THE EDDIE DEE NEWSLETTER

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Fall is in the air!
Take a look at what's happening this magical season!

¡El otoño está en el aire! ¡Echa una mirada a todo lo que tenemos planeado esta temporada mágica!

Can you find all **28** turkeys? First **10** people to find them all by Nov. 1 will win a small prize!

¿Puedes encontrar los **28** pavos? ¡Las primeras **10** personas que los encuentren todos antes del 1 de noviembre ganarán un pequeño premio!

EDDIE DEE SMITH SENIOR CENTER

HALLOWEEN DANCE





OCTOBER 30, 2026

1:00 - 4:00 PM

FOOD!
FUN!
COSTUME CONTEST!
DJ!

Operated by JARPD under agreement with the City of Jurupa Valley

Center Hours

Monday - Friday
Lunes - Viernes
8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Email

edssc@jarpd.org

Center Staff

Debbie Patterson
Recreation Supervisor

Marely Piña
Recreation Coordinator



FOLLOW US

Riddle Me This

I'm tall when I'm young and short when I'm old. What am I? _____

What is full of holes but still holds water? _____

I have branches, but no fruit, trunk or leaves. What am I? _____

What kind of band never plays music? _____

What is cut on a table but is never eaten? _____



Adiviname Esto

¿Cuanto más como, más flaca me pongo. Qué soy?

_____

¿Cómo puedes añadir uno a 20 para que el resultado sea 19?

_____

¿Cuántos ladrillos se necesitan para completar un edificio de ladrillo?

_____

¿Cuándo es correcta la siguiente operación? 11+3=2

_____

How was the Eddie D. Smith Senior Center started?

A Brief History on the Origin of our Beloved Center!

The Eddie Dee Smith Senior Center began in 1976 with $7000 allocated from the Board of Supervisors. The first location was on La Rue Street, and was funded with a Federal Grant through the County of Riverside Office on Aging. The planning for the Eddie Dee Smith Senior Center with a citizens' committee appointed by the Office on Aging; which included Eddie Dee Smith, Rev. Lambert W. All, Ms. Alyene O'Brien, and the North Rubidoux Women's Club. This committee said they wanted "to find a building in northeast Rubidoux where the majority of poverty-level senior citizens reside". They said, "The ideal location would be within walking distance of the residences of a large number of the senior citizens, since public transportation in the area is limited". The Eddie Dee Smith Senior Center was moved to its current location and dedicated in December 1991. This project was directed by the vision, leadership, and commitment of Riverside County Supervisor Melba Dunlap, who provided the public funds to make this dream a reality. The Smith Senior Center is still being funded through public funds. It's fascinating to see where a journey began and where it can continue with the help of those committed to preserving and carrying on Eddie Dee's legacy. A huge thanks to all who took part in making this dream a reality and to all who keep the dream alive!

¿Cómo se inició el Centro para Personas Mayores de Eddie D. Smith?

¡Una breve historia sobre el origen de nuestro querido centro!

El Centro para Personas Mayores Eddie Dee Smith comenzó en 1976 con $7,000 asignados por la Junta de Supervisores. La primera ubicación fue en la calle La Rue y fue financiada con una subvención federal a través de la Oficina sobre el Envejecimiento del Condado de Riverside. La planificación del Centro para Personas Mayores Eddie Dee Smith se llevó a cabo con un comité ciudadano designado por la Oficina sobre el Envejecimiento, el cual incluía a Eddie Dee Smith, el Reverendo Lambert W. All, la Sra. Alyene O'Brien y el Club de Mujeres de North Rubidoux. Este comité expresó su deseo de "encontrar un edificio en el noreste de Rubidoux, donde reside la mayoría de los ciudadanos mayores que viven en condiciones de pobreza". Dijeron: "La ubicación ideal sería a una distancia que se pueda recorrer a pie desde las residencias de un gran número de personas mayores, ya que el transporte público en el área es limitado". El Centro para Personas Mayores Eddie Dee Smith fue trasladado a su ubicación actual y fue inaugurado en diciembre de 1991. Este proyecto fue dirigido gracias a la visión, el liderazgo y el compromiso de la Supervisora del Condado de Riverside, Melba Dunlap, quien proporcionó los fondos públicos para hacer este sueño realidad. El Centro Eddie Dee Smith sigue siendo financiado con fondos públicos. Es fascinante ver dónde comenzó este camino y hasta dónde puede llegar con la ayuda de quienes están comprometidos con preservar y continuar el legado de Eddie Dee. ¡Un enorme agradecimiento a todos los que participaron en hacer realidad este sueño y a todos los que lo mantienen vivo!

