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Business Is Booming in San Gabriel!

San Gabriel continues to attract new business development. Three new businesses have recently opened in the Mission District's Arcade building. These include the Equator Coffee House — 419 South Mission Drive, Autunno Catering and Banquets — 409 South Mission Drive, and a new juice bar opening next month at 413 South Mission Drive.

San Gabriel car dealerships also have been making news in recent weeks. A new Suzuki car dealership has just opened along Las Tunas Drive, and the City has approved New Century Ford's plans to move to a more spacious location along Las Tuna Drive.

San Gabriel Suzuki, located at 416 East Las Tunas, is owned and operated by Bob Massey, Sr. of San Gabriel Lincoln Mercury. Within only a few weeks the dealership has exceeded initial sales expecta-



Equator Coffee House recently opened for business in San Gabriel.

tions. The Suzuki car line includes sedans, hatchbacks, and sport-utility vehicles.

New Century Ford's plan to move to a new five-acre site in San Gabriel was approved by the San Gabriel City Council on May 15. The site, located at the intersection of Las Tunas Drive and Burton Avenue, will include a 13,600-square-foot

showroom and a 26,000-square-foot auto repair facility. New Century Ford plans to have their grand opening next spring.

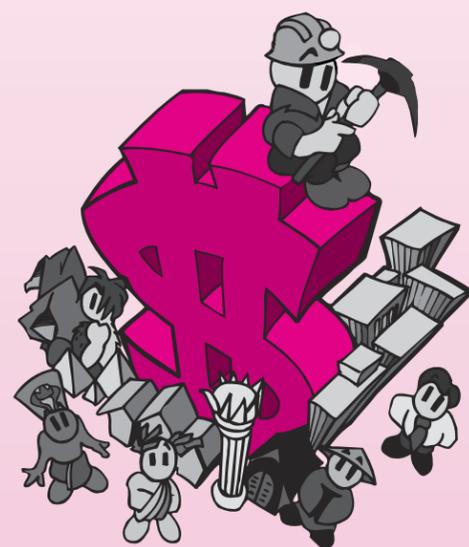
The developer worked closely with City staff to design a project that will enhance the Las Tunas corridor.

New Century has formed a close partnership with San Gabriel that will yield big dividends for our consumers, our residents, and our businesses.

Members of the San Gabriel City Council and City staff have also been working together on a monthly 'Business Visitation Program.' The program's objective is to visit every business in San Gabriel over a two-year period. The outreach program enables council and staff members to work with and understand the unique needs of San Gabriel's business community.

The Economic Development Division
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Foreign Trade Zone Established



The City of San Gabriel is a now part of a foreign trade zone! After a lengthy approval process, the federal government and the Port of Long Beach have approved the establishment of the San Gabriel Valley Foreign Trade Zone.

A foreign trade zone is an area within a city in which goods can be stored and distributed without going through customs. Importers can defer the payment of duties until the goods leave the warehouse. The trade zone will be particularly beneficial to American businesses that import goods, distribute and then export them, because these goods are deemed duty-free.

The foreign trade zone can reduce costs for participating businesses in the area and will even offer import/export consulting services through the San Gabriel Valley International Business Trade Center.

Businesses engaged in foreign trade can save money on processing fees, domestic liquor taxes, interests on goods, and consolidation of costs.

The San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership and the San Gabriel Valley International Business and Trade Center sponsored the process. For more information on the foreign trade zone, please contact the San Gabriel Valley International Business Trade Council at (626) 279-7979 or Erlinda Romo, Economic Development Specialist for the City of San Gabriel, at (626) 308-2800, ext. 733.



San Gabriel Joins Nationwide Effort to Combat Crime

On Tuesday, August 7, neighborhoods throughout San Gabriel are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 18th Annual National Night Out. National Night Out will involve over 9,600 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. More than 32 million people are expected to participate.

This marks the seventh year that San Gabriel has participated in the event, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored locally by the San Gabriel Police Department.

From 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., San Gabriel residents will lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with their neighbors. Many of the City's 'Neighborhood Watch' groups will host block parties, cookouts, and other activities and will be visited by Police, Fire, and City officials. The U.S. Army and Marines are also expected to return with their Humvee all-terrain vehicles.

