

Duarte City News

A Quarterly Publication for Businesses and Residents

RECREATION AND SWIM CLASS SCHEDULE

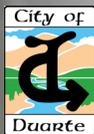
Class Registration Begins March 11
Swim Registration Begins April 29

YOUTH AND ADULT SPORTS COMMUNITY EVENTS PUBLIC SAFETY NEWS



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

Cesar Chavez Volunteer Project
Saturday, March 23
9:00 - 1:00 p.m.
Westminster Gardens

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny
Saturday, March 30
7:30 - 9:30 a.m.
Duarte Community Center

Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, March 30
Begins at 10:00 a.m. SHARP!
Beardslee Park and
Royal Oaks Park

APRIL

**CLOSED - City Facilities
Furlough Day**
Monday, April 1

Housing Fair
Saturday, April 13
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Duarte Community Center

Earth Day Celebration
Saturday, April 20
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Duarte Teen Center

Knott's Berry Farm Excursion
Wednesday, April 3
Boys and Girls, Ages 8-17
9:00 a.m. - Leave City Hall
7:00 p.m. - Return
\$25

**"Madagascar 3: Europe's Most
Wanted"**
Friday, April 19
Dinner 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Movie Night 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Maxwell Elementary School

NAACP ACT-SO Competition
Saturday, April 27
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Duarte Senior Center

**Community Clean-up/
Adopt-A-Block**
Saturday, April 13
8:00 a.m.
City Hall, Lena Valenzuela Park,
and 2144 Buena Vista
(COH Parking Lot)

*For more
on City information
and event descriptions, visit
www.accessduarte.com*

MAY

Taste of Duarte
Wednesday, May 8
5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Westminster Gardens

**CLOSED - City Facilities
Observance of Memorial Day**
Monday, May 27

**FREE Movie Night
Featuring: "Wreck-It Ralph"**
Friday, May 31
Dinner 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Movie 8:00 - 9:30 p.m.
Beardslee Park

JUNE

Duarte Relay for Life
Saturday, June 29 &
Sunday, June 30
9:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. (24-Hours)
Northview Intermediate School

Dog Vaccination Clinic
Saturday, June 1
8:00 - 10 a.m.
Duarte Park

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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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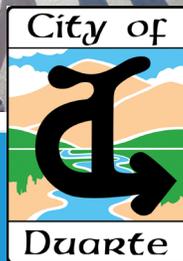
EAT, MOVE, LIVE! 2013 FREE PARENT NUTRITION EDUCATION CLASSES



Join us for a series of FREE weekly nutrition education workshops starting Thursday, February 28 at Northview Intermediate School. Each workshop includes an informational discussion, taste test, and physical activity. Topics will include: how to build a healthy meal, picky eaters, and eating right when money's tight. Participants should dress comfortably for activities such as aerobics, yoga, and Zumba!

Classes are conducted in English and Spanish and start at 5:30 p.m. and end at 7:30 p.m. The City of Duarte and City of Hope National Medical Center partner to bring you this free program.

For more information, contact Jasmine Klintong at (626) 303-0863, ext. 404. Para más información, llame a Mayra al (626) 256-4673, ext. 64721.



EMBRACING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE THROUGH RECREATION



PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER

The City of Duarte is an active community where residents enjoy and embrace a healthy lifestyle. The Duarte Parks and Recreation Department is proud to serve the Duarte community with a variety of parks, playgrounds, centers, events, programs and activities for all ages. Enjoy a visit to one of the City's thirteen beautiful local parks. Have a picnic under a canopy of shady trees, exercise on the Duarte Bike Trail, or play sports on one of our many courts or fields!

The Duarte Fitness Center presents you and your family with an opportunity to swim or workout in a full service exercise facility. The Duarte Senior Center offers a variety of enjoyable activities and sports. The Duarte Teen Center welcomes local teens to a wonderful facility that includes a computer lab, game room, boxing gym, and many other activities.

There's a lot to enjoy in Duarte, and the Parks and Recreation Department is happy to provide you with the facilities and programs that our residents deserve. Remember, "Parks Make Life Better!" For more information about the City's Recreation programs, contact (626) 357-7931, ext. 201.



IMPORTANT REGISTRATION DATES

Walk-In Registration	Begins at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, March 11
Mail-In Registration	Begins Monday, March 11
Phone Registration	Begins Tuesday, March 12
Classes Begin	March 23, 2013
Excursions	(See page 10)
Youth Sports	(See page 6)

*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 the City of Duarte.***

Financial Assistance Program: Forms available at City Hall or call (626) 386-6860 for more information.

RECREATION CLASSES

3 WAYS TO REGISTER



1. Walk-In

Beginning at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, March 11, 2013. Register in person at Duarte City Hall, 1600 Huntington Drive, Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.



2. By Phone

Beginning Tuesday, March 12, 2013. Register by phone with Visa, MasterCard or Discover for purchases over \$25. Call (626) 357-7931



3. Mail-In

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. (Registrations received prior to March 11 will be returned)

CLASS LOCATIONS

DHS	Duarte High School
DP	Duarte Park
FC	Fitness Center
MAX	Maxwell Elementary
RDGC	Rancho Duarte Golf Course
ROP	Royal Oaks Park
SC	Senior Center

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
AMAZING ARTS 8-week session. Students will use gentle discards and recycled items to paint, sculpt, and make Amazing Art treasures. \$10 supply fee due at first class. Instructor is Mrs. Joy.						
Beg.	7-10	4:00-5:00 p.m.	Mon	DP	3/25	\$30
Beg.	7-12	2:30-3:30 p.m.	Tue	MAX	3/26	\$30

AMAZING ARTS II 8-week session. This intermediate painting class will explore painting composition by applying several different types of techniques. \$10 supply fee due to instructor at first class. Instructor is Mrs. Joy.						
Beg.	11-13	4:00-5:00 p.m.	Wed	DP	3/27	\$30

BALLET 9-week session. Children will learn pliés, improve flexibility and balance, all while enjoying classical music and current hits. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.						
TT	3-4	9:30-10:00 a.m.	Sat	ROP	3/23	\$28
TT	3-4	10:00-10:30 a.m.	Sat	ROP	3/23	\$28
Jrs.	5+	10:30-11:15 a.m.	Sat	ROP	3/23	\$32

COOKING THE FUN & HEALTHY WAY 6-week session. Children will learn to prepare great tasting meals that are good for them. At each class they will prepare a meal and go home with the recipes. Instructor is Gina Orozco.						
All	8-12	6:15-7:45 p.m.	Tue	SC	3/26	\$16

CRITICAL READING AND WRITTEN EXPRESSION 6-week session. Will help students strengthen critical reading and writing skills. Learn to properly analyze a given text. Strategies and tools will be used to improve written expression. \$10 supply fee. Instructor provided by AGI Academy.						
Beg.	9-13	4:45-5:30 p.m.	Fri	DP	4/5-5/10	\$49
Beg.	9-13	4:45-5:30 p.m.	Fri	DP	5/17-6/21	\$49

DANCE YOUR BUNS OFF (DYBO) 8-week session. Children will discover how to express themselves in rhythm, coordination, and gain great confidence while dancing the latest genre of jazz dance. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.						
All	3-4	2:30-3:00 p.m.	Wed	ROP	3/27	\$28
All	5-9	3:00-3:45 p.m.	Wed	ROP	3/27	\$35
All	10-13	4:00-4:45 p.m.	Wed	ROP	3/27	\$35

GET FIT 8-week session. This program is aimed to promote physical fitness and training among homeschooled students. The course is designed to develop an individual's natural strength to build healthy habits and values for a healthier lifestyle. The program includes cardio vascular exercise and strength and flexibility training. Instructor is Johnny Mack.						
All	5-18	8:00-10:00 a.m.	Tue/Thu	ROP	3/26	\$112

HOMEWORK HELPER 4 one-hour classes (\$55). Private tutoring for students grades K-12, all subjects, by appointment.

