Eagle Scout Demitri Rangel, member of Temple City’s Troop 169, created a drought tolerant display and demonstration garden at Oak Avenue Intermediate School as his Eagle Scout project.

Demitri, 15, was presented the Mother’s Pin, a miniature silver Marilyn Rangel, with the Eagle Scout award.

The rooms have received technology upgrades that include interactive displays that allow teachers and students to share work wirelessly from their personal device.

The modernization project at Longden Elementary has begun. “Each year in education affords us the opportunity for a new beginning,” Supt. Perini said. “The business of education is constantly evolving and changing and I am exceedingly proud of our staff and students, their willingness to move forward and focus on our shared desire to maximize opportunities for adults and students alike in the Temple City Unified School District.”

In April the TCUSD received accolades from the Educational Results Partnership (ERP) and the Campaign for Business and Education Excellence (CBEE) which selected six schools in the TCUSD to receive the title of 2016 Honor Roll School. The schools cited were Cloverly Elementary, La Rosa Elementary, Longden Elementary, Oak Avenue Intermediate, and Temple City High School.

Temple City High School also received the added distinction of being named a STEM Honor Roll School. STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) was able to analyze the average credit score of each town and city in the Pacific Region.

Temple City came in at No. 114. Congratulations to the residents of Temple City whose smart financial decisions contributed to this recognition.

The full report and methodology can be found at https://lendedu.com/blog/best-credit-scores-pacific-united-states.

As the final project toward earning the Eagle Scout award, Demitri Rangel built a water conservation awareness display at Temple City’s Oak Avenue Intermediate School. Demitri, 15, is a member of Troop 169, sponsored by San Gabriel Elks Lodge, and was presented the rank of Eagle Scout, Scouting’s highest rank, on July 3.

Temple City on list of top 250 communities with best average credit scores in Pacific region

According to a report from LendEDU that reviewed thousands of towns in the Pacific region, Temple City has one of the highest average credit scores, thus some of the most fiscally secure and responsible citizens.

The report listed the 250 communities in all of the Pacific Region with the best average credit scores, and Temple City made the list.

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Troop 169’s Demitri Rangel earns his Eagle Scout award

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The 1969 Dodge Charger was a muscle car of great popularity.

Fall Festival.

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25th Annual Car Show coming to Temple City Park

Oct. 14 event to feature more than 100 vehicles; registration now open for entries

Many of the area’s coolest vehicles will soon be on display at Temple City’s 25th annual Classic Car Show.

Scheduled for Oct. 14 from noon to 4 p.m., this year’s show at Temple City Park will be a stand-alone event, meaning it can now feature up to 125 vehicles.

In previous years, the car show was limited to 85 entries when it was held with the city’s Fall Festival.

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Legislature focuses on state housing crisis; proposals deal with supply, affordability, funding

Source: California Chamber of Commerce

According to the California Dept. of Housing and Community Development, the state must build at least 180,000 new housing units a year to keep pace with demand. With an existing backlog of approximately 2 million units from previous decades, home prices and rents are soaring.

This situation has placed many properties out of the “affordable” buyer’s market and has resulted in overcrowding, homelessness, substandard housing conditions for many individuals and an exodus of Californians to other states.

According to a recent study by the National Association of Home Builders, 15,000 buyers are priced out of the market for every $1,000 increase in the price of a California home.

Based on pending legislation, lawmakers are concentrating on things like local land use, funding affordable housing, or expedited permit processing. While the state places significant focus on funding, according to the Legislative Analyst’s Office report, it would have to raise upwards of $250 billion to subsidize itself out of the housing crisis – a feat that cannot be accomplished.

