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CITY OF DUBLIN SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS YEAR'S "DUBLIN PRIDE WEEK" CELEBRATION - APRIL 25 THROUGH MAY 2

DUBLIN, California, April 2, 2015 – The City of Dublin is pleased to announce that its annual Dublin Pride Week events will take place Saturday, April 25, through Saturday, May 2. Volunteers are needed to assist with multiple activities. The theme this year is “Preserve Our Heritage and Grow Our Future.” Dublin Pride Week seeks to demonstrate ways in which individuals or groups can act to improve the community and the world through volunteerism and environmental awareness.

In 2014, over 500 volunteers assisted on projects throughout the community, from helping seniors with household maintenance and yard work, to elementary, middle, and high school beautification projects, such as painting and landscape work. Additionally, volunteers participated in a number of parks and other cleanup projects around the City. “For over 30 years, the Dublin community has come out in force to better our city through volunteerism and hard work,” said Mayor David Haubert. “In working at parks, schools, and for our seniors, Dublin Pride Week demonstrates the love that we all have for our community, as we strive to make an impact environmentally and socially.”

The program encourages youth participation and hosts an annual poster and essay contest to engage youth in the event. The theme for the Poster and Essay Contest this year is *Water Conservation*. This year's Dublin Pride Week posters will feature the artwork of Junfan Shirley Chen, who was a 10th grader at Valley Christian School last year when she submitted her “Dublin Pride” painting.



Several faith-based groups and service organizations will assist in providing volunteers and support for the event. Residents and groups interested in volunteering can visit the Dublin Pride Week website at www.dublinprideweek.com or call (925) 833-6630.

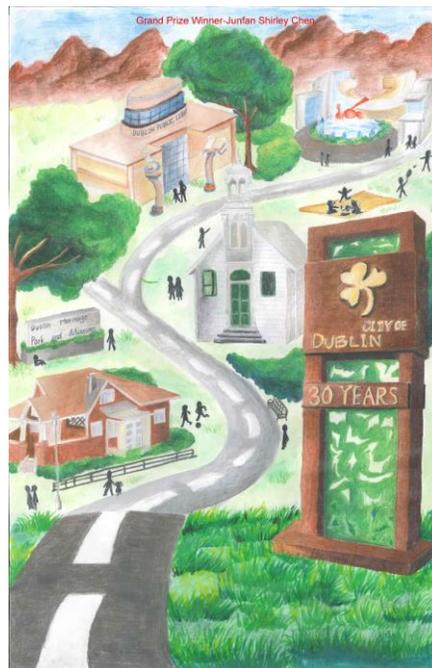
2015 Events and Activities

The following events and activities will be occurring this year throughout Dublin Pride Week:

- “Volunteer Day” - Saturday, April 25, 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM: Volunteers are needed to help with senior assistance, school and park beautification, and creek cleanup projects. Volunteers will be invited to a BBQ at Emerald Glen Park, from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM, following all volunteer activities.
- Food Drive - Saturday, April 25: Donation drop-offs will be available during Volunteer Day activities, from 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM, at Emerald Glen Park, and at Safeway stores in Dublin, from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM.
- Dublin Pride Poster & Essay Contest for students, grades K-12. The theme this year is *Water Conservation*. Prizes include gift certificates and City Council recognition.
- Free Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection and Compost Giveaway Day - Saturday May 2.
- Free Bay-Friendly Gardening and Water Conservation Workshop - Saturday, May 2, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. We are in a drought! This engaging workshop will teach residents how to lose the lawn and gain a beautiful drought-tolerant, bay-friendly garden. Zone 7 will offer indoor and outdoor water conservation tips for the home.

For more information on any of the Dublin Pride events, visit our website at www.dublinprideweek.com.

**Junfan Shirley Chen, 10th Grade
Valley Christian School,
Dublin Pride Week 2014
Poster Contest Grand Prize Winner**



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