how to operate the fire extinguisher.
- Do not wear loose clothing while using fireworks.
- Stand several feet away from lit fireworks. If a device does not go off, put it out with water and dispose of it.
- If a device is not marked with the contents, direction and a warning label, do not light it.
- Supervise children around fireworks at all times.

Barbecue Safety

- Before using a grill, check the connection between the propane tank and the fuel line. Make sure the venturi tubes - where the air and gas mix - are not blocked.

- Do not overfill the propane tank.
- Do not wear loose clothing while cooking at a barbecue.
- Be careful when using lighter fluid. Do not add fluid to an already lit fire because the flame can flashback up into the container and explode.
- Keep all matches and lighters away from children. Teach your children to report any loose matches or lighters to an adult immediately.
- Dispose of hot coals properly - douse them with plenty of water, and stir them to ensure that the fire is out. Never place them in plastic, paper or wooden containers.
- Never grill/barbecue in enclosed areas - carbon monoxide could be produced.
- Make sure everyone knows to Stop, Drop and Roll in case a piece of clothing does catch fire. Call 911 or your local emergency number if a burn warrants serious medical attention.

Campfire Safety

- Build campfires where they will not spread, away from dry grass and leaves.
- Keep campfires small, and don't let them get out of hand.
- Keep water and a shovel around to douse the fire when you're done. Stir it and douse it again with water.
- Never leave campfires unattended.

The Irwindale Chamber of Commerce Environmental Committee

E-mail your environmental questions to our committee and one of our committee members will respond to you.

Chair: Jeff Arbour - MillerCoors

Gabriel Alvarez - SA Recycling

Remus Baias - 3M Unitek

Elizabeth Bagwell - City of Hope

Bob Dlugosz - Sun Green Systems

Gary Erb - Acrylatex Coatings & Recycling

Lauren Festner - Foothill Transit

Ann Croissant- San Gabriel Mountain Conservancy

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Rainbow Yeung - South Coast Air Quality Management

Mission Statement

To prepare, inform, and advocate, on behalf of the business and residential community, environmental concerns and emergency preparation and response planning.

Join the Committee

If you care about health and safety issues that affect community business, or the environment, you should consider this committee.

Meeting: 1st Wednesday of each month

Time: 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.

Location: Varies

Look for us on Facebook:
Irwindale Environmental Committee



Presenting Sponsor



at Irwindale Park

Wednesday, July 4, 2012

12:00p - 9:00p

Gold Sponsor: Royal Coaches

4th of July Celebration

Recreational Swimming

Session 1: 10:30a-1:30p

Session 2: 2:00p-5:00p

Food Booths/Arts & Craft Vendors*

12:00p - 9:00p

Music of Band of Brothers

12:00p - 3:00p

Tavanna's Wicky Wacky Wahines

Polynesian Dance Experience

4:00p - 5:00p

Senior Center Showcase

5:00p - 5:45p

Welcome (Mayor David "Chico" Fuentes/Council Members)

Best Decorated Booth Contest

5:45p - 6:00p

Music of Los Pistoleros

6:00p - 9:00p

Fireworks Spectacular

presented by
9:00p

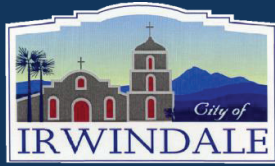


*If you are an Irwindale Resident interested in selling your handmade arts and crafts, please stop by the Dan Diaz Recreation Center to fill out a registration form or online at ci.irwindale.ca.us. Vendor fee is \$10.00, some restrictions apply.

For more information, please contact the Dan Diaz Recreation Center at 626.430.2224

**ABSOLUTELY No fireworks
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May 23, 2012

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Music in the Park

Join us for an evening of music

Thursdays @ 7p - 9p
Irwindale Park Plaza

July 5

OLG:

Klaro

Taquitos plate

July 12

El Buen Pastor:

L.A. Blue

Flautas, Carne Asada Tacos,
Rice and Beans

July 19

Guadalupanas:

Chico

Birria/BBQ Beef plates

July 26

Senior Center:

Smooth Touch

Hard Shell Tacos plate

August 2

OLG:

