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2015 AAEDE Scholarship Opportunity
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• Must be a Graduating High School Senior from one of the nine eligible SCHOOL DISTRICTS and/or two HIGH SCHOOLS listed:
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• Cumulative high school unweighted GPA (out of a 4.0 scale) must be 3.0 and above.
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There will be three (3) awards of $500 each and three (3) awards of $1000 each. A total of six (6) scholarship awards will be offered.

Requirements:
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• Please provide an essay (in 500 words or fewer).
• Provide 1 Letter of Recommendation along with the recommendation form completed by the recommender.
• Provide an official sealed copy of your high school transcript.

Application Deadline: Friday, June 12, 2015 @ 5:00 p.m.
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***All forms may be downloaded online from www.aaede.org***
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As Senator Hernandez posted on Facebook, "Of all the things I do as a Senator, honoring individuals in my district is by far my favorite thing to do. Congrats, once again to the 22nd Senate District’s 2015 Women of Achievement Honorees!"

The significance of these well-deserved recognitions of both Councilmember Cynthia Sternquist and resident Cynthia Vance was underscored by Rep. Chu in her remarks to Ms. Sternquist and her fellow honorees, “You are all incredible role models of the importance and value of female leadership in today’s world, and it is my distinct honor to be able to recognize each and every one of you today.”

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ATTENDING A LUNCHEON SPONSORED BY U.S. Rep Judy Chu to honor Temple City Councilmember Cynthia Sternquist and 13 other women were (l-r) Helen Chen Marston, Greg Sternquist, honoree Ms. Sternquist, City Manager Bryan Cook, Cynthia Vance, and City Councilmember Nanette Fish. Photo by Peter Choi.

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Discover China in 2015

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Tiananmen Square, the fourth largest in the world, and the Forbidden City, home of 24 Emperors, who Academy Award-winning director Bernardo Bertolucci shot “The Last Emperor.” Our Beijing stay concluded with a gourmet Peking Roast Duck dinner.

Day 5. We flew to Shanghai and boarded our new bus to the lovely city of Suzhou, the Venice of China, where highlights included beautiful Tiger Hill and a boat ride through the canals. I was getting spoiled by the fabulous hotel rooms and enjoyed a social evening with my fellow travelers in our Suzhou hotel lounge.

Day 6. After a visit to the centuries-old Lingering Garden, we took the bus to Hangzhou.

Day 7. A boat ride on West Lake. A visit to a Green Tea plantation. The ancient Lingyin Temple, home to the largest indoor Buddha. We then headed to Shanghai, the New York City of China, and checked in for the night.

Day 8. We toured Shanghai sights like the Bund before ending with a few hours shopping time at the Yu Gardens.

Day 9. What’s it over? Too soon. Our afternoon flight departed at 1 p.m. and we arrived in Los Angeles on the same day.

The above is just a brief capsule of highlights. There were many other stops at historic sites and opportunities to shop. Our tour guides Bryan (Beijing) and David (Shanghai) were super pleasant and informative. The hotels were fantastic and the breakfasts in particular were a great way to start your day.

To learn more about joining the China Tour

To see highlights from the Discover China tour visit the Chamber’s Web site at www.templecitychamber.com to view a short seven-minute video.

For more information on the trip itself, contact our Chamber office at 626-286-3101 or e-mail info@templecitychamber.com.

Temple City Chamber of Commerce

An organization working to build the community through its businesses and residents

Our Mission Statement

The Temple City Chamber of Commerce sets the standard for excellence in member services, community collaboration, business growth, networking and achieving a high quality of life in Temple City. We exist to be a clear and persuasive voice in providing advocacy, promotional and benefit solutions for our members.

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Chamber May Calendar

Monday, May 11, 12 noon to 1 p.m., Chamber Board meeting, Chamber Boardroom.

Wednesday, May 13, 12 noon to 1:30 p.m., Eat & Meet Lunch Mixer, CHUAN’S Restaurant, 5807 Rosemead Blvd., Temple City.

Tuesday, May 19, 12 noon to 1 p.m., Constant Contact Seminar, Chamber Boardroom, 9050 Las Tunas Drive.

Wednesday, May 20, 12 noon to 1 p.m., Author Michael Rooni, Communication Seminar, Chamber Boardroom, 9050 Las Tunas Drive.

Wednesday, May 20, submission deadline for Temple City Life.

Thursday, May 21, 12:30 p.m., Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting, Oasis Trilingual School.

Saturday, May 30, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Youth Career Fair, 9228 Las Tunas Drive, Temple City.

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Businesses in Temple City and vicinity. Articles submitted in providing advocacy, promotional and benefit solutions for business growth, networking and achieving a high quality of life in Temple City and the many community groups and service organisations in our city.

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Free long-term care seminar on May 9

The Temple City Chamber of Commerce invites the public to attend a free seminar on how to plan financially for the possibility of long-term medical care. The seminar will focus on how to plan for the future by making a clear plan and understanding what is covered and what is not in Medicare and Medicaid. It is important to clearly understand what is and isn’t covered by Medicare and Medicaid. 