According to CalChamber’s Louinda V. Lacey, “Three potential key factors in addressing the housing crisis that do not appear to be getting much attention are the potential for Proposition 13 property tax and CEQA reform, and revival of some version of California's redevelopment agencies. "Although there is no silver bullet to tackle the

NetworkinG Breakfast

Enjoy a hot breakfast + hot beverage with Guest Speaker Maryann Marino who will share updates from Californians Against Lawsuit Abuse (CALA)

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Proposition 65 were passed with good intentions, but have become tools used by unscrupulous attorneys to extort small businesses through abusive lawsuits that can cost a business tens of thousands of dollars. Prop 65 has resulted in more than 16,000 lawsuits and more than $500 million in settlements since it was passed. With much of that money going directly into lawyers’ pockets, it’s obvious these lawsuits aren’t intended to protect the public, but to enrich the lawyers who file them.

"As we fight to stop lawsuit abuse in the state of California, there are also new proposals to"

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Grant writing seminar well attended

Guest instructor Michelle Freridge reviews points during the Chamber’s well attended informational seminar, Grant Writing for Dummies & Smarts, Aug. 23. Ms. Freridge is an Adjunct Professor at University of the West and Executive Director of the Asian Youth Center.

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American Legion
Open House & Pie Contest
Sept. 6, 7-9 p.m.
9522 Las Tunas Drive, Temple City

Chamber Board Meeting
Monday, Sept. 11, 12 noon, Chamber

Business Breakfast Mixer
Speaker: Maryann Marino CALA, Wed. Sept. 13, 7:30-9 a.m.
El Ruizenor Grill restaurant

Retirement Planning Seminar
Don’t Worry, Retire Happy: Retirement Strategies for Life
Joe Chia/New York Life
Sept. 16, 2 p.m.
Chamber Board Room
9050 Las Tunas Drive, Temple City

Electronic Waste Recycle Event
Sat/Sunday, Sept 16-17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Super A Foods Parking Lot
5595 Rosemead Blvd., Temple City

Family & Fitness Health Fair
Saturday, Sept. 23, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Live Oak Community Center.

Reserve space for free seminar on preparing for retirement, Sept. 16

A limited number of spaces remain for a free seminar by Chamber Board member Joe Chia who will address two of the greatest fears people have about retirement which are A) not having enough saved and B) running out of money.

The public is invited to attend Chia’s “Don’t Worry, Retire Happy: Retirement Strategies for Life” presentation at 2 p.m., Sept. 16 at the Temple City Chamber of Commerce. In this engaging and interactive presentation, you will learn:

• How to guarantee your retirement income for the rest of your life (no matter what the stock, bond or real estate markets do).
• How to maximize your social security benefits.
• The major risks to a successful retirement and how to mitigate them.
• Learn how to design your ideal retirement without stress and pressure so that you can work and retire on your own terms.

New York Life and the Temple City Chamber of Commerce are working together to provide a professional environment because three out of four people are not prepared for retirement. Fewer than 10 spaces are available, so please RSVP ASAP.

To reserve a space or for more information, phone the Chamber at 626-286-3101 or email info@templecitychamber.com. If you are unable to attend, you may request a one-on-one consultation with Joe Chia via his contact information: Joe Chia, jchia@newyorklife.com, 562-445-2018, New York Life Insurance Company, CA Ins Lic#: 0K05214.
State Assembly has board openings

Join Speaker Anthony Rendon’s Appointments Unit and Assembly member Ed Chau for an upcoming appointment seminar, at 5:30 p.m., Sept. 28, at the Service Club House, 440 So. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park. The Assembly member is seeking talented and qualified individuals to apply for important positions on state boards and commissions. Learn about the application process for being appointed to ensure the best opportunity at being selected. Appointments are an opportunity for civic engagement and a chance to enrich the lives of all Californians. This workshop is organized in partnership with The Governor’s Office, the League of California Cities API Caucus, and the City of Monterey Park. Refreshments will be served. For more information, phone 916-319-2063 or visit: https://speaker.asmdc.org/appointments/events.

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Legislature focuses on housing crisis

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housing crisis, the Legislature will need to consider all available supply to address the state's housing crisis—the stimulation of actual construction being of the utmost importance.” Ms. Lacey's summary of legislative proposals:

Local land use decisions

The reluctance of local governments to approve new housing projects is described as a “not in my backyard” (NIMBY) attitude by local governments, agencies and residents. Several bills have been introduced to make local governments accountable for meeting the state’s affordable housing need.

