

# Quarte City News

A Quarterly Publication for Businesses and Residents



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## Family Wilderness Day

Saturday, April 2

7:00 am - 1:30 pm

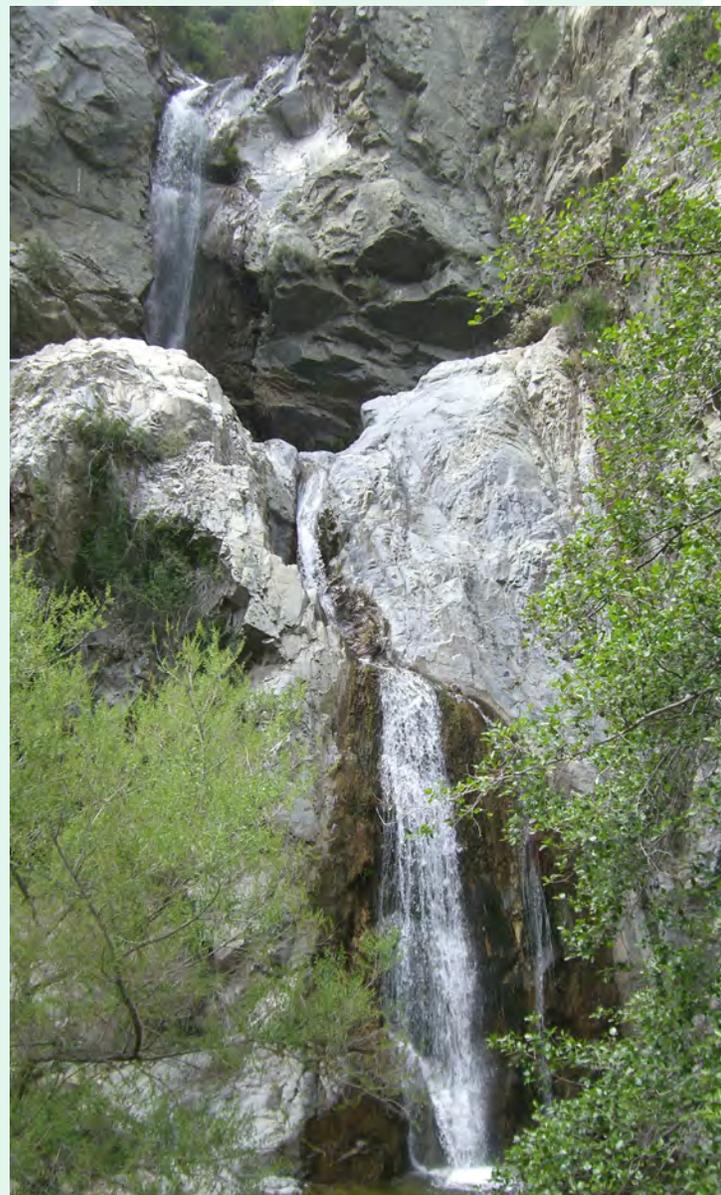
(Pre-Registration is strongly recommended!)

Limited to 350 hikers!

Register at the City of Duarte Parks and Recreation Department, 1600 Huntington Dr., Duarte, 91010, Monday - Thursday 7:30am - 6:00pm. For more information call (626) 357-7931.



The City of Duarte Parks and Recreation Department invites you to hike to Fish Canyon Falls in Duarte; one of the most beautiful natural waterfalls in the Angeles Forest. Hikers will navigate the trail on their own and return to Encanto Park for a barbecue lunch and park activities. Activities include a 24-foot climbing wall, panning for gold in the stream and more! Please pre-register to ensure you and your family's participation.



**Check In:** 7:00 - 10:00 am and board shuttle to trail head.

**Hiking Information:** 4 miles round-trip moderate-level wilderness dirt trail. Sturdy shoes is a must. No strollers allowed. (Recommended for families with children 5 ages years old and older).

**Park Activities Begin:** 11:00 am

**Barbecue Lunch:** 11:30 am – 1:30 pm

**Location:** Activities Base Camp/Shuttle Bus Departure at Encanto Park, 751 Encanto Parkway

**Fee:** \$20 - Adults/Teens  
 \$15 - Children ages 8-12  
 Free - Children 7 and under

Entry fee includes shuttle to trail head, park activities, & BBQ lunch. Commemorative t-shirts may be pre-ordered for \$12. (Wilderness Day rain out date is April 9)



### Duarte Rotary Club Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Saturday, March 26  
7:30 - 9:30 am

Duarte Community Center, 1600 Huntington Dr.  
\$4/adults; \$2 for children 10 & under

Join the Easter Bunny for photos, fun, and a delicious breakfast presented by the Duarte Rotary Club. After breakfast, enjoy spring time crafts.

### Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 26  
Begins at 10 am SHARP!

Beardslee & Royal Oaks Parks

Three Categories: 3-4, 5-7, and 8-10 year olds

FREE! After the breakfast, join us for lots of candy, prizes, fun and the Easter Bunny too! Special prizes will be awarded to children who find the Golden Eggs. No baskets or bags allowed. Parents are requested to stay off hunting grounds. (Children under 3 years old must be able to collect their own eggs.)



Save the Dates: Summer Concerts  
in the Park! July 6, 13, 20 & 27

# Recreation Classes

## 3 Easy Ways to Register

Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis, and will not be accepted after the second week of class. All fees must be paid in full at the time of registration. **Make checks payable to:** City of Duarte.

**Walk In** Begins at 7:30 am on **Monday, March 14.**  
Duarte City Hall, 1600 Huntington Drive, Monday through Thursday, 7:30 am–6:00 pm

**By Phone** Begins **Tuesday, December 8.**  
Register by phone with Visa, MasterCard or Discover Cards for purchases over \$25. Call (626) 357-7931.

**Mail In** Mail registrations to: 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.

**DO NOT forget to send a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you would like confirmation of your registration. (Registrations received prior to March 14 will be returned.)**



### Class Locations

BDS	Beardslee School
DHS	Duarte High School
DP	Duarte Park
DSP	Duarte Skate Park
DGC	Duarte Golf Course
ROP	Royal Oaks Park

**Refund Policy:** No refunds or transfer of fees unless the class is cancelled by the Department. **Note:** Small children may not remain in adult classes during instruction periods. Parents of children in classes will be allowed to observe the first and last class of the session only. Classes are subject to change.

## Youth Classes

Class	Age	Time	Day	Site	Date	Fee
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**BALLET:** 8-week session. Children will learn pliés, improve flexibility and balance, all while enjoying classical and current music. Instructor is Villegas.

TT	3-4	9:30-10:00am	Sat	ROP	4/2	\$30
TT	3-4	10:00-10:30am	Sat	ROP	4/2	\$30
Jrs.	5+	10:30-11:15am	Sat	ROP	4/2	\$34

**BRICKS 4 KIDZ FORCES OF NATURE:**

4-week course. This class is all about the amazing and powerful forces of nature. As students explore the when, where, how and why of all kinds of natural phenomenon. Kids will build moving models of a tornado, a tsunami, an earthquake and a cyclone using simple LEGO® bricks. Instructor provided by Bricks 4 Kidz.

All	6-10	3:15-4:15pm	Fri	DP	4/1	\$60
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**BRICKS 4 KIDZ STOP MOTION ANIMATION:** 4-week course. Lights, camera, LEGO® action! In this class students will plan, script, stage, and shoot their own mini-movie using Stop Motion Animation. Students will use movie-making software to add special effects, titles, credits and more. Instructor provided by Bricks 4 Kidz.

All	6-13	9:00-11:00am	Sat	DP	4/2	\$120
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**CHEERLEADING BASICS:** 8-week course. Student will learn the fundamentals of cheerleading: cheers, motions, dance, jumps, kicks and voice projection, to create routines. This is a great way to prepare for school cheer. A \$5 fee is due to instructor at first class. Instructor is Jovana Villegas.

Beg.	6-14	3:15-4:15pm	Mon	DP	3/28	\$36
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**CIRCUS GYMNASTICS:** 8-week session. This class will train kids in a fitness fun environment. Participants will develop techniques in stretching, balancing, handstands, cartwheels, front and back hand springs, and more! Instructor is Alex Fuentes, Trained Acrobat.

