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## **Barnhart, Inc. Wins Gold Nugget Merit Award for IW Golf Club**

Palm Desert, CA, and San Diego, CA – Barnhart, Inc. has won a Gold Nugget Merit Award from PCBC for the \$39-million IW Golf Club, the clubhouse for the Indian Wells Golf Resort, constructed for the City of Indian Wells. The awards program is the centerpiece of PCBC, a homebuilding tradeshow and conference held annually in San Francisco. The 46th annual Gold Nugget Awards honor creative achievements in architectural design and land use planning for residential, commercial and industrial projects. IW Golf Club won in the “Outstanding Public/Private Recreational Use Facility” category.

Barnhart, Inc. provided general contracting services for the project, including a 53,000-square-foot golf clubhouse completed in July 2008. Features include a golf shop, café, full restaurant with sports bar, 2,000-square-foot ballroom, temperature-controlled wine room, and several offices, meeting rooms and a commercial-grade kitchen. The project also included the construction of a fairway grill facility, several golf course restrooms, cosmetic improvements to Indian Wells Lane, a local access road, and a golf cart and pedestrian bridge over the Whitewater Channel. The clubhouse was designed and built to withstand strong seismic activity and could serve as a public emergency shelter for the community. The Celebrity Course at IW Golf Club hosted the “LG Skins Game” in 2007 and 2008, a PGA Tour event held Thanksgiving weekend and broadcast on ABC-TV.

“Approximately 65% of the work was performed by trade contractors working and living in the Coachella Valley, reinforcing our commitment to buy locally,” said Layne Arthur, regional vice president at Barnhart, Inc. which operates a Palm Desert office. Additional Barnhart, Inc. staff working on the project included Mark Chappell, senior project manager, and Glen Farlow, project superintendent. Douglas Fredrikson Architects of Phoenix was the lead design firm.

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