Two bills, SB 167 (Skinner; D-Berkeley) and AB 678 (Bocanegra; D-Pacoima), are both supported by the California Chamber of Commerce. These bills require a local agency to make relevant findings if it denies a housing development and imposes added penalties on local agencies that violate the Housing Accountability Act by failing to make appropriate findings.

Another CalChamber-supported bill, AB 943 (Santiago; D-Los Angeles), seeks to increase the vote required to pass an ordinance that would reduce density or stop development or construction of parcels located less than one mile from a major transit stop, in an effort to limit the NIMBY effect.

AB 1397 (Low; D-Campbell) further attempts to ensure that sites contained in a local government’s housing element can realistically be developed to meet the locality’s housing needs by requiring that such sites have sufficient infrastructure available to support housing development.

Funding affordable housing

Another focus is to provide funds for state subsidies to develop affordable housing. Two bills getting attention are:

• SB 2 (Atkins; D-San Diego), which sets up a permanent source of funding for affordable housing by creating a $75 recording fee on real estate transactions, with a $225 ceiling; and
• SB 3 (Beall; D-San Jose), a $3 billion housing bond that would go on the 2018 ballot.

The CalChamber has not taken a position on either of these bills (SB 2 and SB3) and it is unclear whether the administration has an appetite for a bond that would affect the general fund.

Other proposed funding methods include taxes and have been identified as job killers. Both these tax bills have not yet moved through the legislative process:

• ACA 4 (Aguilar-Curry; D-Winters) gives local governments the authority to enact special taxes.
• ACA 11 (Caballero; D-Salinas) exposes the retail industry to increased taxes by imposing a quarter-cent sales tax increase in addition to a quarter-cent excise tax to fund affordable housing.

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Play Smarter Basketball Classes

Best year-round weekend coed basketball classes in the San Gabriel Valley

Coach Richard Marquis of the Play Smarter Basketball Class Program has traveled throughout Mainland China with parents and students of his Play Smarter International Basketball Camp.

FRIDAY NIGHT CLASS

From 6 – 8 p.m.
TC Nazarene ICON Church
9533 Las Tunas Drive
Temple City

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People's Choice, Mayor's Pick, Best of Show and Best Featured Vehicle.

Open to the public, the free event also includes live entertainment by '60s British Invasion tribute band My Generation and Temple City’s Got Talent winner Krysti Chavez. Kids activities, crafters and BBQ lunch by Jake’s Roadhouse will round out the afternoon. Pre-sale lunch tickets can be purchased at Live Oak Park Annex for $12.

Exhibitors can pre-register their cars for $30 by Oct. 12, day-of-registration will be $40, space permitting. All who register will receive lunch, an event T-shirt, dash plaque, event sticker and a raffle ticket.

For more information, phone Debbie Ingram at 626-656-7322 or visit online at www.templecity.us.
Palladium Technical Academy helps students pursue career in healthcare

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Public invited to free 2017 Family and Fitness Health Fair

U.S. Rep. Judy Chu will host a Family & Fitness Health Fair from 1-5 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 23, at the Live Oak Park Community Center. The public is invited to attend this free event and enjoy activities like checkups and demonstrations from a wide variety of exhibitors.

Lower Azusa road medians to get facelift from city

The work is being performed by EcoTech Services, Inc. under a grant from California American Water Company. EcoTech is a locally-licensed landscape contractor that specializes in the installation of drought-tolerant landscaping. The project is tentatively scheduled for completion this fall. – City Manager Report, 8/18/2017

Palladium Technical Academy

Palladium Technical Academy has been assisting the community in helping students pursue careers in the healthcare industry. Palladium Technical Academy assists in training students for careers as a medical assistant, medical billing specialist, dental assistant or phlebotomist. The academy can assist with learning new technology and/or coding that has changed in recent years.

