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In its 97th year of service to the community

## Duarte celebrates Route 66 Parade and City's Incorporation at Picnic, Classic Car Show Sept. 23

With "Then and Now" as the theme of Duarte's 21st annual Route 66 Parade on Saturday, Sept. 23, parade-goers are en-

couraged to take to the streets and partake in the festivities starting at 10:00 am along Duarte's Historic Route 66. The annual Duarte City

Picnic and Classic Car Show at Royal Oaks Park will immediately follow the event from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Emmy award winning Eyewitness News broadcaster, Miriam Hernandez will serve as the Route 66's Parade Grand Marshall.

Hernandez is best known locally for her in-depth coverage of public safety, high profile trials and controversial deaths of celebrities including Michael Jackson, Anna Nicole Smith and John Ritter.

The Duarte community came to know her personally during its recent onslaught of mudflows earlier this year and throughout our struggle with the State of California over the impacts of losing CalGrip funding.

The Route 66 parade, co-sponsored by the Route 66 Parade Committee, HumanGood, the Duarte Community Coordinating Council and the City of Duarte, begins at the northeast corner of Huntington Dr. and Cotter St. proceeds east for one mile ending at Mt. Olive Drive.

Some 1,400 entries including antique and classic cars, schools, churches, equestrians, hogs and marching bands will take part in the event.

High school bands from throughout Southern California will also compete for trophies.



DUARTE'S ROUTE 66 PARADE  
"THEN AND NOW"  
SEPTEMBER 23, 2017

Following the parade, the fun continues at the annual City Picnic celebrating Duarte's 60th Anniversary of Incorporation.

On the main celebration stage, a variety of exciting performances will take place throughout the day including Duarte Dance, Parade Band Competition Awards and our headline groups: The Beverly Belles and top 40 and pop band Sweet Harmony.

During the event, the public is invited to enjoy a Wine and Beer Garden from 12-4 p.m., dozens of foods, crafts, and game booths sponsored by community non-profit groups.

Youngsters can also enjoy a variety of specialized free entertainment including a Children's Stage, a mini-carnival area with a huge, inflatable attractions "Fun Zone", a friendly clown, arts and crafts, and the "Let's Move Duarte!" nutrition and exercise area complete with local health related providers and a fresh fruit standing providing healthy snacks at a minimal cost.

Car enthusiasts and the whole family can get their kicks at the Route 66 Classic Car Show across from Royal Oaks Park at the park extension.

The car show offers attendees an opportunity to take a close-up look at some of the many beautiful antique and classic cars featured in the parade.

Additionally, antique engines featuring a variety of working engines and motors will be on display.

For more information about Duarte's Route 66 Parade and classic car show, visit the event facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/Duarte-Route-66-Parade-1410277752383332/> or email: [duarteroute66@gmail.com](mailto:duarteroute66@gmail.com).

For additional information about the City Picnic, contact Duarte Parks and Recreation at (626) 357-7931 or visit [www.accessduarte.com](http://www.accessduarte.com).

## Duarte Chamber appoints Sheryl Lefmann President/CEO

The Duarte Chamber of Commerce has announced the appointment of Sheryl Lefmann as their new President and CEO. She will assume duties from retiring President/CEO Jim Kirchner on September 18, 2017. Sheryl has been a long-time community consultant and volunteer for various entities within the city of Duarte for 12 years, most recently as a planning commissioner and a board member for the Duarte Chamber.

"It is such an honor to have been selected for this role," said Lefmann. "As a resident of Duarte, the San Gabriel Valley community has always been a part of my life. I am thrilled for the opportunity to build on the success of my predecessors, to work with a highly-engaged board and outstanding staff to support and strengthen a very proud, growing, business-friendly community."

"We are very excited to have Sheryl serve as the President and CEO of the Chamber. She brings a wealth of Chamber knowledge, expertise, and contagious enthusiasm to our Chamber and we



SHERYL LEFMANN

look forward to starting our next chapter," said Chamber Chairperson Tina Carey.

Sheryl resides with her hus-

band, Norman, in Duarte. Her professional background includes decades of working for government entities and serving on boards and committees. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Public/Business Administration.

Currently in its 97th year, the Chamber is poised for the future. Recently, the governing board was increased to bring even more diversity in business representation. In addition, the Chamber moved to a new office and is working to enhance and expand services to members by utilizing new technologies.

The Duarte Chamber of Commerce, a staple in the city, exists to promote and encourage businesses to succeed while enhancing the Chamber's relationship with the surrounding community.

### Duarte's 60th Anniversary Picnic and Route 66 Parade

On Saturday, September 23, from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., following the Route 66 Parade, the entire community is invited to participate in the celebration of the City of Duarte's 60th Anniversary of Incorporation. There will be food, game and display booths; entertainment; special activities; plus, much more. Join the celebration! Call (626) 357-7931 for more information.



PICNIC PARTICIPANTS join in the fun on the dancefloor with the Duarte Teen Center's Duarte Dance group at last year's City Anniversary Picnic at Royal Oaks Park.



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# ABC7's Brandi Hitt is Master of Ceremony for 2017 Golden Plate Awards Sept. 28

The Golden Plate Awards are being presented Thursday, September 28, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the LA County Arboretum Ayres Hall, 301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia. Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased at www.foothillunitycenter.org.

Being recognized at the event are: Ms. Lois Gaston, Heart in Hand Humanitarian Award; Minuteman Transport Inc., Business Award; Volunteer Center of San Gabriel Valley, Community Volunteer Award; and Foothill Workforce Development Board Youth Program, Youth Award.

Peabody and Emmy award-winning journalist Brandi Hitt is a reporter and fill-in anchor for ABC7. A native Californian, she's no stranger to the stories that impact our lives.

As a correspondent for ABC Network News, Brandi regularly appeared on "Good Morning America," "World News Tonight" and "Nightline." Overseas, she traveled to cover Nelson Mandela's death, the war from Afghan-

istan and Mexican immigration. Closer to home, she reported on California's devastating wildfires, Hurricane Sandy and the Boston Marathon bombing.

Throughout her career, Brandi has strived to fulfill her responsibility as a journalist to shed an impartial light on all angles of every story. That work ethic earned her a Peabody, three Murrow Awards, Emmys and a Golden Mic.

Her unwavering advocacy for children's issues has only grown stronger since the birth of her daughter. It is her belief that every child can make a positive impact on society when given the opportunity to learn, grow and thrive.

For more information, please contact Development Department at (626) 358-3486 or information@foothillunitycenter.org.

## City Manager's Update

By Darrell George  
Duarte City Manager

NOTE: The City Manager's update is a monthly news source designed to update the Council, staff and community on the various issues that Departments are working on in addition to the status of items raised by the City Council during regular meetings. Following are some of the items from the September 7, 2017 report.

### CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

**City Communications/Outreach** – During the month of August, the Duarte City News was successfully produced and delivered to all residents and local businesses weeks prior to the Parks and Recreation Department fall registration which began August 28. Classes are scheduled to begin September 23. The fall issue features many stories including a Mid-Year Review from Public Safety with reminder emergency info on how to be prepared for the rainy season and possible landslides due to the previous damage caused by the Fish Fire.

**Duarte Photography Contest** – Staff members from the City Manager's office structured a citywide Duarte Photography Contest to encourage community engagement through the lens of a camera. Participants are encouraged to capture an image that represents Duarte such as family, landscape, architecture, or nature shots. Three winners will be announced at the October 10 City Council Meeting. The contest began September 1 and ends September 30. The City Hall Social Media Committee will review submittals and select winners during their regular October meeting. Participants are also asked to use the hashtag #DuartePhotoContest to share their submissions. Submissions will also be used for content on select City social media platforms.