National Night Out helps heighten crime- and drug-prevention awareness; generates support and participation in local anti-crime efforts; strengthens neighborhood spirit and police-community relations; and sends a message to crimi-

nals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

"National Night Out is an extraordinary way to build neighborhood unity and strengthen police-community partnerships," said San Gabriel Police Chief David A. Lawton. "Neighbors meet neighbors — and citizens and local law enforcement have the opportunity to enhance their relationships. On August 7, we invite all San Gabriel residents to join forces with us to give crime and drugs a going-away party."

If you would like to participate in the Neighborhood Watch program, contact the Crime Prevention Office at (626) 308-2846.



Upcoming San Gabriel Civic Auditorium Events

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

Mujeres en Accion
For information/tickets, call (323) 468-5206.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

The Music Theatre of Southern California presents
A Benefit Concert, 8 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 308-2868.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

The San Gabriel Folklorico presents
Ballet Folklorico Spectacular, 2 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (323) 254-6859.

SATURDAY/SUNDAY, AUG. 25-26

Li's Ballet Studio presents
Summer Dance Gala, 7 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 285-4888.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 8

The Music Theatre of Southern California presents
The Music of Broadway – A Benefit Concert
8 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 308-2868.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Roman Promotions presents a Benefit Variety Show for the San Gabriel Valley Firemen's Association, 7 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 915-4892.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Chinese Opera, 7 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 512-6062.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6

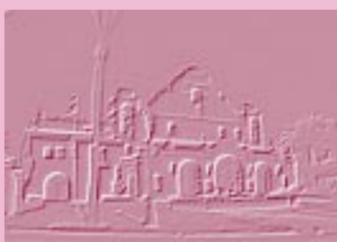
San Gabriel Police Department Safety Expo
In the Civic Auditorium parking lot
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21

The Music Theatre of Southern California presents a new musical in flight to Broadway. "Honk!" playing at the 2000 Laurence Olivier Awards in London, is the new show that was named "Best Musical" over Disney's "The Lion King," and is now charming audiences worldwide. With colorful designs and a keen sense of adventure, "Honk" reminds us that being different isn't necessarily bad — although it isn't always easy.
Evenings at 8 p.m.
Afternoons at 2 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 308-2868.

All events and artists are subject to change or cancellation without notice. Always call the box office prior to arriving at the theater.

The Box Office is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.



Call: the Auditorium Box Office at (626) 308-2868 for more information.



Preparing for BLACKOUTS

The City of San Gabriel is prepared for any rolling blackouts. With the probability of blackouts increasing as the summer arrives, City officials are asking that you take a few moments to prepare your home and business for the hour-long interruptions.

In recent months, energy shortages in California have created a potential emergency for residents and businesses. This could lead to temporary planned rotating electricity outages. These planned rotating electric outages prevent statewide loss of electricity. A Stage III power emergency indicates rotating electric outages may occur in San Gabriel, and you will probably not receive any advance notice. These rotating electric outages usually last approximately one hour and are spread throughout California.

If a power outage occurs, some things that might be affected are:

- Household lights and appliances
- Garage-door openers
- Traffic signals
- Some smoke detectors
- Health-related equipment
- Cordless telephones
- Elevators and escalators

The City of San Gabriel recommends you take the following steps to conserve energy:

When home, set your thermostat at 78° during the summer, 68° during the winter. Do not use large appliances, such as air conditioners, pool pumps, clothes washers and electric dryers during peak times. Peak summer hours are noon to 6 p.m. Close drapes and blinds and weather strip doors and windows. Also replace incandescent bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs and limit decorative lighting.

Have flashlights, radios and clocks, with extra batteries. People with special medical equipment should have a battery backup and/or a supply independent of electricity. Check with your doctor or medical supplier to develop a plan for your specific medical needs. People whose medical condition prevents them from being without power for more than two hours should register as "Critical Care" patients with SCE at (800) 684-8123.

If you have a generator, read the directions and know how to operate it safely. Plan ahead with your neighborhood watch group. Know how to operate your

garage door without electricity. Have an older, cord-type telephone in case of an electric outage. Have a working, non-electric smoke detector (battery powered).