Healthcare training can be completed in as little as eight months. Financial aid is available for those who qualify. Affordable payments will start six months after a student has completed training and is working.

For more information on how to get back on track into the healthcare field, phone Maria at 626-444-0880 or visit the school campus located at: 10229 Lower Azusa Rd., Temple City.

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Making Dentistry Fun

By Jack Von Bulow, D.D.S.

Jack Von Bulow, DDS, was named Top Dentist by Pasadena Magazine (2011-2013). Temple City Dental Care is located at 9929 E. Las Tunas Drive, Temple City, CA 91780. Phone him at 626-285-3161 or visit his Web site at www.templecitydental.com

Relaxing 101

So I thought it would be really hard writing about relaxation and thinking about BMW Financial all at the same time.

Of course, for starters, all I did to clear my mind was close my eyes and slowly breathe in through my nose and slowly breathe out through my mouth Mr. Miyagi style.

I relaxed more deeply with every breath. And so what if BMW was charging me for two cars while I was in possession of only one?

Back in Late Disco when I arrived in Temple City, our schedule had tons of flexibility. Sometimes we added some famous figures (living and dead) just to fill the spaces. I’d use my basic dental school hypnotherapy skills to help nervous patients relax.

I still use waking-state suggestion to help patients who tend to gag. I also use my voice, my patient’s name, reassuring words, and repetition (along with plenty of humor) to help friends and family tolerate stuff like local anesthetic injections, that noise (I know you know which one), and the length of time spent in a dental chair.

But mostly, my early training has helped me become a better listener. Our goal has always been helping the people we serve to have a better chance at becoming their own best health care advocate.

And I’ve always thought hypnosis was just this side of the Holy Grail when it comes to awesome things seldom seen in dentistry. The whole concept of helping someone to be totally in control...and present...and relaxed without drugs or side effects, to me, is about as good as it gets...and way more often than not, hypnosis isn’t even necessary.

If you’re part of that 50% of Americans who don’t see a dentist on a regular basis and fear or frustration keeps you away, there might be a solution that begins with only a friendly conversation.

Temple City Day at the Fair

Temple City will be participating in Community Days at the Los Angeles County Fair on Sept. 21. Residents can pick up at any City facility a discount coupon for $8 admission ($8 admission good only on Sept. 21). For those wanting to skip the drive, the City is also offering an excursion to the Fair on Sept. 21 which includes transportation and admission for $18.

11 Critical Home Inspection Traps to be Aware of Weeks Before Listing Your Home for Sale

According to industry experts, there are over 33 physical problems that will come under scrutiny during a home inspection when your home is for sale. A new report has been prepared which identifies the 11 most common problems and what you should know about them before you list your home for sale.

Whether you own an old home or a brand new one, there are a number of things that can fall short of requirements during a home inspection. If not identified and dealt with, any of these 11 items could cost you dearly in terms of repair. That’s why it’s critical that you read this report before you list your home. If you wait until the building inspector flags these issues for you, you will almost certainly experience costly delays in the close of your home sale or, worse, turn prospective buyers away altogether.

In most cases, you can make a reasonable pre-inspection yourself if you know what you’re looking for, and knowing what you’re looking for can help you prevent little problems from growing into costly and unmanageable ones.

To help homeowners deal with this issue before their homes are listed, a free report entitled “11 Things You Need to Know to Pass Your Home Inspection” has been compiled which explains the issues involved. To order a FREE Special Report, call toll-free 1-888-300-4632 and enter 3003. You can call any time, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Get your free special report NOW to learn how to ensure a home inspection doesn’t cost you the sale of your home.

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Pros and cons of robo-advisors

Dear Emmy: what exactly is a robo-advisor and are they any good?

Robo-advisors are online software companies that provide investment portfolio creation and maintenance services. Customers first complete an objectives and risk-tolerance questionnaire, then a proprietary algorithm uses that information to construct an investment strategy.

