

DUNCASTER TURNS 25 – CELEBRATES WITH THE COMMUNITY
Duncaster Kicks off a Year of Celebration with a Parade, Music, Antique Car Rides, Ice Cream and Games

BLOOMFIELD, CT, May 8, 2009 – On Saturday, May 16, Duncaster Retirement Community kicks off its 25th Anniversary celebration by inviting the town to a parade. To help with parking, a shuttle will run from The Carmen Arace School to Duncaster from 10:00 until 11:00 and return to the school at the end of the festivities.

The parade, including marching bands such as The Carmen Arace Bulldog Band and the Marquis of Granby will wind through the Duncaster campus. Town officials will also be on hand to march in the parade. Long-time residents and staff of the community will ride in antique cars and local celebrity and Duncaster staff member, Caleb, the community's Golden Retriever, will march along with staff members, their children and their dogs.

The parade will end with a community celebration that will include music, antique car rides, displays and food vendors. To celebrate the day, M. Jodi Rell proclaimed May 15 (the day the community opened its doors officially) "Duncaster Retirement Community Day". Her proclamation, along with others from the Mayor and Bloomfield's State Senatorial representative, will be read.

Duncaster was dream of a group of local business leaders who wanted to create a new community for people 60 and over where companionship, comfortable surroundings and life-long care came together. In fact, it was the first time in Greater Hartford that seniors were able to join one community that allowed them to move from independent living, to supported living to nursing home care, all on the same campus.

Throughout the year, Duncaster will celebrate its 25th anniversary with a celebratory dinner, a cabaret, "Duncaster the Musical," fireworks and picnic and a golf tournament.

Those attending the parade should park at the Carmen Arace School where shuttles will run from 10:00 to 11:00 to the parade and celebration. Parking is free.

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For more information, contact Fran Kent at Duncaster, (860) 380-5006 or fkent@duncaster.org.

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