Class	Age	Time	Day	Site	Date	Fee
INTRODUCTION TO JOURNALISM 6-week session. This class will help promote strong writing skills, enhance ability to multitask, to see problems/issues from multiple perspectives, to be aware of current events, and to conduct thorough research. Participants will read newspaper articles, and write a basic news story. \$10 supply fee. Instructor provided by AGI Academy.						
Beg.	10-14	3:15-4:00 p.m.	Fri	DP	4/5-5/10	\$49
Beg.	10-14	3:15-4:00 p.m.	Fri	DP	5/17-6/21	\$49

KARATE FOR TOTS 10-week session. This class is designed to develop eye-hand coordination, greater motor skills as well as self-discipline and respect for others. Children will work on tumbling, coordination and basic techniques through playful games associated with karate. Instructor is Sean Gilliland.						
Beg.	4-5	3:45-4:30 p.m.	Tu/F	ROP	3/26	\$75

MATH WORKSHOP - ALGEBRA AND GEOMETRY STUDIES 6-week session. This class will help students to better grasp the concepts of algebra and geometry. Mathematical concepts and applications will be taught. \$10 supply fee. Instructor provided by AGI Academy.						
Beg.	9-14	4:00-4:45 p.m.	Fri	DP	4/5-5/10	\$49
Beg.	9-14	4:00-4:45 p.m.	Fri	DP	5/17-6/21	\$49

MINI-PICASSOS 8-week session. This exciting course will explore different materials, methods, and ideas that will encourage individual expression and self-esteem. \$10 supply fee due first class. Instructor is Mrs. Joy.						
Beg.	3-6	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Thu	DP	3/28	\$35

TENNIS 8-week session. This course teaches a variety of tennis skills including drills, volleys, overheads, ball control, and stroke production. Students must provide one can of new tennis balls and their own racquet. Instructor is Victor Champion.						
Jrs.	5-8	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Sat	DHS	3/23	\$48
YBeg.	9-15	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Sat	DHS	3/23	\$48
YInt.	9-15	11:30-12:30 p.m.	Sat	DHS	3/23	\$48

TUMBLING 9-week session. This fun program helps develop motor skills and self-confidence while emphasizing safety. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.						
TT	3-4	3:30-4:00 p.m.	Thu	ROP	3/28	\$28
TT	3-4	4:00-4:30 p.m.	Thu	ROP	3/28	\$28
Jrs.	5-6	4:30-5:15 p.m.	Thu	ROP	3/28	\$30
Beg.	7-13	5:15-6:00 p.m.	Thu	ROP	3/28	\$30

WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP 8-week session. Learn basic techniques to create your own beautiful paintings. Color mixing, compositions, textures, using household materials, and other techniques will be taught. \$10 supply fee due to instructor. Instructor is Mrs. Joy.						
Beg.	8-14	6:30-7:30 p.m.	Thu	DP	3/28	\$30

FAMILY, YOUTH, & ADULT CLASSES



ADULT CLASSES

Class	Age	Time	Day	Site	Date	Fee
BELLY DANCING 8-week session. Instructor Tavanna will introduce the ancient art of dancing. Strengthen your back and stomach muscles, improve your flexibility, stamina, and reduce tension.						
Beg.	18+	7:10-8:10 p.m.	Mon	ROP	3/25	\$35
HUSTLE DANCE 8-week session. Oscar Penalzoza will introduce you to the Hustle, a form of disco dance that incorporates swing and originated in the 1970's. Register alone or with a friend for added fun.						
Beg.	18+	8:30-9:30 p.m.	Thu	ROP	3/28	\$35
MINI BOOT CAMP 10-week session. These 20-minute workouts consist of fast paced basic callisthenic exercises that help build cardio and strength. This is a great lunch break workout. Instructor is Shelly Amaro.						
All	18+	12:15-12:35 p.m.	Mon	FC	3/25	\$15
All	18+	12:15-12:35 p.m.	Thu	FC	3/28	\$15

POLYNESIAN DANCE 8-week session. Instructor Tavanna will teach 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.						
Beg.	16+	6:30-7:30 p.m.	Tue	DP	3/26	\$35
SALSA 8-week session. This class introduces the distinctive Latin dance rhythm of Salsa. Basic steps and variations will be taught. A partner is suggested, but not required. Instructor is Oscar Penalzoza.						
Beg.	18+	7:30-8:30 p.m.	Thu	ROP	3/28	\$35

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.						
All	18+	6:15-7:15 p.m.	Thu	ROP	4/4	\$50
All	18+	8:00-9:00 a.m.	Sat	ROP	4/6	\$50

ZUMBA FITNESS 6-week session. Zumba is a mix of body sculpting movements with easy to follow Latin dance steps. Each class consists of a warm-up, main routine, and cool down. This is an exciting fat burning class. Instructor is Stephanie Martinez.						
Beg.	18+	7:00-8:00 p.m.	Tue	ROP	4/2-5/7	\$30
Beg.	18+	7:00-8:00 p.m.	Tue	ROP	5/14-6/18	\$30
Beg.	18+	7:00-8:00 p.m.	Fri	ROP	4/5-5/10	\$30
Beg.	18+	7:00-8:00 p.m.	Fri	ROP	5/17-6/21	\$30

ONGOING CLASSES

FOLKLORICO CLUB Georgina Orozco will introduce you to the beautiful dances from Mexico. Get a good work out while learning the basic steps and techniques. This is a fun cultural class for boys, girls, and parents. Hard soled shoes required. Register by the 7th of each month.						
Beg.	5-7	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Wed	ROP		\$10
Beg.	8-10	6:15-7:15 p.m.	Wed	ROP		\$10
Adv.	8+	7:30-8:30 p.m.	Wed	ROP		\$10

Class	Age	Time	Day	Site	Date	Fee
COMPUTER SKILLS CHALLENGE 6-week course. This class will challenge and teach you useful tools to get ahead in school or at work through improved computer skills. Students will receive hands on practice in Microsoft Word and Power Point. Class is for beginners and experienced users who want to advance their computer knowledge. \$10 supply fee. Instructor provided by AGI Academy.						
All	8+	5:30-6:15 p.m.	Fri	DP	4/5-5/10	\$49
All	8+	5:30-6:15 p.m.	Fri	DP	5/17-6/21	\$49

