THE FORECASTER

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Woman's Club of Temple City

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"Cooperation is the Key to Success"

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Upcoming Meetings/Auxiliary Events

September 12

"Hats Off to Woman's of Temple City" - General Meeting (Menu: Chicken Alfredo) - Flyer Attached

September 21

Friends of Foster Children Lunch Mixer BBQ-Auxiliary Event – <u>Flyer Attached</u>

September 26

Guest Speaker - Author, Kristine Wood - General Meeting (Menu: Lasagna)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

September has finally arrived, and I am ready for Fall! Thank you everyone who volunteered at our baked potato booth at Concerts in the Park over the summer and the Woman's Club Officers and Committee members who met at the end of August for a Board meeting. It was clear many of our members have been busy working over the summer to prepare for this year's Woman's Club events. Visit the Woman's Club website www.WomansClubOfTempleCity.org to keep up to date on upcoming events throughout the year. Yearbooks with the complete



calendar of events will be passed out at the September 12th "Hats Off to the Woman's Club of Temple City" kick off General meeting. Don't forget to wear your hat and to RSVP to Kathy Mushinskie or <u>WomansClubOfTempleCity@gmail.com</u> before September 9th if you will be attending.

With the beginning of a new Woman's Club year, as President, I want to let all of our members know that I am open to hearing from you regarding ideas for our Club. As many of you know, I belong to several local groups, and I know that collaboration works. Call me, email me, or track me down in person, I would love to hear from you! I believe that one of the best ways to ensure the continued success of any organization is to meet the needs of its members, but that takes communication. Board Meetings are open to all, and you should feel free to attend. If you would like to be put on the Agenda to speak at either a General Meeting or a Board Meeting, please let me know a few days before.

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The Woman's Club off Temple City is fortunate to be managed by a Committee of wonderful volunteers, and their dedication to the welfare of our organization cannot be denied and is very much appreciated. I am looking forward to a wonderful and exciting year.

Getting to Know You - "Jennifer Pedraza"

by Dawn Tarin

I first met Jennifer Pedraza in 2012 during the "Say Yes to Measure S" Campaign at Donna Georgino's dining room table stuffing envelopes. While I met several new faces during the campaign, the two who stand out the most were Jennifer and Cindy Vance, both of whom I have come to know much better in the last 7 years, and both of who are Woman's Club members today.

So just who is Jennifer Pedraza? First and foremost she is the mother of Sophie (age 18) who graduated from Temple City High School last year and is attending PCC this fall, Gabriella (8th grade) and Queen of the 2013 Camellia Festival Royal Court, and Lily (7th grade) who I recall joining us around that envelope stuffing dining room table before starting school (which makes me feel really old with her starting junior high school). Jennifer and her husband of 20 years, Gabriel, decided for the 2019-2020 school year to try homeschooling for Gabriella and Lily, which will be a new adventure for the entire family.

Jennifer grew up in neighboring Alhambra and graduating from Ramona Convent. Like so many of us, she became involved in the community as her daughters began school, and continues to participate in Cloverly PTA, even though the girls have all moved on. Then there was the Temple City Citizen's Academy, where she met several members of our club and learned much more about the City and how it works.

Some of you may have noticed Jennifer coming to meetings last year in a neck brace. This was not her first surgery, and she certainly doesn't let having degenerative disk disease keep her down. She and her husband are members of The Camp Transformation Center in El Monte (and yes folks – this is boot camp style gym) where I ran into both Jennifer and Ivy Mao during my brief time there (too much for me). These two women work continually on both their physical muscles as well as their community commitments. Jennifer and Ivy also both happen to have royalty in their family, with Ivy's son Oliver being the 2019 King of the Camellia Festival Royal Court.... but back to Jennifer.

Women's issues are always a topic of discussion, with 4 against 1 the future is definitely female at the Pedraza's home. Jennifer is on the Service Unit team for Mission Camellia Girl Scouts, has attended the local Women's Marches, and keeps well informed of events and activities concerning women's and girl's rights issues taking place in our community.