**City Commissioner Training/Recruitment Informational Dinner** – The City Commissioner Informational Workshop and Dinner is designed as a refresher course for current commissioners on how to be successful as well as expose potential commissioners to the ins and outs of commission service. Sixteen positions are currently open. The workshop and dinner is scheduled for September 26, 2017 at 5:00 pm at the Duarte Community Center. Applications will be accepted beginning October 2nd for six different commissions. With the assistance of the City Attorney, a finalized presentation has been drafted, as well as a flyer to promote the openings available. An invitation letter was also sent to current commissioners as well.

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# California School of the Arts – San Gabriel Valley celebrates opening

Joy spread across a crowd of students, parents and community leaders Fri., Sept. 1, when California School of the Arts – San Gabriel Valley (CSArts-SGV) celebrated its opening with an arts-filled Ribbon Cutting and Open House.

The afternoon showcased the high-caliber arts instruction of conservatory directors and the blossoming talents of CSArts-SGV student artists with three solo performances and eight conservatory classes open for observation.

Created from a vision by Orange County School of the Arts Board of Directors, Board of Trustees, and Founder and Executive Director Ralph S. Opacic, Ed.D. to provide the same award-winning arts and academic instruction to more students, CSArts-SGV is made possible by a unique partnership with the Duarte Unified School District (DUSD). CSArts-SGV is located at 1401 Highland Avenue, Duarte.

For more information, visit [sgv.csarts.net](http://sgv.csarts.net).

Duarte Unified School District (DUSD) Superintendent Allan Mucerino, Ed.D. said: "On behalf of the Duarte Unified School District and our Board of Education, it is with great pride that we include the California School of the Arts among the DUSD family of schools."

Senator Anthony Portantino, Duarte Mayor Pro Tem John Fasana and Field Representative Veronica Lopez for Assemblywoman Blanca Rubio each presented certificates of recognition

to CSArts-SGV for establishing a school with a unique culture where students from San Gabriel Valley and beyond can develop as artists and scholars.

Also among the hundreds of people in attendance were the Duarte Unified School Board, City of Duarte Council members, Martin Howard of Howard CDM, CSArts-SGV Board of Trustees and CSArts-SGV founding administrative team.

"On Aug. 14, we opened our doors to more than 700 bright and talented seventh through 12th-grade students, each with a passion for studying the arts," said Opacic. "These dedicated students spend their mornings in rigorous academic classes followed by afternoons with over 10 hours of intensive arts instruction each week.

"What distinguishes our schools from the rest is the unique culture that forms from the character of our students and the caliber of our supportive faculty. Here at CSArts – San Gabriel Valley, we've already begun to see a culture form of inclusiveness, originality and collaboration. This creative, challenging and nurturing environment will help our students reach their highest potential."

Katherine Powers, director of CSArts-SGV's Vocal Arts Conservatory, opened the ribbon cutting ceremony with a captivating performance of "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Eleventh-grade musical theater student Catherine "Rinn" Maldonado captured the senti-

ment with a performance of "Get Happy" by Harold Arlen and Ted Koehler, accompanied by Associate Dean of Arts Stephen Cook.

Cook also accompanied Patrick Geringer, an 8th-grade musical theater student who performed "Mardi Gras" from the musical, "The Dream on Royal Street" with music by Alan Menken and lyrics by David Rogers.

For the final performance, Natalie Van Ramos, an 11th-grade integrated arts student, sang "Feeling Good" by Anthony Newley and Leslie Bricusse.

Following the ribbon cutting ceremony, guests enjoyed an inside look at CSArts-SGV arts conservatories by observing several classes taking place across the campus.

Guests had the opportunity to visit a CSArts-SGV Philharmonic rehearsal in the music center; several classes in the dance studios including a ballet master class, an acting movement master class and a stage combat master class; and in shared arts/academic classrooms a cyanotype workshop, an opera workshop rehearsal, a creative writing class and a piano guided practice.



**T-Shirts now available at the Duarte Chamber, 1735 Huntington Dr., Duarte.**

## Update

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**DCTV/KGEM Agreements Update** – Staff continues coordinating with DCTV on its relocation from its current Third Street home to Duarte High School. The move is slated to occur before September 10th with assistance of our facility maintenance staff. The Manager's Office also worked with them to make the Council approved equipment purchases for the new studio location as well. Staff has also developed the agreement between City and Community Media of the Foot-hills (KGEM) for public access services which will be presented at the September 12th meeting.

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT Planning

**The Habit Burger Grill** – For the past several months, Staff has been working with representatives of The Habit on a new location in the Buena Vista Marketplace where Starbucks and Curves were previously located. The entire space is now available and they are prepared to move forward. Preliminary plans have been submitted and as soon as Health Department approval is given, the City will receive plans for plan check. The Habit is a strong retailer that should provide another excellent food choice in town. We should know the proposed construction schedule soon. <https://www.habitburger.com/>

**City of Hope Clinical Research Unit (1500 Duarte Road)** – On August 21, 2017 the Planning Commission approved a 3,122 square foot addition to the City of Hope's Familian Building.

The expansion is part of a full remodel to the Familian Building to create the new Clinical Research Unit. The expansion will provide a welcoming environment and better care for City of Hope's patients. The project is currently under Building and Safety review.

**Duarte Mixed Use Project (1415, 1423, and 1437 Huntington)** – The proposed Duarte Mixed Use project has been scheduled for review before the Architectural Review Board and then the Planning Commission at two separate meetings in September. The Architectural Review Board will make a recommendation to the Planning Commission for its consideration, the Planning Commission will make the final approval. The project includes a combination of retail, office and residential apartments, constructed around a multi-story parking garage. The mixed use project is the first to be implemented under the Town Center Specific Plan and has been designed to meet the goals and vision of the specific plan.

**Duarte Inn (1202 Huntington Drive)** – The property owner has proposed an exterior remodel for the Duarte Inn motel and retail/office building on the property. The applicant went through several rounds of design discussion with Staff and was not able to present an acceptable concept. In mid-August the property owner selected a new architect to create a design scheme for the center that meets Duarte's architectural standards. Staff just received a series of design concepts for consideration and comment and these, which is the first step towards design selection.

### Gateway and Street Name

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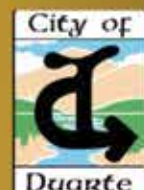
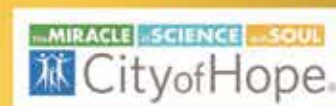
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# Duarte's 60th Anniversary Celebration Picnic

Following the Route 66 "Then and Now" Parade, join us at Duarte's 60th anniversary of incorporation annual picnic celebration at Royal Oaks Park. The picnic will be held at 2627 Royal Oaks Drive from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Enjoy dozens of food and display booths, live music and entertainment on the main Celebration Stage, fun on the Children's Stage and a vintage car show.

## LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Live music and family entertainment on two stages featuring The Beverly Belles & Sweet Harmony.

The Beverly Belles, Los Angeles' Premier Vintage Female Singing Trio, is comprised of some of the most sought-after female vocalists on the West Coast. They take the music of the 1930s, 40s, and 50s and put their own entertaining spin on it with fun choreography and charming banter - a sassier version of The Andrews Sisters or Chordettes!

Sweet Harmony is a fresh upcoming cover band made up of college musicians from various areas within Los Angeles. Each vocalist and musician have had



THE BEVERLY BELLES

multiple years of playing and performing in public and private venues. Together, these musicians produce a sound that makes Sweet Harmony! The band covers many genres such as Top 40's, Modern Pop, Jazz, Cumbia, and Acoustic. Sweet Harmony will keep you grooving from the first to the last beat.

## CHILDREN'S STAGE & ACTIVITY AREA

A variety of Duarte Recreation class demonstrations, a children's show with clown and much more will be part of a full day of children's entertainment beginning at 11:30 a.m. The free Arts & Crafts area will be located right next to the Children's Stage, and mini-carnival games for candy prizes will round out a great day of fun. Don't miss the green tent special activity: Let's Move Duarte! Various health and nutrition providers will be on site. The Duarte Nutrition Council

will conduct activities and provide education on healthy living and exercising and there will be

a fruit stand as well. Join us for informative nutrition information, fun fitness tests and contests and lots of family activities.

