THE FORECASTER

October 2019 Woman's Club of Temple City

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Upcoming Meetings/Auxiliary Events

October 10 General Meeting – 6:00 pm Guests: Miss Temple City Ambassador Program Menu: Changed to Tri-Tip / Chicken Dinner

October 24

General Meeting – 12:00 pm Bingo! Menu: Cheese Enchiladas Board Meeting has been cancelled

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The women (and men) of our Club continue to amaze me with all that they do, the talents that they have, and the dedication and support they bring to their families and to our community. Every meeting I learn something more about the amazing individuals of our Club. For instance, on September 12th at the "Hats Off to the Woman's Club of Temple City" meeting, I learned that many of our members were related to law enforcement – far more than I knew! Our speaker for the evening was Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Lieutenant Yvonne O'Brien, who shared with us her



story which began at the age of 19 through her nearly 30 years with the Department. She was accompanied by her daughter and were awaiting news of the birth of her granddaughter. Lt. O'Brien's story was amazing and can be found on Jerry Jambazian's website www.TempleCityPhotos.com.

We also held our hat contest with the following winners:

Best "Crazy" Hat – Carol Daughtery

Best "Vintage" Hat – Debi Mistretta

Best "Hat of the Night" – Connie Deckon



On September 26th Kristine Wood, Author of "Run for the Wall, A Journey to the Vietnam Memorial" was our speaker. Her tale of time spent dedicated to this program nearly brought me to tears several times. It truly brought home the importance of honoring and recognizing the men and women who serve our country. Her presentation can also be found at

www.TempleCityPhotos.com. If you missed the luncheon, I would encourage you to take a few minutes to learn about the "Run for the Wall" program. Thank you, Carole Rodenbucher, for recommending her as a speaker. Kristine's book can be purchased on Amazon.

We also welcomed two new members who were in attendance, Lakshmai and RoseMarie. I'm looking forward to getting to know you both!

Getting to Know You – "Connie Deckon" by Dawn Tarin

Would you spend \$280 on a hat? Well, that's how much in "today" money Connie spent on the beautiful pink hat she chose to wear at the September 12th "Hats Off to the Woman's Club of Temple City" meeting. Purchased in 1965 for \$35 to wear on Easter Sunday, this celebratory hat earned her "Best Hat of the Night" at the meeting, which was also her 55th Wedding Anniversary to her husband Frank.

I have had the pleasure of getting to know Connie and Frank since becoming involved with the Temple City Camellia Festival – a group she has been involved with since about 1980, I'm no spring chicken, and this is before I graduated from High School! As with many multi-day events, there is always some downtime involved, during which I have enjoyed getting to know Connie a little better. For instance, I was fascinated by the fact that she was adopted when she was 7 days old, and then married a wonderful man who was also adopted but didn't know he was



adopted until they were about to be married at the age of 25. If you happen to be around Connie with my husband, Jose, you will hear him call her "Aunt Jerry" which is a term of endearment because Connie truly reminds us both of my Aunt Jerry. The resemblance is so striking that I admit to making up a story that she is really a long-lost Aunt that my grandmother (who was a young widow with three children and travelling saleswoman) placed up for adoption. Sounds like a tragic romance novel to me!

Connie and Frank may not know their own origins, but they are both firmly planted in Temple City, moving into at home on Longden in 1965, and then in 1976 moving to their current home on Cambury Avenue where they raised their two children Christine and Jim, both of whom graduated from Temple City High School. Jim has since moved to Indiana with his family including seven-year-old grandson Jacob. Christine and her two

children Alia (age 18) and Duncan (age 16) reside in Temple City, and the Woman's Club enjoyed Alia's numerous Brighter Side performances these past years. Alia has now graduated and attends Pasadena City College, while Duncan now attends Temple City High School.

Money, finances, bookkeeper, and treasurer all equate to Connie. Connie worked at Tokai, Continental, and Bank of the West (remember all of the bank sales and name changes that left our heads spinning) from 1978 until she retired in 2000. Did she really retire though – nope, she just moved into becoming Church Treasurer / Bookkeeper at the San Gabriel and Temple City United Methodist Churches.