How did Jennifer come to join the Woman's Club of Temple City? In March of 2017 Cynthia Sternquist became Mayor of Temple City, and at her reorganization meeting she invited the Girl Scout Troop led by Jennifer to perform the flag ceremony. It was at that time that Jennifer was approached by several Club members and encouraged to join. Jennifer has now taken on the role of Philanthropy Chairman, so expect to hear more from her as the holidays approach. This Chairmanship is a perfect fit for Jennifer as she is always willing to help those in need. Sit with Jennifer at our next meeting and get to know her even better.

Auxiliary Events

It's time to schedule some auxiliary events! We have several months available for anyone who would like to plan an outing or event. There is so much out there to see and do so let's have some fun and learn a thing or two in the process! Please contact Kellie McKinley (aven7001@msn.com 626/807-0976) or Nan Fish (nanfish08@gmail.com 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 - Sells jewelry/crafts and does fundraisers
Louise Huff - Sews personalized pillowcases and tote bags
Lisa Montesanti - Homemade baked goods
Donna Palmieri - Homemade greeting cards
Donna Palmieri - Private dance lessons

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 lrhuff44@yahoo.com or (626) 673-3507. ~ Louise Huff

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 rlasota29@gmail.com. Christmas is just around the corner, if you have something to donate please let Rachel know.



Wonder Woman/Members

Jerry Jambazian named an Honorary Member of the Temple City Unified School District



HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Kathy Mushinskie 9/10
Joanne Maher 9/11
Paulianne Werthwein 9/16
Franca Scorsone 9/20
Linda Hardwick 9/24
Delora Brown 9/26
Christine Justus 9/26
Gene Sneed 9/26
Kellie McKinley 9/27
Marianne Sarrail 9/27
Denice Wilhelm 9/29
Joanne Miller 9/30

Congratulations to our "Wonder Man" Jerry Jambazian



At their Back to School Event on August 26th the Temple City Unified School District extolled the many amazing virtues of our member, Jerry Jambazian, including his service to the students of the district, the invaluable benefit to the community he provides by attending several events each week and then posting photos at www.TempleCityPhotos.com for us all to enjoy. He is truly, as Dr. Fricker states in her presentation the "heartbeat" of our community.

Congratulations Jerry on being named an "Honorary Member of the Temple City Unified School District" it is truly well-deserved honor.

Baked Potato Booth at Concerts in the Park

The Woman's Club of Temple City Baked Potato Booth was once again a successful fundraiser for our club, and a time for our Club to reach out and meet the community. This summer we handed out membership applications, bragged about our nearly 100 members, and even met some fellow Woman's Club members from other communities. It was also a wonderful time to get to know fellow members.

Committee Chairmen

Dawn Tarin & Candy McKiernan



Volunteers

Theresa Tomaro

Debi Mistretta Mary Jacobs Carole Rodenbucher

Noel Palmieri Donna Palmieri Ann Seitz Mary Sneed Donna Georgino Gina Aparicio Denice Wilhelm Joanne Maher Louise Huff Mary Jean Ferranti-Chuck Diana Doi Joanne Rosso Rachel LaSota Mary Saxon Pam Miller Nanette Fish **Kelly Barrios** Emilia Kokavko Kathy Mushinskie Kathryn Bradley Jean Baccus Debbie Resley Debbie Fairman George Fairman

Kimberly Fricker **Bob Westgate** Jessica Westgate Judy Low

Lynne Hanamoto Sylvia Stoker Lisa Montesanti

Christine Santana

Thank You also to Ron McKiernan, Jose Tarin & Dana Wilhelm for assisting us at clean up every week. It is always nice to have some "manpower."

Special Thank You to David & Michelle Seltman

The Woman's Club truly appreciates not having to heat up our kitchens each week to cook 60 baked potatoes in the summer! The Seltman's generosity towards the Woman's Club of Temple City and the Temple City community as a whole does not go unnoticed.