Beg.	8-14	11:30-12:30 pm	Sat	ROP	4/2	\$45
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**CRITICAL READING AND WRITTEN EXPRESSION:** 6-week session. This course helps students strengthen their critical reading and writing skills, both of which are essential analytical skills for academic success. Students will bring outside knowledge, biases and values in order to properly analyze a given text. Strategies and tools will be used to improve written expression. \$10 supply fee payable to instructor at first class. Instructor provided by AGI Academy.

Beg.	8-14	4:45-5:30 pm	Fri	DP	4/1	\$69
Beg.	8-14	4:45-5:30 pm	Fri	DP	5/13	\$69

**DRAMA FOR KIDS:** 8-week session. Children will learn how to act and perform dramatic plays, skits, musicals and will be taught vital performance communication and stage techniques. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.

All	3-5	3:00-3:30 pm	Tue	BDS	3/29	\$30
All	6-13	3:30-4:15 pm	Tue	BDS	3/29	\$34

Class	Age	Time	Day	Site	Date	Fee
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**DYBO/JAZZ:** 8-week session. Children will discover how to express themselves with rhythm, coordination, while gaining great confidence dancing the latest genre of jazz. This class is for the intermediate dancer. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.

Int.	5-11	4:00-5:00 pm	Wed	ROP	3/30	\$35
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**HIP-HOP DANCE:** 8-week session. Children will learn the exciting and energetic techniques of hip-hop allowing them to dance to any type of music. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.

All	5-16	5:00-5:50 pm	Mon	ROP	3/28	\$35
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**HOMEWORK HELPER:** 4, one-hour classes (\$60). Private tutoring for students grades K-12, all subjects, by appointment.

**INTRO TO TYPING:** 6-week session. Develop your child's basic typing skills and prepare them for future computer usage. Explore how computers can help your child and give them a jump-start in school. \$10 supply fee payable to instructor at first class. Instructor provided by AGI Academy.

Beg.	6-13	4:45-5:30 pm	Fri	DP	4/1	\$69
Beg.	6-13	4:45-5:30 pm	Fri	DP	5/13	\$69

**KARATE FOR KIDS:** 10-week session. Help your child develop better coordination and motor skills, self-discipline, and respect for others, while engaging in brain boosting activities, which provide a great foundation for a healthy life. Children have fun with basic techniques, exercise, and games associated with karate. Instructor is Shihan Sean Gilliland & staff.

Beg.	4-5	3:45-4:30 pm	Tue/Fri	ROP	3/29	\$83
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**KARATE FOR KIDS:** 10-week session. Karate provides an excellent physical and mental workout, increasing coordination and flexibility. Our well-rounded curriculum incorporates kickboxing, grappling, katas, and weaponry. Come experience strength and confidence-boosting fun classes. Instructor is Shihan Sean Gilliland & staff.

Beg.	6-10	4:30-5:30 pm	Tue/Fri	ROP	3/29	\$83
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**MATH WORKSHOP:** 6-week session. Experience a new approach to Math problem solving and hands-on practice for 4th–9th graders. Whether students need review with homework, brushing up on skills, preparation for tests, this class is here to help. Mathematical concepts and applications will be taught. \$10 supply fee payable to instructor at first class. Instructor provided by AGI Academy.

Beg.	8-13	5:30-6:15 pm	Fri	DP	4/1	\$69
Beg.	8-13	5:30-6:15 pm	Fri	DP	5/13	\$69

**PARENT & ME STRETCH:** 6-week session. Your child will build his/her strength by learning stretches and increasing balancing skills through various activities. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.

All	1.5-2.5	10:00-10:30 am	Tue	ROP	3/29	\$40
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# Recreation Classes

## Youth Classes Continued

Class	Age	Time	Day	Site	Date	Fee
<b>SKATEBOARDING LESSONS:</b> 5-week session. Balance, stance, safety techniques, park etiquette, and ramp tricks will be taught. Full protective gear consisting of helmet, elbow, and kneepads is required. Wrist guards are highly recommended. Intermediate class is for skaters who are capable of "dropping in" and "rolling" throughout all parts of the park.						
Beg.	6-10	9:00-10:00 am	Sat	DSP	3/26	\$25
Beg.	11-14	10:00-11:00 am	Sat	DSP	3/26	\$25
Int.	6-14	11:00-12:00 pm	Sat	DSP	3/26	\$25

**TAP:** 8-week session. This course will teach your child basic tap steps and combinations. Student is required to wear tap shoes. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.

Beg.	2-4	2:30-3:00 pm	Wed	ROP	3/30	\$30
Beg.	5-16	3:00-3:30 pm	Wed	ROP	3/30	\$30

**TODDLER GYM:** 8-week session. This class offers your child a chance to exercise by stretching, jumping, reaching, climbing, and crawling through obstacle courses. This is a great intro to tumbling class. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.

ALL	2.5-3.5	3:00-3:30 pm	Thu	ROP	3/31	\$35
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**TUMBLING:** 8-week session. This fun program helps develop motor skills and self-confidence while emphasizing safety. Intro class will include play-time and tumbling safety instruction. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.

Int.	3-4	3:30-4:00 pm	Thu	ROP	3/31	\$30
TT	3-4	4:00-4:30 pm	Thu	ROP	3/31	\$30
Jrs.	5-6	4:30-5:00 pm	Thu	ROP	3/31	\$30
Beg.	7-13	5:00-5:45 pm	Thu	ROP	3/31	\$34

**VOCAL CLASSES:** 4-week session. The instructor will teach you the foundation of singing, breathing, range, rhythm and more through the use of popular contemporary music. \$10 supply fee payable to instructor at first class. Instructor is Josephine Chu.

Beg.	5-12	5:30-6:15 pm	Mon	DP	3/28	\$40
Beg.	5-12	5:30-6:15 pm	Mon	DP	4/25	\$40

## Family, Youth, & Adult Classes

Class	Age	Time	Day	Site	Date	Fee
<b>ADVANCED BALLET:</b> 8-week session. This class is for the advanced ballet student who has grasped basic ballet moves and has participated in ballet classes with this instructor. Class will utilize classical music and current hits. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.						
Int.	2-4	5:00-5:30 pm	Wed	ROP	4/1	\$30
Int.	5+	4:00-5:00 pm	Mon	ROP	3/28	\$56

**CAKE DECORATING:** 8-week session. This class will help you make beautiful cakes every time. Learn proper icing techniques. Learn how to work with various tips to design gorgeous flowers and detailed patterns. Supply list will be provided. Instructor is Rosa Farley.

Beg.	17+	6:40-7:40 pm	Thu	DP	3/31	\$40
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**COMPUTER SKILLS CHALLENGE - MICROSOFT WORD & POWERPOINT:** 6-week session. This class will take you inside Microsoft Word and Power Point. You will explore the functions of each program and sharpen your computer skills in writing reports and creating presentations. \$10 supply fee payable to instructor at first class. Instructor provided by AGI Academy.

All	10+	5:30-6:15 pm	Fri	DP	4/1	\$69
All	10+	5:30-6:15 pm	Fri	DP	5/13	\$69

**FOLKLORICO:** 10-week session. Participants will be introduced to the beautiful dances from Mexico. Learning the basic steps and techniques of various dances from different regions of Mexico. This is a fun cultural class for boys and girls. Hard soled shoes required. Instructor is Georgina Orozco.

Beg.	5-10	5:30-6:30 pm	Wed	ROP	3/30	\$30
Int.	5+	6:30-7:30 pm	Wed	ROP	3/30	\$30

**GOLF:** 4-week session. Group classes. Learn the fundamentals of golf including golf etiquette. Need to improve your game? Sign-up for the intermediate class. Unlimited range balls and club rental included.

Beg.	18+	6:00-7:00 pm	Wed	RDGC	3/30	\$65
Int.	18+	7:00-8:00 pm	Wed	RDGC	3/30	\$65
Family	All	9:00-10:00 am	Sat	RDGC	4/2	\$65 ea.

**GUITAR:** 8-week session. Class will introduce students to finger exercises, chords, chord progression, and strums. Students provide their own guitar. \$5 supply fee due to instructor at first class. Instructor is Juan Carlos Arias.