The software is designed by security industry professionals, but each individual financial decision is automated and follows pre-programmed portfolio models.

Robo-advisors can benefit someone who doesn’t wish to retain a dedicated financial planner.

They’re useful for people who have a do-it-yourself attitude but don’t actually want to select investments, participate in rebalancing or make other decisions themselves.

Robo-advisors have their advantages. They generally offer lower minimum investment thresholds and the cost of accessing the software is usually less than hiring a professional person.

For younger investors who are beginning to build their retirement nest egg and are saving for a long-term goal, a robo-advisor can be a cost efficient way to get started.

However, algorithms won’t always recognize important changes in your family life or work world, or recognize if your financial priorities shift.

As retirement nears and the accumulation phase makes way for the distribution phase, every investment portfolio will require a higher degree of oversight.

Investors who need to coordinate company benefit packages or 401(k)s with other individual accounts, or who need a customized approach for tax and estate planning, may find shortcomings in a software-based solution.

A robo-advisor is not a financial planner. As a consumer, you must determine the extent of service you require.

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Emmy Hernandez is an attorney and a financial advisor helping clients in the San Gabriel Valley grow and protect their wealth.

Questions for Emmy can be submitted to emmy.hernandez@uniplan.com.

She can also be reached at 626-943-8833. Visit her Web site at www.ehfinancial.com.
Congratulations to Lily Wei, 12, whose original work “I Admire Most” (shown left) won first place in the America-China International Youth Painting Competition.

On the right, Lily shows her award winning painting accompanied by her instructor, award-winning artist Min W of the Min W Fine Art School, 9908 Las Tunas Drive, Temple City. For information on enrolling your young artists with Min W, phone 626-348-9912.

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation awards 150 $20,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors every year. This highly selective award recognizes socially conscious, service-minded students who have made positive impacts in their schools and communities.

SNAPSHOT OF SEMIFINALISTS | Over the last several application cycles, 70% of Semifinalists have reported a race or ethnicity other than white or Caucasian. Below are some additional highlights of recent Semifinalists:

Involvement and Leadership
- 100% held leadership roles in their schools or communities
- Semifinalists volunteered an average of 170 hours a year
- 42% worked part-time
- 56% were involved in music (band, orchestra, symphony, choir, etc.)
- 51% were involved in dance, drama, or theater
- 28% were involved in the visual arts
- 83% participated in at least one sport ranging from golf and track & field to dragon boat racing and trampoline

Academic Achievements
- 86% took at least one A in a class
- 14% took at least one I.B. class
- Of Schools Reporting Final Rank of 24 were ranked #1
- Average ranking was top 4%
- Nearly all were top 20%

School Type
- 90% public
- 9% private
- 2% parochial
- 2% homeschool, other

School Size
- 29% 2000+
- 19% 1000-1999
- 10% 500-999
- 18% <500

Class Size
- 44% 300+
- 23% 200-299
- 12% 100-199
- 21% <100

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation

Apply until October 31 at bit.ly/CokeScholarsApply

The Coca-Cola Scholars Selection Process

PHASE 1 | Applications are due online by 5 pm EST, October 31. Eligibility criteria can be found at bit.ly/CokeScholarsApply.

PHASE 2 | From the large pool of initial applicants, selected Semifinalists are invited in November to submit a second-round application with essays, recommendations, and a transcript due online by the end of the year.

INTERVIEWS | After all Semifinalists applications are reviewed, a small number of Regional Finalists are invited in January to participate in final selection interviews, held in February.

FINAL SELECTION | Regional Finalists are notified of their status after all interviews conclude; and new Scholars are invited to attend Coca-Cola Scholars Weekend later in the spring.

SCHOLAR SPOTLIGHT

Dahlotta Brown (2016) is the youngest appointee ever to be a White House administrative post (National Advisory Council on Indian Education).