OCTOBER / OCTUBRE

DONUTS and DIALOGUE

Join Riverside County Supervisors Jose Medina & Karen Spiegel for an opportunity to share your priorities for the county and insight to continue improving the First and Second District.

Acompañé a los supervisores del Condado de Riverside, Jose Medina y Karen Spiegel, para compartir sus prioridades para el condado y brindar sus opiniones e ideas que ayuden a continuar mejorando el Primer y Segundo Distrito.







Wednesday, October 7
9:30 – 10:30 am

Scam Prevention Presentation

Tuesday, October 13
9:30 - 11:30 am

Learn tips to recognize and prevent fraud!

¡Aprende consejos para reconocer y prevenir el fraude!

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Breast Cancer Awareness Day!

October 23

Wear Pink

Wear pink to show your support, spread awareness, and honor everyone affected by breast cancer!

Usar Rosa

¡Vístete de rosa para mostrar tu apoyo y honrar a todas las personas afectadas por el cáncer de mama!

Pumpkin Decorating
Decorar Calavazas

October 22
9:30 – 10:30 am

Get ready for some festive fun and let your creativity shine!

MUST REGISTER. LIMITED SPACE.

ESPACIO LIMITADO.
DEBE REGISTRARSE.



LOTERIA





October 28
9:00 - 10:30 am

PRIZES

Join us for an exciting game of loteria!

¡Únase a nosotras para un emocionante juego de loteria!

Ofrenda / Altar

October 26 - November 2

Honoring and remembering those we love.
Honrando y recordando a quienes amamos.

In celebration of Day of the Dead, we will be creating a community altar. We invite you to bring a photo of a loved one to be included in this year's altar!

En celebración del Día de los Muertos, estaremos creando una ofrenda comunitaria. Le invitamos a traer una fotografía de un ser querido que sea incluido en nuestra ofrenda.

BALLOT DROP OFF

October 5 – 30
excluding October 12

You may drop off your ballot during the indicated dates from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm.

Puede entregar su boleta durante las fechas indicadas, de 10:00 a. m. a 3:00 p. m.

NOVEMBER / NOVIEMBRE

In-Person Voting

October 31 – November 2

8:00 am – 6:00 pm

November 3

6:00 am – 11:00 pm

Drop in during the indicated hours to vote on site!

Coffee with Councilwoman Veronica Sanchez



Tuesday, November 17

9:00 - 10:00 am

Join us this morning for a lively discussion! Bring your questions, grab a cup of coffee, and connect with your community!

¡Acompáñenos esta mañana a una animada conversación! Traiga sus preguntas, disfrute de una taza de café y conéctese con su comunidad.

Riverside Sunrise Rotary

Saturday, November 7

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Join us for lunch and bingo!

¡Únete a nosotros para almuerzo y un emocionante juego de bingo!

MUST REGISTER

DEBE REGISTRARSE

Thanksgiving Luncheon

Thursday, November 19

11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Tickets / Boletos

$10

RSVP before Friday November 13

RSVP antes de viernes 13 de noviembre

Space is limited!



Espacio limitado!

DECEMBER / DICIEMBRE

UGLY SWEATER DANCE

Friday, December 11

1:00 – 4:00 pm

Tickets / Boletos $10

Join us for a festive afternoon filled with music, dancing, and holiday cheer!

"¡Acompáñanos a disfrutar de una tarde festiva llena de música, baile y alegría navideña!"

Christmas Luncheon

Thursday, December 17

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Tickets / Boletos $10

RSVP before Friday December 11

RSVP antes de viernes 11 de diciembre

Space is limited! **Espacio limitado!**

Gather together to celebrate the magic of the season with good food and wonderful company!

¡Reunámonos para celebrar la magia de la temporada con buena comida y maravillosa compañía!

Volunteer Luncheon

Friday, December 18

1:00 – 2:00 pm

Register by December 11

Join us this afternoon as we celebrate the incredible volunteers who give their time, heart, and energy every single day! 💙 Thank you for all that you do!

¡Acompáñanos esta tarde mientras celebramos a nuestros increíbles voluntarios, quienes brindan su tiempo, corazón y energía cada día! 💙 ¡Gracias por todo lo que hacen!

This event is for EDS Volunteers only.

Este evento es solo para voluntarios de EDS.

Christmas Carols with The Sanchez Family

Tuesday December 20

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Enjoy a musical performance during lunchtime!

¡Disfrute de una presentación musical durante la hora del almuerzo!