Beg.	9-13	6:00-7:00 pm	Wed	DP	3/30	\$55
Beg.	14+	7:00-8:00 pm	Wed	DP	3/30	\$55

Class	Age	Time	Day	Site	Date	Fee
<b>KARATE FOR TEENS &amp; ADULTS:</b> 10-week session. Karate provides an excellent physical and mental workout, increasing coordination and flexibility. Our well-rounded curriculum incorporates kickboxing, grappling, katas, and weaponry. Come experience strength and confidence boosting fun classes with something for every member of the family. Instructor is Shihan Sean Gilliland & staff.						
Beg.	11+	5:30-6:30 pm	Tu/Fri	ROP	3/29	\$83

**MIXED MARTIAL ARTS:** 10-week session. Experience the exciting world of MMA in a class that will prepare you for all situations in sport and self-defense. Our MMA classes offer effective training that melds together the best in stand up and ground fighting, with expert instructors in judo, jujitsu, kickboxing, and karate. Come try it out! Instructor is Shihan Sean Gilliland & staff.

Beg.	8+	6:30-7:30 pm	Fri	ROP	4/1	\$50
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**NEEDLE ART:** 10-week session. Class will teach you the fine art of crochet and knitting. You will create timeless wearable and home decor treasures. Materials required. Instructor is Rosa Farley.

Beg.	6-17	4:30-5:30 pm	Thu	DP	3/31	\$35
Beg./Adv.	11+	5:30-6:30 pm	Thu	DP	3/31	\$35

**SEWING:** 8-week session. Learn how to install zippers, buttonholes and buttons. You will also learn different stitching techniques, how to hem pants and skirts, how to make tote bags, pillows and more! \$15 supply fee. Instructor is Regina Johnson.

Beg./Int.	8+	3:30-6:00 pm	Tue	DP	3/29	\$70
Beg./Int.	18+	11:30-2:30 pm	Sat	DP	4/2	\$70

**TENNIS:** 8-week session. This course teaches a variety of tennis skills including drills, volleys, overheads, ball control, and stroke production. Students must provide a can of new tennis balls and racquet. Instructor is Victor Champion.

Jrs.	5-8	9:30-10:30 am	Sat	DHS	4/2	\$58
Youth Beg.	9-15	10:30-11:30 am	Sat	DHS	4/2	\$58
Youth Int.	9-15	11:30-12:30 pm	Sat	DHS	4/2	\$58
Adult	18+	8:15-9:15 am	Sat	DHS	4/2	\$58

## Duarte Futsal Courts Coming this spring to Duarte Park!

Futsal is played on a hard court surface and is played using 5 players on each team and uses a ball that is 30% less "bouncy". The skills and ball striking movements are completely applicable to regular soccer play. U.S. Soccer Federation's development training model has added Futsal instruction for youth players as part of its training program and the excitement and demand for Futsal has now greatly increased in recent years. For more information to play or join a league please call Duarte Parks and Recreation 357-7931.

## Adult Classes

Class	Age	Time	Day	Site	Date	Fee
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**BACHATA DANCE:** 8-week session. Bachata is a style of social dance from the Dominican Republic, which is now danced all over the world. This dance consists of side steps, hip movements and some dips, and is associated with bachata (Latin) music. A partner is suggested, but not required. Instructor is Oscar Penalzoza.

<b>Beg.</b>	<b>18+</b>	<b>8:15-9:15 pm</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>ROP</b>	<b>3/31</b>	<b>\$40</b>
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**BEGINNING LINE DANCE:** 8-week session. If you are new to line dancing or enjoy learning at a relaxed pace, then this is the class for you! Dances taught will include beginning level dances done at the local country western clubs. Instructor is Jovana Villegas.

<b>Beg.</b>	<b>18+</b>	<b>7:30-8:30pm</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>ROP</b>	<b>3/30</b>	<b>\$40</b>
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**BELLY DANCING:** 8-week session. Strengthen your back and stomach muscles, improve your flexibility, stamina, and reduce tension by learning this ancient art of dancing. Instructor is Tavanna.

<b>Beg.</b>	<b>18+</b>	<b>7:10-8:10 pm</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>ROP</b>	<b>3/28</b>	<b>\$35</b>
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**POLYNESIAN DANCE:** 8-week session. Participants will learn the dances of Hawaii including the exciting hip action dance of Tahiti and the twirling of the poi balls of New Zealand. Sign up with family or friends for added fun. Instructor is Tavanna.

<b>Beg.</b>	<b>18+</b>	<b>6:50-7:50 pm</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>ROP</b>	<b>3/29</b>	<b>\$35</b>
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**SALSA DANCE & MORE:** 8-week session. This class introduces the distinctive Latin dance rhythm of Salsa. Basic steps and variations will be taught and other dances like Rhumba and Merengue will be introduced. A partner is suggested, but not required. Instructor is Oscar Penalzoza.

<b>Beg.</b>	<b>18+</b>	<b>7:15-8:15 pm</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>ROP</b>	<b>3/31</b>	<b>\$40</b>
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**TAI CHI KUNG:** 8-week session. This class will cover a combination of isolated exercises that may help with joint problems. Participants will learn basic breathing techniques for stress relief through the use of yoga and incorporate CHI HULA, which adds an island twist. All movements are slow and easy on the body. Bring a mat and water. Instructor is Tavanna.

<b>Beg.</b>	<b>18+</b>	<b>6:00-7:00 pm</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>ROP</b>	<b>3/28</b>	<b>\$40</b>
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**YOGA:** 8-week session. Class focuses on stretching, breathing and learning the names and fundamental poses of yoga. This is a perfect class for reducing stress and gaining mobility. Bring your own mat. Instructor is Dianne Cahir.

<b>All</b>	<b>18+</b>	<b>6:00-7:00 pm</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>ROP</b>	<b>3/31</b>	<b>\$50</b>
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<b>All</b>	<b>18+</b>	<b>8:00-9:00 am</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>ROP</b>	<b>4/2</b>	<b>\$50</b>
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## Online Registration Coming Soon!

For more information on this upcoming new convenient way to register, please call Duarte Parks & Recreation at 626-357-7931.

## Youth Recreation Soccer

Boys and girls are invited to participate in this fun youth sport played on a shorter field. Participants will learn the fundamentals of soccer and sportsmanship. **Registration begins Monday, March 14. Practices begin week of March 28.**

**LEAGUES:** Separate boys and girls teams with 14 player roster limits.

**Division B** – Born in 2004-2005 or Born in 2003 and in a grade no higher than 6th.

**Division C** – Born in 2006-2007 or Born in 2005 and in a grade no higher than 4th.

**Sign Up:** City Hall, Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am – 6:00 pm; After school at Beardslee Park, Royal Oaks Park, Otis Gordon Sports Park, and Valley View Elementary School

**Fee:** \$30 (Includes a jersey top)



## Little All Star Soccer for Boys and Girls

Little All Stars is an exciting non-competitive variation of soccer especially suited for young players.

**Dates:** Introductory practice April 9: 4 & 5 – 9:00 am, 6 & 7 – 10:00 am  
Practices & games will be held on Tuesdays & Saturdays, April 12 through May 14

**Location:** Otis Gordon Sports Park, 2351 Central Avenue

**Ages:** **Group 1** – ages 4 & 5  
**Group 2** – ages 6 & 7

**Sign ups:** Begin Monday, March 14 at Duarte City Hall.

**Fee:** \$30 (includes a jersey top)

## Adult Sports "Major League Softball"

This sports league organization will provide men's, women's and coed leagues at Otis Gordon Sports Park. For further information, contact Major League Softball at (818) 559-8787, ext. 3 or online at [www.mlsoftball.com](http://www.mlsoftball.com)

# Park Schedule & Facility Rentals

## Supervised Park Schedule

Open Monday through Friday, 3:00 to 5:00 pm  
Beardslee Park - 2000 Buena Vista Street  
Royal Oaks Park - 2627 Royal Oaks Drive

- Each park site will be staffed with trained recreation leaders.
- Activities will include sports, arts and crafts, games, tournaments, and much more!
- Each park is an information and sign up center for youth sports, excursions and special events.
- Children age 5 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

### Duarte Parks

1. **Aloysia Moore Park** 1100 Duarte Road
2. **Beardslee Park** 2000 Buena Vista Street
3. **Duarte Park** 1344 Bloomdale Street
4. **Duarte Skate Park** 1401 Central Avenue
5. **Duarte Sports Park** 1401 Central Avenue
6. **Encanto Park** 751 Encanto Parkway
7. **Glenn Miller Park** 205 Melcanyon Drive
8. **Hacienda Park** 2695 Hacienda Drive
9. **Lena Valenzuela Park** 2120 Mountain Avenue
10. **Northview Park** 1433 Highland Avenue
11. **Otis Gordon Sports Park** 2351 Central Avenue
12. **Royal Oaks Park** 2627 Royal Oaks Drive
13. **Royal Oaks Park Ext.** 2701 Royal Oaks Drive
14. **Third Street Park** 1626 Third Street



### Duarte Recreation Facilities

1. **Community Center** 1600 Huntington Drive
2. **Fitness Center** 1600 Huntington Drive
3. **Senior Center** 1610 Huntington Drive
4. **Teen Center** 1400 Buena Vista Street

## Rental Opportunities

The City of Duarte has various size buildings, including the Community Center, Royal Oaks Park Building and the Duarte Teen Center that are available for rent for private or non-profit functions. Picnic gazebos can now be rented as well.