During a blackout, there are several "Do's" and "Don'ts" that the San Gabriel Police and Fire Department would like you to consider:

DO

- Stay calm
- Use flashlights or light sticks for lighting
- Turn off all but one light switch
- Listen to the radio for information
- Check on those with medical needs
- Drive with extreme caution: traffic signals may be out; stop at each intersection and proceed very carefully

DO NOT

- Do not call 911 due to a power outage
- Do not use candles for lighting
- Do not use oven for heating
- Do not use barbecue indoors for heating
- Do not use barbecue indoors for cooking
- Do not use propane appliances indoors

After the blackout, continue to conserve energy. Reset all electrical equipment safely. Continue to drive safely as power may be out in other areas

For additional information on power-related issues, log on to www.SCE.com. For general emergency preparedness information contact:

- American Red Cross: Contact your local chapter or visit the web at www.acrossla.org or www.prepare.org
- Emergency Network Los Angeles: (213) 896-9185
- Los Angeles County Office of Emergency Management: (213) 974-1166

City Council Extends Deadline for Towne Center Developer

The San Gabriel City Council, acting as the City's Redevelopment Agency, has agreed to extend for at least 120 days its "Exclusive Negotiation Agreement" with Grand Mission, LLC, the developer of the proposed San Gabriel Towne Center project at San Gabriel Boulevard and Grand Avenue. The Redevelopment Agency's action followed a request by Grand Mission's announcement of Zelman Retail Partners as its new partner.

The council granted the extension and directed that the developers work closely with existing business owners in the area.

Los Angeles-based Zelman Retail Partner is an office and retail developer

whose projects include the Town Center in Encinitas Ranch, Puente Hills East in the City of Industry, and Gateway Corporate Center in Diamond Bar. Last December, Zelman received approval from the City of Burbank to proceed with construction of the Burbank Empire Shopping Center; a 1.4 million-square-foot retail, office and hotel complex on the site of a former Lockheed Martin aircraft manufacturing plant.

The exclusive negotiating period will allow the developer to engage in additional consultations with business owners and residents, and it further ensures a design that meets the community's needs.

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is working to attract private investment in San Gabriel by reaching out to the development and brokerage community and assisting local businesses. The economic development goal is to capitalize on San Gabriel's resources, build sales tax, attract new business and retain existing business.

In other economic development news, San Gabriel participated for the first time at the International Council of

Shopping Centers (ICSC) Conference. The conference drew several thousand people. Erlinda Romo, Economic Development Specialist, met with various developers and retailers.

For more information on San Gabriel, the City's economic development program, and business or development opportunities, please contact Erlinda Romo at (626) 308-2800, extension 733.

Summer Safety Tips



The San Gabriel Fire Department has a number of safety tips that will help make your summer safe:

Barbecue Grills:

Keep children away from grills and lighter fluid. Don't leave grills unattended while lit,

and keep a fire extinguisher nearby. If someone gets burned, run cool water over the burn for 10 to 15 minutes. Cover the burn loosely using dry, sterile dressings or a clean cloth. Do not use butter or a salve on burns. If you receive a serious burn, seek medical attention immediately.

Fireworks: Fireworks are not legal in the City of San Gabriel. Check your local newspaper for a fireworks display in your area.

Pools: There is no substitute for adequate supervision. Children need to be watched. Never leave children unattended in or around pools or spas. Locking doors, windows and self-closing, self-latching gates on fences surrounding the pool will limit access to the pool or spa area. Latches should be above the reach of children. Keep rescue equipment near the pool area.

Exposure to the Sun: Protect your skin from excessive exposure to the sun (especially between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.) and use a sunscreen with a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of at least 15.

Know how to identify heat-related symptoms:

Heat Cramps: These are muscle pains and spasms caused by heavy exertion, which triggers loss of water through heavy perspiration. To relieve the cramps, press on the cramping muscles or use gentle massage. Take sips of water unless nausea occurs.

Heat Exhaustion: This is a mild form of shock marked by heavy sweating, weakness, cold and clammy skin, a weak pulse, fainting and vomiting. Immediately move to a cool place. Loosen clothing and apply cool, wet cloths; continue taking sips of water unless nausea occurs. If vomiting occurs, seek medical attention. Brief exposure to extreme heat can precipitate this condition in very young children and the elderly.