## FOOD BOOTHS & FAMILY ACTIVITIES WITH INFLATABLE SLIDES & ATTRACTIONS

Delicious food, fun games, and helpful information will be provided at dozens of booths operated by local Duarte and regional non-profit groups!

Mouth-watering foods featured in the past have included barbecued meats, tacos, tostadas, snow cones, pizza, hot dogs, hamburgers, healthy choices and much more will once again be sold.

Fun and informative booth displays and activities will include local college and university information, drug awareness and prevention literature, and many booths will provide giveaways.

Kids, join the Duarte Parks and Recreation leaders for some fun, free games and activities, including challenging playground games like mini soccer, table games, and ping-pong! Several giant inflatable slides and attractions will thrill and will be free for children. (Children must be able to climb the slides without assistance.)

## VINTAGE CAR SHOW

There will be a vintage car show at the Royal Oaks Park Extension lawn area displaying dozens of beautiful classic cars plus an arts and crafts show, antique engine machinery display, and more to complete a perfect day of family fun. Bring your family and friends to Duarte's biggest event!

For more information on the City Picnic please call (Para más información llame) (626) 357-7931.

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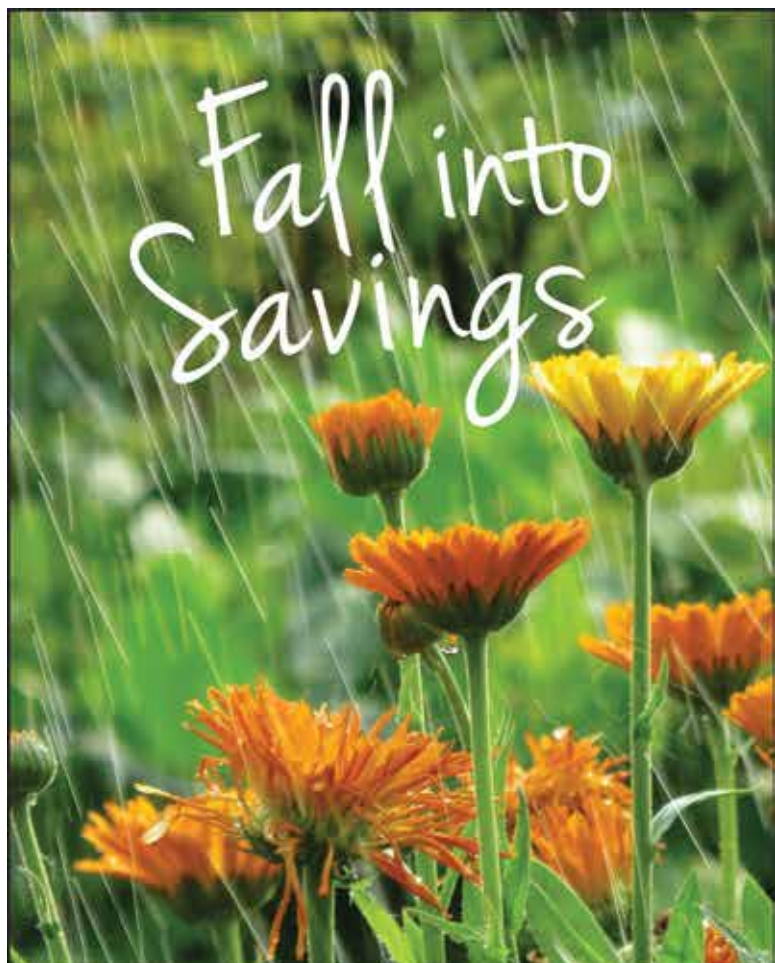
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# How to improve your cross-cultural communication for risk reduction

This is the August 15, 2017 Coffee Break Bulletin from the U.S. Fire Administration offering tips for communicating effectively with people of different cultures in order to reach them with fire and life safety messages.

In any culture, there can be a difference between what one knows about a hazard and how they feel about it — such as fear or dread. What is perceived as a risk to one group may not be seen as a risk by another group. And, risks regarding fire and injuries may not be the most pressing issues in individuals' lives in some cultures.

In addition to concrete skills, such as how to work with an

interpreter and how to plan effective outreach in intercultural settings, culturally competent individuals have a number of "soft skills" and perspectives that enable them to work effectively in these situations.

Craig Storti, the author of "Figuring Foreigners Out: A Practical Guide," summarized these in a list.<sup>1</sup>

Seven lessons to learn about cross-cultural communication

1. Don't assume sameness.
2. What you think of as normal behavior may only be cultural.
3. Familiar behaviors may have different meanings.
4. Don't assume that what you meant is what was understood.
5. Don't assume that what you understood is what was meant.
6. You don't have to like or accept different behaviors, but you should try to understand where they come from.
7. Most people do behave rationally, you just have to discover the rationale.

You can reduce mistakes and misunderstandings by becoming more familiar with your own assumptions, beliefs and values and the behaviors that accompany these. Increased awareness of the target audience's culture also

helps.

If you do make a mistake:

- Ask directly what you did wrong.
- Apologize if you think that it's appropriate.
- Laugh with others if you haven't done anything too severe.

• Learn from your mistake.

• Don't be discouraged.

For more information, visit [www.usfa.fema.gov/training](http://www.usfa.fema.gov/training).

<sup>1</sup>Storti, C. (1999). Figuring Foreigners Out: A Practical Guide. Nicholas Brealey Publishing.

## CM Update

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**Monuments and Entry Signs** – Public Works and Planning Divisions met with the sign contractor in late August to tour typical locations where new signs are to be installed.

Both Divisions are refining the details behind the proposed locations, including: power feeds, median dimensions/tolerances, visibility conflicts and other encumbrances. A landscape architect has been engaged to provide prototypical landscape designs for the ground areas around monument signs.

### PUBLIC WORKS

**Royal Oaks Drive Traffic Signal and Pedestrian Crossing Improvements** – The plans and specifications for the Royal Oaks Drive and Pedestrian Crossing Improvements have been prepared. Engineering is reviewing the plans and specifications along with funding sources which will include a portion (two-thirds) paid by the Duarte Unified School District.

### PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

**New Sergeant** – We are sad to announce that effective Sunday, September 3, Sergeant Dave Kearney was re-assigned as Temple Stations Operations Sergeant. Interviews were conducted with seven Sheriff Department Sergeants and we are pleased to announce that Sergeant Tony Osterman will be joining us as the new Duarte Liaison Sergeant. Sergeant Osterman has twenty years of service at Temple Station as both a deputy and as a sergeant combined.

**Homeless Update** – The City of Duarte is combining its efforts with the City of Irwindale to help resolve homeless issues in both areas.

Together we are submitting a Measure H proposal for funding. The funds will be used to hire a consultant to create a Homeless Plan for both areas as well as weekly community outreach to the homeless by Union Station representatives.

**Emergency Preparedness** – The Duarte Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is officially operating. They have conducted monthly meetings and just held their first training exercise. Duarte CERT members will be receiving uniform shirts and traffic vests and they are scheduled to help with the Route 66 Parade and the City Picnic. We are still looking to recruit members who are already CERT trained.

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## Senior Center Activities

The Duarte Senior Center is located at 1610 Huntington Drive. The Senior Center is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. to all residents 55 years of age and older and offers a variety of services and programs. The phone number is (626) 357-3513.

### HOT LUNCHES

The Senior Center serves limited hot lunches Monday through Friday to individuals over age 60 or the spouse of someone over age 60. The suggested donation is \$3. Reservations are requested by calling (626) 357-3513, to receive your lunch you must check in by 11:45 a.m. To make a reservation please do so at least 24 hours in advance for lunch.

### MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED!

If you possess a current CA driver's license, have access to a personal vehicle, and proof of insurance, you are eligible to volunteer to pick up meals and deliver to homebound seniors. (Meals are delivered M-F between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.) No special training is required, just a compassionate individual who will brighten the days of the recipient. To become a volunteer please contact Peggy Diamond at (626) 357-3513 or Intervale at (626) 214-9467.

### ACCESS TRANSPORTATION

Access Transportation provides transportation for individuals with disabilities. For eligibility or more information call (800) 827-0829.

### HOW TO MAKE MEDICARE WORK FOR YOU

The Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP) Counselor provides unbiased information, counseling and assistance on Medicare and related health care coverage. There is no cost for this service. Stop by the front desk or call the center to make an appointment at (626) 357-3513.

### AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE

The Duarte Senior Center, in cooperation with AARP, will be offering an AARP Driver Safety Class for persons 55 and older and there will be two different classes offered: 8-hour class on Tuesday & Thursday, September 19 & 21, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.; the eight-hour class, split up in two four-hour sessions, is a comprehensive classroom driver re-training course geared to the specific needs of older motorists. If you take the 8-hour course your attendance is required at both sessions. There is a 4-hour refresher course on Thursday, November 9, from 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Please check with your insurance carrier to verify if they offer discount for 4-hour course.

Both classes are \$15 for members (AARP card required at registration) and \$20 for non-members. Reservations are required prior to class. No reservations are taken over the phone. For more information, please call the Duarte Senior Center at (626) 357-3513.

### FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

The 2nd Tuesday of every month from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., a nurse from HealthCare Partners will check your blood pressure.

### NOTARY SERVICE

The Center offers a FREE notary service. The only requirement is that you're a regular visitor of



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the Center. She is here the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Appointments required. Stop by the front desk or call the Center to make an appointment at (626) 357-3513.

### FREE LEGAL CLINIC

Sara Polinsky, elder law attorney, will be at the Center to provide free legal counsel. She is here the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Appointments required by coming in the Senior Center or calling (626) 357-3513.

### BINGO

Every Tuesday from 12:45-2:30 p.m. bingo is held. The fee is 25 cents per card. Call the Center at (626) 357-3513 for further information.

### BUNCO

The first Wednesday of every month from 12:30-3:00 p.m. The cost of an afternoon of fun is just \$1. Cash prizes sponsored by the Duarte Woman's Club. Please RSVP at the front desk or call the center for more info at (626) 357-3513.

### CRIBBAGE

If you are interested in playing cribbage they get together the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month from 12:30-2 p.m. Please sign up at the front desk or call the Center at (626) 357-3513 to get your name on the list.

### PING PONG

We have a Ping-Pong table set up in the poolroom. Invite a friend to play, or meet new friends who share a similar interest. Stop by the Center and play a game today!

### PICKLEBALL

Current play is held on Tuesdays from 9-11 a.m. and Fridays from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Duarte Park, 1344 Bloomdale Street. Call the Center at (626) 357-3513 for further information.

### MOVIES

Two afternoons a month a top run movie is featured FREE. Call (626) 357-3513 for dates, times and movies.

### BOOK CLUB

The Senior Center's Book Club promotes enjoyable reading and lively discussion. Please join them on the 3rd Monday of every month at 1 p.m. Call the Center at (626) 357-3513 to see what book they are reading this month.

### TECH TIPS

On the second Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m., DLL Technologies, LLC, a local tech support business, will be offering FREE tech tips. They will provide technical support for your computers, laptops, mobile devices and phones. Call (626) 357-3513 for further questions.

### GREAT DECISIONS CLASS

The fee for this class is a \$5 deposit with reservation, the \$5 deposit will be refunded when you check in for class. Presented by facilitator Brice Harris, Professor (retired) of History and International Relations, Occidental College. Professor Harris received his Ph.D from Harvard. Registrants will be given study material to read prior to class. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to class for administrative items. Call the center to find out when the next class will be held at (626) 357-3513.

### THE MOVIE GUY

Come to the Center once a month and learn interesting facts and many more from the movie guy as they talk about classic movies on the big screen. Call the Center to find out when the next class will be held at (626) 357-3513.

### GREETING CARD CLASS

Two greeting cards are made each month for a fee of \$5. Bring scissors, adhesive, and colored pencils. Reservations required by signing up at the front desk. There are samples of the cards at the desk on display. For more information,

please call (626) 357-3513.

### WANTED...EGG SHELLS!!!

Please bring in your eggshells (in a carton) to be made into confetti eggs to be sold at the City Picnic in September. Please remember to rinse the shell out otherwise they have a terrible smell.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN DUARTE

Enjoy some conversation with Duarte Councilmember Liz Reilly at the Senior Center. Liz is at the Senior Center once a month. Call the Senior Center at (626) 357-3513 to find out the next time she will be there.

### CLASSES (accessduarte.com>Quick Links>Register for Recreation Programs)

The Duarte Senior Center summer classes began in June. The next registration will be August 28.

*Fee Classes:* Aquatic Exercise, Ballroom Dance, Cross Fit, Exercise with Shelly, Intro to Computers, Piano/Keyboard, Sewing, Strength Training, Tai Qi/Qi Gong, Western Line Dance and Yoga.

*Free Ongoing Classes:* Cardio Fitness, Ceramics, Choir, English as a Second Language, Guitar-Beginning or Intermediate, Knitting, Martial Dance, Oil Painting, Spanish-Beginning or Advanced Beginner, and Watercolor.

All classes are for adults 55 years and older. For more information, please contact the Duarte Senior Center at (626) 357-3513 for more information.

### TRIPS AND TOURS

The City of Duarte Parks and Recreation Department began taking registration for the following excursions on August 28. *The*

*New Richard Nixon Presidential Library and the California State University, Fullerton Arboretum, Wednesday, October 25, 9 a.m. - 4:15 p.m., resident \$48, non-resident \$52 (lunch included); Pala Casino (Must be 21 years of age or older), Thursday, November 2, \$10 (meals on your own); Christmas at "Hearst Castle", 2 Days, 1 Night, Friday, December 8, 7 a.m. through Saturday, December 9 6:30 p.m., \$320 per person-double occupancy/ \$370 per person-single occupancy. (One breakfast and one lunch included.) No registration will be accepted after November 9 for Christmas at Hearst Castle.*

**NO REFUNDS:** In the event of a participant cancellation, an attempt will be made to fill the spot from the waiting list. If successful, the participant will receive a gift certificate equal to the amount of the trip minus a \$10 service charge. We accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover with purchases over \$25. For any further questions please call (626) 357-3513.

### ON THE MOVE RIDERS CLUB

Join Duarte's "On the Move Rider's Club for one of our upcoming trips. It's a great way to learn more about our public transportation systems. Reservations required and forms must be filled out prior to trip. Come by the Senior Center and grab a flyer to their next destination or call the Center at (626) 357-3513.

### TRAIL TREKKERS

Do you like to hike? Come join the rest of us in a hike. Bring water, snack, lug soles, hat and sunscreen. Remember: no dogs

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# Taking the Gold Line to Citrus College and beyond

By Dr. Edward C. Ortell  
Citrus College Governing Board Member

This fall, over 20,000 students from throughout the San Gabriel Valley and beyond have taken the first step to changing their lives for the better by enrolling in courses at Citrus College.

For many, especially those who are low-income or first-generation college students, this is a momentous decision that comes with increased financial responsibilities, lifestyle changes and a great deal of hard work. A significant number of them have jobs and families that already place demands on their time and resources. For these students, transportation presents a major obstacle to achieving their higher education goals.

A recent survey conducted by the California Student Aid Commission found that the costs associated with attaining a college education, even for students attending one of California's affordable community colleges, can stack up quickly, and students can expect to pay up to \$1,000 per year on transportation alone.