Bumptown

Hard Shell Tacos plate

August 9

Sister City:

Suave

Green Chili Burritos

August 16

Back 2 School Event:

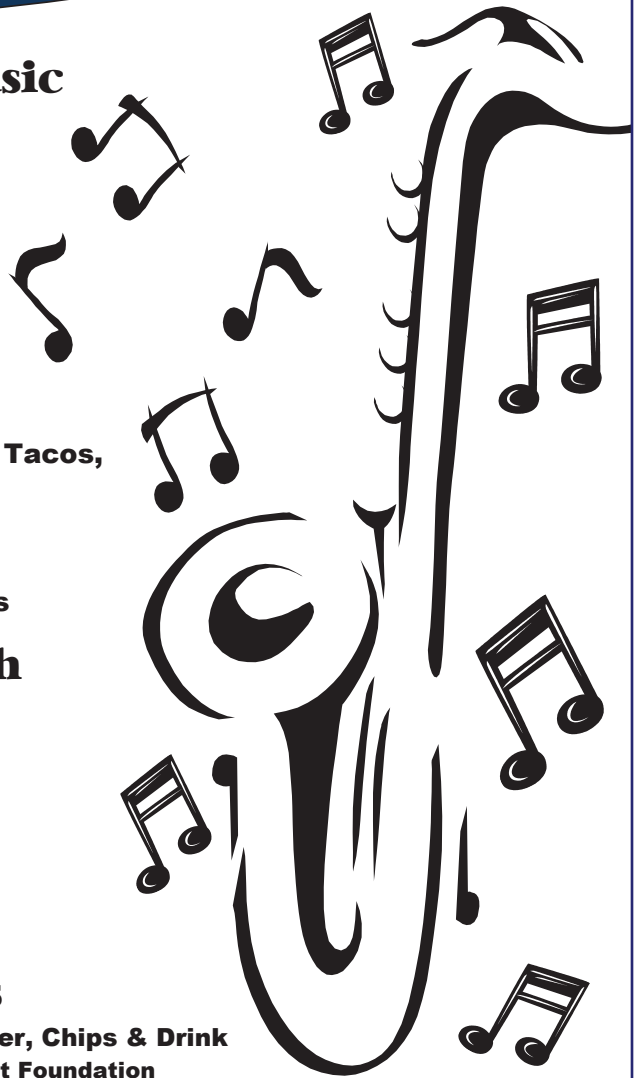
Los Pistoleros

Hamburger/Cheeseburger, Chips & Drink
Joseph "Pepe" Miranda Sports Scholarship and Grant Foundation

Please note: Menu subject to change

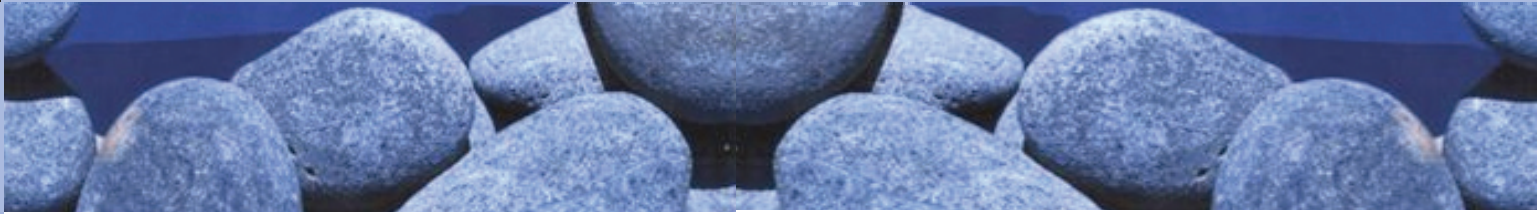
Local Non Profit Organizations will be selling food in the Banquet room from 6pm-8:30p and the Irwindale Teen Club will be selling snacks, drinks and 50/50 tickets in the Plaza. Please support them!

