



Perris Press Release

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Perris Seniors Enjoy Annual Appreciation Lunch

The City of Perris said thank you to its senior citizens recently, hosting a lunch for those in their golden years that featured turkey and all the trimmings, dancing and prizes donated for the occasion—including gift cards, food, hot chocolate, neck massagers and slippers.

The “Senior Appreciation Lunch” allows Perris officials to thank the men and women who take part in the City’s exercise, arts-and-crafts, billiards and computer classes. Hundreds of seniors take part each month and many say the programs offered through the City represent some of their brightest moments and best memories.

Perris Mayor Daryl Busch and City Council members Rita Rogers and Julio Rodriguez dropped by this year’s Senior Lunch to wish the guests of honor happy holidays and a prosperous 2013.



Perris senior citizens line up to receive turkey and the trimmings Dec. 11 as part of the City’s annual Senior Appreciation Luncheon.

“It’s really a privilege to honor our seniors,” Busch said. “It’s always a great event. The food is good, the dancing is excellent, everyone is full of cheer. We want to wish everyone a great Christmas and a happy New Year.”



Perris City Councilwoman Rita Rogers, Recreation Coordinator Cynthia Quintero and Mayor Daryl Busch greet the seniors during the annual luncheon in their honor.

More than 100 seniors took part.

“Christmas is a great time for fellowship and to celebrate this giving season,” Rogers said. “All the seniors are looking festive. It’s a wonderful event.”

Rodriguez said the lunch was the ideal opportunity to thank Perris’ seniors for their many contributions over the decades. “It’s great to thank them for being the backbone of the City and for helping make Perris the great community it is,” Rodriguez said.

John Vaughns, 67, was among those taking part in the annual celebration. He used words like “excellent” and “fantastic” to describe the luncheon, dance and door-prize giveaways.

“We have a chance to eat, drink and be merry,” Vaughns said. “This is a very nice function, a very nice function. The City is excellent, the event is fantastic and we have a really good time.”

Alicia Casares, 60, said she come to the Senior Center often, taking part in bingo, knitting classes and low-impact exercise.

“You get to know people you’ve never seen before,” she said. “You get to meet new folks. It’s great fun and fellowship. I appreciate it very much.”



Perris City Councilman Julio Rodriguez senior citizens who gathered for the annual luncheon.