I encourage Club members to show your support of the Seltmans by having a meal at Chef's Coffee Shop located at 15 Live Oak Avenue in Arcadia (corner of Live Oak and Santa Anita) for a wonderful family owned and operated diner style meal!



Upcoming Events

September 12, 2019 General Meeting - 6:00 pm DON'T FORGET TO WEAR A HAT & BRING A FRIEND "Hats Off to the Woman's Club of Temple City" **Guest Speaker – Lieutenant Yvonne O'Brien**



The Woman's Club is looking forward to welcoming newly promoted Los Angeles County Sheriff Lieutenant Yvonne O'Brien to speak at our upcoming meeting.

Lt. O'Brien is a single mother of 4 children (3 boys ages 26, 25, 20 and a 16-year-old daughter). She has been a single parent during 14 years of her 29 years with the Sheriff's Department. After graduating from the academy, she was assigned to North County

Correctional Facility and then transferred to patrol training at the East Los Angeles Station where she remained for several years as a patrol deputy, special problems team and as community relations deputy. She has been a detective for a Multi-Agency Taskforce for Auto Theft and for the Special Victims Bureau where she

investigated crimes against children involving physical and sexual abuse cases. After 12 years on the Department, she achieved her career dream by transferring to the Recruit Training Bureau where she was a Drill Instructor training recruits at the academy. Later she was promoted to Sergeant and worked at the Inmate Reception Center (custody facility), later transferring to Temple Sheriff Station as a Field Sergeant. She then worked at the Personnel Administration Bureau where she helped the department with recruiting new applicants to join the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. In June 2019, she was promoted to Lieutenant and returned to Temple Station. In her spare time, she enjoys playing golf with her boys, hiking, working out, country concerts and traveling with her daughter.

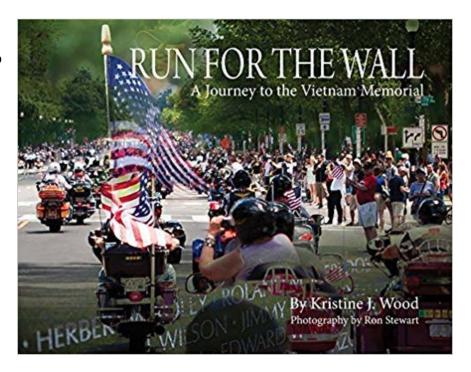
Members of the Woman's Club of Temple City enjoy several personal relationships with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and other law enforcement agencies, and we look forward to showing our support for Lt. O'Brien. Come out on September 12th and learn more about what it means to be a woman in law enforcement today.

September 21, 2019 / 11:30 Auxiliary Event BBQ - Friends of Foster Children

The Woman's' Club of Temple City supports the Friends of Foster Children, and several of our members belong to this worthwhile organization. On September 21st they will be holding a Lunch Mixer BBQ at Debi Mistretta's home. While the flyer states they will be collecting school supplies, they are not currently in need of school supplies, your presence at this fundraiser is very much appreciated. Come out and support this group – make sure to RSVP. If you are not able to attend, but would like to donate, please contact Rachel LaSota or Debi Mistretta.

September 26, 2019 / 12:00 noon General Meeting (followed by a Board Meeting) Guest Speaker – Author Kristine Wood

Author Kristine Wood will be the guest speaker at our September 26th General Meeting. Kristine Wood is part of a group of motorcycle riders who travel each year to the Vietnam Memorial in Washington DC to honor veterans when hundreds of bikers from across the United States arrive in DC over Memorial Day weekend and take part in the Run for the Wall event. Kristine partnered with professional photographer and compiled a book of her experiences and published Run for the Wall - A Journey to the Vietnam Memorial, which explains the purpose of the event, the message and the patriotism which are demonstrated through photos and brief narration.



Saturday, October 5th / 5:30 pm Cancer Survivor & Caregiver Dinner RSVP to DawnTarin@hotmail.com

How Can I Support Relay for Life of Temple City?

