

Chamber Plans 2 Fall Restaurant Events

Restaurant ROUNDUP Tasting Event & Month Long Restaurant Rendezvous



rancho mirage restaurant roundup
... A Taste of Rancho Mirage

Sunday, October 3, 2010 • 3 to 7 p.m.

THE RIVER
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Cost: \$25 per person (not including beverages or alcohol)

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Chamber Remembers Two Late Directors

Walter Russo, of Windermere Real Estate in Rancho Mirage passed away on June 19 after waging a courageous battle with cancer for nine months. Walter was currently serving his second term on the Board of Directors. He was an active member of the Rancho Mirage community, where he served on the city's Speaker's Series Commission and was an active member and Past President of the Rotary Club of Rancho Mirage. A memorial service will be held on Friday, July 16 at 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Palm Desert. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Walter's name to the Desert Cancer Foundation, who were an integral part of Walter's treatment.

Walter was always an optimistic and positive person with the motto, "It's a good life!" He remained positive even during his illness, when his motto became "It's STILL a good life!". Walter will be missed by his many friends, clients and colleagues.



Walter Russo, left, a Board member of the Rancho Mirage Chamber of Commerce, passed away on June 19 after a long battle with cancer.

Rosemarie Tessier, right, a former Board member and Chairman of the Board of the Rancho Mirage Chamber of Commerce passed away suddenly on May 21.



Rosemarie Tessier, formerly of the Community Blood Bank passed away suddenly on May 21. Rosemarie served on the Rancho Mirage Board of Directors from 1991-2001, and was the Chairman of the Board for 1999. Rosemarie was very active with the Rancho Mirage Chamber during her tenure on the Board and was awarded as Business Woman of the Year in 1996 and was the Chamber of Commerce's

ATHENA Award recipient in 1997. After retiring from the Community Blood Bank and the Rancho Mirage Chamber of Commerce, Rosemarie worked as the Executive Director of the Thousand Palms Chamber of Commerce as well as at the firm of Laurence Hallock, CPA. Rosemarie was a tireless worker, was well-respected and beloved by many who knew her.

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Local Business Briefs

Restaurant Week A Success!

The Palm Springs and Desert Resorts 3rd Annual Restaurant Week, June 4 to June 13 was a resounding success according to Restaurant Week planners. They estimate that over 40,000 meals were served by the 83 participating restaurants valley wide during the event. Restaurants reported sales increases of 12 to 172% over the previous year's sales. Visits to the Restaurant Week website saw an increase of over 15% from 2009. Plans are underway for next year's event, scheduled June 3 12, 2011.

Bing Crosby's Closes

Bing Crosby's Restaurant has served its last dinner after opening for just three years with much fanfare. Local television reporters found a notice of seizure on June 14 for unpaid

taxes on unsecured property at the restaurant's location along Highway 111. According to the sign, dated June 9, the Riverside County Tax Collector says the restaurant's owners, who are from Northern California, owed nearly \$96,000 in back taxes over the last three fiscal years.

AAA Welcomes New Insurance Specialist

Jim Roberts has joined **Automobile Club of Southern California** as a Life Insurance & Annuity Specialist in the AAA Palm Springs Branch Office. Roberts will concentrate his efforts protecting local residents, small business owners and retirees with Life, Annuity and IRA products. Roberts brings years of Life Insurance, Business Ownership and Annuity planning skills to AAA. Jim, and his wife Rita, are new valley residents. Phone: 760.318.2334

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BBQ Fundraiser to Benefit

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A BBQ Fundraiser is set for July 14, 11am-
 2pm, to benefit Cathedral City Fire Captain
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The Fountains at the Carlotta Mixer



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