Given its close proximity to the APU/Citrus College Gold Line Station—less than a block from the campus—Citrus College provides a unique higher education option for students seeking low-cost, convenient transportation. Perhaps that's the reason Citrus College students

have advocated for the Foothill Extension of the Gold Line for more than a decade. Even today, their commitment to public transportation remains strong. Last spring, 83 percent of them voted to increase their student fees so they could be part of the Class Pass program, which allows them to purchase low-cost transit passes for unlimited rides on Foothill Transit Local and Silver Streak bus lines.

Close proximity to a light-rail station isn't the only reason students are enrolling in increasing numbers at Citrus College. The college has long been recognized for excellence among its peer institutions. This year, Citrus College was voted "Favorite College" and "Favorite Career College" by the readers of the San Gabriel Valley News Group, and Citrus College was awarded the "Gold" distinction for being the "Best Community College" in Beacon Media Readers' Choice Awards. Once again, the college was ranked among the top 100 community colleges in the nation for awarding associate degrees for transfer, and Citrus College continued to be named a "STEM Jobs Approved College" and a "Military Friendly School" by GI Jobs magazine.

While it's gratifying to know that the efforts of students, employees, college leaders and board members were instrumental in connecting locales west and



DR. EDWARD C. ORTELL

southwest to the many outstanding programs offered by Citrus College, we know that there is still work to be done. In December, Citrus College will be the site of a groundbreaking ceremony for the next phase of the Foothill Gold Line, which will take the line east from the APU/Citrus College Station to Montclair.

One day, graduates of Citrus College will take the Gold Line to continue their education at prestigious four-year colleges and universities, or they will travel to rewarding careers and exciting destinations throughout our region and beyond.

# Celebrating 95 Years of Catholic Education

For 95 years Immaculate Conception School in Monrovia has provided an outstanding Catholic education for our local communities and enriched the lives of many students. Interviews with students confirm that they want to be here and they are quick to point out the value of their friendships. Alumni enjoy sharing the memories they experienced during their years at Immaculate Conception and their treasured friendships that began years ago in the classrooms and playground.

On Saturday, October 21, Immaculate Conception School will be honoring the past and building for the future at the Immaculate Conception 95th Anniversary Gala. It will be held at Almansor Court in Alhambra. Former IC Families, Alumni, Faculty, Staff and Friends of Immaculate Conception School are invited. Tickets are \$75 each and available online at [www.icschoolmonrovia.org](http://www.icschoolmonrovia.org) or in our school office at 726 S. Shamrock Ave. Monrovia. Call the office at (626) 358-5129 for more information. Alumni please contact the principal, Mrs. Lovano at [clovano@icschoolmonrovia.org](mailto:clovano@icschoolmonrovia.org) if you want reunion information or have anecdotes and pictures that you would like to share. Bishop O'Connell will

be our keynote speaker, followed by delicious food, dancing and a silent auction.

In addition to the Gala, IC School is extending the Holiday Boutique to two days this year: November 4 and 5. Get your holiday shopping done early without mall madness, buy unique hand made items, plants, clothing, jewelry and much more.

Information for shadow days, tours and registration is also available online and in the school office.

## Halloween Howl



The Duarte Parks and Recreation Department will once again host the Annual Halloween Howl at Royal Oaks Park, 2627 Royal Oaks Drive, from 6 p.m.-9 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31. This fun alternative to trick or treating is designed for children 12 years old and younger.

Among the many fun activities will be a FUN ZONE with different inflatable and interactive attractions that will cost \$3 per person, carnival-style games at 25¢ each, a costume parade with free candy for participants, music, refreshments, and much more.

For more information, please call (626) 357-7931.

## Trekkers

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allowed/rain cancels. Tennis shoes OK on this hike. Sign up at the front desk or call the Center at (626) 357-3513 to RSVP and see where the next hike is going to be. Reservations required and forms must be filled out prior to trip. Enjoying a trip with us!

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## Useful information to help you enjoy the Duarte Route 66 Parade, Picnic, and Car Show

### STREET PARKING RESTRICTIONS

(Saturday, September 23)

**6 a.m.-noon Saturday** No street parking permitted on Huntington Dr. between Buena Vista St. and Mt. Olive. Same restrictions apply to Cotter St. north of Huntington Dr. and Highland Ave. south of Huntington Dr.

### ROADBLOCKS (Parade Day)

**7 a.m.** Staging Area. Access to Cotter will be blocked at Royal Oaks Drive to Huntington Drive and at all adjoining side streets (First, Second and Third streets). Each neighborhood will be provided with alternate routes to and from their homes.

**9:15 a.m.** Huntington Drive will be closed to all east and west traffic between Buena Vista Street and Crestfield Drive. Eastbound traffic will be detoured north and south at Buena Vista Street. Westbound traffic will be detoured south to Central Avenue at Crestfield Drive. Side street access to Huntington Drive will be closed off from Highland, Oak, Bradbourne, Amberwood, Elmhurst, Santo Domingo and Pops Road. Mt. Olive access will be blocked at Royal Oaks Drive and from all adjoining side streets between there and Huntington Drive. Access to the 605 and the 210 freeways at Mt. Olive will also be closed. All Mt. Olive off ramp traffic will be detoured east on Huntington to Crestfield. *Access to Central Avenue and the Buena Vista on ramp may be reached by traveling south on Crestfield to Central Avenue or one may travel east on Huntington Drive to the Irwindale on ramp.*

### PARADE START (Parade Route)

**10 a.m.** Three-quarter mile long parade to proceed east along Huntington Dr. from Cotter St. to Mt. Olive Dr., then north on Mt. Olive Dr. to disbursement area.

**Special Note:** Parade will travel along the north side of Huntington Dr.

### PARADE PARKING

Highland Ave., north of Huntington Dr., and Santo Domingo Ave., south of Huntington Dr., offer some of the best parking options. Parking is also available at Royal Oaks School, adjacent to the City Picnic area at Royal Oaks Park.

### BEST PLACES TO VIEW THE PARADE

**Anywhere along the north side of Huntington Drive.**

**Huntington Dr. across from City Hall:** parade announcers are located here and DCTV will be taping the parade from this location. *Free Bleachers seats will be available. First come, first serve.*

**Highland and Huntington Dr. area:** for early birds.

**Westminster Gardens area:** plenty of shade and space along this section.

**Mt. Olive area:** one of the best areas to be, also one of the hardest to get to unless you are early. *Free Bleachers seats will be available. First come, first serve.*

**Curbside seating:** Bring blankets, pillows or lawn chairs to add more comfort to your space.

### REFRESHMENTS

Many fast food places and restaurants will be open for business.

### CONVENIENCE FACILITIES

Portable toilets will be set up along the parade route.

### TRASH CONTAINERS

Please help keep our city clean. For your convenience, trash containers will be set up all along the route.

### ROADBLOCKS DOWN

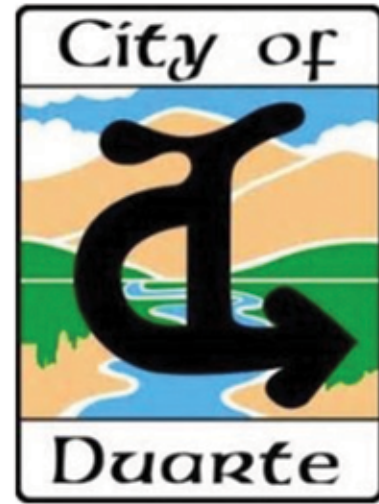
All roadblocks will be removed as soon as possible once the parade comes to an end. Public safety is the first concern, so please be patient.

### ROUTE 66 CLASSIC CAR SHOW AND CITY PICNIC

**11 a.m.-4 p.m.** Get more kicks at the Route 66 Classic Car Show and Duarte City Picnic at Royal Oaks Park, located on Royal Oaks, just north of Huntington Dr., at the corner of Las Lomas. Admission is free. See many of the antique and classic cars featured in the parade, along with Route 66 memorabilia on display and Route 66 T-shirts and related items for sale. Live entertainment throughout the day, food and refreshment booths, games, arts and crafts, petting zoo, and more. Parade awards will be announced at the picnic.