I Admire Most

TCHS students visiting Hawkesbury, Australia, express gratitude for trip down under

“Elyse Cuevas (above with a koala) and Robert Hernandez, Temple City High School students visiting Sister City Hawkesbury, Australia, under the aegis of the Temple City Sister Cities Association were thrilled to start their final week with a beautiful, scenic walk along Australia’s iconic, Bondi Beach where they enjoyed the breathtaking view of crystal clear waters and unique rock formations. The students perused local boutiques and restaurants along the beach, soaking up the sun and culture. The girls spent most of their time collecting seashells while the boys went shopping.

The next day found them visiting South Windsor Public School classrooms where they answered a wide range of questions from what type of food they ate to how American corigs differed from Australian ones. A highlight of their visit was a performance by their dance crew, which students described as “absolutely spectacular.” Following the performance, the students ended the day with afternoon tea served with group favorite snacks like Tim Tams and Anzac biscuits during which they mingled with school staff.

But the event they enjoyed most was their excursion later that day to Featherdale Wildlife Park, an animal sanctuary in Doonside. The students enjoyed cuddling with cute koalas, whose fur was incredibly soft, and feeding kangaroos from their hands.

With the end of their visit soon approaching, the students’ feelings were best expressed by group members Ms. Cuevas and Mr. Hernandez who wrote, “we cannot emphasize enough how thankful we are to be able to go on this trip. It has been such an amazing experience and each one of us has been able to make lifelong memories as well as friendships across the world.”

Questions? scholars@coca-cola.com | @CokeScholars
Troop 169’s Demitri Rangel earns his Eagle Scout award

ACHIEVEMENT CELEBRATED AT COURT OF HONOR, JULY 3, 2017

His steady, persistent progress through the ranks to achieve this prestigious award demonstrates his determination to prepare himself for a meaningful, productive role in society.

Demitri earned 31 merit badges on the way to becoming an Eagle Scout. A merit badge represents an individual self-initiated learning experience that Scouts must undertake and achieve a tested skill and proficiency. Subjects range from citizenship, outdoor camping and life saving to electives such as photography, electricity and even types of farming.

One skill that is especially important is First Aid. Demitri cited that skill and merit badge as one of the best experiences he has gained in Scouting: “I feel prepared — it allows me to use this skill to help others in need during an emergency.”

Demitri’s exemplary performance in Scouting will serve as a beacon to those Scouts who follow him. Congratulations to Demitri Rangel for adding Eagle Scout to his life’s résumé.

Special congratulations go to the Elk’s Lodge, Troop 169 and active parents like Marilyn Rangel for their assistance in making Scouting available and effective for raising boys into young men.

Sonshine House Preschool Children enjoy summer events

Chamber member First Lutheran Church (FLC) and Sonshine House Preschool enjoyed a busy summer full of fun activities such as a visit from Temple City Fire Station 47, entertainment from the Franklin Hayes Marionettes and Aloha Princess with Queen Elsa from “Frozen” and the San Gabriel Vector and Mosquito Unit. With each visit the students learned about safety, sang songs from their favorite movie Frozen, and explored the many types of insects that live in the neighborhood.

Perhaps the Sonshine Preschool children’s favorite visit was the petting zoo where they met rabbits, chickens, ducks, a pig, a goat and an alpaca that loved to give kisses. The students petted, fed and groomed their new furry friends during their one hour visit.

Sonshine House Preschool closed out their awesome summer with a reptile petting zoo.

To learn more about the school’s programs, stop by FLC and Sonshine House Preschool at 9141 Broadway. They are open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Historical Society resumes regular meetings starting Sunday, Sept. 17

After a glorious summer enjoying the Concerts in the Park from their booth of information and snacks, the Historical Society will once again host regular meetings starting Sunday, Sept. 17.

The public is invited to attend and learn more about club members’ activities and the museum itself which will be open from 12 noon until 2:30 p.m., followed by light refreshments and the General Meeting at 3 p.m.

A short business meeting is scheduled to discuss items of interest for members. New artifacts in the Museum will also be available in October.

The Sunday meeting takes place in the Museum Hall, 9704 Woodruff Ave. Phone the office at 626 451-0833 and leave a message for more information.

