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Duarte View

A bi-monthly community publication of the Duarte Chamber of Commerce, in its 92nd year of service to the community.

T. Jefferson Parker, Susan Straight, Juan Felipe Herrera to headline Duarte Festival of Authors Sat., Oct. 6

Best-selling crime writer, T. Jefferson Parker, award-winning novelist Susan Straight, and celebrated poet, novelist, performer and activist, Juan Felipe Herrera, will headline the 10th annual Duarte Festival of Authors on Saturday, Oct. 6. The festival will take place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Westminster Gardens, 1420 Santo Domingo Ave. in Duarte. Admission and parking is free.

The Duarte Festival of Authors presents a unique opportunity in an intimate setting for the public to meet and hear from some of Southern California's top writers as well as exciting, new talents.

More than 50 authors will par-



SUSAN STRAIGHT

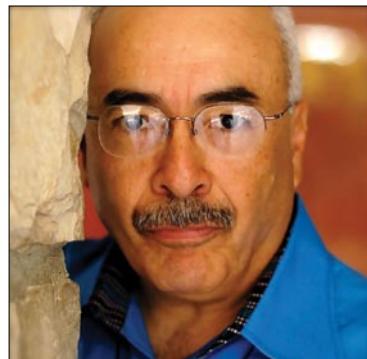


T. JEFFERSON PARKER
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ticipate in the festival presented by the Friends of the Duarte Library. The festival showcases a rich sampling of the diversity of literary talents and books to appeal to a wide variety of tastes: fiction and non-fiction, adventure, suspense, romance, travel, mystery, inspirational, spiritual, poetry, educational, historical, young adult and children's titles.

In addition to talks, panel discussions and book signings all day long, festival-goers are in for a host of other treats as well with an on-site book store and a choice of food and refreshments served up by the popular Pie and Burger Restaurant truck and Duarte's Lemonade Brigade.

Juan Felipe Herrera is the award-winning author of 29



JUAN FELIPE HERRERA

books including poetry, novels for young adults and collections for children. He will speak and sign his books at 12 noon, of which "Half the World in Light - New and Selected Poems" is his most recent. For nearly four decades Herrera has documented his experiences as a Chicano in the United States and Latin America through

Parade marching down Route 66 Sat., Sept. 22

City Picnic and Classic Car Show Follow at Royal Oaks Park

With "Get Fit on Route 66" the theme of Duarte's 17th annual Route 66 Parade on Saturday, Sept. 22, parade-goers are encouraged to flex their muscles when Grand Marshals and champion body builders, Brian and Jennifer Whelan, pass by.

The Whelans are the owners of the popular Foothill Gym in Monrovia where they train and coach their clients toward a healthy way of life and fitness. They were recently titled Mr. and Mrs. Muscle Beach at Venice Beach. Jennifer is a national level figure competitor and Brian a top body builder.

Duarte's own fitness guru, Stacey Park, owner and circuit coach of Curves, is this year's Community Grand Marshal. Park also serves the community



STACEY PARK
Community Grand Marshal

as an energetic volunteer, is a member of the Duarte Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, and is active in other local organizations.

Two longtime and beloved Duarte residents, Bill and Nita Norgard, will be celebrated in the parade as Duarte Honored Citizens for their many contributions and years of volunteerism in the community.

The parade, which will lead off a day of festivities celebrating the City's 55th Anniversary, will step off at 10 a.m., followed by the Duarte City Picnic and Classic Car Show at Royal Oaks Park from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

More than 100 parade entries will travel along a one-mile segment of Duarte's historic Route 66, Huntington Dr., from Cotter St. east to Mt. Olive Ave. The colorful cavalcade, co-sponsored by the City of Duarte, the Route 66 Parade Committee and

the Duarte Community Coordinating Council, will feature antique and classic cars, marching bands, equestrian units, and floats. Some 1,400 participants in all will take part in the event, including local school, church and community groups. The parade also attracts participants from throughout Southern California eager to share a role in the nation's only annual parade to celebrate Route 66, the Mother Road, among them, 10 high school marching bands. Entertaining the parade crowd will be bands from Diamond Bar High School, Diamond Ranch High School, Ganesha High School, Mayfair High School, San Dimas High School, Workman High School, Don Lugo High School, Beckman High School, Basset High School, and Duarte High School.

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Following the parade, the fun continues at the City Picnic at Royal Oaks Park. The public is invited to enjoy food, craft and game booths sponsored by community nonprofit groups. Two performance stages will offer a



BILL AND NITA NORRAGARD
Duarte Honored Citizens

located adjacent to the Children's Stage, along with a mini-carnival area with free games and a giant inflatable slide.

Car enthusiasts and the whole family can get their kicks at the Route 66 Classic Car Show across from Royal Oaks Park. The car show offers an opportunity to take a close-up look at some of the many beautiful antique and classic cars featured in the parade.

Opened in 1926, Route 66 was the first highway to connect Chicago to Los Angeles. It was nicknamed the Main Street of America because it passed through the heart of communities, including Duarte, more than 2,000 miles from the Great Lakes to the Pacific Ocean. Route 66 was decommissioned in 1973 when the interstate highway was completed, but the love and lore of Route 66 lives on.



CHAMPION BODY BUILDERS Brian and Jennifer Whelan will flex their muscles for Route 66 as Grand Marshals of Duarte's 17th annual Salute to Route 66 Parade on Sept. 22. This year's parade theme is "Get Fit on Route 66".

Duarte's Anniversary Celebration

Celebrate Duarte's 55th anniversary of incorporation with a fun "Get Fit on Route 66" Parade along Huntington Drive beginning at 10 a.m., followed by the City's annual picnic celebration at Royal Oaks Park, 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, and more fun on the Children's Stage. There will be a vintage car show displaying dozens of classic cars, an arts and crafts show, and more to complete a perfect day of family fun. Bring your family and friends to Duarte's biggest event!

• LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Beginning at 11 a.m., bring the family and join your friends and neighbors for hours of live stage entertainment on the main Celebration Stage. There will be performances by As One, Colton B & the L.A. Hip Kidz, and the Rage Crew world champion dance group as well as several more bands and performers! Also appearing will be talented local performers who will entertain and amaze. Bring your lawn chair, blanket and umbrella. Dance away on the dance floor and enjoy a day of fun, food and great music!

• CHILDREN'S STAGE & DUARTE! "LET'S MOVE!" ACTIVITY AREA

A variety of Duarte Recreation class demonstrations, a children's show and much more will be part of a full day of children's entertainment beginning at 11 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: **Duarte! "Let's Move!"** The "Let's Move!" initiative was launched by First Lady Michelle Obama, dedicated to solving the problem of obesity within a generation, so that children born today will grow up healthier and able to pursue their dreams. 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

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 including barbecued meats, tacos, tostadas, snow cones, pizza, hot dogs, hamburgers, healthy choices and much more will be sold. Fun and informative booth displays and activities will include local college and university information, drug awareness and prevention literature, and a dunk tank. 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! The giant inflatable slide will be back by popular demand and it will be free for children. (Children must be able to climb the slide without assistance.)

For more information on the City Picnic please call (Para más información llame) (626) 357-7931. For Parade information call the Route 66 Parade Committee at (626) 437-7993.