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## A New Narrative for DUSD

Dr. Allan J. Mucерino, Superintendent,  
Duarte Unified School District

The Duarte Unified School District (DUSD) has completed the first leg of its transformative five year strategic plan known as the Competitive Advantage Plan (CAP). The CAP was the final product of an exhaustive evaluation of the school district, conducted in part by the Claremont Evaluation Center (CEC). The internationally renowned CEC collected data from over 4,500 stakeholders, including leaders of business and industry. The CEC conducted fifty focus group sessions to make sense of the survey data and provide the Board of Education with the information necessary to rewrite the prevailing narrative of DUSD.

The old narrative told the story of a proud district that had fallen on tough times in the recent past as a result of a multitude of internal and external factors that left the district under-enrolled and under-funded. The new narrative tells an entirely different story. DUSD is now a progressive school district drawing students from 83 cities throughout the region, state, and country.

The biggest draw is our newest addition, the California School of the Arts, the first replication of the nationally acclaimed Orange County School of the Arts (OCSA) in Santa Ana. OCSA was established as part of an urban renewal effort in one of the poorest areas in Southern California. Families with school-age children were avoiding the area, worsening its economic issues. The public charter school drew families (and school employees) into the area, stimulated the local economy, and became the most prestigious visual and performing arts school in the country. Their success, over a 30-year history, led to their Board of Education's decision to replicate the model in other communities.

Their first project turned out to be in Duarte. The public charter is independent and operates with a compact between itself and DUSD to serve students in and out of Duarte. The school has brought 700 students into the community in its first year and is expected to bring in about 2,000 when fully mature. The school enhances the community and boosts the local economy.

In addition to CSArts, DUSD has also converted four of our elementary schools to K-8 academies, each with a unique focus and specialty:

- Andres Duarte Arts Academy is the only K-8 Artful Learning school in the entire nation and also incorporates Mindfulness.
- Beardslee Academy is the site of the Spanish Dual Language Immersion program.
- Maxwell Academy is home of the International Baccalaureate Primary & Middle Years Programme.
- Royal Oaks STEAM Academy provides an integrated Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics program.

It's no wonder why Duarte Unified School District is now regarded as the most progressive and innovative destination school district in the region.



DR. ALLAN MUCERINO

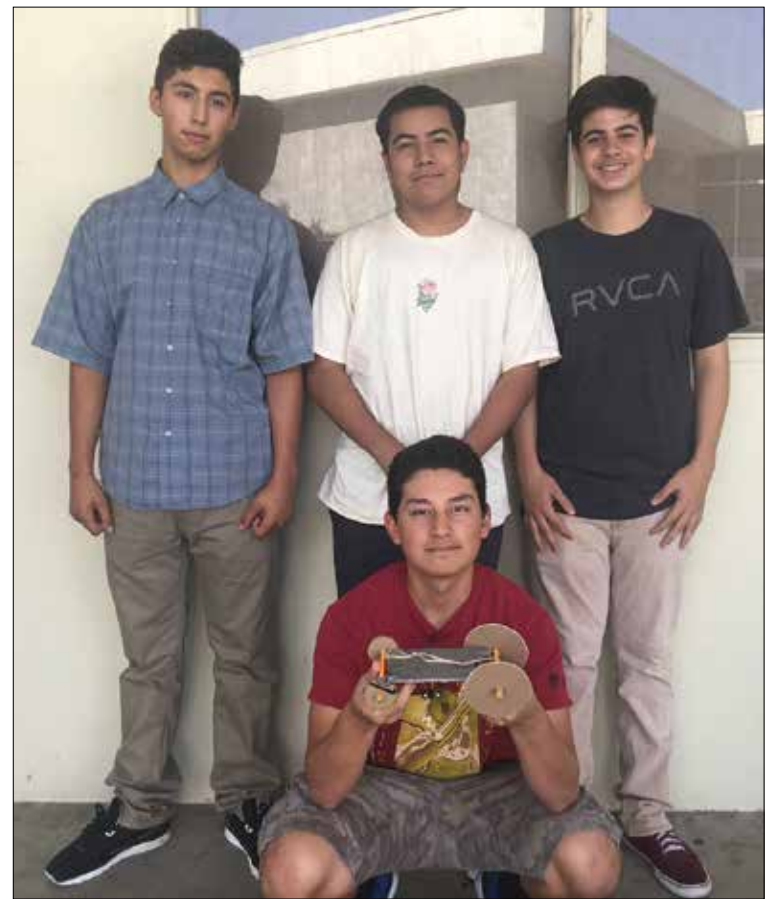
# Engineer Your World at Duarte High School

Engineer Your World (EYW™) is a high school course offered in only 200 schools nation-wide and DHS is the only school providing this class in the San Gabriel Valley.

Developed with funding from the National Science Foundation by a team of University of Texas faculty and NASA engineers, EYW™ engages students in authentic engineering practices in a project-based environment. Students are expected to develop engineering design skills by building them along with the necessary habits of mind through exploration and discovery.

On September 1, the students in the Engineer Your World Class taught by Mr. Josh Johnson put their design skills to the test in the first project challenge of the school year. They were instructed to construct a self-propelled car that can travel a minimum distance of 2 feet. Teams had to use the same basic supplies that included cardboard and a rubber band.

The competition revved up with the added goal of out-dancing the car designed by Mr. Johnson. The members of the winning team that constructed the car that traveled the farthest and beat Mr. Johnson's are: Eli Faliti, Joseph Duarte, Anthony Martinez and Alex Osuna.



STUDENTS ELI FALITI, Joseph Duarte, Anthony Martinez and Alex Osuna, winners of self-propelled car challenge.

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MR. JOSH JOHNSON and his "Engineer Your World" Class with Superintendent Dr. Allan Mucерino.

## DUSD brings premier K-8 dance program to Duarte

Through the unique partnership cultivated with the California School of the Arts, Duarte Unified has launched a premier dance and movement program taught by industry professionals from Elements Dance Space studio

located in Pasadena, California. It is the first dance program in this region offered to all students in Grades TK-8 at every school in the district.

The program is facilitated by Elements Dance Space Director,

Ms. Tu De Vera, who oversees the ten dance instructors who are all highly trained professionals with experience working within the industry as well as teaching all levels and ages of students.

Collectively, these instructors

have won hundreds of choreography competition awards and the studio most recently earned First Place as Team USA for the Junior Varsity Division at Hip Hop International, the largest Hip Hop competition in the world.

The dance program customized for Duarte Unified, exposes students to a range of dance genres during bi-weekly sessions ranging from 30 minutes to an hour depending on the age level.

These include hip

hop, ballet, jazz and modern dance styles.

In addition to being an incredibly fun time for the students, it also serves as a welcome addition to the regular P.E. program as dance is an excellent work out.

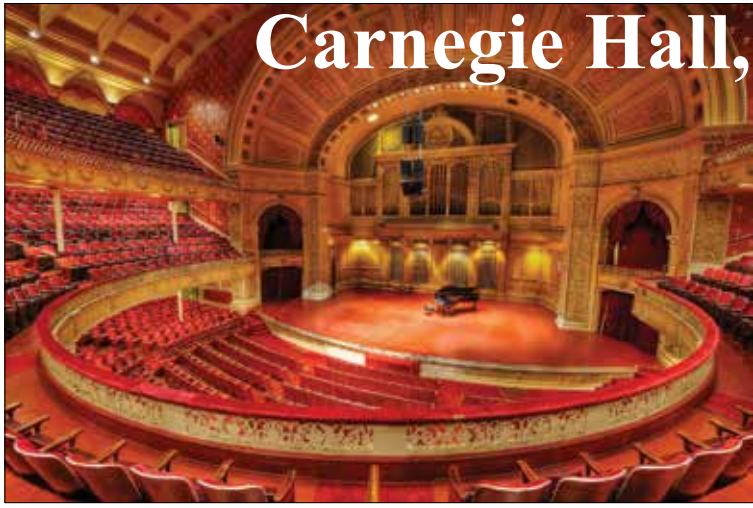
In the spring, students will perform in showcase events featuring the moves they have learned during the year.