Donations are always welcome and membership is available. Single membership is $10 and family membership is $20. Business membership is $25. Send membership request to: Historical Society of Temple City, P.O. Box 1379, Temple City 91780.

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Square dancing clubs now teaching square dancing in Temple City

Make friends as you enjoy exercise, camaraderie and fun while square dancing. Two groups in Temple City are looking for new dancing partners starting in September. The first lesson is free. No Partner is needed and families are welcome.

Modern Square Dancing sponsored by the San Gabriel Valley B’N B’s Club is offered from 7-9 p.m., Sundays, Sept. 10, 17, or 24, at Community of Christ Church, 9468 Broadway, Temple City. New dancers will be accepted during the first three weeks.

The first lesson is free and $6 per lesson after that. The instructor/caller is Phil Farmer. For more information, phone Randy and Pat at 626-358-6485.

Temple City Library announces September programs, activities

A Year of Girl Empowerment: Milk-T Boba Visit. Tuesday, Sept. 5; 4:30-5:30 p.m. For grades 3-12, this is an educational, year-long program series supported in part with funds received from the Pasadena Tournament of Roses® Foundation. Phone the library for more details.

September Programs for Children and Families:
- Every Monday, except Sept. 4: Playtime (Ages 0-12), 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Every Wednesday: Toddler Storytime (Ages 18-36 months), 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- Mondays, Sept. 18 & 25: Baby Storytime (Ages 0-18 months), 10:10 a.m.-10:40 a.m. & 10:40-11 a.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 2: Library Card Sign-Up Month Celebration (For Families), 12:30-1:30 p.m.
- Thursdays, Sept. 7 & 21: Bookmark Contest Draw-a-Thon (Grades K-12), 3:30-5 p.m. Get a Free Book
- Saturday, Sept. 9: Teddy Bear Book Party (For Families), 2-3 p.m.
- Monday, Sept. 11: Paint Night for Kids (Ages 7-12), 6-7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Sept. 14: Bingo for Books (For Families), 4-5 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 16: Hands-On Science Fun (Ages 6-12), 2-3 p.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 20: Beginning Reader Book Club (Ages K-2), 4:30-5:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 23: Fiesta in Mexico (For Families), 2-3 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 26: “Sign-Up is Required” Crazy 4s Math Club (Grades K-2), 4:30-5:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Sept. 28: Cookie Decorating (Ages 6-12), 4-5 p.m.
Blue Star families thank community for support during summer concerts

Blue Star Families of Temple City offer a million thanks to the loyal supporters who scooped, spooned, set up and cashiered at the weekly events. The Blue Star Families program is a success because of the generosity of loyal supporters and the countless donated hours of volunteers.

The purpose of Blue Star Families of Temple City is to publicly recognize currently serving military by hanging banners throughout the city, provide tokens of comfort for overseas troops from Temple City, and host events where veterans, families and friends can enjoy patriotism, recognition and celebrate American exceptionalism. This year Blue Star celebrates 13 years of service. Sharon Johnson, director of the Blue Star program has reported that she received a call from a Phoenix, AZ resident who was visiting our city and inquired about our Blue Star program.

A happy and loyal customer, right, at the Blue Star table at Concerts in the Park is greeted by Blue Star volunteers. From left up front are Harry Kangus, Jeanette Kangus, Patricia Hendrix, Betty Marston and Sharon Johnson. In the back from left are Bob Marston, Mick Mistretta, and Darrell Beaman.

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"Today, our classrooms are a departure from traditional notions of a static learning environment - they are dynamic, created and designed to support an array of instructional practices and to prepare students for the demands of an evolving and globalized economy," Supt. Perini said.

To build on these achievements in 2017-18, the District welcomes four new principals and one assistant principal: Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center's new principal is Bob Westgate; Oak Avenue Intermediate School's new principal is Jamie Millan; Longden Elementary's new principal is Dr. Natasha Neumann, and new assistant principal is Aaron Chang; and Emperor Elementary's new principal is Dr. Linda Chang.