There is too much to cover in this brief article to do justice to who Connie Deckon is, but you should know that she loves flowers, particularly orchids and plumerias, she sings like and angel and is part of the Sierra Madre Choral, and she continues to love HATS! How did Connie come to join Woman's Club? Well her best friend Joan Westgate Henderson brought her of course, but that is a whole other story! Do you want information about Temple City, Scouts, flowers, bookkeeping, or life in general, sit down and have lunch with Connie, she is a vault of knowledge that is a treasure to our Club.

Auxiliary Events

There are no formal Auxiliary Events for October. However, there are many local events happening during the month, including Relay for Life on October 12th from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm at Temple City Party and the Fall Festival on October 19th which includes a Classic Car Show from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, a Bike Safety Expo at 12:00 noon, and performances by Temple City High School Performing Arts groups. Exercise your community involvement and check out these two worthwhile events!

Please contact Kellie McKinley (<u>aven7001@msn.com</u> 626/807-0976) or Nan Fish (<u>nanfish08@gmail.com</u> 626/703-6210) to schedule your event.

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., I think you get the picture. 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.

I will be collecting the names of people and the services they provide. Then I will submit the list to be printed in the Forecaster. Here are some services our members provide:

> Kelly Barrios - PAPARAZZI JEWELRY Sells Jewelry / Crafts / Fundraisers Louise Huff - Sews Personalized Pillowcases & Tote Bags Lisa Montesanti - Homemade Baked Goods Donna Palmieri - Homemade Greeting Cards / Private Dance Lessons



Wonder Woman/Members

Do you know of a Wonder Woman/Member? Please contact Noel with info.



HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Nanette Fish 10/8 Pam Geer 10/12 Grace Campos 10/13 Mary Sneed 10/13 Karen Johnston 10/15 Ann Ouellette 10/15 Carole Rodenbucher 10/16 Mary Jean Ferranti-Chuck 10/18 Mary Jacobs 10/26 Laverne Allocci 10/31 I think this will be fun and helpful to many of us who are looking for just that right person to fit our specific needs. It will definitely be a win-win situation. If you would like to be included, please contact me at <u>Irhuff44@yahoo.com</u> or (626) 673-3507. ~ Louise Huff

Kelly Barrios: PAPARAZZI JEWELRY – She will be at a small business / boutique event on October 6th from 12 noon until 4:00 pm at 199 W. Las Tunas Drive, #6, San Gabriel.

4th Annual Community Christmas Party Sunday, December 8th

Planning is underway for our 4th Annual Community Christmas Party. Rachel LaSota will again serve as Chairman and is in the process of assembling her committee. If you would like to be part of this group, please contact Rachel at <u>rlasota29@gmail.com</u>. Christmas is just around the corner, if you have something to donate please let Rachel know.

Christmas Ticket Raffle Baskets

If you have been able to attend one of our September meetings you have had the good fortune to see the two wonderful baskets prepared by Carole Rodenbucher. Each basket has lots of goodies, including two (2) tickets to our Christmas Party. Raffle tickets will be sold through October 26th when a winner will be selected. If you would like to purchase a raffle ticket, but unable to attend a meeting, please contact Debi Mistretta.

Humanitarian Award Nominations

Woman's Club of Temple City Annual Community Christmas Party ertainment Social Hour 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm Dinner Served at 6:00 pm icket Price \$40 Per Person No Tickets Sold at the Door Alhambra San Gabriel Elks Lodge 1375 E. Las Tunas Drive, San Gabriel nal Parking Jefferson Middle School Bring a Toy or Teen Item to Donate intact Rachel LaSota for Tickets at rlasota29@gmail.co TempleCity.Org

If you would like to nominate one of our members for the Humanitarian Award, please contact Rachel LaSota before October 15th. After the nominations are received by Rachel, an electronic ballot will then be sent out by Survey Monkey before the end of the month. The ballot will be entirely confidential.

We will be notifying the Award Recipients in November, and formally recognizing them at our December 8th Community Christmas Party.

Los Angeles County Fire Department Survey

The Los Angeles County Fire Department is seeking input from the community as they plan for the future. They are requesting that community members take a few minutes to complete their online survey, it is will take about 5 minutes. They survey can be found at -- <u>www.WeAreLACountyFire.org</u>

Welcome New Members!