### **Duarte Teen Center, 1400 Buena Vista Street**

The Teen Center is available to rent for parties, events and activities on Saturdays and Sundays. This is the perfect setting for a birthday party or a fun meeting! Renters will be able to enjoy a game room with pool tables, foosball, Ping-Pong, arcade games, a wide screen TV and a large outdoor patio with gas barbecue grill. Also included is a large 60-person capacity multi-purpose meeting room, perfect for retreats, meetings, or parties. Take your event to another level!

### **Community Center, 1600 Huntington Drive**

The Duarte Community Center at City Hall is available to rent for receptions, parties and more. This 150 -person capacity facility includes a stage, kitchen, dance floor, ice machine, and portable mini bar.

### **Royal Oaks Park Building, 2627 Royal Oaks Drive**

This recently restored beautiful facility has an 80-person capacity and includes AC/Heating, a private restroom, and is located within the beautiful, tree shaded Royal Oaks Park that includes tennis and basketball courts and a large playground. This facility is perfect for birthdays, showers, meetings, and more.

### **Encanto Park and Royal Oaks Park Picnic Gazebos**

Gazebos at Royal Oaks and Encanto Parks are available for rent. Small gazebos include a small barbecue grill, gazebo shelter and picnic table. One larger gazebo is located at the Royal Oaks Park Extension and includes a large gazebo shelter, two picnic tables and a dual picnic barbecue grill. These are perfect settings for a birthday party or picnic. Don't get left without a spot for your event!

**Also available on a rental basis are lighted softball and baseball fields, lighted tennis courts, multi-purpose fields, and the Duarte Fitness Center pools. For information on rental policies and fees, call 357-7931.**

## New Discounted Prices!!!

Registration for all excursions will be held at Duarte City Hall, beginning March 14 at 7:30 am.

### A Really Big Shooo

Wednesday, April 13

9:30 am – 6:30 pm

FEE: \$ 86 (lunch included)

RESIDENT DISCOUNT PRICE: \$ 78

NON RESIDENT DISCOUNT PRICE: \$ 82

(currently taking registration for this excursion)

The day begins with a drive to beautiful Palm Springs with a stop for lunch at Sherman's Deli featuring a 1/2 sandwich with a choice of soup or salad.

Then, we're off to A Really Big Shooo! The Ed Sullivan Show was the longest running variety show in television history. While it showcased comedians, circus performers and more, the show became famous for its cutting-edge musical performances. A *Really Big Shooo* takes place at the magnificent Annenberg Theater in downtown Palm Springs. Host Bill Johnson as Ed Sullivan, will be joined by tribute artists including the Beatles, Elvis, Tina Turner with some special guests from the Palm Springs Follies!

### California Gold

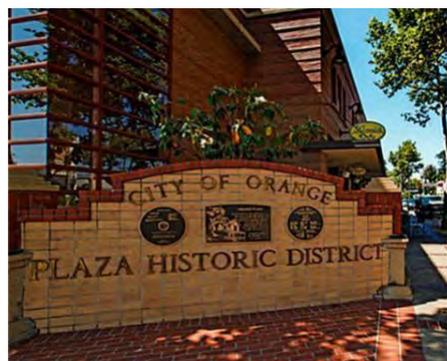
Wednesday, May 18

10:50 am – 5:00 pm

FEE: \$ 18 (lunch on your own)

RESIDENT DISCOUNT PRICE: \$ 10

NON RESIDENT DISCOUNT PRICE: \$ 14



Our first stop will be in the City of Orange's Old Town Historic District, which was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1997. The one square mile area includes more than 1,300 homes and buildings making it the largest National Register District in California. The district provides a

feeling for life in Orange from 1888 to 1940 showcasing over 50 different architectural styles.

The complete stock of buildings includes churches, schools, the old Santa Fe Depot, the Post Office, a packing house, industrial buildings, clubhouses, and parks. Old Town Orange also has great antique shopping and plenty of restaurants to choose from.

The next stop is Chapman College for a self-guided tour of the new Huell Howser Exhibit. When the late Huell Howser moved to Los Angeles in 1981 from his home state of Tennessee, he became a reporter for KCBS-TV. Here, Howser fell in love with California. The exhibit depicts his love of the State through images, text, and artifacts, outlining Howser's legacy.

### Skyspace and LA Central Library

Tuesday, June 16

9:00 am – 4:15 pm

FEE: \$ 38 (lunch on your own)

RESIDENT DISCOUNT PRICE: \$ 30

NON RESIDENT DISCOUNT PRICE: \$ 34

Experience the newest view in Downtown Los Angeles. The new OUE Skyspace is California's tallest, open-air observation deck and the premier destination for a panoramic, 360-degree view of Hollywood, Dodgers' Stadium, and the Pacific Ocean. The new Skyspace is located 1,000 feet above the City in the iconic U.S. Bank Tower where you can experience multiple interactive exhibits including an infinity mirror and a shadow wall. For lunch, choose from the 505 Flower St. Food Court, upscale restaurants or bring your own lunch and enjoy plenty of seating.

Then we're off for a docent-led tour of the L.A. Central Library. Enjoy both the art and architecture of the 1926 Bertram Goodhue Building with its distinctive sphinxes and rooftop pyramid. Wander through the high tech, 1993 Tom Bradley Wing, designed by architect Norman Pfeiffer, while gazing at the 8-story atrium. *Please note: this tour includes a lot of walking.*

## Extended Excursions

### Spotlight on Washington D.C.

October 20-25, 2016

6 days, 8 meals (5 breakfasts, 3 dinners)

\$2,399 per person double occupancy

\$2,899 per person single occupancy

\$2,369 per person triple occupancy



Included in price: Round trip air from Los Angeles International Airport, air taxes and fees, and surcharges.

Not included in price: Cancellation waiver and insurance of \$240 per person.

The trip offers "Single Hotel Stay" with every night at the same hotel, so you only unpack once!

Highlights: U.S. Capitol Building tour, World War II Memorial, White House Visitor Center, Mount Vernon, Arlington National Cemetery, the Smithsonian Institute, the Washington National Cathedral, and the Ford Theatre.

**Special Travel Presentation:** Please join us for a special travel presentation on Tuesday, March 22 at 1:00 pm in the Duarte Senior Center, 1610 Huntington Drive. To RSVP for presentation, please call 357-3513.

**NO REFUND POLICY:** 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. Resident discount requires proof of residency.

# Senior Classes

## Duarte Senior Center

Open to all Residents 55 years and older  
1610 Huntington Drive, (626) 357-3513  
Monday-Friday, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

### Hot Lunches

The Senior Center serves hot lunches Monday through Friday to individuals over 60 years, or the spouse of someone over age 60. Reservations are requested by calling (626) 357-3513. The suggested donation is \$3.

### Access Transportation

A transportation alternative for individuals with disabilities. For eligibility or further information, call 1 (800) 827-0829.

### Meals on Wheels

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, please contact the Senior Center at (626) 357-3513 or Intervale at (626) 214-9465.

### How To Make Medicare Work For You

Every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month by appointment. FREE!

### FREE! Blood Pressure Checks

The 2nd Tuesday of every month a medical assistant from Health-Care Partners will check your blood pressure.

### On The Move Riders Club

On the move meets once a month on a trip to learn about using public transportation.