CREATIVE CHESS 8-week session. Chess is a fun game that helps develop minds to think, see clearly, focus, analyze and prioritize. Tournament level helps you improve through competition; prizes will be given. Register two or more at \$40 each. \$5 fee due to instructor for workbook. Instructor is Joachim Van Leeuwen.						
Tour't	8+	6:30-8:30 p.m.	Fri	DP	3/29	\$50
All	8+	7:00-8:00 p.m.	Fri	DP	3/29	\$50
GOLF 4-week session. Group classes offered at Rancho Duarte Golf Course. 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 p.m.	Wed	RDGC	4/3	\$65
Int.	18+	7:00-8:00 p.m.	Wed	RDGC	4/3	\$65
Family	All	9:00-10:00 a.m.	Sat	RDGC	4/6	\$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 p.m.	Wed	DP	3/27	\$55
Beg.	14+	7:00-8:00 p.m.	Wed	DP	3/27	\$55

HIP-HOP DANCE 9-week session. Children will learn the exciting and energetic techniques of hip-hop that allows them to dance to any type of music. Instructor is Niesha Tucker.						
All	5-8	5:15-5:45 p.m.	Mon	ROP	3/25	\$28
All	9+	6:00-6:45 p.m.	Mon	ROP	3/25	\$30

KARATE 10-week session. Karate offers an excellent workout, increasing flexibility and coordination. The instructor is Sensei Sean Gilliland. Universal Karate-do Association Shosei-kai.						
Beg.	6-10	4:30-5:30 p.m.	Tu/Fri	ROP	3/26	\$75
Beg./Adv.	11+	5:30-6:30 p.m.	Tu/Fri	ROP	3/26	\$75

RACQUETBALL 8-week session. Class will teach students the fundamentals of racquetball including scoring, serving, and body positioning. This is a great indoor sport that can burn up to 800+ calories per hour! Safety glasses, racquet and can of balls are needed.						
Beg.	9+	9:00-10:00 a.m.	Sat	FC	3/30	\$38
Adv.	9+	10:00-11:00 a.m.	Sat	FC	3/30	\$38

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 due at first class. Instructor is Regina Johnson.						
Beg./Int.	8+	3:30-6:00 p.m.	Tue	DP	3/26	\$65
Beg./Int.	18+	11:30-2:00 p.m.	Sat	DP	3/23	\$65

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 due to instructor. Instructor is Josephine Chu.						
Beg.	5-12	5:15-6:00 p.m.	Mon	DP	3/25-4/15	\$40
Beg.	13+	6:00-6:45 p.m.	Mon	DP	3/25-4/15	\$40
Beg.	5-12	5:15-6:00 p.m.	Mon	DP	4/22-5/13	\$40
Beg.	13+	6:00-6:45 p.m.	Mon	DP	4/22-5/13	\$40

YOUTH/ADULT SPORTS & FACILITY RENTALS



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

FACILITY RENTALS

The City of Duarte has various size buildings, including the Community Center, Teen Center, and Royal Oaks Park Building, that are available for rent for private or non-profit functions.

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, please call (626) 357-7931.



YOUTH RECREATION MINI-SOCCER

Boys and girls are invited to participate in this fun youth sport played on a shorter field and with smaller goals. Participants will learn the fundamentals of soccer and sportsmanship.

Leagues Separate boys & girls teams with 12 player roster limits

- Division B** Born in 2001-2002 or Born in 2000 and in a grade no higher than 6th
- Division C** Born in 2003-2004 or Born in 2002 and in a grade no higher than 4th

Sign ups City Hall, Beardslee Park, Royal Oaks Park, Otis Gordon Sports Park, & Valley View Elementary

Registration Begins Monday, March 11
Practices Begin the week of April 8
Fee \$30 (Includes a jersey uniform)

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 Wednesday, April 17
 Practices & games held on Wednesdays/Saturdays, April 20 through May 18

Location Otis Gordon Sports Park, 2351 Central Avenue
Group 1 Ages 4 & 5
Group 2 Ages 6 & 7

Sign ups Begin Monday, March 11 at Duarte City Hall.
Fee \$30 (includes a jersey uniform)

YOUTH BOXING PROGRAM

This is an excellent program to help boys and girls ages 8-17 develop their self-esteem and self-discipline. Our knowledgeable coaches are here to teach the fundamentals of boxing, while developing footwork, speed, and upper body strength. The training program will also help children gain physical flexibility, stamina, and coordination. 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. Registration is held at the Duarte Teen Center. Call (626) 303-0863 for more information.

“MAJOR LEAGUE SOFTBALL”

This sports league organization provides men's, women's and coed leagues. For further information, contact Major League Softball at (818) 559-8787, ext. 3, or online at www.mlsoftball.com

SUPERVISED PARK SCHEDULE

Beardslee Park	2000 Buena Vista Street
Royal Oaks Park	2627 Royal Oaks Drive

Monday through Friday, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

- 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 Extension, 2701 Royal Oaks Drive
14. Third Street Park, 1626 Third Street

Fitness Center

The Fitness Center includes a 25-yard competition pool, training pool, shower and locker facilities, two racquetball/wallyball courts, aerobic area and fully equipped exercise room including a Chest Press, Lat Pulldown, Arm Curl, Seated Dip, Shoulder Press, Seated Leg Press, Leg Extension, Seated Leg Curl, Hip Abductor, Stairmaster, Treadmills, Bikes, Ellipticals, and more.

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**.



CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

Memberships are on sale March 23 - April 2

Why pay per visit? Purchase a membership card to participate in Lap Swim, Water Aerobics, and much more!

20% OFF CASH DISCOUNT PRICES

	Resident	Sale	Base	Sale
Exercise/Aerobics & Aquatics or Racquetball	\$160	\$128	\$220	\$176
Total Facility/Individual	\$220	\$176	\$295	\$236
Total Facility/Family	\$320	\$256	\$420	\$336

Corporate membership rates available

We accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover for purchases over \$25

DAY AND TIMES

Holiday Hours Subject to Change

Weekdays	6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Saturday	7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

NON-MEMBER INDIVIDUAL FEES

Racquetball/Wallyball

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

Exercise Room/Aerobics

Adults, 16 years and older	\$5
Senior/Handicapped	\$4

Personal Trainer

By Appointment	\$30/hr.
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AEROBIC AND ZUMBA SCHEDULE

Monday – Thursday	9:00 - 10:00 a.m. 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. 6:15 - 7:15 p.m.
Friday	9:00 - 10:00 a.m. 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.
Saturday	8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Zumba classes are held Wednesdays 5:15 p.m.

Aquatics

March 31 – June 17

SWIM CLASSES

Registration begins at 6:00 a.m. for Duarte residents and 8:00 a.m. for all others. Check with the Fitness Center for class schedules.

Session I: May 7 – May 17
(Registration begins Monday, April 30)

Session II: May 21 – June 1
(Registration begins Monday, May 14)

CLASS LEVELS

Mommy, Daddy & Me; Tiny Tots; and Advanced Tiny Tots 5 years and up; Red Cross Progressive Swimming Program, Levels 1-6

SWIM TEAM

Enrollment is limited. Sign-ups begin Monday, April 29. Practices are Monday - Thursday, 3:30-4:30 p.m. beginning June 18. Scheduled meets throughout the summer. Swim Team fee \$120

REGULAR HOURS

Lap Swim (Adults only)	
Monday - Thursday	6:30 – 8:00 a.m. 11:30 – 1:00 p.m.
Friday	6:00 – 8:00 p.m. 6:30 – 8:00 a.m. 11:30 – 1:00 p.m.
Sat., Sun. & Holidays	11:00 – 12:00 p.m.

