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November 2020 Woman's Club of Temple City

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Upcoming Meetings/Auxiliary Events

November 12th "Salute to Veterans" GENERAL MEETING - 12:00 pm on Zoom

November 12th BOARD MEETING – Following General Meeting on Zoom

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

November for me is a time to reflect on all that I am thankful for. Thanksgiving is by far my favorite holiday, and my first draft of this message took a gloomy turn, thinking of how it will be different this year. Awakening to a new day, I realized that there is so much more to be grateful for and that focusing on the good in my life, in my community, and in the world is a much healthier way to start a new day. I challenge each of you to join me in



starting each day with a reflection on all that you have to be thankful for this year!

My positive morning reflection - I am thankful that the Los Angeles Dodgers won the World Series, and the Los Angeles Lakers are the NBA Champions! The last time this happened was in 1988, the year I married my husband of 32 years. It was also the year my brother married his wife of 32 years, my parents celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary, my grandparents celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary, and to put icing the on the cake, it was the year my sister graduated from high school. I am thankful to have a loving and supportive husband at my side during this time. I am thankful that, thus far, those in my family who have been diagnosed with COVID have not been severely impacted by this illness. I am thankful that my children live nearby, as well as my sister and her family, and we are able to safely gather together at times. On a daily basis, I am thankful for my pets who keep me entertained, for the roof over my head and friends and community groups that keep me busy working towards a new normal, instead of dwelling on things I cannot change.

This morning I decided to look at strategies to enjoy a safer Thanksgiving during the pandemic. My parents in Idaho, my brother's family in Tennessee, and cousins in Mississippi will all gather with us remotely. Weather permitting, I will host an outdoor gathering with my children and sister's family. If we need to gather indoors, this gathering will include only my children and their significant others. We will make every effort to make Thanksgiving for my cousin in assisted living and my mother-in-law as special as possible, while keeping them safe.

Thanksgiving will be different this year, but it will be worth adjusting to ensure that we have many more Thanksgivings together.

I wish each of you a Happy Thanksgiving, however you choose to celebrate it this unique year.

Historical Society

The Elected Officers of the Woman's Club of Temple City and the Historical Society of Temple City recently met to discuss, among other issues, the Historical Society's financial situation. Due to COVID-19 there is no rental income being generated by the Society. The monthly expenses, not including much needed repairs and updates, are approximately \$1,000 per month. The Woman's Club has a current on-going fundraiser to raise funds from our members towards a \$3,000 donation goal. If you would like to donate, please send your donation to the Woman's Club with "Historical Society" indicated in the memo section.

To raise funds, the Historical Society is holding a virtual Bingo Fundraiser on Friday, November 13th. The flyer with information about this fundraiser is attached. If you love Bingo – this will be a fun evening on Zoom. Space is limited, so do not wait to reserve your space.

Woman's Club Wednesday

Woman's Club Wednesday began as a way for us to "keep tabs" on one another – I don't believe anyone realized that we would still appreciate this connection seven months later. Thank you, Kathy Mushinskie, for doing a wonderful job continuing this program. There are a few members who Kathy contacts directly, such as Mary Hunt and Grace Campos, both of whom love hearing from her each week. If you would like to opt in or opt out, please make sure to send Kathy an email.

What's My Line?

Many of us have outside interests/skills which brings in an income, such as baking, sewing, babysitting, selling a product, landscaping, driving people to their destinations, financial services, housecleaning, or crafting, etc. We want to create a network in which we can help each other to provide a service where there is a need and to help bring in an income.

We will be collecting the names of people and the services they provide. Here are some services our members provide:

Kelly Barrios - Jewelry / Crafts / Fundraisers Kelly Barrios – Avon! Visit her Avon Page at https://www.youravon.com/kellybarrios Louise Huff - Sews Personalized Pillowcases & Tote Bags/Face Masks Lisa Montesanti - Homemade Baked Goods – Price sheet available upon request – Suspended service until further notice Donna Palmieri - Homemade Greeting Cards / Dance Lessons Cynthia Sternquist – Can connect members up with a mask provider

In Our Thoughts...

During this challenging time for all of us, we know that some of our members have additional struggles and sorrows. Please know that we are thinking about you.