RoseMarie Good 6002 N. Loma Avenue Temple City, CA 91780 Bday: 9/13 Mbr: 9/19 Home: 626/285-5025 Cell: 626/484-9980 Rmgoftc@aol.com
 GeeGee Cambiaso
 Home: 626/288-0656

 8751 E. De Adalena Street
 Cell: 626/260-2845

 Rosemead, CA 91770
 No Email

 Bday: 9/3
 Mbr: 9/2019

Kristi Ferntheil 9180 Jaylee Drive Temple City, CA 91780 Bday: 10/18 Mbr: 9/2019 Cell: 626/833-2029 atferntheil14@yahoo.com

Birthday Cards Needed

With nearly 100 members, our Sunshine Fund / Birthday Chairman has run out of cards. If you have extra birthday cards you would like to donate to the Club, please bring them for Joanne Rosso at an upcoming meeting.

Yearbook Corrections

Dawn will NEVER claim to be perfect! She hopes everyone has received and had a chance to review the 2019-2020 Yearbook. If you have any corrections, please let Dawn Tarin know, so that the Club can be notified, and the error corrected for next year. Here are corrections thus far:

- Christine Santana's Correct Address is 9655 E. Lemon Ave., Arcadia, CA. 91007 (not Temple City)
- Christine Justus has been a member since March of 2016
- The Bylaws were adopted on May 9, 2019

Woman's Club Scholarship Committee

At our September 26th Board Meeting it was agreed that a five (5) member Scholarship Committee will be formed. This group will select a Chairman, and since this will be the first year of the committee, they will need to create an application for approval by the Board, notify Seniors of the Scholarship, and select recipients. Members of the Committee may not have a child or grandchild who is a senior in high school. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please send an email to <u>WomansClubOfTempleCity@gmail.com</u> or contact Dawn Tarin.

Signature Service Project

How many times have you been asked "what does the Woman's Club of Temple City do?" In fact, we do many amazing things that benefit our community and schools, but it is perhaps a good time to think about one identifying "service project" that we can become known by and make that question easier to answer. The Board is seeking input from Club Members as to ideas to take under consideration. Keep in mind, we are not looking for a fundraising idea, but a service project. If you have an idea, please send an email to WomansClubOfTempleCity@gmail.com or contact Dawn Tarin.

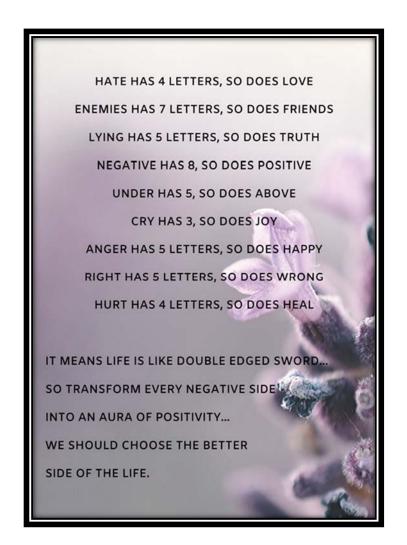
Temple City Library Status

Temple City Councilmember (and Woman's Club Member) Cynthia Sternquist attended our September 26th meeting and gave us an update on the Temple City Library project which is now scheduled to be completed in August of 2021 with construction beginning in January of 2020. She let the members know that the bricks purchased by members of the community, community organizations, and businesses would be on display inside the library. The Woman's Club was also offered the opportunity to sponsor a bench for a proposed reading garden. At the Board Meeting following the General Meeting, they approved this expenditure. The next few years will be exciting as we see our new library take shape. Congratulations Councilmember Sternquist on spearheading this project for our community.

Meeting Opening Presentation

Carol Daughtery does a wonderful job starting off our meetings by leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance, our Club Grace, and then providing us with some food for thought before our meal. On September 26th we all truly enjoyed her reading and thought it was worth sharing in *The Forecaster* with everyone.

Carol welcomes ideas and suggestions, please feel free to contact her directly if you come across something you feel would be inspirational and appropriate for the group.



UPCOMING EVENTS

October 10, 2019 General Meeting – 6:00 pm Guests: Miss Temple City Ambassador Program Meal Changed to Tri-Tip / Chicken Dinner

Our program for the evening will be learning about the Miss Temple City Ambassador Program and this year's court. We will have our "Woman's Club" Photo Frames out for photo ops – so feel free to bring your own tiara! In addition, we will be celebrating the October 12th Relay for Life of Temple City event which many of our members are a part of. Relay color is PURPLE, you are encouraged to wear purple at the meeting.