Up and running with current and new information for the public is the recently established Web site www.tcusd.net.
Public invited to housing solutions forum at First United Methodist Church, Sept. 30

The public is invited to a free community forum on housing solutions to end homelessness, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sept. 30, at the First United Methodist Church of Temple City, 9597 Golden West Ave.

Presented by the First United Methodist Church of Temple City, “One Day Housing Justice Institute: Our Story, God’s Story and the US/City Story” will feature presentations from facilitators Dr. Jill Shook, Maegan Pearson, Interim Housing director for Abode Communities, Annie Fox, LA Voice, and Dan Davidson, pastor of Rose City Church.

Topics will include: Housing from a faith perspective, best practices for ending homelessness, engaging with your city and community, exploring housing solutions, practical steps for housing development.

For more information or to reserve a seat, send an email to info@templecityumc.org, or phone 626-286-3129.

St. Luke Church offers bereavement program

St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Community in Temple City will offer an eight-week bereavement support program in English beginning Thursday, Sept. 7, for those who have lost someone dear. The program is open to all faiths, non-threatening, loving and caring.

The two-hour sessions will be at 7 p.m., every Thursday during the eight-week program, in the Parish Resource Center (located in the Rectory), 9451 Broadway, Temple City.

Cost is $12 for the workbook. The program is sponsored by the parish’s Bereavement Ministry.

For more information, phone the Pastoral Office at 626-291-5900 or visit www.stluketemplecity.org.

Temple City resident Helen Metz celebrates 80th birthday

Temple City Council member Tom Chavez joined 80 friends and family of Temple City resident Helen Metz at a Hawaiian Luau themed birthday bash at the Victory Jesus Church. Against a stunning island backdrop of three waterfalls constructed by Bob Nelson of Custom Rock Creations, the Councilmember presented a special certificate of recognition to Ms. Metz, a 60-year resident of the city, as guests enjoyed colorful hula dancers and a feast of ribs and other tasty foods.

Maranatha Church of the Nazarene invites public to Fun in the Park activities every second Saturday

The Maranatha Church of the Nazarene is presenting and year of free Fun In The Park events starting Sept. 9, in Temple City Park. Enjoy singing, storytelling, and arts and crafts every second Saturday. For more information, follow the church at www.facebook.com/MaranathaLAX. The events start at 10 a.m.

The different craft themes offered over the next year are:

- Sept. 9, 2017 – Mid-Autumn Festival
- Oct. 14, 2017 – Harvest Festival
- Nov. 11, 2017 – Thanksgiving
- Dec. 9, 2017 – Christmas
- Jan. 13, 2018 – New Year
- Feb. 10, 2018 – Chinese Valentine
- March 10, 2018 – Easter
- April 15, 2018 – Spring
- May 12, 2018 – Mother’s Day
- June 9, 2018 – Father’s Day
- July 7, 2018 – 4th of July
- Aug. 11, 2018 – Back to School
- Sept. 8, 2018 – Labor Day
- Oct. 6, 2018 – Halloween
- Nov. 3, 2018 – Thanksgiving
- Dec. 1, 2018 – Christmas
- Jan. 5, 2019 – New Year
- Feb. 2, 2019 – Valentine
- March 2, 2019 – Spring
- April 6, 2019 – Easter
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93rd Annual Awards Gala &
Installation of Incoming Board of Directors
Wednesday, October 18th
7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Xiang Yuan Gourmet
9556 Las Tunas Drive, Temple City
Tickets: $60 (by Oct. 9th) / $70 at door (subject to availability)

Join us as we celebrate this year’s honorees:
Outstanding Restaurant: The Hat
Outstanding Small Business: San Marino Security
Outstanding Professional: Aaron Vuong / State Farm
Outstanding Business Beautiful: 986 Pharmacy
Outstanding Community Leader: Dawn Tarin
Outstanding Contribution to the City: Temple City High School

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