Already, dance class has become a favorite part of the students' instructional program and it is another reason why Duarte Unified is quickly becoming the destination district for the arts.



FEATURED WITH Dr. Allan Mucерino are Tu De Vera and instructors from Elements Dance Space.





# Carnegie Hall, here we come...with your help!

The Cantabile Show Choir, Duarte High School's advanced choir ensemble, has been selected to participate in a Broadway Residency with Manhattan Concert Productions this coming February, 2018.

The students will venture to New York City to learn about the value of leadership and teamwork, and gain skills in live performance. The 5-day experience includes a 4-night stay at a midtown hotel, tickets to a Broadway show

and the Top of the Rock Observation deck. Most importantly, they will have a chance to perform with professional Broadway actors and perform on stage at the iconic Carnegie Hall accompanied by the New York City Chamber Orchestra.

The Duarte Unified Choral Department has grown by leaps and bounds, and in the past couple of years four of the choirs have received a Superior Rating at festival, three students have won first place for both classical and pop vocal and instrumental solos, and the Show Choir has won six First Place titles and two High Musicianship awards.

Cantabile Show Choir is an auditioned group that, over the course of one week, learned a song in 4-part harmony, sang it in a choir, and by the end of the week, all students were singing their own parts in a quartet. This elite group was carefully interviewed and evaluated before acceptance and spent 40 hours in one week in Show Choir Boot Camp preparing for the new school year. They are looking forward to broadening their perspectives of the world through travel and gaining a better understanding of live performance by going to New York.

There is a \$2000 fee per choir member to participate in this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity which covers the cost of transportation, accommodations, meals

and educational activities. Our students are seeking financial sponsors to help with tuition, and any contribution amount would be appreciated. If you are able, please consider making a donation. Varying levels of sponsorship are available:

**Bronze Sponsorship (\$1-150):** Receipt as proof of your generous donation for your taxes, and a letter of thanks.

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Thank you in advance for your support to help our Cantabile Show Choir make their Broadway debut!



## Announcement of Provisional Appointment to Governing Board

On July 18, 2017, Mrs. Cheryl Taylor, former Vice President of the Governing Board of the Duarte Unified School District, filed notice with the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools that she would resign as a member of the Governing Board effective July 31, 2017.

At its meeting of July 20, 2017, the Board took action to follow the appointment procedure permitted by Education Code Section 5091 to fill the vacancy.

At a special meeting on September 5, 2017, the Governing Board took action to provisionally appoint Dr. Irene Murray to fill the vacancy.



DR. IRENE MURRAY

Dr. Murray earned her undergraduate degree in Business Administration from Youngstown State University. She also holds a master's degree in education from California State University Los Angeles and doctoral degree in education from Pepperdine University.

Dr. Murray has over 27 years of K-12 experience in school districts and charter schools. During this time she has served as a teacher, Math Specialist, Title 1 Coordinator, Dean, Assistant Principal, and Principal. Dr. Murray has also worked as an adjunct professor for two universities in the education department.

In addition to her experience in the field of education, Dr. Murray is a business owner in Duarte, a proud member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority

and her own child attended Duarte schools.

Irene Murray is conferred with all powers and duties of a governing board member immediately following her provisional appointment.

Unless a petition calling for a special election, containing a sufficient number of signatures is filed in the office of Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools within 30 days of the date of Irene Murray's provisional

appointment, hers shall become an effective appointment, and Dr. Murray will serve as a member of the Governing Board for the remainder of the vacated term through the next regularly scheduled election of November 2018.

Throughout the entire appointment process, all candidates exhibited professionalism and their commitment to the students of the Duarte Unified School District is to be commended.



WELCOMING DR. IRENE MURRAY (third from left) to the Duarte Unified School District Board of Education are, from left, Board Member Ken Bell, Board Member Douglas Edwards, Board Member Tom Reyes, Board President Reyna Diaz, and School District Superintendent Dr. Allan Mucerino.

### Fall Choral Concert Oct. 11

Duarte High School Choirs will be presenting a fall concert, "Songs From the Stage and Screen", on Wednesday, October 11, 6 p.m., at the Duarte Performing Arts Center. Tickets will be \$10 for adults, \$7 for children/seniors and \$5 for students with an ASB card. Advertising space is available in the program. Please contact Claire Hsu at [chsu@duarteusd.org](mailto:chsu@duarteusd.org) for more information.



# Solar Eclipse spurs S.T.E.M. excitement for students



A total solar eclipse crossed the entire country on Monday, August 21, for the first time since 1918.

Along with people across the continent, our students had the opportunity to view a partial look at an eclipse as the moon passed in front of the sun, casting a shadow on Earth's surface.

All of our schools engaged in special learning activities surrounding this phenomenon while taking precautions to ensure our students were able to safely experience this extraordinary celestial event.

It was a remarkable way to provide our students with a first-hand "look" into the wonders of astronomy while emphasizing the excitement of exploring Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) that we hope many of our youth will seek as their own career choice in the future.

For that reason, at Duarte Unified, we are deliberately expanding the STEM opportunities afforded to our students beginning as early as Kindergarten. The Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) were adopted in California as well as nationally this past November.

As a school district committed to the Arts and Sciences, we got a jump on NGSS and began implementing Rigorous Course Design in science for Grades 7-12 two years ago, and piloted Project Lead the Way K-7 at Royal Oaks a year ago, to be replicated districtwide as soon as 2018-19.

Project Lead the Way engages students in hands-on activities, projects, and problems. It empowers students to solve real-world challenges and inspires them to reimagine how they see themselves and the world.

While California has adopted Common Core State Standards for mathematics, and we use the standards to guide our curricular and instructional program, we also apply what cognitive science has taught us about how the brain solves problems.

To that end, we use SWUN math for our younger students

with its dual-emphasis on performing accurate calculations and articulating math reasoning in order to achieve true mastery of the mathematical content.

Secondary-level students receive the integrated math curriculum.

Integrated I curriculum includes Algebra I and Geometry standards.

Integrated II adds additional standards in Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and Probability/Statistics. Integrated III covers Geometry, Algebra II and Probability/Statistics concepts beyond I and II.

Whether students matriculate to Duarte High School or CSArts, the integrated program continues at both high schools.

Following the integrated curriculum series, students will be able to access higher math coursework at both high schools, such as AP Calculus and AP Statistics, in the same manner as they had before the Common Core State Standards in Mathematics were implemented. Making sense of mathematics education and delivering a program that adds up to success for all is the goal.

Also provided to our students are the benefits of our singular partnership with the renowned City of Hope Medical Research Center located right here in Duarte.

Together, our faculty and City of Hope scientists have created authentic STEM learning programs ranging from hands-on genetic studies conducted by 2nd graders to on-site research internships afforded to high schoolers.

In addition, we have placed the power of technology into each of our students' hands through our 1:1 laptop program. Grades 6-12 are provided a computer to take back and forth from school to home, and students in grades K-5 have access to a computer each day when at school in their classrooms.

By the time the next total eclipse takes place in 2024, we imagine there will be several successful scientists, techies, engineers, and mathematicians reflecting on how it was a teacher at DUSD inspired them to reach for the stars when they viewed their first total eclipse 25 years before.







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**Did you know DUSD has a 1:1 laptop program for all K-12th grade students?**  
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 21st Century Students

**Our Mission**  
 Provide the knowledge, skills, and inspiration for each student to be successful in college, career, and life

**Our Beliefs**  
 We are a community of learners.

Learning occurs in a culture of caring and respect.