To make a reservation, phone 626-386-8323.

Chamber Mixer hears about Relay for Life

Chamber Vice Chair Ed Chen formally welcomed new member Cindy Vance during the April Lunch Mixer in the Chamber Boardroom. The event was moved due to a power outage impacting the restaurant location, but the Chamber will return to Chuan’s restaurant for its May 13 Eat & Meet Lunch Networking Mixer. (See flyer Page 4.) Standing L-R: President Peter Choi, Past Chair Rita Padilla, Mr. Chen, Ms. Vance, and Board Secretary Gabriel Lynn. Photo by Phuong Mac.

Free e-mail Marketing seminar on May 19

The Temple City Chamber of Commerce invites the public to attend a free seminar hosted by Merri Jill Finstrom, Chief Creative Officer for HUTdogs and an Authorized Local Expert for Constant Contact, on how to use Constant Contact and build your business using e-mail marketing. Bring your questions. The seminar will be from 12 noon-1 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce boardroom located at 9050 Las Tunas Drive, Temple City, CA 91780. For more information, contact the Chamber at 626-286-3101 or info@templecitychamber.com.
Family Appreciation Day

When I meet a new patient, I ask permission to see them in the context of family. And... I always add, “In spite of the Von Bulow tag, 90% of my relatives are Sicilian; they’re bent on revenge and the Von Bulow tag, 90% of my relatives family. And since my own family now consists of me and an amazing network of cousins, I’m super-receptive to adoption. If you didn’t know about cousin adoption, we’ve been doing it around here ever since I first smiled at a name on our schedule. And in spite of some unfortunate training, I’ve yet to discover a great way to accept deaths in the family. USC Trojan grad Cousin Herman and wife Beatriz will always be two of my all-time favorite people. Not only did we agree on everything, Herman and I were both part of that elite 1% of the Trojan family wise enough to call ourselves liberal Democrats (so is former USC Head Football Coach Pete Carroll.)

When frustrations that come along with owning a small service business get me feeling down, all I need to do is bring up Herman’s and Beatriz’ image. Then it’s easy understanding why the opportunity to serve people who make dignity and class contagious is a blessing. And blessings don’t come along with price tags, taxes, or insurance; they’re priceless.

I know deaths in the family leave us with an emptiness that will remain unfilled. But oh the joy of precious opportunities and friendships unfilled. Herman, we’ll miss you forever. But in the spirit of my Sicilian heritage, we’ll never forget.
Will a revocable trust make your life too complicated?

The simple answer is no. Most trusts drafted by estate planning attorneys are amendable and revocable. The main idea behind a trust is protection. A trust protects your beneficiaries in a variety of ways. First, a trust allows you to leave your assets to the people you choose in the manner you desire. For instance, you can specify that your underage child will not inherit until age 30 to protect him or her from blowing his or her inheritance the second he or she turns 18 years old.

Second, a trust protects beneficiaries from the long and costly probate court process. Without a trust, in many cases, your beneficiaries will be stuck in the expensive probate court process for approximately a year, at a minimum, to transfer title of real property. However, once a trust is drafted, will you be stuck going back to the drafting attorney and paying expensive fees for each minor change? Again, the answer is no. Changing accounts and property is relatively simple. Buying a new property? Simply buy the property in the name of your trust and sign all documents as “trustee.”

Switching banks? Simply name the trust as the beneficiary of each account - or open the new account in the name of the trust. Switching a beneficiary? Like many estate planning attorneys, I include blank amendments with my estate plans that will allow you to make simple changes without paying attorney fees. Although drafting is a complicated process for the attorney, a trust actually takes little to no additional effort from the client. My clients are happily surprised how simple a trust actually is.

For more information, please contact Tony at 5703 Temple City Boulevard, 626-285-7033, or e-mail him at tyre@tyrelawgroup.com.

Tax Court: IRS can only allow one IRA rollover in a 365-day period

Q. Emmy, I have three small IRAs that I’d like to combine and rollover into a new IRA. Is this still legal?

A. No, it isn’t. Until recently, combining several IRAs into a single, newly established IRA was fairly common practice. The IRS has long held a “once-per-year” rollover rule. But due to vague wording, this rule was rarely enforced. The situation has changed.

In January 2014, the Federal Tax Court determined that the IRS can only allow one IRA rollover over a 365-day period. Earnest enforcement of this ruling began in January.

What you propose would constitute three rollover transactions. The first would be perfectly acceptable and tax free. The following two transfers, if completed within 365 days, could be a transaction and possibly IRS penalties.

There are five exceptions to this rule:

1. Conversions from a traditional IRA to a Roth IRA
2. IRA rollovers to and from company retirement plans such as 401(k)s
3. IRA first-time home buyer distributions when the home purchase is delayed or cancelled
4. Qualified distributions for military reservists that are paid on time
5. IRA-to-IRA or Roth IRA-to-Roth IRA direct transfers

In addition, there is a temporary transition rule for 2015. Currently, an additional IRA rollover may be completed within the 365-day blackout period under one circumstance only. The present distribution must not originate from either of the IRA accounts that participated in the previous rollover in 2014.