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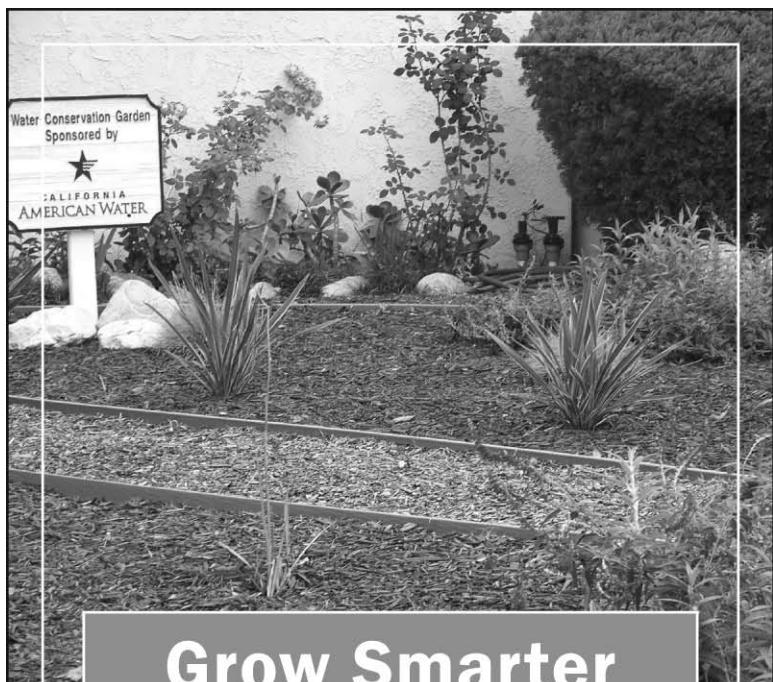
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Duarte Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

Nov. 21 to honor outstanding community volunteers, kick off "Holiday of Promise" project

Pastor Albert Tate of Fellowship Monrovia to Deliver Keynote

Duarte will express its thanks to outstanding community volunteers and kick off the holiday season at the 27th annual Mayor's Thanksgiving Prayer Breakfast and 25th annual Duarte Chamber Community Service Recognition Awards. The event will be held Wednesday, Nov. 21, from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. at the City of Hope Cooper Auditorium, 1500 E. Duarte Rd. Tickets are \$10 or \$8 for children and seniors, and can be purchased at the door or in advance from the Duarte Chamber of Commerce, at Duarte City Hall, or online at www.duarterchamber.com. A limited amount of tickets will also be available at the door.

Pastor Albert Tate of Fellowship Monrovia will be the keynote speaker. Pastor Tate also serves on the Advisory Council at the Fuller Youth Institute and on the Board of Directors at Forest Home Ministries.

The breakfast is co-sponsored by the City of Duarte, Duarte Church and Clergy Association, Duarte Chamber of Commerce, City of Hope, Duarte Kiwanis Club, and Duarte Woman's Club.

Outstanding community volunteers will be honored by the Chamber of Commerce in the categories of Civic Service, Service to Senior Citizens, Humanitarian, Service to Youth, Business, and Youth. Nomination applications are available on the Chamber website. Deadline for submit-

ting nominations is Nov. 1.

The event will also launch the 10th annual "Holiday of Promise" project to collect food, personal items and gift donations to be distributed by the Duarte Community Service Council and Foothill Unity Center to needy families the week before Christmas. The project is sponsored by Duarte's Promise – The Alliance for Youth, Duarte Church and Clergy Association, and numerous area businesses. Gift donations can be dropped off from Nov. 19 to Dec. 10 at locations including Duarte City Hall, the Duarte Chamber, and the Duarte Public Safety office in the Target Center.

For more information on the event, call Duarte Chamber of Commerce at (626) 357-3333 or Duarte City Hall, (626) 357-7931, ext. 267.

Supervised Playgrounds

The Duarte Parks and Recreation Department is currently providing drop-in recreation programming Monday through Friday from 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. at Beardslee and Royal Oaks Park.

Recreation leaders will conduct crafts, games, and sports activities for children ages 5 years and older.

There are no fees for these drop-in activities. Join your local Recreation Leader for fun and excitement.

For more information call (626) 357-7931.

SET for LIFE Expo Sat., Oct. 13

The Susan B. Komen reports that even though white women get breast cancer at higher rates, African American women are more likely to DIE from best cancer!

In addition, Hispanic/Latina women are also more likely to die from breast cancer than white women who are diagnosed at a similar age and stage. Some ethnic and racial groups have been less likely to receive breast cancer screening and thus their breast cancers are often diagnosed at later stages. The later diagnosis increases the chance of dying from breast cancer.

On Saturday, October 13, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., during the SET for LIFE 8th Annual "Healthy Living for LIFE 50+ Expo," women 40+, who are low income and have no health insurance will be able to receive a FREE mammograms through the Southern California Witness Project. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Call (626) 386-8071.

The event will be held in the Fannie M. Goodwin Education Center at Second Baptist Church, Inc. 925 South Shamrock Avenue, Monrovia, CA 91016. Free stroke, Oral Cancer, Blood Pressure, Low Vision, Diabetes, Cholesterol and more will be available.

"Everyone is welcome, because with so many adults still out of work and without health insurance, it is even more important these health screenings are available to the community," said Patricia Duff Tucker, SET for LIFE Board President. "Our goals this year is to provide 1000 FREE screening."

In addition, a FREE catered lunch will be offered to adults who get 4 or more screenings. There will be information and resources to help families learn more about Preventative Measures to stay healthy, along with lots of prizes.

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California American Water will hold three community open house and information sessions in each of its L.A. County districts during September. Company representatives from customer service, conservation, rates, operations, water quality, engineering and external affairs will be available to answer questions and provide information about the services offered to customers.

Customers will also be provided information regarding conservation programs and rebates they can take advantage of. Free conservation kits with water saving devices including low-flow hose nozzles, sink aerators, shower heads and more will be available.

The community open houses will be held on the below dates and at the following locations:

SERVICE AREA: Baldwin Hills, Tues., Sept. 18, 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m., Ladera Senior Center, 4750 West 62nd Street, Los Angeles.

SERVICE AREA: San Ma-

rino, Wed., Sept. 19, 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m., San Marino Center, 1800 Huntington Drive, San Marino.

SERVICE AREA: Duarte, Thurs., Sept. 20, 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m., Maryvale, 2502 Huntington Drive, Duarte.

Customers are encouraged to attend a meeting in their local area to ask questions and share their thoughts with company representatives, who will be on hand. The meetings are free and open to the public.

For additional information please dial (888) 237-1333 or go to www.californiaamwater.com.

Business owners need to be aware of phony Fire Inspectors

*By Daryl L. Osby, Fire Chief
County of Los Angeles Fire Dept.*

Businesses throughout Los Angeles County and across the state have been targeted by scam artists who wear official-looking "uniforms" and perform questionable "fire safety inspections" in local businesses. These individuals typically enter businesses suggesting that they represent the fire department and state that "they need to inspect the fire protection system," or that "they need to inspect various components of the fire protection system." These components can include alarms, fire sprinklers, hood systems, and fire extinguishers. Oftentimes, these "inspectors" ask an unsuspecting employee to sign a form authorizing the inspections. Several weeks, or months, after these fraudulent inspections are completed, business owners often receive an invoice for various services that were fraudulently performed.

The County of Los Angeles Fire Department inspects businesses annually and does not charge for these inspections. Business owners, managers, and employees should not let anyone inspect their fire extinguishers, sprinkler systems, hood systems, or any other protection devices unless they have an agreement with a specific fire protection company.

Business owners should ensure that any fire inspection that is completed at their business is legitimate. This can be accomplished by following four simple steps.

1. Inspectors should introduce themselves as County of Los Angeles Fire Department employees or identify their business and produce a business card. Allowing an individual to enter your business without a clear understanding of who that person is, as well as their inten-

tions, is not recommended.

2. Inspectors should be able to present a copy of their current County or City business license. Legitimate contractors should have a "C-10" endorsement to inspect fire alarms or a "C-16" endorsement to inspect fire sprinklers and fix fire protection systems. Licenses can be verified by checking with the Contractor's State License Board at www.csrb.ca.gov.