OPEN SWIM

Saturday & Sunday	12:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Spring Break (Monday, April – Friday 6)	1:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Memorial Day Monday, May 28	12:00 – 4:00 p.m.

WATER AEROBICS (MAY 1 – SEPTEMBER 29)

Tuesday & Thursday	6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Saturday	9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

FEES

Classes		Open and Lap Swim	
Swim Lessons	\$30	Youth (open swim only)	\$1
Semi-Private	\$50	Adult	\$2
Private	\$70	Senior/Handicap	\$1
Water Aerobics	\$5		

TEEN EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

DUARTE TEEN CENTER

1400 Buena Vista Street
(626) 303-0863

Monday - Friday, 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

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

COMPUTER LAB

Monday through Friday, 3:00 - 6:30 p.m. Free use to all teens registered at the Teen Center.

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

SPECIAL EVENTS

NEW!!! Hip Hop Dance Classes (6 Week Sessions)

Dates: March 11 - April 17 (No classes on the 1st Monday and Wednesday of the month)

Days: Monday & Wednesday

Time: 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Fee: \$40

Come learn the latest dance moves, hip hop techniques, meet new friends, and showcase your talent!

Advanced Hip Hop Class!

Dates: March 11 - April 17 (No classes on the 1st Monday & Wednesday of the month)

Days: Monday & Wednesday

Time: 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Fee: \$40

Must have prior dance experience or prior Hip Hop class attendance.

Club Duarte (Middle School Students)

Dates: Friday, March 15 & Friday, May 17

Time: 7:30 - 10:00 p.m.

Fee: \$5

The Duarte Teen Center will be transformed into the rocking hot spot for middle school youth. Live DJ, dancing, food, and game room activities.

LA Fan Nights

Dates: Monday, March 18 and Wednesday, April 10

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

The Duarte Teen Center will host LA Fan night! Come join us for Laker Basketball on the big screen TV's, food and half time mini games. Wear a Laker t-shirt, hat, anything with Lakers on it and get free admission into the event. If you are not wearing Laker gear admission is \$2 includes snacks.

Cesar Chavez Essay Contest

Date: Entry Deadline Thursday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m.

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.

Youth Employment Workshop

Date: Tuesday, April 16

Time: 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Fee: Free

Youth between the ages of 15-18 will participate in an employment workshop. The workshop will include tips on finding a job, gaining employment experience, résumé writing, filling out job applications, interview tips, and learning how to be successful once you land a job. Local employers will be on site to speak with the participants about employment opportunities. Please register in advance at the Teen Center. Space is limited!

Cinco de Mayo Celebration

Date: Thursday, May 2

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Fee: \$1 for food

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo at the Teen Center. There will be traditional Mexican food for all to enjoy!

Summer Kick Off BBQ/Graduation Party!

Date: Tuesday, June 4

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Fee: \$1

Enjoy cheeseburgers, chips, fresh fruit, and a beverage. Graduates eat free!

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Birthday Tuesday

On the first Tuesday of each month we'll celebrate the birthdays of all the teens registered at the Teen Center for that month. A small gift will be given to the teen and there will be cake for all.

Nutrition/Cooking Class

Date: Wednesdays

Time: 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Fee: \$2 per class

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

Drama Club

Date: Fridays

Time: 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Fee: Membership Fee \$5 every 6 months

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

Girls Night Out!

Date: Tuesdays: March 5 and 19, April 9 and 23, and May 7 and 21

Time: 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

This program is for girl grades 9-12. Participants discuss various topics ranging from peer pressure, goals, self-esteem, relationships and much more.



TEEN EXCURSION

Six Flags Magic Mountain

Date: Thursday, April 4

Time: Departs at 8:30 a.m. and returns to the Teen Center at 7:30 p.m.

Fee: \$35

Come join the Teen Center for a spring excursion to Six Flags for thrill rides and good times! Sign up now, space is limited.

DUARTE SENIOR CENTER

Open to seniors 55 years and older
1610 Huntington Drive
(626) 357-3513
Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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 \$2.

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.

FREE! How To Make Medicare Work For You

2nd Thursday and 4th Friday of the month by appointment.

ONGOING FREE CLASSES

Ceramics*	Tuesdays	9:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Guitar	Tuesdays	1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
Knitting	Mondays	9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Sign Language	Fridays	12:30 – 1:30 p.m.
Spanish (Beg.)	Mon./Wed.	1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Spanish (Int.)	Thursdays	10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Tai Chi	Fridays	9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Walking Group	Wednesdays	9:00 a.m.
Watercolor*	Mondays	12:30 – 3:30 p.m.

*Students must purchase their own supplies

Registration begins March 11. Classes begin the week of March 25.

FEE CLASSES (8-WEEKS)

Cardio Dance	Tuesdays	9:00-10:00 a.m.	\$12
Chair Yoga & Meditation	Mondays	12:30-1:30 p.m.	\$24
Yoga	Thursdays	9:00-10:00 a.m.	\$24

FEE CLASSES (10-WEEKS)

Art Appreciation	Fridays	9:30-10:30 a.m.	\$40
Cross Fit	Wednesdays	9:30-10:30 a.m.	\$12
Exercise W/Shelly	Mon./Fri.	10:15-11:15 a.m.	\$20
Get Fit	M/W/F	10:15-11:15 a.m.	\$27
How to Write Your Own Life's Story	Mondays	9:00-10:45 a.m.	\$40
Music Appreciation	Fridays	10:45-11:45 a.m.	\$40
Piano/Keyboard	Thursdays	10:00-11:00 a.m.	\$50
Sewing*	Mondays	12:30-2:00 p.m.	\$2/class
Strength Training	Mon./Thu.	1:00-2:00 p.m.	\$70
Strength Training	Tues./Thu.	1:00-2:00 p.m.	\$70
Western Line Dance (Beg)	Thursdays	10:15-11:45 a.m.	\$35

*Limited to the first 6 people to arrive

ACTIVITIES

Bingo Tuesday 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. \$0.25/card

Bunco 1st Wednesday of the month 12:45 – 2:45 p.m. \$1/person
Sponsored by the Duarte Woman's Club. Win prizes and meet new people. RSVP to (626) 357-3513.

Movie Days Two afternoons a month a top run movie is featured. FREE!



BRAILLE INSTITUTE

Is Your Vision Fading? Braille Institute is offering a free seminar on four Mondays in April from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Duarte Senior Center for those who are experiencing difficulty in daily living due to sight loss.

Date	Topics of Discussion
April 8	Welcome to Braille Institute <i>Understanding Vision Loss, Low Vision Devices/Appointments, Macular Degeneration Presentation</i>
April 15	The Business of Living <i>Money Identification, Marking & Labeling, Organizational Skills</i>
April 22	Staying Connected <i>Reading, Writing, Communicating, Resources, Low Vision Consultations</i>
April 29	Getting Around Town <i>Orientation & Mobility Presentation, About Braille Institute, VISTAS, CTAP Presentation, Low Vision Consultations</i>

To make reservation or receive more information, contact the Braille Institute at (323) 906-3170.