Heat Stroke (Sunstroke): Heat stroke is life threatening and requires immediate medical attention! This occurs when your body's ability to sweat has stopped and your body temperature rises so high that it may cause brain damage and/or death in less than 10 minutes, unless medical help is immediate. Symptoms include hot, red and dry skin; changes in consciousness; rapid, weak pulse; and rapid, shallow breathing. If you notice any of the above symptoms, immediately call for emergency medical services.

If you have any questions regarding summer safety tips or any other information, please contact the San Gabriel Fire Prevention Bureau at 626-308-2883.

Old Grapevine Still Flourishing

The Old Grapevine located in San Gabriel Plaza represents one of the oldest plants of winemaking variety. Planted in 1861, the vine was transplanted to the San Gabriel Mission yard by David Franklin Hall from the Michael White ranch. It still bears fruit each year. The Old Grapevine is located at the San Gabriel Adult Recreation Center on Mission Drive. The park where the vine is planted is a picturesque backdrop for picnics and wedding receptions.

Over the years, the vine grew and eventually covered over 10,000 square feet — it was considered the largest grapevine in the world. Each year, the old grapevine produced up to one ton of grapes — about 400 to 600 barrels of wine. A barrel more than a century old still stands in the park area near the vine.

Although the grapevine is about 40 feet wide, its mother trunk was about eight feet in circumference and grew on a trellis 10 feet above ground.

Despite the vine's age, it's almost maintenance free and only requires occasional pruning.



Pasadena Star-News staff photo by Walt Mancini.

Last year, about 300 people commemorated the City's founding.

Historic Walk Reenacts 18th-Century Trek

On September 3, hundreds of people will lace up their walking shoes to pay homage to Los Angeles's settlers, who in 1781 trekked from the San Gabriel Mission to what is now Olvera Street.

San Gabriel residents are invited to step back into history and join the descendants of the original 'Los Pobladores' (the settlers), City officials and others as they walk from San Gabriel Mission Arcangel to the City of Los Angeles.

The "Historic Walk to LA" is a reenactment of the original settlers' final nine-mile trek from San Gabriel Mission to the Los Angeles River, where, on September 4, 1781, they founded El Pueblo de la Reina de Los Angeles.

Growing bigger every year, the Historic Walk begins at 6 a.m. at Mission San Gabriel, heads west along Mission Road for nine miles, and ends with a warm Los Angeles welcome at El Pueblo's Plaza Park. Everyone is invited to get out for some early-morning fresh air and exercise, become part of San Gabriel and Los Angeles's living history by joining the walk, and enjoy the dramatic presentations and other activities at the Plaza of Los Angeles.

The original trek by the founders of Los Angeles represents a key chapter in

California history. The founding of Los Angeles came ten years after Mission San Gabriel was founded in 1771 as the fourth mission established in the Franciscan chain of 21 California missions. Spanish forces founded Los Angeles as a commercial support site for the colonization of Upper California and to strengthen the Mission settlements.

Those who find the Historic Walk too strenuous can take some time over the Labor Day Weekend to enjoy the Mission's "230th La Fiesta de San Gabriel." From Friday, August 31 through Sunday, September 2, visitors can enjoy a variety of festivities, including rides, live entertainment, games, international foods and prizes.

Thousands of people from Los Angeles and Orange counties attend the Mission's three-day Fiesta. Visitors can view the restored Mission, Museum and grounds, and they can experience our beautiful historic San Gabriel Mission District, "Birthplace of the Los Angeles Region," a district rich in history, culture, heritage and community spirit.

For more information about the Historic Walk to LA, contact Esther Lira at (213) 485-6855. To obtain information about the Mission 230th Fiesta celebration, contact Algis Marcuska at (626) 457-3034.

Police Department Hosts Safety Expo

The San Gabriel Police Department will be hosting its 7th annual Community Safety Expo on Saturday, October 6, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Mission District, located in the 300 block of South Mission Drive, San Gabriel. Bring your entire family to this free, fun-filled event!