Cindy Vance Mitzi I Carole Rodenbucher Grace

Mitzi Franco Grace Campos

and friends of our Club: Tom McIntee & Julie Clementson

If you learn of a member who could use a note of kindness, please notify a member of our Board.





Happy November Birthday Wishes To:

Debbie Resley 11/11 Theresa Tomaro 11/12 Cecelia Rudar 11/22 Emilia Kokayko 11/25 Betty Marston 11/25 Josette Temple 11/27 Noel Palmieri 11/28 Cynthia Vance 11/30

Remembering Josette Temple



I'm Thinking of You By Carol Daugherty

> I'm thinking of you today And would just like to say Hello, it's so nice to meet you My life is better because of you, my friend new

Why is my life better I could say it in person or in a letter I'm not really, really sure why But I think a poem is one way to say hi And to keep you in my mind as a friend, whether a guy or gal Someone who becomes my buddy and pal The friendliness shown to me Makes me want to share coffee or tea

> Makes me feel good Part of a worldly brother and sisterhood Each of us is different in many ways and life Each of us can choose happiness or strife

We are all human with our strengths and faults The world gives us peace or assaults As we live each day We choose our way

You, my dear friend, give me hope That there is more to life and help me to cope So, no matter how far or near You and I are from each other, or what we fear

A friendship is really one more step toward peace Sharing our lives, our hopes and to teach The world is a better place When we share together a friendly space.

Auxiliary Events

If you have a suggestion for a fun – virtual activity, please let Chairmen Gina Aparicio or Mary Jean Ferranti-Chuck know.

General Meeting – October 8th Bingo!

The program for our October 8th General Meeting was Bingo. A favorite of Club Members, but this year it was just a bit different on Zoom. If you would like to experience Zoom Bingo, the Historical Society is having a Bingo Fundraiser on Friday, November 13th (flyer attached). The game winners for Woman's Club Bingo were the following,

Congratulations Everyone!



Halloween General Meeting – October 22nd & Auxiliary Craft Night Event – October 15th

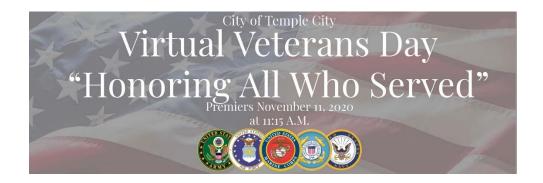
With 96 Club Members, we usually have between 15-25 members join us on Zoom for meetings and events. We would love to see more of you! In addition, you should feel free to invite a guest along. There are a few members of our Club who are part of a their own "safe bubble" who get together on a regular basis. You will note that at our Halloween meeting Ann & Kathy are together and in costume we have Candy, Denice and Mary Jean. Mary Sneed prepared a round of Halloween Trivia, and many of our members "dressed" for the occasion.

A week earlier, Auxiliary Coordinators Gina & Mary Jean arranged for a Craft Night with Instructor Donna Georgino. Donna walked us through some fun crafts including cute refrigerator magnets using supplies from



Dollar Tree, a corkboard frame, and a Thanksgiving themed trivet. "Thank you" to Donna, Gina & Mary Jean, for a fun evening. Club Member Lakshmi was joined by her hardworking daughter Suman who enjoyed a night off from infectious diseases. God Bless all of our healthcare workers from research to patient care!

City of Temple City Virtual Veterans Day



The City of Temple City will celebrate Veterans Day on November 11, 2020. The celebration will commence with a vintage plane flyover. The flyover will be viewable from your home within the

boundaries of Temple City (weather permitting). The flyover will begin at 11:00 A.M., and the duration of the flyover is approximately fifteen minutes. After the flyover, the City will be premiering its first virtual Veterans Day ceremony at 11:15 A.M. The celebration will take time to pause and recognize the brave men and women who have fearlessly and faithfully defended the United States and our freedom. The celebration will include an inspirational message from our keynote speaker as well as messages for local dignitaries and elected officials.

Additionally, Temple City residents can also participate in the festivities in two ways. The first is by submitting a photo of a veteran and or current service member to be used in a commemorative slide show. The focus of the slide show is to honor all those that have served. The slide show will follow the virtual Veterans Day ceremony. The second way residents can participate in the celebration is by displaying a Veterans Day lawn sign. The signs are designed to show support to Temple City veterans with a message of "Remembering all who served". Lawn signs will be available for delivery November 2^{nd} , or sooner.