A.A.R.P. DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM

(4-hour refresher course)

Thursday, March 21
1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

\$12 for members; \$14 for non-members

If you have already taken an 8-hour course in the last 4 years, then you are eligible to take the 4-hour refresher course.

(8-hour course)

Tuesday, May 14 & Thursday, May 16
1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

\$12 for members; \$14 for non-members

Attendance is required at both sessions

These 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, call (626) 357-3513.



ADULT EXCURSIONS

Registration for all excursions is held at Duarte City Hall beginning March 11 at 7:30 a.m. We accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover for purchases over \$25.

Carpinteria (Including Salt Marshes & Sea Lions)

Wednesday, April 3 \$28
 8:00 a.m. – 6:15 p.m. (Lunch on your own)
Join us for a delightful day that begins with a docent led tour through one of California's few remaining coastal estuaries. After lunch on your own, we're off to the Carpinteria rookery, one of four remaining Sea Lion rookeries on the Southern California coast.

Lotusland in Santa Barbara

Wednesday, May 22 \$56
 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (Lunch on your own)
Lotusland is a unique 37-acre estate and botanic garden situated in the foothills of Montecito (east of Santa Barbara). Following a tour, we'll head to Santa Barbara for lunch on your own at one of the excellent cafes or restaurants located along State Street.

USS Midway in San Diego Bay

Tuesday, June 18 \$37
 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (Lunch on your own)
Prepare yourself for a lifetime memory aboard the USS Midway Museum after enjoying lunch at Seaport Village. This day will allow you plenty of time to explore this amazing naval aircraft carrier and all it has to offer visitors. Though most of the Midway is very accessible, do expect to have to climb steps and passageways found on any U.S. Navy ship.



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.

RELAY FOR LIFE JUNE 29-30

Cancer never sleeps and neither will participants of the 24-hour long Relay for Life event to be hosted by the City of Duarte and the American Cancer Society on June 29 and June 30 on the campus of Northview Intermediate School, 1401 Highland Avenue.



Participants of the 4th Annual Duarte Relay for Life will honor cancer survivors and pay tribute to lives lost by the disease while striving to raise \$50,000 to help fight cancer in the community. Last year, more than 20 teams participated raising more than \$30,000 for the fight against cancer.

Teams will maintain a 24-hour community presence, camping out overnight on the Northview field. The event will feature food, games, tributes and fellowship with every penny earned going toward cancer research. The City of Duarte itself is sponsoring a youth team consisting of representatives from Duarte's Promise: The Alliance for Youth, Northview's Cardinals Helping Youth Live Life (CHYLL) and Duarte Area Resource Team (D.A.R.T.), who are gathering donations by selling "Feet" and Luminaries which represent people who have been diagnosed, died, or have beaten cancer.

For more information about how to start a team, join a team or volunteer, contact Tina Carey at (626) 695-7443 or tina.carey@muc.miyachi.com

DUARTE & BRADBURY CELEBRATE EARTH DAY

Duarte and Bradbury will again honor Earth Day, 2013 with a variety of joint community volunteer projects starting at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 20, including planting trees, drought tolerant plants, and cleaning up various trails throughout both communities.



Some 70 volunteers including 50 teens from the Duarte Area Resource Team (D.A.R.T.), Cardinals Helping Youth Live Life (CHYLL), Teen Nutrition Council, and Share Mentoring Program will participate in the day's activities, which include breakfast, lunch, a speaker provided by the Los Angeles Regional Agency, a consortium of 16 environmentally conscious large and small member cities in the Los Angeles County committed to the state mandated recycling, greetings from Mayors of both cities and much more!



The community Earth Day project was made possible through the support of sponsors, the City of Bradbury, and California America Water Company. For more information, or to volunteer, call Duarte's Promise; The Alliance for Youth at (626) 386-6821.

DUARTE'S PROMISE PROVIDES SCHOLARSHIPS



Dedication to the community will be honored by Duarte's Promise: The Alliance for Youth as it kicks off its annual Red Wagon Scholarship recruitment process in April. Four winners will be recognized with \$250 scholarships on Thursday, June 6, 2013 from both Duarte High and Mt. Olive Schools as part of the annual DHS Senior Breakfast.

Red Wagon Scholarships are given to both male and female graduating seniors who embrace community service both on and off campus as well as possess strong academic skills. This year's sponsors are Nissan of Duarte and Southern California Edison. For more information please contact Airika Narcisse at (626) 357-7931, ext. 267.

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP/ADOPT-A-BLOCK EVENT



Duarte will hold its bi-annual Duarte Community Clean-up Day on Saturday, April 13, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Duarte's licensed trash hauler, Burrtec Waste Industries will provide two convenient drop-off locations in the City where residents can dispose of large refuse items and E-waste, Duarte City Hall, 1600 Huntington Drive, and the former Buena Vista Pavilion property at 2144 Buena Vista Street.

In conjunction with the Clean-Up Day and in the spirit of community, Duarte's Torre de Alabanza (tower of praise) Christian Church Youth Ministry has invited other local churches and local youth groups including the City of Duarte's (D.A.R.T.) Duarte Area Resource Team and (C.H.Y.L.L) Cardinals Helping Youth Live Life to participate in an Adopt-A-Block project, to assist local residents with various cleanup tasks.

The Adopt-A-Block project will focus on a variety of preselected homes and the neighborhood in and around Lena Valenzuela Park. Approximately 80 youth and adult volunteers will be working alongside City of Duarte staff and Los Angeles Sheriff's Department deputies. Volunteers will meet at Lena Valenzuela Park at 2120 Mountain Avenue, starting at 8:00 a.m.

For more information about how to participate in the Duarte Community Clean-Up Day or Adopt-A-Block program, call Duarte City Hall at (626) 386-6821.

TASTE OF DUARTE

Mark your calendar for Duarte's premier event, the Duarte Chamber of Commerce Taste of Duarte and Business Expo, featuring over 70 local restaurants and businesses on Wednesday, May 8, from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Westminster Gardens, 1420 Santo Domingo Avenue



The popular band Cold Duck will be providing entertainment along with great food, raffles, wine tasting, networking, entertainment, new car models, and more. Advance tickets are \$25, or \$30 if purchased on the day of event. For information and tickets, call (626) 357-3333 or visit www.TasteofDuarte.com

www.accessduarte.com



Q: "How can I dispose of large trash items and what is the cost?"

A: It is illegal to dispose of trash and bulky items like furniture, appliances, and tires in front of a home, business alleyway, or on the street. Burrtec Waste Management offers free scheduled collection of bulky items for residents twice a year. Call Burrtec to schedule a pick up at (800) 325-9417.

Q: How often are my trees trimmed?

A: The City trims trees every five years, unless there is an obstruction or weather damage of some kind. If you feel you need your tree trimmed because of an unusual situation, please call so that we can inspect and make a determination if the tree needs trimming before its scheduled time.