Each year the Community Safety Expo promotes community safety programs, as well as providing crime prevention displays and safety and rescue demonstrations by local Police and Fire Departments and Public Works.

"Vince and Larry," the crash dummies, along with "crime dog" McGruff will be on hand to greet everyone in attendance. A wide variety of emergency vehi-

cles, equipment and helicopters from several other law enforcement agencies will be on display. Several antique, special-

interest cars and vintage police and fire vehicles will also be exhibited. Weaponless-defense, Police K-9 and mounted-police demonstrations will be provided throughout the day.

Prizes will be awarded during the day to participants attending the Expo, so be sure to stop by the San Gabriel Police

Department booth to receive your free door-prize raffle tickets.

For further information, please contact Sergeant John Tuosto with the San Gabriel Police Department Traffic Bureau at (626) 308-2860.



Engineering Updates

You may have noticed construction crews in various parts of the City recently. A number of key infrastructure improvement projects have been completed. Others are now underway or will begin soon. A brief snapshot:

 Alameda Corridor Jumpstart safety improvements have begun — Hillcrest Construction has been awarded a contract to install grade improvements at the intersections of Ramona Avenue, Del Mar Avenue, San Gabriel Boulevard and the railroad tracks.

 A street improvement contract funded by a Community Development Block Grant begins this month. Initial streets include Bencamp, Manley, Newby, Pine,

Prospect, Ralph and Stevens.

 The slurry seal is finished on portions of Alhambra Road, Longden Drive, Broadway, Fairview Avenue and Marshall Street.

 Street rehabilitation of San Marino from Broadway to Las Tunas, Del Marino from San Marino to end, and Elm Street from Burton to Muscatel was completed last month.

 The contract for the rehabilitation work of Del Mar Avenue from Broadway to Las Tunas has been awarded and will begin before the end of the year.

For more information, call Bruce Mattern in the Engineering Department, (626) 308-2800, ext. 715.



Governor Davis visited San Gabriel to attend the Pio Pico Family Festival.

Governor Davis Honors San Gabriel's Multicultural Pio Pico Family Festival

On Saturday, May 5th, Governor Gray Davis visited San Gabriel to celebrate 200 years of California history by paying tribute to Pio de Jesus Pico, California's last Mexican governor.

Working together as community partners, California's Department of Parks and Recreation, and the Raul R. Rodriguez (RRR) Scholarship Foundation in cooperation with the City of San Gabriel and the San Gabriel Chamber of Commerce, produced a fun-filled, educational, multi-cultural event. This ethnic, living history family event showcased Pio Pico and highlighted 200 years of California's rich, diverse fabric.

The Pio Pico Family Festival bicentennial celebration commemorated the birth of Pico at the San Gabriel Mission

Arcangel on May 5, 1801. One of California's most remarkable historical figures, a natural politician, entrepreneur and bon vivant, Pico's turbulent and interesting life encompassed almost an entire century. His ancestry reveals a mixture of ethnic strains, including mulatto, mestizo and Italian. During his long and active life, he rose from poverty to become one of the richest men in California and for a time held the highest political office in Mexican California.

Pico's life paralleled both the roller-coaster growth and bi-national politics of the region during the transition from the Mexican to the American period. Pio Pico witnessed and helped to shape nearly a century of California history before his death in Los Angeles on September 11, 1894.

AT YOUR SERVICE!

INTRODUCING YOUR CITY EMPLOYEES ...

Meet Street Foreman Dave Gonzalez

Dave Gonzalez is the City's newly appointed Street Foreman. Dave supervises City maintenance crews and helps coordinate work in a variety of areas, including asphalt and concrete work, sewers, painting, and tree trimming. He also works closely with City inspectors and engineers.

Dave brings to San Gabriel more than 16 years of public works experience with the cities of Santa Fe Springs and Westminster. In Santa Fe Springs, he served in the Landscape, Building Maintenance and Tree Trimming Divisions (part of the City's Public Works Department). His last supervisory position was as a cross connection inspector for the Water Department. In Westminster, he was an equipment operator.

Since joining the City last March, Dave

has instituted a comprehensive Maintenance Management System (MMS), which included a new system to track daily work assignments. The net result is that residents benefit from improved services and maintenance — in fact, said Dave, response time to residents' requests is now 24 hours or less.