### Trail Trekkers Hiking Group

The Trail Trekkers meet once a month to go on local hikes. For more information, please call the Senior Center at (626) 357-3513.

Registration begins March 14 at 9:00 am. Classes begin week of March 28.

## Activities

### AARP Smart Driver Course

(4-hour course)

**Dates:** Thursday, March 10  
**Time:** 1:00 – 5:00 pm  
**Fee:** \$15 for members; \$20 for non-members

(8-hour refresher course)

**Date:** Tuesday, May 17 and Thursday, May 19  
**Time:** 1:00 – 5:00 pm  
**Fee:** \$15 for members; \$20 for non-members

Classes are conducted by A.A.R.P. at the Duarte Senior Center. Auto insurance companies are required by law to offer discounts to course graduates age 55 and older. Payment required at registration. For any questions, please call (626) 357-3513.

- Bingo** Tuesdays, 12:45–2:30 pm, 25 cents per card.
- Bunco** 1st Wednesday of the month, 12:30–3:00 pm. Sponsored by the Duarte Woman's Club. Win prizes and meet new people. RSVP to 357-3513. \$1/person
- Chess** 1st and 3rd Friday of each month, 11:00- 12:00 pm. Instructor is Les Fuji moto. Free!
- Cribbage** 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month, 12:30 – 2:00 pm. Have fun and meet new people.
- Movie Days** Two afternoons a month a top run movie is featured. Free!



## Ongoing Free Classes

<b>Cardio Dance</b>	Tuesday	9:00 – 10:00 am
<b>Ceramics</b>	Tuesday	9:00 – 11:30 am
(Students must purchase their own supplies.)		
<b>Chess</b>	1st & 3rd Fri of month	11:00 – 12:00pm
<b>English as a Second Language</b>	Tuesday	9:00 – 10:00 am
<b>Guitar</b>	Tuesday	12:30 – 2:30 pm
<b>Knitting</b>	Monday	9:00 – 10:00 am
<b>Spanish (Beg.)</b>	Monday	1:00 – 3:00 pm
(Only students with some basic knowledge of Spanish will be accepted) \$10 disk fee		
<b>Spanish (Adv. Beg.)</b>	Wednesday	1:00 – 3:00 pm
\$10 disk fee		
<b>Tai Chi/Qigong</b>	Mon/Fri	9:00 – 10:00 am

## Fee Classes (8-Weeks unless otherwise noted)

<b>Belly Dancing</b>	Monday	2:00 - 3:00 pm	\$24
<b>Health is our Greatest Wealth</b>	Friday	10:00 - 11:15 am	\$40
<b>Introduction To Computers</b>	Friday	1:45 - 2:30 pm	\$65
(\$10 lab and supply fee. Begins July 15.)			
<b>Yoga</b>	Thursday	9:00 - 10:00 am	\$24

## Fee Classes (10-Weeks)

<b>Ballroom Dance</b>	Friday	1:00 - 2:00 pm	\$35
<b>Cross Fit</b>	Wednesday	10:15 - 11:15 am	\$10
<b>Exercise With Shelly</b>	Mon/Fri	10:15 - 11:15 am	\$20
<b>Piano/Keyboard</b>	Thursday	10:00 - 11:00 am	\$50
<b>Sewing</b>	Monday	10:30 - 12:00 pm	\$2/
(Limited to the first 6 people to arrive.)			
<b>Strength Training</b>	Mon/Thu	1:00 - 2:00 pm	\$70
(Held at the Duarte Fitness Center.)			
<b>Strength Training</b>	Tue/Thu	1:00 - 2:00 pm	\$70
(Held at the Duarte Fitness Center)			
<b>Western Line Dance</b>	Thursday	10:15 - 11:45 am	\$35

# Fitness Center

## Fitness Center

The facility includes two racquetball/wallyball courts, aerobic area, and fully equipped exercise room, a 25-yard competition pool, training pool, shower and locker facilities. Gift certificates are available for memberships and merchandise. All sales are final. There are no refunds unless class/activity is cancelled by the Duarte Parks and Recreation Department. Pools will open in the spring. For more information call 357-6118.

The pools are available for private use on a rental basis. Contact the Fitness Center Manager for details. Gift certificates are available for memberships and merchandise. All sales are final. There are no refunds unless class/activity is cancelled by the Duarte Parks and Recreation Department.

For additional information on any class or program, please contact the Fitness Center at (626) 357-6118.

## Days and Times

### Regular Hours of Operation

Weekdays 6:00 am to 9:00 pm  
 Saturday 7:00 am to 5:00 pm  
 Sunday 11:00 am to 5:00 pm

**Corporate Membership rates available**  
 We accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover for purchases over \$25.



## Club Memberships

Memberships are on sale March 23 - April 1. Why pay per visit? Purchase a membership and enjoy all the fitness center has to offer.

### 20% off Discount Prices

	Resident	Resident Sale	Non-Resident	Non-Resident Sale
<b>Exercise/Aerobics and Aquatics or Racquetball</b>	\$160	\$128	\$220	\$176
<b>Total Facility/Individual</b>	\$220	\$176	\$295	\$236
<b>Total Facility/Family</b>	\$320	\$256	\$420	\$336

## Non-Member/Individual Fees

### Racquetball/Wallyball

Player Fee \$6/hr.  
 Court Maximum Fee \$24/hr.  
 No Show Penalty\* \$10/hr.  
 \*(Members also)

### Exercise Room/Aerobics

Adults, 16 years and older \$5  
 Senior/Handicapped \$4  
 Personal Trainer\* \$30/hr.  
 \*(By Appointment Only)

### Aerobics

Monday – Thursday 9:00-10:00 am  
 5:15-6:15 pm  
 6:15-7:15 pm  
 Friday 9:00-10:00 am  
 5:15-6:15 pm  
 Saturday 8:00-9:00 am

## Newly Renovated Pools coming soon!

### Spring Aquatics

#### Begins – TBA

Please check online at [www.accessduarte.com](http://www.accessduarte.com) or please call (626) 357-6118 for updated information on the construction schedule and when registration will begin for spring aquatics.

#### Duarte Pools Renovation

The Duarte pools and deck are undergoing a full renovation and we think you'll be thrilled by the results when the project is completed. The work will include all new decking, pool plaster, tiles, gutters, and more. This project, funded by L.A. County Maintenance and Servicing grant money and from the City's general fund, will renew the look and function of our 34-year-old aquatics facility. The project will affect our spring aquatics program, so please call (626) 357-6118 for updated information.



# Teen Center Activities

## Duarte Teen Center

1400 Buena Vista Street  
(626) 303-0863  
Monday-Friday, 3:00 to 7:00 pm

The Teen Center is available for all high school students with a school ID. Holiday and special event hours are subject to change.

### Computer Lab

Monday through Friday, 3:00–6:30 pm

Take advantage of the free computer lab at the Teen Center. The lab is a great place to enhance your computer skills, do homework, and play various games.

### Activities



### Girls Night Out!

**Dates:** Fridays, March 11 & 25, April 8 & 22, and May 6 & 20.  
**Time:** 3:00 – 5:00 pm

This program, for girls grades 9-12, discusses various topics from peer pressure, goals, to self-esteem and relationships.

### Boys Night Out!

**Dates:** Tuesday, March 8 & 22, April 12 & 26, and May 10 & 24  
**Time:** 4:00–5:30 pm

This program, for boys grades 9-12, features fun trips, group discussions, sports and much more!

### Hip Hop Dance!

Join Duarte's free Teen Hip Hop Crew, "Duarte Dance"! The group meets Tuesdays & Thursdays, 3:30 – 6:30 pm for grades 7-12. The program has advanced, beginning, and a new college level.

### Drama Club

**Dates:** Fridays  
**Time:** 3:30 – 5:00 pm  
**Fee:** Membership Fee \$5 every 6 months

Club members will participate in poetry jams, oratory skits, and improvisations.

## Nutrition/Cooking Class

**Days:** Wednesdays  
**Time:** 3:30 – 5:00 pm  
**Fee:** \$2 per class

Learn to make quick and easy nutritious meals, while having fun with friends!

### Work it Out!

**Dates:** Thursdays  
**Time:** 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Join the Teen Center staff for "Work it Out"; a fitness program for teens featuring video workouts, walking excursions, circuit training, & nutrition!