If you have any questions for the City of Duarte, but can't seem to find the time to call, visit our City website at www.accessduarte.com FAQ's on the left tab or email us at duartenews@accessduarte.com

NAACP ACT-SO COMPETITION APRIL 27TH

The local competition of the NAACP's Academic Cultural, Technological, and Scientific Olympics (ACT-SO) for African-American youth, will again take place at the Duarte Senior Center, located at 1610



Huntington Drive from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on April 27th. High school students of African descent from Duarte and other San Gabriel Valley cities will compete in a variety of categories including biology, math, and original essay.

Youth who achieve a gold medal in their respective category will proceed to the National competition slated for July of this year during the 104th NAACP Convention held in Orlando, Florida.

Come out and support community youth and cheer them on during the competition. Students interested in participating may contact Marilyn Mays (626) 303-0863, ext. 402, Aida Torres at (626) 359-5671, ext. 316, or Karen Herrera, (626) 386-6821.

BUDGET WORKSHOPS 2013

The fiscal year 2013-14 budget preparation process is underway at City Hall. The annual City Council budget workshops are scheduled for May 6th and May 7th at 4:00 p.m. Both workshops are open to the public and will take place in the Community Center located at 1600 Huntington Drive.

For more information, contact the Administrative Services Department at (626) 386-6811.

ARRESTS MADE IN RECENT STRING OF RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES



Duarte and many other neighboring cities have experienced an increase in property-related crimes over the past year. Of particular concern to Duarte residents, the City, and law enforcement has been the rash of residential burglaries that began in the last half of 2012. Prevention of additional crimes and the apprehension of those responsible are major priorities of the City of Duarte and the Sheriff's Department.

Two significant arrests were made at the end of last year in connection with some of the Duarte burglaries. In November, a local gang member with a lengthy theft-related history, and well known by deputies working in the City of Duarte, was arrested for one of the Duarte residential burglaries. It is believed he may also be responsible for a number of theft related incidents throughout the City, including auto theft and petty thefts. The suspect remains in custody. In December, an alleged suspect was arrested by police in a neighboring San Gabriel Valley city for attempted residential burglary. While being processed, the suspect was linked to several burglaries in Duarte. The ongoing investigation will potentially clear several additional theft related incidents in Duarte. He also remains behind bars.

The City has increased Sheriff's patrols and other security measures have also been increased. A Special Assignment Deputy's main focus is to work on the residential burglaries occurring in Duarte. Public Safety has been meeting with Neighborhood Watch groups in the affected areas to provide information to residents and encourage community vigilance in watching for and reporting suspicious activity. It is hoped that with the more visible Sheriff's presence and the help of the eyes and ears of the community that Duarte can successfully curtail any increase in home burglaries.

But the problem extends far beyond Duarte and the San Gabriel Valley. California is experiencing the biggest crime increase in 20 years according to a new report by the Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice. Property crime, which includes burglary, auto theft, and larceny, increased from 2.4 percent to 4.5 percent in the fourth quarter of 2012, according to the Wall Street Journal, the first increase since 2004. As statistics continue to climb, beleaguered cities, counties and law enforcement agencies are laying the blame on "Realignment," the state's prison reform plan that went into effect October 1, 2012 and coincides with the dramatic rise in the crime rate.

The Public Safety Realignment Act of 2012 was the state's response to a court-ordered mandate to reduce prison inmate population in order to meet constitutional requirements to provide mental health care to its prisoners. Instead of expanding its existing contracts with in-state and out-of-state detention facilities the state shifted major public safety programs to the counties. Thousands of inmates convicted of non-serious, non-violent, non-sex offenses or N3's were re-directed to serve out their sentences in county jails instead of state prison. In Los Angeles County, by the end of last year, 10,009 convicts had been sentenced to County Jail instead of state prison. Of those, 5,536 are currently in County Jail. More than 40 of them have been sentenced to more than 8 years and some have been sentenced up to 25 years.

"Realignment has impacted County jails and they are reaching maximum capacity. Misdemeanor criminals are only serving 15% to 20% of their time and it has created a revolving door in our system. I think this directly relates back to property crimes and the spike that every city is seeing, including Duarte and many of our neighboring foothill communities," said Duarte Public Safety Director, Brian Villalobos. The state also shifted the supervision of parolees whose last offense was a non-serious, non-violent, non-sex offense from state parole officers to county probation officers. These offenders can have priors in any of the three categories and area referred to as post-released supervised persons or PSP's.

DID YOU KNOW...

The City of Duarte has been named the "Most Business Friendly City" with a population of 60,000 and under in Los Angeles County. Duarte was awarded the distinction by the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC) during its 17th Annual Eddy Awards on November 8 at the Beverly Hilton.

The award was presented in recognition of the City's outstanding efforts in proactively promoting business-friendly programs and services. Duarte, competing as a finalist for the third consecutive year, was selected for the top honor over four other finalists in the competition, besting the cities of Commerce, El Segundo, Glendora, and La Mirada.

Duarte provides cutting edge business development strategies and professional assistance, including a one-stop permit center, an updated strategic plan, an Economic Development Element in its General Plan, and a hands-on City Council regularly in touch with businesses. Duarte's incentives include free business seminars, no utility users tax, business, residential, and youth surveys, a low crime rate, and distinguished schools.



In Los Angeles County, some 12,762 PSP's are on currently on active supervision by county probation instead of state parole supervision. Of those, 9,431 arrests occurred involving this population, 333 are registered sex offenders, 1,153 are on electronic monitoring or GPS tracking, 1,857 are homeless/transient. In addition, 862 were in the country illegally and have been turned over to federal authorities, 3,466 have been assessed by Department of Mental Health, while 628 have refused services, 5,764 were referred to public health for substance abuse assessment, 1,111 have failed to show up for assessment, and 3,482 PSP's were referred to employment services of which 2,546 never followed through.

California law enforcement agencies along with cities and counties whose worst fears about Realignment have been realized, are advocating for a repeal of the law in its entirety, or at the least the following amendments to the law.

- PSP's with serious or violent criminal histories be supervised by state parole and not county probation.
- Any prisoner who is or was classified as Mentally Disabled should remain the responsibility of the state not the county.
- Supervision tail for N3's. Prior to AB 109, these prisoners would be subject to search and seizure by law enforcement but not post AB 109.
- Greater sanctions for non-compliance. Parole revocation used to be maximum of one year. It has now been reduced to a maximum of 90 days, and some serve even less time due to overcrowding.
- Full reimbursement. Recovering the full cost of incarceration of inmates would help reduce the acceleration of early release.



FREE DINNER & MOVIE

Grab a blanket and bring the whole family for a free night out of dinner and a movie courtesy of Duarte Public Safety. Enjoy a scrumptious BBQ dinner, then snack on fresh popcorn while you enjoy an outdoor family movie with fellow Duarteans. Mark your calendar!

Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted
 Friday, April 19
 Dinner 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
 Movie 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.
 Maxwell Elementary School
 132 Euclid Avenue
 (Cross street Mountain Avenue)

Wreck-It Ralph
 Friday, May 31
 Dinner 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
 Movie 8:00 - 10:00 p.m.
 Beardslee Park
 2000 Buena Vista Street
 (Next to Beardslee Elementary School)



Do not miss this opportunity to mingle with elected officials, chat with Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputies, and meet City staff.

Community non-profit organization Marvell West will serve ribs, hotlinks, and hot dogs while Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation makes fresh popcorn. Duarte Kiwanis will provide dessert and fun activities for the little ones.