Eddie Dee Smith Senior Center

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY	
8:00 - 8:45 am 8:45 - 9:30 am	Stretch & Flex	8:00 - 8:45 am 8:45 - 9:30 am	Stretch & Flex	8:30 - 10:30 am	Coffee Social
8:30 - 10:30 am	Coffee Social	8:30 - 10:30 am	Coffee Social	11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Lunch Program
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Lunch Program	10:00 am - 2:00 pm	Sewing Club	10:00 am - 2:00 pm (1st & last Wednesday)	Quilting with Arlene
11:00 am - 2:00 pm	Ceramics	11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Lunch Program		
You are never too old to set a new goal or dream a new dream. *-C.S. Lewis*		11:00 am - 2:00 pm	Ceramics		





FSA-Senior Nutrition Lunch Program

Monday - Friday / Lunes - Viernes
11:30 am - 12:30 pm

To schedule a reservation for the senior nutrition lunch program, please call (951) 275-9975. A 24 hour notice is required for all lunch reservations. Para hacer una reservacion para la programa del almuerzo, llame al (951) 275-9975. Se requiere un aviso de 24 horas para todas las reservas del almuerzo.

Feeding America-Food Pantry

1st Thursday of the month / Primer Jueves del mes
By appointment only / Por cita solamente
9:00 am - 11:30 am

To schedule an appointment for the Food Pantry, please call (951) 275-9975 on Tuesday, the week of pick-up. You MUST bring a box or bag.
Para agendar una cita para la despensa de comida, llame al (951) 275-9975 el martes antes del día de la recogida. DEBE traer su propia caja o bolsas.

Upcoming Pick-up Dates:

October/Octubre 8 Nov./Noviembre 5 Dec/Diciembre 3

Orange County Food Box

Last Monday of the month / Ultimo Lunes del mes
10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Eddie Dee Smith Senior Center - Parking Lot
*Drive up outdoor pick-up. Recogida en coche en el estacionamiento.
Please call (714) 897-6670 for more information. Llame al (714) 897-6670 para más información.

Upcoming Pick-up Dates:

October / Octubre 26 November / Noviembre 30
December / Diciembre 28



My motto in life is 'If you think it, you can do it' and if we all apply that thought we can end world hunger.

-DIONNE WARWICK

Mi lema en la vida es, si puedes imaginarlo, puedes hacerlo, y si todos aplicamos ese pensamiento, podemos acabar el hambre mundial.

Program Schedule

THURSDAY		FRIDAY		ONGOING	
8:00 - 8:45 am 8:45 - 9:30 am	Stretch & Flex	8:30 - 10:30 am	Coffee Social	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Billiards
8:30 - 10:30 am	Coffee Social	9:00 - 10:00 am	Zumba (November)	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Computer Lab
8:30 - 9:30 am	Technology Classes	10:00 am - 1:30 pm	Watercolor	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Gym
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Lunch Program	11:00 am - 3:00 pm	Canasta	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Lending Library
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Birthday Celebration (3rd of the month)	11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Lunch Program		
12:00 - 3:00 pm	Mexican Train	11:30 am - 3:00 pm	Crochet Club		

Seasonal Tip: Don't be fooled by the cooler air! The dry Southern CA breeze pulls moisture from the body quicker than you think. Make sure to continue hydrating!

Consejo de Temporada: ¡No te dejes engañar por el aire más fresco! La seca brisa del sur de California extrae la humedad del cuerpo más rápido de lo que piensas. ¡Asegúrate de seguir hidratándote!

Closed / Cerrado

November 11, 26, 27
December 25
Closing @11:00 am
December 24 & 31

Additional Classes & Workshops

Amistad Medical Clinics Senior Clinic	Education Classes	October 8 November 12 9:30 - 11:00 am
Crafts with Sandy & Kathy	Craft	October 12 November 2 December 7 9:00 - 10:30 am
Riverside Community Health Foundation	Health Class	October 14 9:00 - 10:00 am

CENTER EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Eventos & Actividades del Centro



Try your luck out at one of our monthly Bingos!

October 21
November 18
December 9
1:00 - 2:15 pm

¡Pruebe su suerte en uno de nuestros juegos de Bingo mensual!



October 1, 15, 29
November 12
December 3, 17
9:00 - 11:00 am

Come socialize, get pampered, and leave with beautifully polished nails!



October 16
November 13
12:30 pm

GAME DAY

October 22
November 24
December 15
1:00 - 2:30 pm

Join us for Game Day!
Enjoy trivia, laughter, and friendly competition in a fun and welcoming environment.
¡Acompáñenos para el Día de Juegos! Disfrute de trivia, risas y sana competencia en un ambiente divertido y acogedor.