3. Inspectors should be able to tell you what they intend to do and what the estimated costs will be. Never pay in cash. Invoicing and recordkeeping are important for your business and help assist in establishing future legal avenues if the inspection turns out to be fraudulent.

4. Inspectors must leave any broken and/or replaced parts with you. They also must provide a signed invoice.

Remember! You may always refuse service and contact the County of Los Angeles Fire Department for guidance. We will gladly advise you of any required service schedules for your fire protection systems and assist you in verifying that the company you choose is qualified to provide the appropriate inspection, testing, and maintenance. If you suspect suspicious activity, contact law enforcement, your municipal fire department or the County of Los Angeles Fire Department's Public Affairs Section at (323) 881-2411.



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Citrus College Completion Corps: Helping students finish what they start

By Dr. Edward C. Ortell,
 Citrus Community College District
 Trustee,
 Duarte Area Representative

In 2010, President Barack Obama challenged the nation's community colleges to help the U.S. regain its global leadership in post-secondary education by having the highest proportion of college graduates of any nation in the world. He called upon them to produce five million more associate degree and certificate holders by 2020.

Six national community college organizations, the American Association of Community Colleges, the Association of Community College Trustees, the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD), the League for Innovation in the Community College, Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society, and the Center for Community College Student Engagement, responded by reaffirming their commitment to completion and signing a call to action. They issued a joint statement that called on all stakeholders in community college education to support a completion agenda.

One of the partnering organizations, Phi Theta Kappa, was the only student organization invited to sign the call to action. Completion was already a top priority for the community college honor society. Their mission to help students reach their full potential and to promote scholarly fellowship through a network of support and reinforcement already reflected the goals and methods contained in the completion agenda.

This spring, 17 Citrus College honors students participated in the Honors Transfer Council of California Conference at the University of California, Irvine.

This annual conference gives community college honors students the opportunity to present research on a variety of topics. Inspired by the completion challenge, Citrus College's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, Beta Nu Eta, presented research on the Community College Completion Corps.

When they returned to campus, the group worked with their faculty advisors to create "Citrus College Completion Corps," and a collegewide effort was begun. At Citrus College's Convocation on August 24, the college

community was invited to sign a pledge to inspire, encourage and assist students in completing their education goals. While the completion initiative is rewarding, it also has its challenges. Many community college students face obstacles such as family and work responsibilities that make attending college difficult. However, whether it means earning a certificate or associate degree, college completion is worthwhile. Students can expect to earn as much as \$8,000 more per year and about \$400,000 more in their lifetime than those with a high school diploma. In addition, un-

employment rates for those with associate degrees are typically 30 percent lower than those of high school graduates.

Numerous national surveys have demonstrated the positive effect of student engagement – a desire for meaningful involvement in the learning process – on students following through and finishing what they start. Citrus College's commitment to completion will promote and further the success of our students and will help to raise awareness of the importance of completing among community colleges throughout the state.

I look forward to the positive impact that will have on Citrus College and the Duarte area in the future.



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The Senior Center serves hot lunches Monday through Friday to individuals over age 60 or the spouse of someone over age 60. Lunch is served at 12 p.m. and you must be signed in by 11:45 a.m. Reservations are requested by calling (626) 357-3513. The suggested donation is \$2.

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Eligible seniors can receive a hot lunch and cold dinner plate delivered each weekday, or seven frozen meals delivered once a week by YWCA Intervale Senior Services. For more information on these programs, contact the Senior Center (626) 357-3513 or YWCA Intervale at (626) 214-9465.

ULTRASOUND STROKE PREVENTION TEST

HealthCare Partners is sponsoring a stroke prevention test on Tuesday, October 9. This is simple, non-invasive procedure will show any plaque buildup in the carotid artery. For an appointment, please call the Senior Center at (626) 357-3513.

PARKING LOT SALE

Come join the Senior Center for fantastic bargains at the annual parking lot sale on Sat., Oct. 20, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Individuals and groups can rent a spot for \$15 where they can sell their own goods. For any questions, please feel free to call (626) 357-3513.

A.A.R.P. DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM (4-HOUR REFRESHER COURSE)

A.A.R.P. is offering a 4-hour refresher course for those who have already completed the 8-hour course. The class will be held Tues., Sept. 18, 1 p.m.-5 p.m. The cost is \$12 for members and \$14 for non-members, reservations are required; please call the Senior Center for any questions at (626) 357-3513.

55 ALIVE DRIVER SAFETY

The Duarte Senior Center, in cooperation with AARP, is offering a 55 Alive Driver Safety class for persons 55 and older on Tues., Nov. 6 and Thurs., Nov. 8 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. This 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. Auto insurance companies are required by law to offer discounts to course graduates. Attendance is required at both sessions. The cost is \$12 for members and \$14 for non-members and reservations are required. For more information, please call the Center at (626) 357-3513.

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Every 2nd Thurs. and 4th Fri. of the month by appointment, HICAP provides unbiased information, counseling and assistance on Medicare and related health care coverage. FREE! Please call the Senior Center to make a reservation at (626) 357-3513.

ACCESS TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is provided for individuals with disabilities. For eligibility or more information, please call (800) 827-0829.

ADULT EXCURSIONS

Duarte Parks and Recreation is now taking registration for fall trips. Brochures with in-depth information regarding the trips are available at City Hall or the Senior Center. Trips offered this quarter would include: GET YOUR KICKS ON ROUTE 66 on Wednesday, November 13 from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. for \$41; CALIFORNIA SCIENCE CENTER/IMAX THEATRE and CLEOPATRA EXHIBIT

on Tuesday, November 13 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. for \$38; CANDLELIGHT PAVILION "CHRISTMAS TO REMEMBER" on Wed., Dec. 19 from 10:45 a.m.-3:45 p.m. for \$68.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. 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. Visa and MasterCard are accepted for purchases over \$25.

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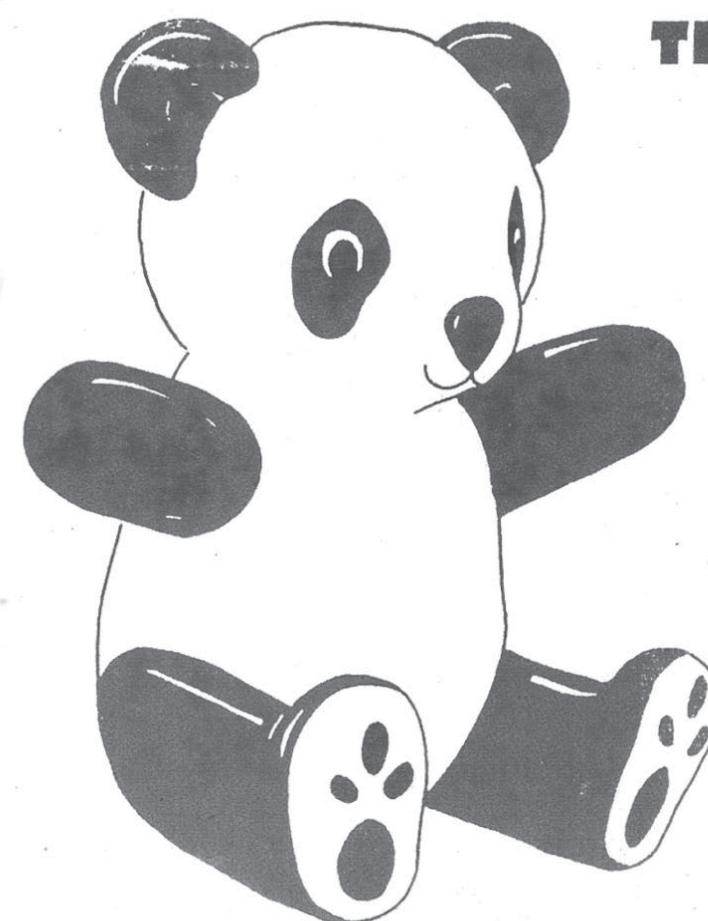
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Pasadena NAACP to present Duarte Councilmember Tzeitel Paras-Caracci with Civic Award

Duarte City Councilmember Tzeitel Paras-Caracci will be one of 15 local community leaders to be presented with awards at the Pasadena Branch of the National Association of Colored People NAACP's 27th Annual Ruby McKnight Williams Awards Dinner, Sept. 13 at the Pasadena Hilton Hotel International Ballroom.