- Join them at Paint the Town Purple
 September 28th at 10:00 am beginning at Temple City Park
- Join them at a Dine Out
 September 23rd at Pieology
 September 30th at Panda Express
- Yard Sale on September 21st in the Taco Treat Parking Lot on Live Oak Avenue in Arcadia. They are looking for donations to sell which can be dropped off between 6:30 am 7:30 am the morning of the Yard Sale. Unsold items will be brought to Savers at 4:00 pm. If you have a bag of clothes, small appliances, books, etc. feel free to drop these items off at any time during the day.
- Come to a Team Fundraiser

 Bunco for Life September 14th \$25.00 per person. Contact kimwunner@yahoo.com for your tickets.

 Handmade Quilt Raffle contact kim@kjains.com

 Custom Made Relay Bras contact brasforacause16@gmail.com

Saturday, October 12th / 9 am - 9 pm
Relay for Life of Temple City - Temple City Park
www.RelayForLife.com/TempleCityCA

Many members of our Club are directly involved with this American Cancer Society annual fundraiser held in Temple City. This is a community event, and everyone is invited, whether you are on a team or not. Upcoming events:

PURCHASE A LUMINARIA - Contact Mary Sneed at msneedtc@yahoo.com

DONATE TO THE TEMPLE CITY EVENT OR A SPECIFIC TEAM AT www.RelayForLife.com/TempleCityCA

Reminders:

Luncheon Meals

Reservations must be made prior to 6 p.m. on the Monday of the week of a General Meeting by either:

- 1. Calling Kathy Mushinskie at 626-446-2012 and leave a message; or
- 2. Email us at: www.womanscluboftemplecity@gmail.com. Annette Costantino or Dawn Tarin will be collecting the information.
- \$13 Member (except for Christmas meal on December 12th when it will be \$14) this includes 1 raffle ticket / \$15 Non-Member

- There are no more standing reservations! All members must RSVP by Monday at 6:00 pm to Kathy Mushinskie
- **Prepaid Meals** This year we have provided the option of paying for both lunch and dinner meetings, or just lunch meetings. If you don't attend, it is considered a donation to the Club, sorry no refunds. Please contact Kathy Mushinskie for more info.

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.

SEE ATTACHED FLYERS





Members-We will be collecting school supplies! New Members or Interested Persons Welcome! \$10.00 Lunch Donation Please join us!

SATURDAY Sept. 21

STARTS 11:30 AM Conclusion 1:30 PM

6005 Sultana Avenue, Temple City

RSVP: debi@fofcsgv.org or rachel@fofcsgv.org

By 9/18/19





RELAY FOR LIFE OF TEMPLE CITY INVITES YOU TO A DINNER IN YOUR HONOR

Cancer Survivor & Caregiver Dinner Saturday October 5th 5:30 pm

Pass Along this Invitation to All Cancer Survivors & Caregivers

WOMAN'S CLUB HALL HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TEMPLE CITY 9704 WOODRUFF AVE., TEMPLE CITY







RSVP to Dawn Tarin by September 30th (626) 688-8009 | dawntarin@hotmail.com

www.RelayForLife.Org/TempleCityCA





Celebrate those who are fighting cancer.
Remember those who lost their battle.

Help raise funds for cancer research and

services in our community.

Relay for Life
Temple City
October 12th
9 am - 9 pm
Temple City Park

HELP US ATTACK CANCER IN OUR COMMUNITY

Beating cancer takes more than breakthrough research. It takes patient support like the American Cancer Society's 24/7 cancer help line and their rides to treatment. It takes education for prevention and early detection. But most of all, it takes YOU!

JOIN RELAY FOR LIFE OF TEMPLE CITY and help us fight cancer from every angle. Together We Can!

Everyone is Invited to Relay! Come Join the Fun!

> Questions? Email Janet Smith brasforacause16@gmail.com Kim Wunner kimwunner@yahoo.com

Donate & Learn More www.RelayForLife.org/TempleCityCA