Thanks to a public safety grant, this event is a collaborative effort brought to you by grant partners; T.H.I.N.K. Together and Santa Anita YMCA. For more information on how to participate, contact Aida Torres at a2torres@lasd.org or call (626) 359-5671, ext. 316.

NEW HELMETS FOR ONLY \$5

The Duarte Public Safety Office, in partnership with the Duarte Elks Lodge, has affordable helmets for sale to keep local youth safe. Duarte youth between 3 to 18 years of age qualify to purchase helmets for just \$5 at the Public Safety Office, located in the Target Shopping Center, every Wednesday from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

All helmets will be properly fitted. A parent or guardian must accompany the child. For more information, call (626) 359-5671, ext. 316 or email a2torres@lasd.org.

DOG VACCINATIONS JUNE 1ST

In cooperation with VET CARE, the Duarte Public Safety Office has scheduled the annual low cost Vaccination Clinic on Saturday, June 1, from 8:00-10:00 a.m. The clinic will be held at Duarte Park, adjacent to the Teen Center.

Rabies vaccinations will be available for \$8 each, microchip registration for \$40, and other vaccinations will also be available upon request.

You will also be able to purchase your Duarte dog licenses.

Dog/Cat Licensing Fees

One Year, unaltered \$48
 One Year, spayed/neutered \$25

Senior citizens, 65 years and older are eligible for one free dog license if the pet is spayed or neutered.

Duarte requires dog licenses to be renewed each year on June 1. A late penalty charge of an additional \$50 will be added to the cost if the license is purchased after September 3. Although cats are not required to have licenses in Duarte, cat owners may purchase a license to help ensure the return of your furry friend should it become lost.



Remember all dogs over the age of four months must be vaccinated for rabies to comply with state law. With the foothills in our back yard, the chance of your dog having contact with local wildlife is great. Don't hesitate...Vaccinate! Dog and cat licenses can be purchased at Duarte City Hall, 1600 Huntington Drive or at the Public Safety Office located in the Target Shopping Center, 1042 Huntington Drive. For more information, call Duarte Public Safety at (626) 357-7938.



LOCAL HARVEST

Too much fruit growing in your yard? Don't let it go to waste! Call Local Harvest to have your home-grown fruit harvested by a team of supervised Duarte youth. The harvest will be distributed to those in need at both the Duarte Senior and Foothill Unity Centers.



Harvesters can also stop by your home to receive fresh fruit that has already been picked. To request harvesters, please call (626) 359-5671, ext. 322 or email at kwigfall@accessduarte.com

YEAR IN REVIEW

Happy New Year! And first of all thank you to all of our new and old Neighborhood Watch block captains for your support and participation throughout 2012. We faced a tough year head on and managed to keep crime at bay. However, at first glance it appears that our Part 1 Crimes edged up from the previous year. Thefts of all kinds spiked and the economy and the State's Prisoner Realignment program are certainly at the forefront for possible causal factors. This means that we are facing the same issues again in 2013, making it even more imperative that we band together. Keeping our City safe is a team effort. We certainly appreciate the effort each and every one of you make. Your support means a lot to us at the Public Safety Department, but what we value most is your willingness to participate in Neighborhood Watch.

A strong Neighborhood Watch makes all of the difference in crime prevention efforts. Please continue to be vigilant, but most of all PLEASE call in all suspicious persons or suspicious behavior to Temple Station at (626) 448-9861.

Please know that we are working hard to keep you safe as well. Deputies made a record number of arrests in 2011 (1261 arrests).

In 2012, they managed to surpass that number by making 1286 arrests. The City of Duarte obtained a grant from the state to fund a Special Assignment Deputy item that was set to be eliminated on January 1, 2013. That grant will also enable us to continue providing LA County Probation special prevention services for K-8th grade and supplement our Youth Programs and After School Programs that help make our community safe for our youth.

In closing, I would like to remind you that it is never too late to be prepared. Please take this time to prepare your homes and your families for emergencies. There are numerous websites that can help you get started (www.ready.gov). We all hope to never face an emergency and remember, "it's better to have it and not need it, than to need it and not have it."

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you,

Director of Public Safety, Brian Villalobos

CITY OF DUARTE PART 1 CRIME



	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Homicide	1	1	0	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
Rape	3	2	8	3	1	2	1	0	1	4	5	1
Robbery	28	32	35	28	18	44	29	30	26	24	20	17
Assault	78	75	50	59	40	53	37	36	55	38	29	35
Residential Burglary	34	54	39	55	47	25	48	58	92	82	69	72
Other Burglary	45	60	56	58	73	61	71	73	45	29	34	32
Vehicle Burglary	63	67	61	123	72	119	97	82	98	78	55	64
Grand Theft	65	78	71	70	62	77	82	72	62	72	61	50
Auto Theft	90	83	72	132	113	91	85	72	79	84	70	77
Arson	1	3	2	4	1	0	1	0	1	2	2	0
TOTAL	408	455	394	535	427	473	452	423	460	413	345	348

STATISTICIAN
Sonja Tanner



HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE A SUCCESS!

Duarte Neighborhood Watch and Duarte's Promise worked throughout the holiday season to brighten the holidays of nearly 700 children. Thanks to generous contributions from the community, Duarte's under privileged children received toys this holiday season.

Toys were delivered to the Duarte Community Service Council – an all-volunteer organization that partners with the Duarte Emblem Club and the Duarte Elks. Together these organizations have served the community for over fifty years. Additionally, Duarte Kiwanis and Duarte Rotary Clubs adopted families who had an extra special holiday season.

Duarte's Promise also delivered toys to the Foothill Unity Center, which helps Duarte families during the holidays and all year long. The City of Duarte Public Safety Department 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 THE DUARTE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH TOY DRIVE PARTICIPANTS:

Bashor Street
Conata Street
Duarte Mesa Community
Delford Avenue
Encanto Parkway Group
Greenbank Avenue
Markwood Drive
Maynard Avenue

Windsor Circle
Westvale Court
Starcrest Avenue
Tocino Drive
San Pablo Way
Santa Maria Circle
Swiss Trails Community



BURGLARY PREVENTION TIPS

- Make your home look occupied, leave the TV, radio, or lights on, or your dog in the backyard.
- Lock all doors, windows, and garage doors before you leave the house or go to bed.
- Use motion detector lights outside.
- Don't allow daily deliveries of mail, newspaper or flyers to build up while you are away. Arrange for the post office to hold your mail, or a friend or neighbor to collect it regularly.
- Push-button locks on doorknobs are easy for burglars to open. Install deadbolt locks on all your outside doors.
- Keep your yard clean and bushes and trees trimmed. Do not give burglars a place to hide.
- If you have an alarm system, use it, even if you leave for a short period of time.
- If you do not have an alarm system, buy signs that say you have an alarm and place them around your home.
- If you are going out of town, please tell your neighbors and contact the Duarte Public Safety Office for patrol checks at (626) 357-7938.

Should you witness a crime in progress, please call 911. Contact the Sergeant at the Duarte Sub Station information on burglary investigations at (626) 357-7938, ext. 320.