Paras-Caracci will receive one of two Civic Awards to be handed out that evening. Pasadena Fire Chief Calvin E. Wells will receive the other.

Councilmember Paras-Caracci has lived in Duarte for over 27 years and has served on the Duarte City Council since 2001.

Being a proud Duarte High School graduate, she spearheaded the creation of the Duarte's Mayor's Youth Council and Youth and Families Master Plan in 2008.

She has served as Mayor in 2006 and 2011, and as a Board of Director for the National League of Cities, League of California Cities and the L.A. County Sanitation District.

For the past 8 years, Paras-Caracci has worked as a Senior Program Director for the YMCA of Metropolitan Los Angeles - Pasadena and Santa Anita Family branches.

Councilmember Paras-Caracci is humbled by the NAACP honor and continues to work toward leaving a legacy for youth and families in Duarte and the surrounding communities.

Other prominent community leaders to be honored for demonstrating an above average commitment and excellence in various areas of endeavors are:

Raphael Henderson, vice president



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General Banking Group, Wells Fargo Bank, and James M. McLamb, Sr., vice president Clark Construction Group, Corporate Award; Beverly White, reporter NBC4, Betty Sanford, and Frank Giradot, Editor of the Pasadena Star News. Community Award; and Manuel Rustin, teacher and John Muir High School, Education Award.

Other are Rev. Dr. James E. Stevenson, Senior Pastor, Scott United Methodist Church, Faith Award; Michele Bagneris, City Attorney, City of Pasadena, Jeanette Mann, Trustee, Pasadena Area City College District, President's Award; Kevin McDonald, Deputy Executive Director, Foothill Transit; Damon Zumwalt, CEO, Contemporary Services Corp.; and Vincent Pao, president, Bravo Travel.

Volunteer and community activist, Betty J. Ford will be presented with the Pasadena NAACP's highest honor, the Ruby McKnight Williams Award.

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STREET PARKING RESTRICTIONS (Saturday, September 22)

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. Bus shuttle service is available to the Park from Royal Oaks School.

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. *Highland and Huntington Dr.* area for early birds. Duarte cable station DCTV will be taping the parade from this location. *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. Curbside seating. Parade announcers here. 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 (DUARTE ANNIVERSARY 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.

Duarte's 17th Annual Salute to Route 66 Parade



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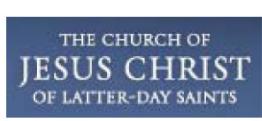
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Authors

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stunning memorable poetry that is both personal and universal in its impact, themes and approach. Earlier this year Herrera was named Poet Laureate for the State of California.

T. Jefferson Parker, who will speak and sign his books at 1:30 p.m., is a three-time recipient of the Mystery Writers of America's Edgar Award for best novel, and has won numerous other awards for his novels all dealing with crime, life and death in Southern California.

His latest bestseller is "The Jaguar" which features protagonist Charlie Hood, a Los Angeles Sheriff's Deputy on loan to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms task force working the illegal gun trade along the U.S. Mexican border.

Novelist Susan Straight, whose book, "Take One Candle Light a Room" was named one of the best novels of 2010 by the Washington Post, The Los Angeles Times, and Kirkus, will speak at 3 p.m. Following her talk, she will sign copies of her just released novel, "Between Heaven and Here," also "A Million Nightingales," a 2006 Finalist

in the Los Angeles Times Book Prize, and "Highwire Moon," a finalist for the 2001 National Book Award.

Other authors scheduled to appear include: Mystery writers, Teresa Burrell, "The Advocate," Gayle Carline, "Hit or Missus," Michael Mayo, "Alex Walker and the Circus of Secrets," Gayle Bartos-Pool, "The Johnny Casino Casebook," and Alice Zogg, "Murder at the Cubbyhole".

There will be lots of good books for children to choose from and special reading and other activities for the young ones. Among the authors participating will be: Alva Sachs, "I'm 5," Jason Silva, "The Tale of Edgar Trunk" series; Ron Robledo, "How do you Hide a Dinosaur?," Chani Warnasuriya, "Spooky Tales;" and Evelyn De Wolfe, "Conversations with

Madame Zozo". Author Chi Hosseinion's "U Touch, I Tell" helps children learn how to protect themselves from predators.

Fiction writers include: David McCabe "Without Sin," Rebecca Woods, "Living Through Charlie," Lola James, "Bound to Remember," and M. Adams, "For a Taste of Morgan". Zuhdi Sardar's "Between Iraq and Hard Places" paints a canvas of words that, in light of the Middle East's recent "Arab Spring", is both a metaphor of our times and mirror to us all.

Author/TV-radio personality, Manny Pacheco highlights character actors of Hollywood's Golden Age and films telling America's story in "Forgotten Hollywood," while Hollywood movie historian, Mark Thomas McGee takes readers behind-the-

scenes in the making of the classic "Invasion of the Body Snatchers," and Gerald Schiller, details true tales from Tinseltown's past in "It Happened in Hollywood: Remarkable Events that Shaped History". Dennis Sanchez offers a humorous Wizard of Oz parody from Toto's point of view in "Toto's Adventures with Dorothy".

Festival goers will find inspirational stories. "Joseph Borda's "Across the Seas" is his personal immigrant account of serving in three wars and working on ships to earn the American citizenship for which he strived for years. "Living in the Mouth of the Wolf" by Sal DiVita provides authentic accounts of events as experienced by ordinary people in Fascist Italy during the Second World War. Others include: Chuck

Robertson, "A Simple Man's Story of Esther," Glen Gibson, "Not the Way You Thought it Would Be," Loa Blasucci, "All Health's Breaking Loose;" Jesse Cozean, "My Grandfather's War," and Brenda Winner, "Ten Perfect Fingers".

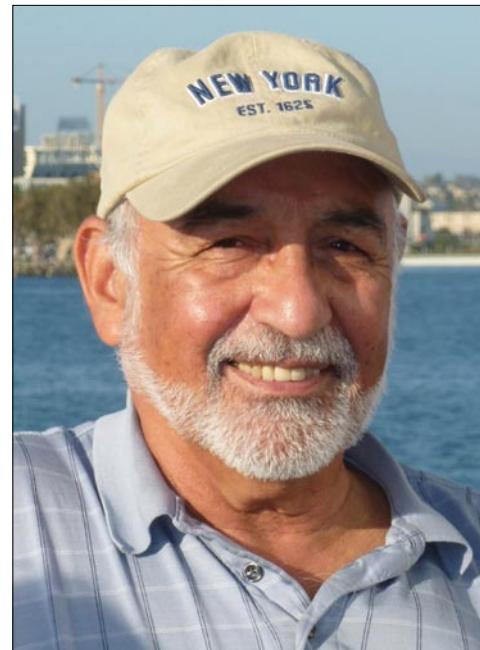
Janie Speare offers advice to teens in "Standing Up, Standing Out," and author/artist/peace ambassador Petra Eiko brings her traveling Green Heart project to the festival, inviting visitors to inscribe what's in their hearts.

Claudia and Alan Heller take readers on a journey through The Mother Road in stories, pictures and reminiscences of "Life on Route 66," Tim Poyorena-Miguel shares local history in "Return to Simons," and Richard Santillan writes on the history of "Mexican American Baseball in L.A.". Historian Elizabeth Pomeroy offers a guide to historic and natural landmarks in Southern California in "Lost and Found," and James Aguirre offers Native American history and perspective in his book "Through Native Eyes – Talking Leaves".