"My job is to serve the community," said Dave. "I love the cultural diversity in San Gabriel and have enjoyed visiting the City's neighborhoods and talking to residents."

A native of Los Angeles, Dave is married and has four children. He is currently working on a degree in public works administration from Citrus College. On weekends, chances are you'll find Dave working on his 1964 Chevy Panel hot rod or coaching junior All-American football.



Dave Gonzalez



San Gabriel's Outstanding Older American

Carl Bonenberger is this year's "Outstanding Older American!" Carl was honored by the City at the 88th Annual Birthday Party and Chamber of Commerce Street Fair in April. He served many years as a schoolteacher and now contributes many volunteer hours to his community.

Carl serves on several San Gabriel Unified School District committees dealing with education and facilities. For the past 20 years, he has served as a director of the San Gabriel County Water District. A Mason for 50 years, Carl and his wife Marilyn do many volunteer activities together — chairing the membership committee of the San Gabriel Community Coordinating Council, and

working on the Holiday Basket Program. Carl also serves as Parliamentarian of the Music Theatre Guild Board of Directors.

Perhaps the organization that has benefited the most from Carl's volunteering is the San Gabriel Historical Association. He has been a trustee for seven years and served as president in 1996 and 1997. He coordinated restoration activities for the Bovard-Wilson-Hayes House and has helped transform the 1887 home into a treasure for the entire community to enjoy.

Not only has Carl given many hours to the community, but he has also always done it with a warm smile. He really is a Super Senior!

City & School Board Meetings

SAN GABRIEL CITY COUNCIL

1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS
7:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

SAN GABRIEL BOARD OF EDUCATION

2ND & 4TH TUESDAYS
7 P.M., DISTRICT OFFICE

PLANNING COMMISSION

2ND MONDAY
7:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

1ST MONDAY
7:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

COORDINATING COUNCIL

1ST FRIDAY
11:45 A.M., CHEC BUILDING

DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

4TH MONDAY
7:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Books and Beyond: Take Me to Your Reader

Enjoy books, story telling, special programs and a reading game with prizes at the San Gabriel Library this summer! Called "Books and Beyond: Take Me to Your Reader," the special programs are held Fridays at 10:30 a.m., Mondays at 4 p.m.

It's not necessary to sign up in advance for any of the programs, but seating is limited. All programs are free and open to children of all ages. For more information, call the San Gabriel Library, (626) 287-0761.

- Fri., July 27Musical Stories
- Mon., July 30 "Prehistoric World" Program
- Fri., August 3Dinosaur Fun!
- Mon., August 6:Operation Lifesaver Railroad track safety, pencils, etc.
- Fri., August 10Scary Stories!
- Mon., August 13Let's Have a Party!

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Mission District Mural Graces Art Center



Donald Putman's striking mural will become a landmark for the Mission District.

Donald "Putt" Putman, an accomplished Western painter, has created a vibrant 72-foot long mural on the Mission Art Center.

The mural depicts an imaginative scene of characters from different time periods living, dancing, and talking in the area surrounding the Mission. Native Americans, padres from the Mission, señoritas and a stagecoach driver are just some of the characters in the mural.

Putnam is no stranger to the area. He painted the matadors mural in the San Gabriel High School gymnasium. He grew up in Alhambra, graduated from

Alhambra High School and the Art Center of Design, and then went on to teach at the Art Center.

Dale Boeck, owner of the Mission Art Center and long-time friend of Putman, commissioned the mural as a tribute to him. Acrylic Liquitex and Windsor Newton donated the paint and brushes.

The mural, which can be seen from the intersection of Santa Anita and Mission Drive, will surely become a landmark for the Mission District. The Mission Art Center is located in the Mission District at 609 Santa Anita Avenue.

Youth in Government Program Offers Students Unique Opportunity

Over the past five years, San Gabriel has developed a distinctive program that stands out as one of the most extensive student educational experiences offered by local government. Each year, over 700 junior and senior high school students at Gabrielino High School experi-

Another unique aspect of San Gabriel's program was "Shadow Day." Students met with their counterpart and spent a day with the City official to experience the varied duties and responsibilities involved in running the city on a day-to-day basis.



