



The Branding Iron

DUARTE HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM

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THE DHS&M MOURNS THE LOSS OF SHERI UHLIG



Friends and colleagues of Sheri Uhlig gathered to honor her at a Memorial service held at the Pasadena Senior Center on August 25. Sheri served as vice president of the Duarte Historical Society & Museum for 15 years, always wearing a smile. She'd walk in, make a pot of coffee and greet anyone who entered.

Sheri was fascinated with Duarte history and served as the docent coordinator, scheduling the volunteers, training and nurturing them. She also served on the Andres Duarte Statue Committee, the Board of DCTV, the Board of the Chamber of Commerce, and a year as chair of the Parade Committee.

Sheri was a beloved member of the Duarte Woman's Club since 1996 and received the Club's most coveted award in 2008: Woman of the Year.

Sheri died suddenly on June 22, a few days after her 60th birthday. She leaves Karl, her husband of 40 years, and extended family from the East Coast, throughout the US and into Canada.

She is greatly missed. The Museum will plant a tree in her honor. Details to follow.



Randy King

**ANNUAL MEETING
TO FEATURE
WYATT EARP TALK
(Lawman or outlaw?)
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 2
6:30 P.M.**

Randy King has earned the reputation of an expert on gunslingers of the wild west and has penned several books on the subject, His story of Arthur King and Wyatt Earp *The Last Deputy* is based on fact. He has also authored *Battlefield Treasures*, *Men of War*, *The Solar Odyssey*, *Lies & Betrayal*, *A Fraternity of Gunslingers*: and *True Stories of Wild West Gunmen*.

Join us at the Museum for true stories of the wild west. and wear your cowboy hat!

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE 4th ANNUAL

winter solstice CRAFT FAIR & VINTAGE MARKET

HANDCRAFTS, VINTAGE ITEMS, ANTIQUES, FOOD,
ENTERTAINMENT & HOLIDAY FUN. FREE ADMISSION.

Where: 1551 HUNTINGTON DRIVE

When: DECEMBER 8, 2018

Time: 9AM-3PM

ANDRES DUARTE STATUE PLAZA & GRACE FELLOWSHIP
CHURCH PARKING LOT



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MUSEUM HOLDS OPEN HOUSE ON NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

John West's 1932 Chevy and Jim Constantian's Model A graced the museum on this annual city event aimed at curbing crime.

While Jim played Glenn Miller tunes on his phonograph and Bradbury Author Marisela Adams presented her newly released children's book *Kiki the Bear*, visitors toured the museum after enjoying a BBQ dinner in the park.



There was once a lovely lady who was passionate about volunteer work and teaching. Sadly she was diagnosed with a rare fatal disease which took her life in 2006 at the age of 71. This lady, Mary Blowers, was born into the Herold Family which came to Duarte from New Jersey looking for a mild climate. Shortly after their arrival, they made their mark in the Pasadena, Monrovia and Duarte area. Mary's father, Ray C. Herold, became a successful business man who served on the Monrovia City Council and was a generous supporter of Immaculate Heart School. It is said those were prime years for local real estate and he arguably opened the first real estate office in Duarte. He was responsible for construction of many of the buildings along Route 66, and Pop's Road was named after him.

MONTGOMERY PLAQUE DEDICATION A FAMILY AFFAIR



Photo by Tzeitel Paras

The extended family of the late Dorothy and Monty Montgomery gathered at the Museum to dedicate the plaque honoring the contributions made by the couple in the establishment of the Museum. Steve Baker delivered the eulogy.



HONORING DUARTE'S ROUTE 66
BITS 'N PIECES OF ROUTE 66 will be on display through October in honor of Duarte's Route 66 Parade. On loan from several sources including Jennie Avila of Azusa, this exhibit extends the two permanent Route 66 cases. Jennie is a former Azusa city council member, founding member and president of the California Route 66 Association and present curator of the Azusa Historical Society.

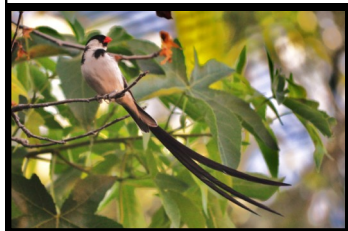


CHINESE EXCHANGE STUDENTS TOUR MUSEUM



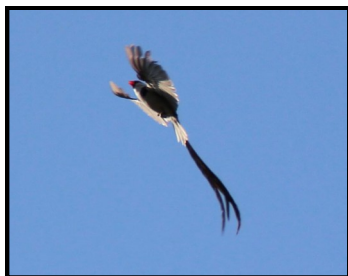
THE MUSEUM WILDLIFE SHOW FEATURING TWO OWLS, A RED-TAILED HAWK, VARIOUS FRIENDLY SNAKES AND SOFT PELTS THRILLED ADULTS AND CHILDREN ALIKE. THANK YOU RANGER MACKAY!

AFRICAN FINCH VISITS FISH CANYON



The Pin-tailed Whydah is established locally-from pet escapees and seems to be breeding very successfully. .

- Ornithologist Kimball Garrett



The Whydah starred in a backyard photo fest. Top photo by Alan Heller, bottom by Albert Kodama

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In a unique exchange program, the Duarte Unified School District has established a way to promote the sharing of culture and friendship. A few years ago, Duarte Students visited China,. This year Chinese students visited Duarte. Zoe Osburn and Liz Reilly supervised their Museum visit with the help of museum docents.

LARRY WALLS REPRESENTS THE MUSEUM IN THE ROUTE 66 PARADE



Author-attorney Larry Walls represented the Museum in the Route 66 Parade September 22. Featuring scores of bands, Duarte students from pre-school to high school, a variety of retro cars, and three fly-overs, the parade marched from Cotter to Mt. Olive and was followed by the City Anniversary Picnic in Royal Oaks Park.

Walls' book *Hurdles: Struggles of a Blackman in the Land of Milk and Honey*, tells of his life growing up in Duarte's Rock Town.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Oct. 17, 4 p.m. Board Meeting.

Nov. 2, 6:30 p.m. General Meeting and
Wyatt Earp: Outlaw or Lawman?
by Author Randy King

Nov. 6—Election

Dec. 1, 7:30 a.m.—Birdwalk led by
Kimball Garrett (meet at Museum)

Dec. 8, 9 a.m.—3 p.m. Winter Solstice
Craft Fair at the Statue Plaza.
(See website)

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