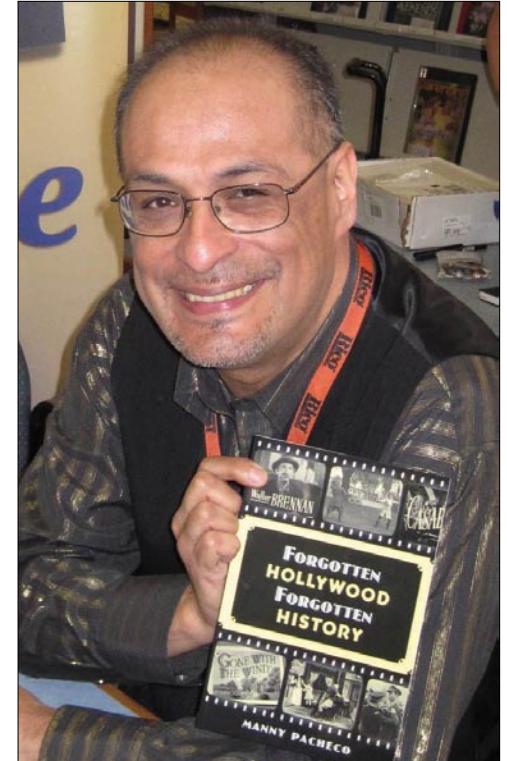
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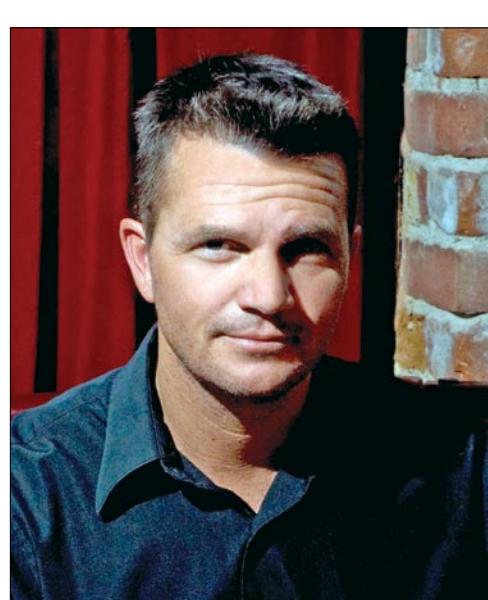
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Jamie... A returning sociology major at Claremont Colleges, Jamie learned about us when we appeared at a local conference. Excited to become a volunteer, Jamie feels led to begin to oversee Friday With Friends, our afternoon outreach to teen girls.

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With each passing generation, public education has been called upon to expand into multiple areas that, were at one time, the responsibility of family and society. Jamie Vollmer discusses this evolution in his book, *Schools Cannot Do this Alone*. Vollmer reveals that schools are now expected to expand their responsibilities way beyond the 3Rs of reading, writing, and arithmetic to include: character education, drivers' education, special education, environmental education, multicultural education, technology education, health education, physical education, early-childhood education, alternative education, English language acquisition education, parenting education, migrant education—as well as address - dropout prevention, drug and alcohol prevention, gang awareness, and teen pregnancy awareness just to identify a few examples of what is currently being required of the public education system.

Taking this into consideration, public education has been under fire in much of the media for quite some time, and it is not uncommon for many to wax nostalgic and refer to how good schools were in the past compared to today. In my opinion, as Albert Einstein stated so correctly, "A man should look for what is, and not for what he thinks should be." As good as the "good old days" seemed, the facts are, since the 1960's, enrollment and attendance in schools is up. The average number of courses taken in high school and the degree of difficulty are up. *Have you attempted to complete a 5th grade geometry assessment lately?* Graduation rates are up. The percentage of high school graduates entering college and earning an undergraduate degree are up, especially for underrepresented groups.

The public school system remains the key to the continuation of our democratic society. Yearning for the glory days of the schools of our past, is a misguided notion. The present public school system is working and it is an invaluable institution worth fighting for now. As Superintendent, I have the great fortune to witness the *miracles that happen here everyday* in our classrooms to prove it. At Duarte Unified School District, our teachers and staff work beyond the requirements and are committed to the students we serve. But, as Vollmer so aptly stated, "our schools cannot do this alone." Success is met only when the efforts of our school staff is combined with active parents and a supportive community. Our students are fortunate to live in Duarte and we are fortunate to work in Duarte, as the commitment of the community for our public schools is strong. The passage of School Bond Measure E is a perfect example, and we thank you for your investment in our students' futures.

Last year we began to gather general information from community members regarding what you believe is important for our students to know and be able to do to become productive citizens in the 21st Century world we live in. It is critical that we develop a clear understanding of just what it is, we as a community, must do in order for our students to be recruited right out of high school by either institutions of higher learning or businesses offering immediate career opportunities. At DUSD, we fondly refer to these highly sought after students as "Shoulder Tapped Graduates."

Duarte is a community rich in expertise, talent, caring and kindness; and together we can create the type of learning organization that offers the necessary skills, knowledge and inspiration for our students to attain success in their careers and to have fulfilling lives. The partnership between Duarte Unified School District and the Duarte Community is essential to the success of our students. With your support, *miracles will continue to happen here everyday*.



DR. TERRY NICHOLS

*By Kaye Ekstrand,
Preschool Director*

Welcome to Duarte Unified School District Child Development Programs!

For those of you who are not familiar with our program, our services include a Head Start and State Preschool program for income-eligible children 0-5 year old, and an Extended Day Care program for K-6 grade students.

The programs are supported by the additional help of a group of parents who serve on our Policy Committee Board and Parent Advisory Council.

There is an ever-strengthening support from the community-based agencies that provide referrals and resources for Education, Health, Nutrition and Mental Health service areas of our program.

The Duarte preschool program has successfully implemented the Guided Language Acquisition Design (GLAD) curriculum.

In addition to the state-mandated early childhood and education trainings, preschool teachers are required to undergo instruction that specifically addresses the GLAD curriculum utilizing

state of the art technology.

The GLAD curriculum teaches children the necessary skills to help them grow emotionally and socially, while also developing Language and Literacy Development and English Language Acquisition.

Our literacy-rich environment, which includes a strong emphasis on oral language development, provides many learning opportunities that will encourage young children to develop an interest in reading and writing. There is also a strong emphasis in academic achievement, and cross-cultural skills.

A goal-oriented process is provided by our Family Service Team members assigned to each school-site, which ensures that every child and family is receiving the highest quality preschool support. In addition, individual goals are identified to support each child, parent or family's needs.

We have learned that we are able to better serve child, parent or family's needs by maintaining a goal oriented process as a way of ensuring a positive and productive learning environment at home and in the classroom.

This past year the Duarte Preschool program was able to receive educational materials, classroom toys and equipment for our playground.

Each year various events are celebrated throughout the year, such as our "Family Fun Nights", "Day of the Child", "Female Role Model Day", "Male Role Model Day", "Eat, Move, Live" and many more!

We encourage parents and community partners to play an active part in our school's curriculum, activities and events. These are great opportunities to meet other families in our program, and ways to become involved in the Duarte community.

Each of our teachers and staff is committed to making sure that each child has the best experience possible in their early learning years.

Our programs are open year-round; all inquiries can be made directly by contacting our office at (626) 599-5120 or by visiting us at 1433 Crestfield Drive, Duarte.

Cougar Pride

By Rick Crosby, Principal

Andres Duarte Elementary has started off another great school year. The teachers and support staff have made sure we had an outstanding start of school.