### Youth Boxing Program

This program helps boys and girls, ages 8-17, develop their self-esteem and self-discipline. Knowledgeable coaches teach the fundamentals of boxing, while developing footwork, speed, and upper body strength.

The Duarte Teen Center gym is open Monday through Friday. There is a \$10 monthly fee for each resident student. Non-resident fee is \$20 per month. Call 303-0863 for info & registration.

## Special Events

### Cesar Chavez Essay Contest

**Date:** Entry deadline Friday, March 25 at 7:00 pm.  
**Fee:** Free

Student's grades 9-12 can compete in an essay-writing contest on why they are inspired by the life of Cesar Chavez. Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

## Cinco de Mayo Celebration

**Dates:** Thursday, May 5  
**Time:** 3:30 pm  
**Fee:** \$1 for food

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo at the Teen Center with traditional Mexican food!

## Youth Employment Workshop Essay Contest

**Dates:** Wednesday, April 6  
**Time:** 3:30 – 5:00 pm  
**Fee:** Free

Youth between the ages of 15-18 may participate in an employment workshop featuring tips on finding a job, gaining employment, writing a resume, filling out applications, interviewing tips, and how to be successful in the workplace. Local employers will be on site to speak with participants about employment. Register in advance, space is limited!

## Teen Excursions

### Movie and Mall Trip

**Date:** Thursday, April 14 (early release DHS)  
**Time:** 2:00 – 6:00 pm  
**Fee:** \$10

Grab a friend and come enjoy a current movies!

### Six Flags Magic Mountain

**Date:** Tuesday, March 29  
**Time:** Depart Teen Center at 8:30 am return at 7:30 pm.  
**Fee:** \$45

Sign up now, space is limited.

Thu. May 19

⚡ **FURIOUS 7**

**Teen Movie Night**

Duarte Teen Center

1400 Buena Vista St. Duarte. CA.  
For Questions, please call (626) 303-0863

A MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL EVENT  
4 TEENS BY TEENS  
FREE FOR ALL TEENS  
(middle & high school)

5:00 p.m. DANCE COMPETITION

6:00 p.m. DINNER (RIBS & HOT DOGS)

MOVIE BEGINS AT SUNSET

COME CHECK OUT FREE SERVICES, CLUBS & EVEN LOCAL TEEN FRIENDLY EMPLOYERS

## Budget Process Announced

### LET'S CONNECT BUDGET 2016

The fiscal year 2016-17 budget preparation process is underway at City Hall. The public is invited to attend the annual City Council budget workshops on May 2nd & May 3rd at 5:00 pm. Both workshops are open to the public and will take place at the Community Center, 1600 Huntington Drive. For more information, please contact the Administrative Services Department at (626)

Duarte Mayor Samuel Kang will present his vision for the City during the annual "State of the City" presentation and reception on Wednesday, March 23rd at the Duarte Community Center and courtyard located at 1600 Huntington Drive from 5:30-7:30 pm. The event will begin with the Mayor's presentation in the Duarte Community Center followed by a

tropical themed reception in the adjoining courtyard featuring hawaiian food and beverages. For additional information, please contact the Duarte Chamber of Commerce at 626 357-3333.

## State of the City 2016



## Bicycle & Safe Routes Master Plan Adopted

Accessibility and safety for bicyclists and pedestrians throughout our City is on the road to enhancements! The Community Development Department in conjunction with renowned consulting firm, Fehr & Peers has created a Citywide Bicycle Master Plan and Safe Routes to Transit Master Plan designed to encourage "pedal power."



The Bicycle Master Plan focuses on incorporating previously undesignated areas throughout the City to create a comprehensive

bicycle network. The Safe Routes to Transit Plan alternatively emphasizes on pedestrian improvements surrounding the Duarte Gold Line station. Both plans are designed to both improve the overall quality of life and support multi-modal transportation throughout Duarte and surrounding communities.

As a result of the plan, bicyclists will be able to easily and safely ride throughout the City using clearly designated lanes. Pedestrians will also be able to easily and safely access the area surrounding the Duarte Gold Line Station as a result of proposed improvements including new sidewalks, new pedestrian lighting, new high visibility crosswalks and streetscape enhancements.



## Cesar Chavez Service Project 2016

The annual Cesar Chavez Volunteer Project, sponsored by Duarte's Promise: The Alliance for Youth and the BeGroup is scheduled for Saturday, March 19, 2016 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. The day will kickoff with a special speaker and breakfast, followed by a beatification project on the 32-acre campus of Westminster Gardens located at 1420 Santo Domingo ave. Volunteers are needed to make this event possible. For more information on this opportunity, please contact Duarte's Promise, (626) 357-7931 ext. 220 or via email [americorpspr@accessduarte.com](mailto:americorpspr@accessduarte.com)

## Gold Line Grand Opening Event, March 5

The Duarte/City of Hope Gold Line station has been chosen to be the focal point for the Phase IIa Grand Opening celebration on March 5, 2016 from noon to 4:00 pm at the Duarte/City of Hope station located at the corner of Duarte Road and Highland Ave.

Event highlights will include inflatables, pet adoptions, live music and entertainment on a main stage, City of Hope "hands on activities", crafts, face painting, food trucks, giveaways and more exciting features. For additional information call 626 357-7931, xt. 221 or visit [www.accessduarte.com](http://www.accessduarte.com) for continuing day of event updates.



## Red Wagon Scholarship Announced



**D**uarte's Promise: The Alliance for Youth proudly announces the Duarte's Promise Red Wagon Scholarship Award. Annually, local community businesses support Duarte's

Promise Red Wagon Scholarship program by helping Duarte's youth in obtaining a higher education. This \$250.00 scholarship is given annually to deserving Duarte graduating seniors

who exhibit dedication to community service both on and off the campus.

These awards are presented annually in June at both the Duarte High School Senior Awards Breakfast and the MIT Luncheon. For more information about this scholarship award, please contact Rejoice Griffis at Duarte's Promise (626) 357-7931 ext. 220 or via email [americorpspr@accessduarte.com](mailto:americorpspr@accessduarte.com).

## New Wayfinding Signage Will Showcase Duarte Points of Interest

**H**ave you ever been lost on your way to the City's picturesque Fish Canyon Falls Trail or the beloved Royal Oaks Bike path? Well, no more! The City of Duarte recently received a grant from the California Transportation Commission, as part of the 2014 Active Transportation Program that will fund wayfinding signs throughout the City. Approximately 34 signs and poles are proposed to be installed.

The purpose of placing wayfinding signs throughout the City of Duarte is to provide directions to major City points of interest. The Department of Community Development is working with Hunt Design, a leading graphic design consulting firm, to create the aesthetically pleasing and easy to read signage. The proposed way finding sign design theme was presented to the City Council at the January 12, 2016 meeting. A Summer 2016 installation is planned.



The City is also working with Hunt Design to create additional signage designs for entry and monument signs, themed street banners, and major identification and city limit signs.



## Zika Virus Disease

### What is Zika virus disease (Zika)?

Zika is a disease caused by Zika virus that is spread to people primarily through the bite of an infected Aedes species mosquito.

### What are the symptoms of Zika?

About 1 in 5 people infected with Zika will get sick. For people who get sick, the illness is usually mild. For this reason, many people might not realize they have been infected.

The most common symptoms of Zika virus disease are fever, rash, joint pain, or conjunctivitis (red eyes). Symptoms typically begin 2 to 7 days after being bitten by an infected mosquito.

### How is Zika transmitted?

Zika is primarily transmitted through the bite of infected Aedes mosquitoes, the same mosquitoes that spread Chikungunya and dengue. These mosquitoes are aggressive daytime biters and they can also bite at night. Mosquitoes become infected when they bite a person already infected with the virus. Infected mosquitoes can then spread the virus to other people through bites. It can also be transmitted from a pregnant mother to

her baby during pregnancy or around the time of birth.

### Is this a new virus?

No. Outbreaks of Zika previously have been reported in tropical Africa, Southeast Asia, and the Pacific Islands. Zika virus likely will continue to spread to new areas.