The YIG program provides educational experience in learning about local government.

ence local government at some level. This includes voting to elect their Council representative at an authentic election, serving on one of the election boards at the polling place or central counting center, or being one of 25 students who ultimately comprise the Youth-In-Government Team.

The program began in March when a student was appointed to serve as City Clerk, and seniors had the opportunity to run to serve as a member of the City Council. After the election, which was held March 22, the YIG Council selected the City Attorney and City Manager who, in turn, appointed students to serve as the remaining department heads.

This year the program culminated on Tuesday, May 1st, with Youth-In-Government Day. Students were taken on a tour of the City and demonstrations were provided by the Police and Fire departments and Public Works Division. The tour offered many photo opportunities with various demonstrations, including public-works equipment, reenactment of a felony traffic stop, defensive tactics, and emergency aid. At 6:30 p.m., the City Council turned over the gavel to the Youth-In-Government Team who conducted a simulated Council meeting. Congratulations to the 2001 Youth-In-Government Team!

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15

Chamber Mixer
5:30-7:30 p.m.
Thai Paradise
909 W. Las Tunas Dr., San Gabriel

WED., SEPTEMBER 19

Chamber Mixer
5:30-7:30 p.m.
San Gabriel Mission High School
254 S. Santa Anita St., San Gabriel

WED., SEPTEMBER 26

Muffins & Matters Breakfast
7:30-9 a.m.
San Gabriel Valley Medical Center
CHEC Building
261 Junipero Serra Dr., San Gabriel

WED. OCTOBER 17

Chamber Mixer, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Villa Manor
901 W. Santa Anita St., San Gabriel

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Municipal Code Now Online

The San Gabriel Municipal Code is now available online. This service is provided by American Legal Publishing (ALP) and is easy to use! Simply log on to the City's home page at www.sangabrielcity.com and click on San Gabriel Municipal Code.

Golf Tournament Benefits Scholarship Program

On Wednesday, Oct. 3, the San Gabriel Chamber of Commerce will host its annual golf tournament. The tournament will be held at Brookside Golf Course in Pasadena. Proceeds from this year's event will benefit the Chamber's Jean E. Raya Scholarship Fund, as well as supporting services and programs for Chamber members.

Contests will include hole-in-ones, longest drive, and closest-to-the-pin. Tee sponsorships and packages are available and you can also advertise your business by donating items to the golfer 'goodie' bags and the evening's drawing.

For more information, please call (626) 576-2525.

1st Annual National Kids Day/Penny Carnival and Little Folks Fair Coming!

San Gabriel will celebrate the 1st Annual National Kids Day on Sunday, August 5, at Smith Park from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. All San Gabriel families are invited to join together for a day of free hot dogs, games and swimming as we celebrate our youth. The event will also include the annual Penny Carnival complete with challenging game booths, dunk tank and more. Gather your pennies and take a chance at these games as you try your luck at winning candy and prizes.

The Annual Little Folks Fair will be held on Friday, August 17, from 10 a.m. to noon at Smith Park. Boys and girls, ages 2 to 8, can participate in a variety of fun-filled activities, including arts and crafts, water play, face painting, piggy prints, sundae making and more. San Gabriel firefighters and Police Department motorcycle officers will be there to display their safety equipment. Project Kid Care ID packets will be available for the first 150 participants. All children must be accompanied by an adult for this event. Registration forms are available at playground sites and at the Parks and Recreation Department, 250 South Mission Drive.

For more information on these and other activities, please call the Recreation Department at (626) 308-2875.

Cleaning Up After Your Pets



The San Gabriel City Council has adopted several ordinances and resolutions requiring animal owners to care for their animals. One of these is

Ordinance No. 506, often referred to as the "pooper scooper" ordinance. It requires persons in control of any animal to immediately pick up animal droppings on public or private property and properly dispose of them.

The ordinance also requires that the person in control of an animal have, in their possession, implements appropriate for the removal and disposal of droppings.

Public health and safety is important to the citizens of San Gabriel. The "pooper scooper" and other ordinances will ensure a safer, cleaner community.