Anonymous tips, can be left on the Crime Tip Hotline at (626) 357-7938, ext. 462. Email tips to duartecrimetips@lasd.org

HOOK'D AND BOOK'D

When people report suspicious persons and behavior, it increases the effectiveness of police work. On Monday, December 10, a concerned Baldwin Park resident called in a suspicious person near their neighbor's home. Baldwin Park Police Department responded and detained the suspect for home burglary. The suspect was booked on charges of home burglary for breaking and entering into that home.

Detective Ramos and Special Assignment Deputy Goodrich conducted an investigation and were able to link the suspect to at least four burglaries in the City of Duarte that occurred between September to December. Deputies suspect he might be responsible for more. Unfortunately, their attempt to recover stolen items was unsuccessful. This individual had no gang ties or prior convictions.

A majority of the home burglaries have occurred in the daytime hours when residents were away from home. Law enforcement continues to work to solve these crimes through increased patrol and presence to prevent other burglaries from occurring. Although an arrest was made, the Duarte Public Safety Office would like to remind residents that there are things that you can do to help keep your home, neighborhood, and family safe.

If you see suspicious persons or vehicles in your neighborhood, please report them by contacting the Temple Sheriff's Station at (626) 448-9861 or (626) 285-7171. To start a Neighborhood Watch in your neighborhood please, contact Aida Torres at (626) 357-7938.

12 POINTS OF PREPAREDNESS

1. Have an emergency plan.
2. Have an up-to-date 72-hour kit.
3. Have emergency food supplies; water is essential (one gallon per person, per day).
4. Prepare to shelter in place, if possible.
5. Know your home – example: how to shut off natural gas line, etc.
6. Take inventory – what would you take if you had only moments to evacuate.
7. Equip your car. Keep fuel tank at least half full.
8. Prepare to go without electricity (flashlight, batteries, candles, and generator).
9. Remember those with special needs, including seniors and infants.
10. Have cash on hand – small bills.
11. Remember your health medication/prescription needs.
12. Plan for pets- food, water, meds, etc.



DEPUTY SPOTLIGHT

Deputy Moises Garcia began his assignment in Duarte in October 2012. He became a Deputy in 2006 and joined the Duarte team after he was requested to fill the late afternoon early evening shift. As a Deputy in the Traffic/Crime position, he keeps busy with traffic collisions and crime reports.

Prior to joining the Sheriff Department, Deputy Garcia worked for Los Angeles County Probation at Los Padros Juvenile Hall. As a Deputy, his prior assignments were at the North County Correctional Facility where he worked for five years, and Men's Central Jail in Downtown LA where he worked for one year. He completed patrol training at Temple Station where he worked South El Monte, Rosemead, Pasadena, and Temple City just prior to coming to Duarte.

Garcia enjoys working in Duarte because it is a small city and he can get to know residents. He likes the friendly station, and is helping train and will working alongside Community Service Officers who will help better serve residents. He appreciates that he can be counted on to build this customer support system. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Cal State Los Angeles.

Garcia explains he always wanted to become a Deputy for the Los Angeles Sheriff Department, but chose to finish his degree first. While in college, he worked as a Instructional Aide for Los Angeles Unified School District, and then served as a night officer for Los Angeles County Probation Department.

Deputy Garcia has been patrolling heavily to prevent home burglaries and would like to remind residents that the bad guys do not take vacations. When going on vacation, tell your neighbors but also call the Duarte Public Safety Office and get vacation checks. He also asks residents to take pictures of your important items, especially jewelry to help recover your special keepsakes and to aid Deputies in catching these criminals. Please remember to use our business line for non-emergencies, (626) 357-7938 and for emergencies please dial 911.



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- Liz Reilly, *Mayor Pro Tem*
- John Fasana, *Councilmember*
- Phil Reyes, *Councilmember*
- Tzeitel Paras-Caracci, *Councilmember*

CITY MANAGER

Darrell George

ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER

Kristen Petersen

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- Craig Hensley, *Community Development*
- Cesar Monsalve, *Parks and Recreation*
- Brian Villalobos, *Public Safety Services*

OFFICIAL CITY MEETINGS

Council Meetings held the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Economic Development Commission Meetings held the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Public Safety Commission Meetings held the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Meetings held the third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Traffic Safety Meetings held the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Public Services Meetings held the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

Youth and Family Committee Meetings held the first Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

CREATIVE DESIGNER

Roxanne Breceda

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHTS

Michelle Brown, Human Resources Specialist

Human Resources Specialist, Michelle Brown will have been with the City of Duarte for three years, this March. Some of Brown's responsibilities include payroll and benefits administration, recruitment, organization and employment development, labor and employee relations, and workers' compensation activities.

What Brown enjoys most about the City is the size and how everyone is connected. "We have very friendly and helpful staff," says Brown. She also loves the beautiful scenery of the San Gabriel Mountains adding, "I grew up in the surrounding area and Duarte feels like it's a part of my hometown."

In her spare time, Brown loves watching movies and TV shows, which is why her DVR is always so full! Brown is also an avid reader of many of the best sellers. An interesting fact is that she just applied for Graduate School and hopes to start this spring. "I look forward to applying what I learn during my studies here at Duarte," said Brown.



Jason Golding, Senior Planner

Jason Golding, Senior Planner, has been with the City of Duarte for almost 15 years. In his current position, Golding's city planning responsibilities range from large commercial developments to subdivisions and single-family additions. "Recently, I have had the privilege of working on the Goldline Light Rail project, transit-oriented development (TOD) around the future station and being involved with many of the projects at the City of Hope," replied Golding.

What Golding loves about the City is the small town atmosphere. "Since we are such a small organization, we really get to know about each other, our families, our work styles and the like. It makes our jobs much easier when we can simply walk down the hallway or make a quick call and get answers. This, in-turn, allows us to pass along information to our citizens and customers much quicker. I also think we are able to treat our customers with that extra special attention that you don't get in bigger, more bureaucratic organizations," said Golding. He loves the community spirit that makes all of us part of the Duarte family. When asked what he likes about the City of Duarte, Golding replied, "What a great place to raise a family...not a lot of traffic, plenty of parks, a great bike trail, good places to shop and a diverse and open community of residents."

Some of his hobbies and interests include spending time with his family and friends, while enjoying a good glass of wine. When asked about an interesting fact about him Golding replied, "I was raised and educated in the community, and passed on a scholarship at West Point to stay local."

EMPLOYEE ANNUAL & SERVICE AWARDS

At the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, January 15, the City of Duarte awarded employees for their years of service and outstanding employees who go above and beyond the call of duty. The City of Duarte would like to congratulate the following recipients:

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| Jasmine Klintong | 5 Years of Service |
| Edwin Parra | 5 Years of Service |
| Irma Hernandez | 10 Years of Service |
| Juan Oseguera | 10 Years of Service |
| Manuel Perez | 15 Years of Service |
| Jeffrey Risley | 15 Years of Service |
| Mary Ann Ur | 15 Years of Service |
| John Fasana | 25 Years of Service |
| Margaret Finlay | 25 Years of Service |
| Troy Wittenbrock | 25 Years of Service |

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| Cecilia Contreras | Outstanding Customer Service |
| Irma Hernandez | Outstanding Innovation |
| Larry Breceda | Outstanding Teamwork |