### How many travel-associated cases have been diagnosed in the United States?

CDC continues to work with states to monitor the United States for mosquito-borne diseases, including Zika. In 2016, Zika became a nationally notifiable condition. Healthcare providers are encouraged to report suspected cases to their state or local health departments to facilitate diagnosis and mitigate the risk of local transmission. To date, local transmission of Zika virus has not been identified in the continental United States.

### Should we be concerned about Zika in the United States?

The U.S. mainland does have Aedes species mosquitoes that can become infected with and spread Zika virus. U.S. travelers who visit a country where Zika is found could become infected

if bitten by a mosquito.

With the recent outbreaks, the number of Zika virus disease cases among travelers visiting or returning to the United States will likely increase. These imported cases may result in local spread of the virus in some areas of the United States.

### What is CDC doing about Zika?

CDC has been aware of Zika for some time and has been preparing for its possible introduction into the United States. Laboratories in many countries have been trained to test for chikungunya and dengue. These skills have prepared these laboratories for Zika testing.

CDC is working with international public health partners and with state health departments to

The arrival of Zika in the Americas demonstrates the risks posed by this and other exotic viruses. CDC's health security plans are designed to effectively monitor for disease, equip diagnostic laboratories, and support mosquito control programs both in the United States and around the world.

Report activity and request service from your local vector control agency:

### San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District



1145 N Azusa Canyon Road

West Covina, CA 91790

(626) 814-9466

[www.SGVMosquito.org](http://www.SGVMosquito.org)

Stay Connected: @SGVMosquito

#SGVMosquito #OutWithAedes #DumpAndDrain



## Duarte and Bradbury Celebrate Earth Day April 23rd

Duarte and Bradbury will honor Earth Day 2016 with a variety of joint community volunteer projects starting at 9:00 am on Saturday, April 23 including planting trees and drought tolerant plants, and cleaning up the various trails throughout both communities.

Dozens of volunteers including youth from the Duarte Area Resource Team (D.A.R.T), Cardinals Helping Youth Live Life (CHYLL), and the Teen Nutrition Council will participate in the Day's activities which include breakfast, lunch, greetings from Mayors of both City's, crafts and much more.

The community Earth Day project is made possible through the support of sponsors, the City of Bradbury, Burrtec Waste Industries, and the Volunteer Center of the San Gabriel Valley. For more information, or to volunteer, call Duarte City Hall at (626) 357-7931, ext. 267.



### City of Duarte Employee Achievement Awards

The Employee Achievement Award recognizes distinct and extraordinary accomplishments with The City of Duarte Team.

**Team Work:** Gina Quevedo, Accountant

**Innovation:** Larry Breceda, Public Safety Manager

**Customer Service:** Karen Herrera, Deputy City Manager

### Community Clean-up Day April 23, 2016



**COMMUNITY  
CLEANUP**

Break out the brooms, rakes, shovels, and trash bags, it's spring-cleaning time in the City of Duarte. The City and Burrtec Waste Industries will hold its first bi-annual Duarte Community Clean-Up Day of 2016 Saturday, April 23rd.

From 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Burrtec Waste Industries, Duarte's licensed trash hauler, will provide two convenient drop-off locations in the City where residents can dispose of large refuse items, and E-waste. Residents may also take advantage of free "document shredding" (Civic Center location only). Drop-off locations are conveniently located at both the Duarte Civic Center, 1600 Huntington Drive, and Beardslee Elementary School at 1212 Kellwill Way, Duarte, CA.

Duarte residents are encouraged to bring and conveniently dispose of such items as e-waste, trees, old furniture, trash and white goods such as refrigerators. Unfortunately, residents can not dispose of such items as hazardous waste ie: paint, cleaners with acid, brake fluid, etc. car batteries, motor oil and filters, expired pharmaceuticals, pool chemicals, anti-freeze or fluorescent bulbs at these locations.

For more information on the Duarte Community Clean-Up Day, call Duarte City Hall at (626) 357-7931, ext. 221.

### Unveiling the New and Improved [accessduarte.com](http://accessduarte.com)

Residents can look forward to a redesigned City of Duarte website in Spring 2016! Soon the City will be unveiling to residents a new, state of the art "Virtual City Hall" where residents can easily access information and perform routine City transactions. The website will also feature exciting professional photography that captures the character of our community.





## Holiday Toy Drives A Success!

Duarte Neighborhood Watch and Duarte's Promise worked throughout the holiday season to brighten the celebrations of over 700 children thanks to generous contributions from the community.

Toys were delivered to the Duarte Community Service Council – an all-volunteer organization in partnership with the Duarte Emblem Club and the Duarte Elks. Together these organizations have served the community for over fifty years.

Duarte's Promise also delivered truck loads of toys, food, and personal items to the Foothill Unity Center who help Duarte families both during the holidays and all year long.



The City of Duarte would like to thank all block captains, residents, and volunteer organizations for their work and dedication to our community this holiday season. Special thanks to all the participating Neighborhood Watch Blocks!

## Deputy Spotlight

The California Gang Reduction and Intervention grant is entering its second year. One of the research-backed methods funded is the Los Angeles County Probation Department's Prevention and Intervention Program. This program provides intensive personal services to at-risk youth and their families. Two dedicated Deputy Probation Officers are located at Duarte Public Safety and work with the Duarte Unified School District to ensure that youth involved in the program stay out of the juvenile justice system.



**Deputy Raymond Abernathy** started working with Duarte in Fall 2013. He works at Duarte's five Elementary and one Intermediate Schools with students. He counsels them on academics, attendance, and behavior issues. He describes his main goal as teaching youth how to navigate through life's difficult situations and still stay on track using positive life skills.

He spends most of his day in the field at Duarte Schools, Teen Center, Boxing Gym, the Boys and Girls Club and Pamela Park. Abernathy has a Bachelors degree in Psychology and a Masters in Education from Cal State LA and over 15 years of experience in the Department. He feels privileged to have the opportunity to work with youth, their families and school officials.

**Deputy Edward Moronez** began his work in Duarte during Summer 2015. He works in a prevention and intervention capacity directly with at-risk and high-risk high school students. Moronez also serves as a liaison to the Juvenile Court System and supervises minors on formal probation to ensure they attend school and follow all conditions of their probation.

Fifty percent of this time is spent serving as a mentor to help youth achieve their highest potential. During his 10 years in the juvenile probation system, he has learned that one of the most important things for any parent to remember is awareness. "Get to know their friends and the most important things in your child's life," he states. This simple advice can lead to less trouble in the future.

Families you can count on these officers for support. They also conducts field trips, attend weekend activities, and conduct presentations for parents as needed. The deputies can be reached at Duarte Public Safety at (626) 357-7938.





**SUNDAY  
JUNE 26, 2016**

**8:00am • 2:00pm**

- 7 Cities
- 6 Gold Line Stations
- 17+ Miles of Smiles!

**6•26 GOLDEN STREETS FREE EVENT**

SOUTH PASADENA • SAN MARINO • ARCADIA • MONROVIA • DUARTE • IRWINDALE • AZUZA • LOS ANGELES COUNTY



**Metro**

Duarte family event that will close Duarte Road and other city streets for bikes, runners, walkers and skaters. Giant festival area, food trucks, entertainment in front of City of Hope and on Duarte Road! Log on to [www.626GoldenStreets.com](http://www.626GoldenStreets.com)

### Hook'd and Book'd

In the morning hours of December 23, 2015, a deputy was monitoring activity in the north east end of town. While patrolling in the 2600 block of Bernwood Street, he noticed a car pulling out of a driveway. The unsafe maneuver prompted the deputy to stop the driver for further investigation.

As the investigation continued, it was determined the vehicle was stolen and the driver was an El Monte Flores gang member. The driver was arrested and charged with being in possession of a stolen vehicle. A female occupant, who was also detained, was found to be in possession of a large amount of methamphetamine which led to her arrest.

Thanks to keen observations and quick actions taken by our deputies, two suspects were detained and arrested on significant charges. Charges were filed on both suspects and their respective cases are currently in court proceedings.

As with any crime that may take place in your neighborhood, IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING! When we work together as PARTNERS in our community, great things happen! Thank you all for your continued support.

### Free Art Programs

The Duarte Teen Center in partnership with the Duarte Public Safety Department is offering free, creative art programs for youth grades 6th to 12th. These programs are funded through the California Gang Reduction and Prevention grant.