One of the most poignant times during Relay is the

Luminaria Ceremony. During this time the track is lit by luminaria bags in dedication to, in honor of, or in memory of someone with cancer. Mary Sneed will be bringing luminaria bags to the meeting which can be decorated at the meeting or brought to Relay on October 12th. The donation for each bag is \$10 which goes towards the American Cancer Society amount raised by our Relay.



October 24, 2019 General Meeting – 12:00 noon Bingo . . . is there anything more to be said? Come out and Enjoy the Fun! (THE BOARD MEETING IS CANCELLED)





November 9, 2019 Rose Bowl Tour & Lunch

Sunday, December 8, 2019 4th Annual Community Christmas Party

Tickets are on sale now for our 4th Annual Community Christmas Party. Contact Rachel LaSota to purchase your tickets soon, as the event is expected to sell out, and tickets will not be sold at the door.

If you would like to donate an opportunity drawing basket, or would like to donate items for a basket, please contact Rachel LaSota or Carole Rodenbucher.

We are looking for business and organizations to donate to the event, the donation letter is attached to this Forecaster and you should feel free to forward it directly to any business/organization contact you feel appropriate.

The Community Christmas Party is our largest fundraiser for the year, so the support of our Club Members is greatly appreciated!

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 <u>noelprealtor@hotmail.com</u> by the 15th of the month.

RECENT EVENTS GALLERY Photo Credits: <u>www.TempleCityPhotos.com</u>

September 12th "Hat's Off" to the Woman's Club of Temple City Speaker: Lt. Yvonne O'Brien









September 26th Author, Kristine Wood "*Run for the Wall*"



SEE ATTACHED FLYERS



In Celebration of Relay for Life Wearing of Purple is encouraged

Photo will be taken ... Feel free to break out your own tiarras!



RSVP by October 7th to WomansClubOfTempleCity@gmail.com www.WomansClubOfTempleCity.org.

Woman's Club of Temple City **General Meeting** October 10th at 6:00 pm **Special Guests Miss Temple City Ambassador Program**



Luminaria Bags will be Available





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Member Lunch \$ 13 Guest Lunch \$15

Bingo One Card \$2 Three Cards \$5

RSVP BY OCTOBER 21ST AT WOMANSCLUBOFTEMPLECITY@GMAIL.COM

www.WomansClubOfTempleCity.org

Guests & Potential New Members are always Welcome!





November 9th VIP Rose Bowl Stadium Tour & ADA Accessible Tour

Tour begins at 11:00 am Car Pool from Temple City will be Available More Information Soon



Woman's Club of Temple City

P.O. Box 283 Temple City, California 91780

Dear Friend and Supporter,

Thank you for your past support and generosity in supporting the Woman's Club of Temple City; Community Christmas Party. It was a success and allowed the Woman's Club to continue to do philanthropic work throughout the community.

The 2019 Woman's Club of Temple City Annual Community Christmas Party will be held this year on Sunday, December 8, 2019 at the Alhambra San Gabriel Elks Lodge located at 1373 E. Last Tunas Drive, San Gabriel. This community event will include dinner, entertainment, opportunity drawings, and most of all celebrating the season with members of the Woman's Club.

All proceeds raised at the event will benefit the Woman's Club of Temple City and support philanthropic projects which include: Temple City Unified District Schools, TCHS Grad Nite, Temple City Relay For Life, Friends of Foster Children-San Gabriel Valley, Friends of the Temple City Library and the Historical Society of Temple City.

Any donation is appreciated. Please include your business card information with your donation. Suggested donation items include: Gift Card/Gift Certificates, Event Tickets, New Electronics, Experience/Activity Tickets, New Items (Packaged/Unused), Cash Donations-checks payable to Woman's Club of Temple City.

We appreciate your consideration contributing and supporting the Woman's Club of Temple City and its many endeavors. The Woman's Club of Temple City is a Temple City Tradition established in 1925. We are truly grateful for your support.

Best Wishes,

Dawn Tarin President (626) 688-8009 Rachel LaSota Christmas Event Chair (626) 590-6628 Woman's Club of Temple City Annual Community **Christmas** Party

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tainment

Social Hour 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm Dinner Served at 6:00 pm

Ticket Price \$40 Per Person

No Tickets Sold at the Door Alhambra San Gabriel Elks Lodge 1375 E. Las Tunas Drive, San Gabriel Additional Parking Jefferson Middle School

Bring a Toy or Teen Item to Donate

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