Make a Gingerbread House!

Construya su propia Casa de Pan de Jengibre

December 14
9:30 - 10:30 am





All Center events and activities are held on site unless otherwise specified. Dates and times may be subject to change.
Todos los eventos y actividades del Centro se realizan en el lugar, a menos que se indique lo contrario. Las fechas y horas pueden estar sujetas a cambios.

Show & Tell

Quarantine Lessons
(written April 6, 2020, during the pandemic)

I've tried to think of good things
This quarantine has to show
I can stay at home with family
Not always on the go

This quarantine is something new
We've never had before
You have to have a plan
When you go out your door

We're used to hugging friends
Now we stand six feet apart
But at least we have our cell phones
So we can still have a heart to heart

I took some little walks
And was amazed that I did find
My neighbors were so friendly
So generous and so kind

I took time to read some books
That were sitting on my shelf
I tried to learn some techy stuff
Drove me crazy, can't help myself

I've found some brand new music
That I really do adore
It's a genre and an artist
That I never heard before

I've learned you can watch your dog
Play for hours without end
Then take them for a little walk
Come home and play again

I've tried a little harder
To chat with those I love
To let them know they're special
While waiting orders from above

I'm even watching squirrels
When I've nothing left to do
They scamper through the trees
Named Lovey, Dovey, and Poo

I found I could do without
Things I thought I'd need
It was really quite surprising
Quite eye-opening indeed

So when this all is over
I hope these lessons
come to mind
Read a book, take a walk
But most of all, be kind

-Joyce Bell

It has been 6 years since the Pandemic hit. Sometimes life finds a way to stop us in our tracks and serves as a reminder to appreciate what we already have. We all experienced the time of quarantine in some shape or another and felt its' impact; while it may be difficult to look back on such a somber time, it is good to remember how precious life really is!
-Letter from the Editor

Accepting Submissions!

¡Aceptando envíos!

Show & Tell

Do you have a compelling story you would like to share, some hidden talent, or piece of art tucked away? Enter your submissions at the Front Desk or email it to edssc@jarpd.org. We will review entries each quarter and choose one to showcase in the next issue!

Examples of acceptable items: include but not limited to - origami, crafts, photography, short stories, poems, paintings, drawings, clay art, memoires, anything special or interesting you want to share!

****Items do not stay with us! If you bring in a hard copy, we will take a picture of it and return it to you.****

Mostrar & Contar

¿Tiene una historia que le gustaría compartir o una obra de arte? Puede entregarla en la recepcion o envíela por correo electrónico a edssc@jarpd.org, para incluirlo en una edición de nuestro buletin.

Ejemplos de artículos aceptables: incluyen, entre otros, origami, manualidades, fotografía, cuentos cortos, poemas, pinturas, dibujos, trabajos en arcilla, memorias, ¡cualquier cosa especial o interesante que quieras compartir!

****¡Los artículos no se quedan con nosotros! Si elige traer una copia impresa, le tomaremos una copia y el artículo se quedará con usted.****

Eddie Dee's Thrift Store

LA TIENDA DE EDDIE DEE

Stop by the Eddie Dee's Thrift store!
Open every Thursday **except** the first Thursday of the month.

¡Pásate por la tienda de segunda mano! Abierto todos los jueves ***excepto*** *el primer jueves del mes.*





Now Open

Thursdays/ Jueves 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Festive Fall Treats

Pumpkin Gingersnap Dip



Ingredients:

- Canned pumpkin puree
- Vanilla JELLO pudding mix
- Pumpkin pie spice

Directions:

- In a bowl mix the three ingredients together and you're done! Enjoy this dip cold with your choice of ginger snaps, graham crackers, pretzels, or apple slices.

Cool/Warm Center

Seniors Only 55+
Monday – Friday
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Cuando se pronostica que las temperaturas excederán los 97°F o por debajo de los 40°F, en asociación con la Asociación de Acción Comunitaria del Condado de Riverside, el Centro actuará como Centro Cool/Warm para personas mayores vulnerables en necesidad de un alivio temporal del calor o el frío, en determinadas condiciones climáticas.

When temperatures are forecasted to exceed 97°F or below 40°F, in partnership with the County of Riverside's Community Action Partnership, the Center will act as a Cool/Warm Center for vulnerable seniors in need of temporary relief from the heat or cold, under certain weather conditions.