Through the effort youth have the opportunity to participate in the City's Teen Dance program and Art workshop. The dance program features advanced and beginning hip hop while the arts program focuses on creatively exploring of art materials through painting, sculpture, and more.

These classes are held at the Duarte Teen Center. For more information, please call (626) 303-0863.



### Dog Vaccinations & Licensing June 25 at Duarte Park





# Public Safety

## Year in Review

### City of Duarte Property Crime



	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15
Homicide	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Rape	3	1	2	1	0	1	4	5	1	2	3	0
Robbery	28	18	44	29	30	26	24	20	17	19	13	22
Assault	59	40	53	37	36	55	38	29	35	23	33	38
Residential Burglary	55	47	25	48	58	92	82	69	72	55	43	41
Other Burglary	58	73	61	71	73	45	29	34	32	36	25	27
Vehicle Burglary	123	72	119	97	82	98	78	55	64	54	53	72
Grand Theft	70	62	77	82	72	62	72	61	50	29	48	25
Auto Theft	132	113	91	85	72	79	84	70	77	63	50	79
Arson	4	1	0	1	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>304</b>

Statistician Sonja Tanner

The City of Duarte closed the year with an 8.53% increase in Part 1 crimes compared to a year ago. The increase was attributed to a rise in assaults, robberies, and stolen cars. On the bright side, residential burglaries have continued to decrease for the sixth year in a row.

For the first time in more than a decade, crime increased across the board, with a 20% increase in both property and violent crimes in the Los Angeles area. In comparison to other cities, Duarte managed to keep its crime increase low. As we enter 2016, the City will continue to be vigilant. Prison realignment is now in its fourth year and Proposition 47 is now in its fourth year. This change allowed nonviolent offenders to serve their time in local jails instead of state prisons, shifting responsibility to

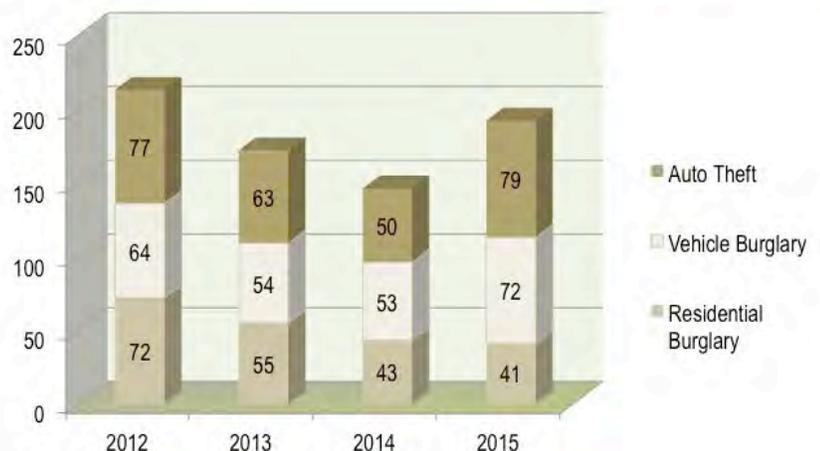
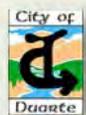
local probation departments and community efforts.

The City of Duarte responded to this challenge by expanding grant funded prevention, progressive intervention and re-entry programs. Using these new research-backed methods, the City made changes that helped keep the public safe and aid former offenders. Duarte Deputies are now equipped with body cameras, and have a crime scene investigator who immediately deploys to a scene to preserve evidence.

Outreach workers connected with over 800 individuals in 2015, approximately one third were formerly incarcerated. Services provided included referrals to substance abuse resources, connections to employment and housing. Innovative prevention, intervention, outreach, and re-entry tactics will also continue in 2016. Duarte Public Safety has established many partnerships throughout the years. We would like to thank our partners, the Community Mediation Team and the Public Safety Commission for their help in exploring ways to be more effective in the fight against crime.

Public support means a lot to us, but what is priceless is the willingness of residents to participate in the community. A strong community makes all of the difference in crime prevention efforts. Please continue to be vigilant and call in suspicious activity, "If you see something, Say something."

### City of Duarte Part 1 Crime



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## Local Harvest



Too much fruit growing in your yard? Don't let it go to waste! Call Local Harvest to have your homegrown fruit harvested by a team of supervised Duarte youth. Harvested items will be distributed to those in need at the Foothill Unity Center.

Harvesters can also stop by your home to receive fresh fruit that has already been picked. To request harvesters, call (626) 359-5671 ext. 316 or email [A2Torres@lasd.org](mailto:A2Torres@lasd.org).

## New Helmets Only \$5

The Duarte Public Safety Office, in partnership with the Duarte Elks, has affordable helmets for sale to keep local youth safe. Duarte youth, between the ages of 3 to 18 years qualify to purchase them for just \$5 at the Public Safety Office, located in the Target Shopping Center, every Wednesday from 5 pm to 6 pm. All helmets will be properly fitted and a parent or guardian must accompany the youth.



Stay Safe and Avoid a traffic citation. Know the law! State dictates that all persons under 18 cannot operate a bicycle, a non-motorized scooter, or skates on a street or public bicycle path or trail without wearing a properly fitted helmet. For more information, call (626) 359-5671 ext. 316 or email [A2Torres@lasd.org](mailto:A2Torres@lasd.org).

Save the Date

CITY OF DUARTE

outdoor!

# Spring Movies

DINNER:  
**6:00pm**

MOVIE:  
**SUNSET**

QUESTIONS?  
626 357 7938

**DUARTE PUBLIC SAFETY**    **FREE BBQ/POPCORN**    **BRING YOUR BLANKET/ CHAIR**

JUNE 10

Beardslee Park  
2000 Buena Vista St  
Duarte CA

minions

JUNE 17

Maxwell  
Elementary School  
733 Euclid Ave  
Duarte CA

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## Duarte City News\*

The Duarte City News is published on a quarterly basis. The City of Duarte believes that communication is one of the most vital aspects of an effective community. Please contact the City of Duarte with your thoughts! We look forward in seeing you at our upcoming City events.

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### Official Public Meetings

**Council Meetings** held the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

**Economic Development Commission Meetings** held the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

**Public Safety Commission Meetings** held the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

**Planning Commission Meetings** held the third Monday of the month at 7:00 pm.

**Traffic Safety Meetings** held the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

**Public Services Meetings** held the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

**Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings** held the second Monday of the month at 7:00 pm.

**Mayor's Youth Council Meetings** held the first Monday of the month at 6:00 pm.

**Youth and Family Committee Meetings** held the fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 pm.

**Monrovia Arcadia Duarte Town Council Meetings** held the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

**Community Mediation Team Meetings** held the third Monday of the Month at 5:30 pm.

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Aida Torres  
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# Community Calendar

## March

### Gold Line Grand Opening

Saturday, March 5  
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Duarte Gold Line Station  
Corner of Duarte Rd. and  
Highland Avenue

### Spring Recreation Class Registration begins

Monday, March 14  
7:30 am  
Duarte City Hall

### Hayden 5k

Saturday, March 12  
8:30 am - 1:30 pm  
Hayden Child Care Center  
819 Buena Vista St.

### Community Health Fair

Saturday, March 12  
8:00 - 11:30 am  
Westminster Gardens  
1420 Santo Domingo Ave.

### Cesar Chavez Service Project

Saturday, March 19  
8:30 - 12:30 pm  
Westminster Gardens  
1420 Santo Domingo Ave.

### State of the City

Wednesday, March 23  
5:30 - 7:30 pm  
Duarte Community Center &  
Courtyard

### Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Saturday, March 26  
7:30 - 9:30 am  
Duarte Community Center

### Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 26  
Begins at 10 am Sharp!  
Beardslee & Royal Oaks Parks

## April

### Earth Day

Saturday, April 23  
9:00 am  
Duarte Teen Center

### Community Clean Up

Saturday, April 23  
8:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Duarte Civic Center &  
Beardslee Elementary School

### Coffee & Conversation with Council

Saturday, April 23  
10:00-11:00 am  
Duarte Public Library

## May

### Duarte City Hall Closure Memorial Day

Monday, May 30

### Budget Process Workshop

Monday, May 2 &  
Tuesday May 3  
5:00 pm  
Duarte Community Center

### Coffee & Conversation with Council

Saturday, May 28  
10:00-11:00 am  
Duarte Public Library



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