A special thank you to three people that made a difference: our two custodians, Mr. Alex Ledesma and Mr. Denet Avila, and our office manager, Mrs. Luz Sanchez. Please help me thank them for all the hard work they do.

We had a great turnout at our first annual welcome back to school, pancake breakfast. The students and parents met with their teachers and staff on the Friday before school started, and we celebrated the start of a new year!

It was a great turnout and was the start of an exciting new tradition. Thank you to all of you who joined the fun.

I am pleased to announce two new staff members to Andres Duarte Elementary. We are very fortunate to have them join our Cougar Family.

• Our new principal, Mr. Rick Crosby, comes to Andres Duarte from Bonita and Monrovia Unified School Districts, where he has 16 years of educational experience. Mr. Crosby has been an assistant principal for the past six years and before that was a social studies teacher for ten years. You will find Mr. Crosby every morning greeting students and parents when they arrive at Andres Duarte Elementary.

• First grade teacher, Ms. Lynette Bridges, joins the cougar family from Maxwell Elementary, where she has been a teacher for the past twenty-three years. We are excited to have Ms. Bridges and her enthusiasm student-first attitude.

I am excited to announce that our preliminary test scores from the California Standardized Test indicate our API went up! Andres Duarte teachers and staff worked hard to make sure every student is achieving at the highest level. As with our motto, "Semper Suprene Nitens", Andres Duarte Cougars are ALWAYS STRIVING FORWARD!

Excellence begins here!

By Jennifer Janetzke, Principal

After a restful summer break, what an honor it is to return to Beardslee to begin another year working with outstanding staff, amazing parents, and enthusiastic children!

Many thanks go out to our custodial staff for all of the hard work they have put into cleaning our school from top to bottom!

Special thanks also go out to the office staff, teachers, and other support staff for all of the energy and effort they put into preparing for the upcoming school year.

It is a privilege to be a part of Duarte Unified School District and to serve the Duarte community and its families!

I am pleased to announce that we have several new programs this year to offer to our students and their families.

First, thanks to a grant we received from 3M, we will be expanding our use of the MIND Institute to our 4th and 5th grades this year.

MIND Institute is a fabulous computerized program that teaches students to understand math concepts through pictures, manipulating objects, and playing games on the computer.

In past years, we have had this program in 2nd and 3rd grade and the impact on the students' learning has been phenomenal! We are very excited to have the opportunity to bring this program into our upper grades as well and are very thankful to 3M for helping us to fund this program!

In addition to the MIND Institute, we will also be expanding our use of G.L.A.D. strategies to help

our students develop academic vocabulary in the areas of science and social studies.

G.L.A.D. stands for Guided Language Acquisition and Design and it means that the teachers are using specific strategies to help their students learn new vocabulary, explain difficult concepts in understandable ways, and increase their knowledge of the world around them.

Our teachers saw firsthand the impact that these strategies had on our students last year and are very anxious to enhance their use of these strategies in the upcoming school year.

In addition to these expanded strategies and programs, we are very pleased to introduce two new staff members who will be joining the Beardslee team this year.

The first is our new cafeteria manager, Martha Salibian. She has been working tirelessly this summer to reach out to our families and to dream of new ways to serve our students the nutrition they need to grow healthy and strong.

Our second new staff member is Esther Miller. Esther joins our special education department as an instructional aide and brings a very calm, gentle, and caring approach to the classroom.

We are very thankful to have these two ladies serving the Beardslee community with us this year!

Once again, it is a privilege to be here as part of the Duarte community! Thank you for your ongoing support and encouragement as we work together to educate the future members of our city!

of absence. She is teaching first grade in room 12 and has already endeared herself to our parents and staff.

We would also like to welcome Leticia Robles to Valley View. She comes to us as a substitute teacher from within the district. Leticia is teaching sixth grade in room 19. She was excited and ready to meet her students.

On August 21, we had an

Open House to welcome back our returning students and greet our kindergarteners and families new to Valley View. Everyone had

the first peek at the class lists, and the children were excited to see their upcoming classmates and teachers.

We hope to see you at our Back to School Night on September 20 and our Back to School Carnival on October 12.

Child Development Program welcomes the 2012-2013 school year

Welcome back to Valley View

By Angie Salas, Principal

The fall is full of new beginnings at Valley View. Our talented staff came back rested, rejuvenated and ready to serve our community. The children are eager to learn and we welcome two new teachers to our staff.

Plenty of hard work happened over the summer that insured a beautiful campus. Our custodians,

Ralph McCravey and John Camarena, worked tirelessly to create an inviting place for our students to learn. The office manager, Carole Baroni, dedicated her summer in preparing the office to ensure a successful start to the school year.

We are fortunate to welcome Ana Vaish to our staff. Ana comes to Valley View after a leave

Northview Intermediate School

*By Dr. Michael Chavez,
Principal*

The 2012-2013 school year is off to a great start at Northview Intermediate School. The strong start to this school year is built upon the hard work and dedication of our staff and the performance of our students on last year's California Standards Test (CST). On one again, ac-



cording to statewide estimates we have successfully met our Academic Performance Index (API) goal.

Northview is a place where students are provided the skills, knowledge and inspiration for success in a culture of caring and respect on their way to becoming "shoulder tapped" graduates.

The summer months have been a busy time for

Not your average Alternative High School....much more!

By Kevin Morris, Principal

Mt. Olive served as a continuation high school from its founding in 1961 until 1995. In 1995, it was restructured as an alternative high school and in March 1996, it received preliminary accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

Then in March 2005, Mt. Olive received a Six Year Clear WASC Accreditation and a Model Continuation High School Award in April of the same year.

Then in July 2011, we received our second Six Year Clear WASC Accreditation. This accreditation was extra special because it put us in a unique league of high schools that have earned two consecutive "Six Year CLEAR Accreditations.

Now, in September 2012 we had added our first two UC Approved elective courses, ROP Principles in Education and ROP Business Management/Entrepreneurship classes. These are the first UC course ever offered in Mt. Olive's 51-year history. These are just two of many classes as we move towards students applying for UC acceptance from Mt. Olive Alternative High School.

Mt. Olive continues to move forward and serve as a model for continuation and alternative high schools all over Southern California by providing a high-quality education to our learning community. Mt. Olive is committed to preparing our students for a 21st century global economy by providing a safe and nurturing environment that encourages creativity, critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration and risk taking as part of the learning process for building productive global citizens. To ensure that every student is prepared for the 21st century global economy, we design instruction around integrated-interdisciplinary and collaborative teaching that is standards-based, actively engaging and ensures mastery of curriculum.

We believe that all students should be expected to meet high standards and Mt. Olive offers educational options to help at-risk students meet those high standards. We provide programs that help students deal with learning barriers and overcome the challenges that have kept them from succeeding in the past. In short, we help students gain the skills needed to return to Duarte High School or remain at Mt. Olive to

earn their high school diploma, and prepare for post-secondary education/career.

It is important to remember that Alternative High Schools are NOT an alternative to learning. Rather, they provide an alternative method to accomplish the exact same thing as the traditional high schools, and that is to help students earn a diploma, enroll in a post-secondary or vocational school, get career ready and prepare for life's challenges as emerging 21st century global citizens.

Our move towards success is reflected in our Expected School-Wide Learning Results (ESLR's) that all Mt. Olive High School graduates are:

(D) Directed and Independent Learners Who:

- Complete credit requirements towards graduation
- Work cooperatively with staff

• Demonstrate the 21st century skills of critical thinking & problem solving, creativity, communication and collaboration, needed for the new global economy.

(A) Active Participants Who:

- Who take ownership of their learning environment and community
- Responsibly involved in the community through volunteerism

(W) Work and Career Focused Learners Who:

- Have identified a career pathway through work, trade school, community college, or the four year colleges.