A direct link to this event page for more information, to request a lawn sign, or to submit a photograph is available on the Woman's Club website.

Relay for Life Fundraiser

Holliday Boutique will be held on Friday November 13th from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the home of Nan Fish. Please see the attached flyer and support this worthy cause. As we all know, Cancer Never Takes a Holliday!

Christmas Philanthropy

Christmas Philanthropy is taking on a different form this year. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, both of the organizations we support have provided alternative methods as ways to brighten the lives of those they serve. Here is information for this Holiday Season for Door of Hope & Friends of Foster Children:



Founded in 1985, their mission is to equip families and children experiencing homelessness to rebuild their lives. Unlike most homeless service organizations where families are separated, the Door of Hope program keeps the family unit together as they work towards their end goal of achieving permanent housing. Door of Hope has an 82% success rate with families who graduate from the program.

Information to donate to Door of Hope can be found through this link and varies from monetary donations to making purchases on Amazon. <u>https://doorofhope.us/responding-to-covid-19-ways-to-help-2</u>



Friends of Foster Children (FOFC) has been serving foster children in the San Gabriel Valley since 1976. Several of our Club Members are members of this organization whose purpose is to "help make a foster child's life a little brighter." FOFC is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) organization. They have no paid staff and no facility, so less than 6% of their annual budget is spent on operating costs. A total of 94% of every donated dollar is applied to the children's needs. Various fundraisers and gift collections throughout the year are designed to help foster children in residential treatment centers in the San Gabriel Valley. They also assist newly emancipated foster teens as they learn to set up their own homes, continue their education, and begin their journey of being self-supporting.

To learn more, or to make a monetary donation their website is <u>http://www.fofcsgv.org</u>.

Sugar Plum Tree

The Sugar Plum Trees at the mall is a 40-year FOFC tradition to collect Christmas gifts for the foster youth they serve. As March turned to April, May and June, it appeared that the new Grinch (COVID-19) might just succeed in stealing Christmas 2020. Although FOFC will not have their traditional trees at the mall, they have found a way to bring the JOY of Sugar Plum in a new and safe way and they need our help. They are requesting Gift Cards from Target, Walmart, Amazon, or a Visa/Mastercard gift card, all of which are like gold to the youth. The youth will receive these cards and select their own gift. FOFC is asking for cards with values



between \$10 to \$50 which can be mailed to P.O. Box 1105, Arcadia, CA. 91077-1105 or delivered/mailed to Woman's Club Member Debi Mistretta who is one of the Sugar Plum Chairman this year. By doing this, you will be filling a child's wish for a joyous Christmas.

Upcoming Events

November 12, 2020 General Meeting - 12:00 pm on Zoom "Salute to Veterans"

For our November 12th meeting, we would encourage you to bring your lunch and enjoy video interviews shared at the Reception honoring the 2015 Camellia Festival Honorary Grand Marshals -Veterans from Temple City. This "Salute to our Veterans" reminds us of all of the service men and women who commit themselves to serve our country.

The Woman's Club would also like to honor any Veterans of Club Members. Please email or text photos to Dawn Tarin or post them on Facebook and let her know. We will run this tribute at our meeting as well as on our Facebook and Website.



November 12, 2020 Board Meeting

After the November 12th General Meeting we will take a short break and return for a Board Meeting. One of the items on the Agenda will be our December 17th General Meeting "A Woman's Club Christmas." If you have a suggestion, please pass it on to a Board Member, or join us at the meeting. All members are welcome to attend.



Sylvia's Silly Joke of the Month...

What's the best thing about Switzerland?

I don't know but the flag is a big plus!



Submitted by Carole Rodenbucher



Forecaster Submissions

We'd like to hear from you! If you have something you'd like included in the next issue of The Forecaster please email me at noelprealtor@hotmail.com by the 15th of the month.



HONORING THE BRAVE WOMAN'S CLUB OF TEMPLE CITY SALUTE TO VETERANS"

General Meeting November 12, 2020 12:00 Noon - Via Zoom

Join us as we hear their stories.

Guests are Welcome



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Giving by Nanette Fish & Cathy Villagran

Nan's House 9342 Blackley Street Temple City

Cancer never takes a holiday!