Respuestas de Divinancias

- vela
- Usando números romanos. Si a XX (20) le pones I, te darán XIX (19)
- uno, el ultimo
- Cuando hablamos de horas. Si a las 11 le sumas 3 horas, te dan las 2

Riddle Answers

- candle
- sponge
- bank
- rubber band
- deck of cards

	8			7			9	
9								7
		2				6		
	3		6		4		8	
	7		2		8		5	
		4				8		
5								2
	1			9			3	

Sponsorship/Patrocinio

THANK YOU

The Eddie Dee Smith Senior Center can only achieve its goals with the assistance and generosity offered by members of our community. Thanks to their services to those in our area, we're able to make this all possible. Please consider sponsoring our center, we appreciate any contribution towards the center's programs and activities that serve our 55+ community.

El Centro para personas mayores Eddie Dee Smith solo puede lograr sus objetivos con la asistencia y generosidad ofrecida por los miembros de nuestra comunidad. Gracias a sus servicios a nuestra comunidad, podemos hacer que todo esto sea posible. Considere patrocinar nuestro centro; apreciamos cualquier contribución a los programas y actividades del centro que sirven a nuestra comunidad mayor de 55 años. For more information on how to become a sponsor call (951) 275-9975.

Amistad Medical Clinic

Monica Ruiz

Riverside Community Health Foundation

Neighborhood HealthCare

SCAN Health

Welbe Health

Yesenia Gutierrez



Amistad Medical Clinics
Ajay G. Meka M.D., Inc.
Serving Southern California since 1983

Welbe Health

neighborhood HEALTHCARE
PACE



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"Having been active in the Medicare arena since 1998, I find it very fulfilling to assist seniors in making their Medicare decisions. Being fluent in Spanish gives me the opportunity to reach even more seniors in both Riverside and San Bernardino counties."

What can SCAN do for you?

Reduce your out-of-pocket costs on co-pays, prescriptions, deductibles, transportation, and more!

Inland Caregiver Resource Center

City of Jurupa Valley
Incorporated July 1, 2011
A Community of Communities

Katyta Inc. provides senior citizens with a wide range of community support services, including assistance with Medicare, Medi-Cal, IHSS, funeral arrangements, medical appointments, transportation, Social Security matters, medications, and more. With over 10 years of experience, **Katyta Inc.** has been dedicated to guiding and supporting seniors with the utmost care and a shared commitment to always do what's best for them. If you or someone you know are in need of support, contact **Katyta Inc.** today.



Monica Ruiz
Independent Agent
CA. Insurance LIC #0K59843

Riverside Community Health Foundation

Jurupa Area Recreation & Park District

Resources/Recursos

Adult Protective Services.....1(800) 491-7123
Alzheimer's Association alz.org.....1(800) 272-3900
American Legion Riverside Post79.....(909) 371-9887
American Society on Aging .....1(800) 537-9728
Blindness Support Services .....(951) 341-9244
Caregivers Alzheimer's Association .....1(800) 272-3900
Community Access Center.....(951) 274-0358
Community Action Partnership.....(951) 955-4900
City of Jurupa Valley.....(951) 332-6464
Community Connect.....1(800) 465-1123
Dhammawood Meditation Center.....(714) 884-3894
Dial-A-Ride.....1(800) 795-7887
Elder Abuse Hotline.....1(800) 491-7123
Fair Housing Council of Riverside County.....(951) 682-6581
Family Caregiver Alliance.....1(800) 445-8106
Feeding America.....(951) 359-4757
HICAP Health Insurance Counseling.....(909) 256-8369|1(800) 434-0222
ICLS-Inland County Services, Ins.....1(800) 977-4257
Inland Counties Legal Services Intake/SeniorHotline..(888)245-4257|(951)320-7500
Jurupa Area Recreation Park District.....(951) 361-2090
Meals on Wheels.....(951) 683-7151
Medicare.....1(800) 633-4227
National Call Center for Homeless Veterans.....1(877) 424-3838
Office on Aging/County of Riverside.....(877) 932-4100|(951) 867-3800
Poison Control Hotline.....1(800) 222-1222
Riverside County Veterans Services.....(951) 955-3060
Riverside County Department of Social Services.....(951) 358-3000
Riverside Transit Agency.....(951) 565-5000
Rubidoux Resource Center.....(951) 328-1575
Sheriff's (Jurupa Valley).....(951) 955-2600
Social Security Administration.....1(800) 772-1213
Step Up Mental Health & Housing Services.....(909) 601-0154|(909) 601-4454
Loma Linda Homeless Outreach.....(909) 825-7084 Ext. 5034
Veterans Benefits.....1(800) 698-2411