(G) Goal Oriented Students Who:

- Demonstrate good study and work habits, high attendance, exemplary behavior and annual progress towards graduation.

(S) Standards Based Learners Who:

- Meet or exceed California state standards in math, science, ELA, & social science.
- Meet alternative education requirements under Alternative Schools Accountability Model

Our ESLR's will move Mt. Olive closer to becoming one of California's more notable Alternative High Schools for years to come. We are a team of dedicated educators who are committed to teaching and preparing our students for life after high school as socially conscience and productive citizens in today's society. That is our commitment to each student at Mt. Olive.

Northview staff and students in preparation for the 2012-2013 school year.

Professional development began for our staff the week after school let out for the summer. Our staff participated in a few training experiences.

The first was the development and training of our "Learning Teams." As a result of a grant Northview applied for and received last spring our staff and administration will be working closely with a consultant to continue to raise our level of academic achievement.

Also, our staff participated in the "Success Attributes" training. This training also included 5th and 6th grade teachers from all of the Duarte Unified elementary schools. The "Success Attributes" is the result of a longitudinal study that examined the key elements needed for student success. This training will help our staff equip the Northview students with resiliency skills that will lead to greater academic, as well as social and emotional success in life.

We also had teachers involved in the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) summer institute. AVID is a college readiness system for elementary through postsecondary that is designed to increase school-wide learning and performance.

As a result of the community support of bond measure E, our school is reaping the rewards of the construction of a new cafeteria and physical education/locker room area. The original cafeteria and locker room will be torn down and replaced with a



brand new building. The initial phases of the construction process have begun, and will continue throughout the upcoming year.

The new facility is scheduled for use at the opening of the 2013-2014 school year. As a result of the ongoing construction a temporary lunch facility is in place to serve the Northview students.

In addition, two classrooms have been converted into separate girls and boys locker rooms for student use for their physical education class. Our whole school community looks forward to the completion of our new facility in 2014. The following is a photo of Northview's temporary lunch shelter.

The summer of 2012 also provided extended Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) learning opportunities for interested Northview students. The Northview administration and

staff continued their strong partnership with Citrus College throughout the summer months. The Northview and Citrus partnership resulted in Northview student's participating in a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) learning experience.

As a result, this past summer

18 Northview 7th and 8th grade girls participated in the 21 G-Tech summer camp at Citrus College.



becoming an agent of change.

As a culminating activity, the

students created skits on bullying prevention that they performed for each other. We are so thankful for board member, Mr. Ken Bell, and Northview counselor Heidi Quirk

and a fantastic team of volunteer counselors for putting on such a life-changing event!

Our Back to School Night held on September 6th is a highlight of the opening of the school year. The well-attended evening included a social hour, PTSA meeting and classroom visitations. The classroom visitations allowed our parents to hear from their child's teachers regarding



school and classroom expectations, as well as information about curricular goals to meet the California state standards. The evening also provided an opportunity for our parents to see our temporary cafeteria and locker room facilities. Our staff looks forward to a great partnership in working with our parents to support and provide a high quality education for every student at Northview Intermediate.

The Northview PTSA continues to be very active in supporting our students and school community. We would like to encourage all Northview parents to join our PTSA. The PTSA benefits the Northview students in a variety of ways including events such as the renaissance rallies, civil war



re-enactment, reptile show and other school-wide activities.

Activities such as these are dependent upon our fundraising events such as our jog-a-thon, founder's day dinner and raffle, Fresh n Easy day and a spring cheesecake sales, etc. We encourage all parents to become a member of the PTSA and attend our monthly meetings.

The success of our students and staff for the 2012-2013 school year will be a result of the support provided by our whole school community working in partnership together with the singular goal of providing a high quality education and fostering the academic, social and emotional growth and success of every Northview student.

Thank you to all our parents, community and business members in supporting the motto for our students and staff of "Believe, Achieve, Succeed."



As a result, this past summer

Let's Go Team Maxwell!

By Dr. Kelly Buckley, Principal

We are so excited to start the 2012-2013 school year. The team has worked hard over the past two weeks to prepare for this moment. We kicked off our school year with our annual Welcome Back to School Ice-cream Social on August 24. Our fabulous PFA served the families hot fudge sundaes and a smile. Over 250 families attended the event. We had an awesome time sharing seeing old friends, meeting new ones and sharing summer vacation stories.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 19 – School Wide Trip to the Los Angeles County Fair
- September 20 – Back to School Night 5-7 p.m.
- September 28 – Student of the Month Assembly



MIGHTY MOUNTAIN LIONS FIRST HOURS OF THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR.



Royal Oaks Elementary School

By Janice Kolodinski, Principal

Royal Oaks continues to focus on academic excellence as we prepare children to be "shoulder tapped" graduates of Duarte schools. While official Academic Performance Index (API) information has not been published just yet, the information at hand indicates strong gains in student achievement for 2012.

There are a variety of ways teachers at Royal Oaks help students to reach goals for academic success. One is during REAL Time and another is Learning Lab. REAL Time stands for Reaching Every Ability and Learner.

During REAL Time students across a grade level are grouped based on their needs during a 45 minute reading block, three days weekly. This time gives teachers the opportunity to challenge advanced students to work beyond the grade level, while carving out time for at-risk students to work in small groups with teachers.

Then, if students continue to need further support they spend 30 minutes daily in the Learning Lab. Specialized curriculum is used in the Learning Lab by staff with specific training.

Another exciting contribution to the growth of student achievement at Royal Oaks has been SMART Boards. Teachers have done an outstanding job of integrating what they know to be highly effective teaching strategies with the new technology.

The result has been improved student engagement during lessons.

Additionally, success at Royal Oaks is also supported by the strong partnership with parents and community.

Through many fundraising activities, PTA is able to sponsor field trips, the MIND Research Institute, Study Island, and Aparicio Field Day, just to name a few.

The PTA has high goals this year for membership, fundraising and participation.

We recognize that the advances we make in educating our children are directly related to the support that members of this community provide.

We are justifiably proud of our staff and students and look forward to an exciting year in 2012-2013.

DHS Falcons welcome a new year

By Robin Nelson, Principal

I am truly honored and excited to be the new principal of Duarte High School. The Falcons have a rich history of student achievement, a committed staff and parent support; I am delighted to be a part of the team – again. I am looking forward to a fantastic year with academic rigor, athletic success and enriching activities offered to our learners.

To give you a little background, I have worked in the Duarte Unified School District for 16 years. The first nine years I served at Beardslee Elementary as a fifth and sixth grade teacher, the Resource Specialist Program Teacher and the Outreach Consultant. In addition, I was the Duarte High School Outreach Consultant for one year. For the past six years, I have been the principal at Valley View Elementary. I am thrilled to be back at Duarte High School.

I have a personal and professional commitment to the students and families of Duarte. My goal and vision for Duarte High School is to provide an environment where learners can connect with their passion while preparing them for success in career, college and life.

We welcome several new staff members to our team. Michelle Randall will serve as one of our Assistant Principals, Luis Martinez and Jennifer Nitschke to our English Department, Jennifer Elrod and Mavis Nam to our Foreign Language Department, Tamra Goto to our Special Education Department and Margartia Franco to our ROP Professional Acting class. The enthusiasm this group brings is contagious!

The beginning of every school year brings excitement, expectations and creates a spirit of hope. We look forward to a successful 2012-2013 school year. Go Falcons!

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Recreation Class Registration

Duarte Recreation is kicking off the fall session of classes for all ages! Registration began Monday, September 10 at Duarte City Hall Parks and Recreation Department, 1600 Huntington Drive. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Mail in registrations may be sent to the Duarte Parks and Recreation Department, 1600 Huntington Drive, Duarte, CA 91010-2592. Please include the participant's name, address, daytime telephone number, age, class, time, and class fee. If you would like a receipt, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope. You can also register by phone with Visa or MasterCard for purchases over \$25, 357-7931. Classes will begin the week of September 24.