All students are motivated to learn when engaged in meaningful work that connects to their lives.

Expectations do influence performances and outcomes.

Learning increases when there are high expectations for performance and conduct.

We have the responsibility to find solutions that enable all students to learn.





# Friends of the Duarte Library

Fall is a busy time for the Friends of the Duarte Library. On Saturday, September 23, we will be participating in the 2017 Route 66 Parade and Duarte City Picnic. The picnic is at 11:00 am after the Route 66 Parade and the Friends will have a booth at the picnic with free books and prizes.

On Saturday, October 14, the Friends will have a table at the Community Yard Sale at the Duarte Senior Center. All profits from the items donated will go to the books, magazines and free programs at the Duarte Library. If you have any small items for us

to sell please call Susan Nock at 626-357-7273 or email at kasn@earthlink.net. I will pick up.

The following Saturday, October 21, will be our annual Fall Book Sale, held at the Duarte Library from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. The last hour from 3-4 will be a Buck-a-Bag sale. We will have classic cookbooks, DVDs, children's books, non-fiction, reference books and lots of paperbacks. The Duarte Library is sponsoring a Flu Clinic that day so come get your free shot and buy a book. All monies provide the library with books for the col-

lection, magazines, newspapers (Wall Street Journal), support the Summer Reading Club for children, teens and adults. The Friends also sponsor many free Adult and Children's programs like the very successful Stuffed Animal Workshop and Library Sleepover this past July.

SAVE THE DATE! April 11, 2018 for the Friends fundraiser, Vino! Libros! Allegro! To be held at the D'Aquino wine import facilities here in Duarte. We will have wine, food and a silent auction for great donated prizes. Stay tuned for further details! For

# Duarte Fitness Center

The Duarte Fitness Center, located next to City Hall at 1600 Huntington Drive, offers a wide variety of activities including racquetball/wallyball and aerobic

further information call Susan Nock at 626-357-7273 or email at kasn@earthlink.net.

Please consider joining the Friends group to help supplement the library's collections. New membership categories have been added: Seniors, \$5 and the Lifetime Member is back: \$300. Help us make the library the best it can be!

classes. The facility has Life Fitness strength equipment including a Chest Press, Lat Pulldown, Arm Curl, Seated Dip, Shoulder Press, Seated Leg Press, Leg Extension, Seated Leg Curl, Hip Abductor and Hip Adductor. The Fitness Center also has a variety of cardiovascular equipment.

Regular annual membership fees for Duarte residents begin at \$150 a year with no monthly fees or dues. Make sure to ask about our new Senior Citizen Level membership! Daily drop in rates are also available. Please stop by or call the Duarte Fitness Center at (626) 357-6118.




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Experience the fun and celebration of Duarte's 60th year of incorporation with an incredibly entertaining event for the whole family! Hours of live music as well as a Children's Stage featuring local talent and family friendly entertainment! This year we will again present "Let's Move Duarte", featuring health and nutrition providers and displays. Exercise stations, fitness tests, and nutrition information will be presented by the Duarte Healthy Choice Program and Teen Nutrition Council.

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**For Picnic information call Duarte Recreation Department (626) 357-7931**  
**For Route 66 Parade information call (818) 638-4568 or email [duarteroute66@gmail.com](mailto:duarteroute66@gmail.com)**

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# Duarte Teen Center

The Duarte Teen Center is located at 1400 Buena Vista Street in Duarte. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 3 p.m.-7 p.m. Holiday and special event hours are subject to change.

All Duarte teens grades 9 through 12 with high school ID are welcome. For more information, please call (626) 303-0863.

### Computer Lab

The computer lab is open Monday-Friday from 3 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Free use to all teens registered at the Teen Center.

Take advantage of the computer lab at the Teen Center. The lab is a great place to enhance your computer skills, learn new programs, research colleges, chat on the Internet, do school work, and play various games.

### UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES! The Amazing Family Race to the Finish!

The Amazing Family Race to the Finish is a special event to pro-

mote family unity and good health and exercise, while highlighting various city facilities. The race will be held Saturday, October 14 at 8 a.m. The registration fee is \$40 per team and will be accepted until October 1. Register at the Duarte Teen Center, 1400 Buena Vista Street.

The focus of the event is for teams of 4 family or friends to race by foot or transit bus throughout the City of Duarte solving clues, competing in challenges, solving puzzles, and overcoming obstacles, with the goal of being the first team to complete the race! Cash prizes and more will be awarded! Call the Duarte Teen Center at (626) 303-0863 for more information. Space in the race will be limited so sign up now.

Rules include: teams of 4 family or friends, all team members must be age 10 or over, one member of the team must be 18 or older, you may only travel by bus or walking and teams MUST stay together during event at all times. register Online by visiting [www.accessduarte.com](http://www.accessduarte.com)>Quick Links>Register for Recreation Programs.

### Monday Night Football!

Come out and play some fun flag football! Mondays, September 18 through October 23 from



4-5:30 p.m.

### Unity March

On Saturday, November 4, at 9 a.m. the Mayor's Youth Council will host a Unity March and rally to promote peace and unity in the community, the event will host food vendors, and inspirational speakers. The march starts at Duarte City Hall, 1600 Huntington Drive.

### Turkey Shoot Contest!

Come and "wet" the hoop on Thursday, November 16, at 3:30 p.m. in the Free Turkey Shoot Contest! Each contestant will get 1 minute to shoot as many 3-point shots for a total score, and top winners will receive turkeys to take home to their families for Thanksgiving. Come and get ya hoop on!

### Teen Excursion

On Friday, October 27, the Teen Center will take a trip to Six Flags Magic Mountain - Halloween Frightfest! Plenty of ghost

and thrill rides. Get your scream on! The trip departs at 4 p.m. and returns at 12 a.m. to the Duarte Teen Center. Register at the Teen Center. Fee is \$45

### ON GOING ACTIVITIES

#### Boys Night Out!

Come join our club just for guys! Fun trips, group discussions, sports and much more! This program is for high school teen boys grades 9-12. The group meets Tuesdays, September 19, October 10 & 24, November 7 & 21 and December 5 from 4-5 p.m.

#### Drama Club

The Drama Club meets once a week on Fridays from 3:30 p.m.-5 p.m. Club members will participate in poetry jams, oratory, skits, and improvisation. Membership fee is \$5 every 6 months.

#### Nutrition/Cooking Class

Teens can learn to make quick and easy nutritious meals, while having fun with friends. Class meets once a week on Wednesday

from 3:30 p.m.-5 p.m. Fee is \$2 per class.

### Girls Night Out

This free program is for teen girls grades 9-12. Discuss various topics ranging from peer pressure, goals, self esteem, relationships and much more. The group will meet Fridays, September 8 & 22, October 13, November 10 and December 8 from 3:30 p.m.-5 p.m.

### Work it Out

Come join Teen Center staff Thursdays from 4 p.m.-5 p.m. for "Work it Out", a fitness program for teens that includes video workouts, walking excursions, circuit training, and nutrition. Come get fit with friends!

### Youth Boxing Program

Join the fun and excitement with Duarte Boxing Program at the Duarte Teen Center! Boys and girls ages 8-18 years old are welcome. Participants learn all of the fundamentals of boxing and get in incredible shape!

Participants will gain flexibility, stamina, and coordination as well as make new friends. Our knowledgeable trainers provide a safe and stimulating learning environment for all levels of youth. Youth can train for fun and physical activity or for a chance to compete against other youth in the United States and at the annual Boxing Show. The Duarte Teen Center Gym is open Monday through Thursday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Friday from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. There is a \$10 monthly fee for each participant. Non-residents are welcome for \$20 per month. Register at the Duarte Teen Center. Call 303-0863 for more information or stop by for a visit.

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