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COUNCIL ROUND-UP – MAY 9, 2012

- Council adopted a resolution finding that the public purpose would be served by the continued provision of resident medical benefits.
- A contract agreement with the California Department of Education Nutrition Services Division and the El Monte Union High School District as the Summer Lunch Program food vendor was approved by Council.
- A resolution was adopted by Council to record revenues and appropriate federal Library Service and Technology Act grant funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 to create a user interface and access point for digitized historical archives.
- Council introduced and adopted an ordinance to temporarily prohibit the establishment of digital displays on outdoor advertising structures and prohibiting modification of existing structures pending completion of studies and the preparation of an update to the City's Zoning Code.



**Happy
Independence
Day!**

In observance of Independence Day, all City departments (excluding the Police Department) shall be closed on Wednesday, July 4, 2012.

Regular service hours will resume on Thursday, July 5, 2012.

IRWINDALE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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CHAMBER MEETINGS

Board of Directors 4th Monday
3:00 p.m. at the Chamber
Business Ambassadors 1st Thursday at the Chamber
8:00 a.m.
Environmental Committee 1st Wednesday
12:00 noon Location Varies
Luncheons 2nd Thursday-Even Months
Location Varies
Networking Breakfast 4th Thursday at Picasso's Cafe
7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Toastmasters Call for meeting details.
626-256-7900

IRWINDALE SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

Am-Vets Post 113
16124 Calle de Paseo, Irwindale, CA 91806
Meets 1st Friday at Am-Vets Park (626) 338-4440 Ben Aguayo
Irwindale Educational Foundation
P.O. Box 2307, Irwindale, CA 91706-1168
Board Meets 2nd Tuesday, 7:30 a.m. at the Chamber
Soroptimist International of Irwindale
Meets 2nd & 4th Monday of every month, 6:00 p.m.
5050 Irwindale Ave., Irwindale-Contact Amanda 562-587-9090

City of Irwindale

City Hall
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Irwindale, CA 91706-1168

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Fax: (626) 430-2295 (Building Dept.)
Website: www.ci.irwindale.ca.us
e-mail: postoffice@ci.irwindale.ca.us

City Council

Mayor: David "Chico" Fuentes
Mayor Pro Tem: Julian A. Miranda
Council Members: Mark A. Breceda, Manuel R. Garcia,
and H. Manuel Ortiz

City Council Meetings

2nd and 4th Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. at City Hall

City Staff

City Manager John Davidson
Assistant City Manager: Camille Diaz
Dir. of Public Works/City Engineer: Kwok Tam
Finance Director & City Treasurer: Laura Nomura
Director of Planning: Ken Lee
Human Resource Manager: Sharmeen Bhojani
Deputy City Clerk: Laura Nieto

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Parks & Recreation Commission

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Commissioners: Erlinda Duran, Marguerite S. Lopez, and Belen Zepeda

Senior Citizen Commission

Chair: Maggie Guzman Vice Chair: Iris Rodriguez
Commissioners: Virginia Diaz, Erlinda Duran and Arline Miranda

Library.....(626) 430-2229
City Librarian: Ryan Baker
5050 Irwindale Avenue Fax: (626) 430-2266

Recreation.....(626) 430-2224
16053 Calle de Paseo Fax: (626) 962-3022
Recreation Manager: Dan Grijalva
Recreation Supervisor: Priscilla Zepeda

Senior Center.....(626) 430-2283
16116 Arrow Highway Fax: (626) 430-2275
Senior Citizen Coordinator: Jackie Delgado

Service Yard.....(626) 430-2280
16034 Calle del Norte

Police Department

Police Chief: Dennis Smith

Emergency..... 9-1-1
Phone (non emergency)...(626) 430-2244
5050 Irwindale Avenue Fax: (626) 856-0471

Los Angeles County Fire- Irwindale Station

Emergency..... 9-1-1
Phone (non emergency)...(626) 337-8919
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The MISSION of the BUSINESS AMBASSADORS is to connect and strengthen business relationships, communicate chamber benefits, bring exposure to its members and help businesses reach their ultimate goals.

Join us for the next Business Ambassador meeting

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- 8) Business Referrals
- 9) Leadership Development
- 10) Volunteer Opportunities

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Vision: To be the premier Chamber of Commerce leading the way for others. It is the mission of the Irwindale Chamber of Commerce to build solid relationships and provide quality services which support chamber members and businesses, in order to promote the economic vitality of our community.



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