Youth and Family classes offered include Amazing Arts, Ballet, Chess, Computers, Dance Your Buns Off, Folklorico, Guitar, Golf, Hip-Hop Dance, Kid's Healthy Cooking, Karate, Mini Picassos, Racquetball, Sewing, Tennis, Tumbling, Vocals and Watercolor.

Adult classes offered this session are Belly Dancing, Cardio, Computers, Golf, Salsa Dance, Polynesian Dance, Sewing, Yoga and Zumba.

For more information, please contact the Duarte Recreation Department at (626) 357-7931,

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 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.

The pool is open through September 30 for daily lap swimming, and recreational swimming on weekends. Water aerobics classes are offered on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Fitness Center membership prices can't be beat! Regular annual membership fees for Duarte residents begin at \$160 a year with no monthly fees or dues. Daily drop in rates are also available. The Fitness Center has membership sales each year offering a 20% discount! Please stop by or call the Fitness Center to find out more information. An upcoming sale will be held the entire month of December.

Call the Duarte Fitness Center at (626) 357-6118 for more information.

Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Youth Sports

The Duarte Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting registration for Youth Flag Football and Youth Volleyball leagues. This is a great opportunity for children to participate in a fun and exciting activity, develop a sports skill, and learn good sportsmanship. Practices are held on weekday afternoons. Teams will be formed at Beardslee Park, Royal Oaks Park, Northview Park, Otis Gordon Sports Park and Valley View Elementary School. The fee is \$30 per child and includes a T-shirt uniform. Van transpor-

Halloween Howl

Ready or not, the Duarte Parks and Recreation Department ghosts and goblins will be hosting the Annual Halloween Howl at Royal Oaks Park, 2627 Royal Oaks Drive, from 6 p.m.-9 p.m. on Wednesday, 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 Duarte Recreation at (626) 357-7931.



COME TO THE DUARTE PARKS and Recreation Department's Halloween Howl for a safe and fun way to spend Halloween!

DATES: Introductory practice Saturday, September 29

Practices will be held on Wednesdays & games on Saturdays,

October 3 – November 3 at Otis Gordon Sports Park, 2351 Central Avenue.

AGES: Group 1: Children born in 2005 & 2006 (6 & 7 years of age)

Group 2: Children born in 2007 & 2008 (4 & 5 years of age)

Child must be 4 years of age by October 1, 2012.

SIGN UPS: Begin Monday, September 12 at City Hall.

FEE: \$30 (Includes a t-shirt uniform)

Veteran's Banners

Duarte city staff has been working with the City of Hope on a sponsored military banner recognition program for nearly 60 banners.

The City of Hope has graciously agreed to donate the program's initial cost of \$9,300 resulting in 30 banners dedicated to local military personnel which will be hung in conjunction with the City's Veteran's Day 2012, as well as 30 banners for City Of Hope's "Centennial Celebration" kicking off in early January 2013.

Banners will be up through 2013 along Huntington Drive between Mountain Avenue and Buena Vista Street.



VOLLEYBALL IS COMING THIS FALL to a local park near you!

Duarte Teen Center

tober 22 from 4-5:30 p.m.

Teen Cultural Awareness

This activity-based training is designed for youth ages 14-18.

Participants will explore cultural differences, discuss respecting and honoring diversity, and examine personal attitudes in regards to intolerance.

Call the Teen Center for more information. Wednesday, November 17 from 4-6 p.m. Free

Work it Out!

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

Teen Excursion

On Friday, October 26, the Teen Center will take a trip to Six Flags Magic Mountain! 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. Fee is \$34

ON GOING ACTIVITIES

Birthday Tuesdays – On the first Tuesday of each month the Teen Center celebrates the birthdays of all registered teens. Come and enjoy cake for all!

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 – Teen 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 Tuesdays, September 11 & 25, October 9 & 25, and November 6 & 20 from 3:30 p.m.-5 p.m.

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 (626) 303-0863 for more information or stop by for a visit.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Turkey Shoot Contest!

Come and "wet" the hoop in the 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! Thursday, November 15 at 3:30 p.m. Free!

Monday Night Football!

Come out and play some fun flag football! Sign up to play on a team. Cost is \$7. Starts September 17-Oc-



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Networking Events



September 25 – 12 pm-1 pm

LADIES BROWN BAG NETWORK LUNCH
at Maryvale Family Resource & Early Education Center
2502 Huntington Dr., Duarte
Meets last Tuesday of the month

October 16 – 7 am-8:30 am

NETWORK BREAKFAST
at Cuisine on the Green Restaurant
(in Rancho Duarte Golf Course)
1000 Las Lomas Rd., Duarte

Meets Third Tuesday of the month, will not meet in December.

November 14 – 11:30 am-1 pm

BUSINESS SEMINAR

Topic – Beyond Social Media, Maintaining a Competitive Edge
at Duarte Community Center
1600 Huntington Dr., Duarte

Lunch will be provided. No Cost. RSVP to Duarte Chamber

*Make your reservations through the online calendar at
www.duartechamber.com*

Duarte Chamber of Commerce

Business Awards 2012



BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

Advantage Ford / Lincoln

RETAIL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

Qdoba Mexican Grill

HOMEBASED BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

RCS Heating & Air Conditioning

Chamber Awards 2012



Officer of the Year – Rona Lunde
Jan's Towing Services

Director of the Year – Bernadette Chang
Westminster Gardens

Committee Chairman of the Year
Business Survey – Bernadette Chang
Westminster Gardens

Ambassador of the Year – Debbie Gewertz
Old Town Sign Company

Hans Sulzer Award – Bernadette Chang
Westminster Gardens

Looking for a Few Good Ambassadors

*Call the Chamber today and find out
how to become an Ambassador
(626) 357-3333*

CURRENT AMBASSADORS:

Ruben Cesena, RCS Heating & Air
Conditioning

Gabriel Elicerio, G.E. Private Security

Debbie Gewertz, Old Town Sign Co.

Pat Miller, New York Life Insurance

Maria Popp, Apple One Employment Services

Nadine Reyes Schmidt, NSR Design Studio

Javier Velasquez, SCE Federal Credit Union

City of Hope Community Health Fair





Thursday, October 4, 2012
3 to 6 p.m.
FREE ADMISSION

City of Hope
A National Cancer Institute-designated comprehensive cancer center
Platt Conference Center
1500 E. Duarte Road, Duarte, CA 91010

- Free Health Information
- da Vinci Surgical Robot Exhibit
- Nutrition and Exercise Exhibits
- Mini-massages
- Ask the Pharmacist Booth
(Bring a list of your medications, supplements and dosages.)
- JACK-FM Radio Van
- Food Samples from 10 Restaurants
- Refreshments and Giveaways
- DOOR PRIZES

For directions, visit www.cityofhope.org.
For more information, call 626-930-5489.
Parking available on north and south sides of Duarte Road and in City of Hope parking lots.

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Dr. Ed Hernandez, O.D.
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RESTAURANT PARTICIPANTS: B'Man's, Baklava Land Bakery,
Cabrera's Mexican Cuisine, California Skewers, Doubletree/Elements,
Duarte Lemonade Brigade, Flame Broiler, IHop,
Old Spaghetti Factory, Qdoba Mexican Grill, Ranchero Mexican Restaurant

Grand Opening's in Duarte

Baklava Land Bakery
1231 Huntington Dr. (626) 303-1796

VIVA Julia's Dance Studio
2160 Huntington Dr. (626) 905-1954

Re-Grand Opening
La-Z-Boy Furniture & Design Center
968 Hamilton Rd. (626) 471-9999

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