With these exceptions, you may be able to achieve your stated goal. The path you take will be a narrow one. Please seek the assistance of a financial professional before moving forward.

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Money at Work

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@ehfinancial.com. She can also be reached at 626-945-8833. Visit her Web site at www.ehfinancial.com.

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Learning to play basketball at your best

The popular local youth basketball development Play Smarter Class Program is anything but local.

For the past 10 years, 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.

The participating boys and girls learn fundamentals of the game of basketball from the outstanding coaching staff as they compete throughout Mainland China, from one end to the other, while seeing China at its best.

The “Play Smarter” International and Local Basketball Camps and Classes were founded by Coach Richard Marquis more than 40 years ago. These camps have been called the best youth training basketball camps and classes held throughout the West Coasts and around the world by such publications as the Sporting News.

For the last nine summers Coach Marquis and his coaching staff have conducted these camps and competitions across Mainland China.

Rely on Rita: What sellers should know about CMAs

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section filled in by the listing agent. There you might find “great views” or “mountain views.” But who is to say what makes a great view?

When you are looking at properties that sold, you can also learn how long the property took to sell. This is where a Realtor who is a neighborhood specialist can be invaluable. He or she may have seen these homes while they were being marketed and can tell you if they were in condition similar to yours.

One thing a CMA cannot tell you is why a seller agreed to take less for their home or why a buyer paid over market for another home. Family problems (divorce), corporate relocations, and other reasons all play a role.

If the sale was extremely quick, the seller could have been highly motivated to take the first offer. If it did not sell quickly, the seller may have overpriced the home.

For these reasons, CMA’s are not exact home valuations. They are simply tools to be used alongside your real estate professional’s knowledge of the market. Your real estate professional will suggest a strategy for you based on the CMA, but the asking price will be up to you. Last, a CMA is only as good as the most current information. Ask your real estate professional to keep you abreast of the market with fresh “solds and new listings” information.
Joanna Hua

Jessica Wu

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Anita Velazquez

Joanna Hua, 17, is a junior at Temple City High School and very active within the school community. She is the founder and president of the Giving Back Club and is a participant of the Model United Nations club, winning honorable mention at the UCLA competition.

She is academically driven and attends courses that spark her interest during the summer, including the Florida Forensics Institute on full scholarship, Bellis Music Camp, JSA institutes at both UCLA and Princeton, and most recently accepting to internships at both Stanford and the Bank of America.

She enjoys debate as well as the National Junior Forensics League Public Forum Debate Champion in 2012. She is also a part of the swim team, pit orchestra, and Junior Class Council Recognition Committee. She plans to have a career that can impact others for the better; some options include a psychiatrist, pediatrician.

Outside of school, Joanna is a Junior Volunteer Leader at the Methodist Hospital of Arcadia. She is a Girl Scout Ambassador and was selected to be an Emerging Leader and Girl Scout Representative for the better; some options include a psychiatrist, pediatrician.

Her hobbies include performing arts, basketball, and giving back to the community, particularly to the youth of her neighborhood. She is enthusiastic about singing and performing and has been a member of the Temple City High School Birghter Sideingers since 2013 and various other chooral groups prior to that.

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Her mission statement and goal in life is to live an inspiring life and have a positive impact on her community and everyone she comes in contact with. Her career aspirations include becoming an elementary school teacher, which will put her in a position to create opportunities to empower youth through athletic and performing arts programs. What she hopes to achieve through becoming a Miss Temple City contestant is to gain invaluable experience in public speaking, community service, and becoming a leader in her community.

Jessica Wu

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Kayla Gan

Kayla Gan is a 16-year-old junior attending Temple City High School. Throughout her freshman and sophomore year she was a member in TCHS Auxiliaries. During her two years she performed in two field shows, her dance concerts, many parades and scholarship competitions, and at Disneyland.

In her sophomore field show, titled Jazz It Up, she was given the honor to be a soloist. During her sophomore year she was also filled a squad leader where she grew in her leadership skills. Kayla is currently a member of TCHS Choros. She is also a three-year member of TCHS’s stage crew and film class, Dragonflights. Throughout her three years she has been a part of several productions including the musicals, The King and I, Beauty and the Beast, and 42nd Street.

Kayla enjoys traveling and creating videos of her adventures. Through these videos she captures memories and produces a work of art for others to enjoy. She also likes to spend her free time writing. With her passion for writing, she would like to someday pursue a career in journalism. Alongside writing, she likes reading to transport herself into different lives of fantasy and wonder. Kayla also loves the serenity she finds outdoors in hikes or simply walking her dog. With her frequent cravings for sweets, she enjoys baking, but mostly the eating part of the process. Kayla has volunteered with Temple City’s Relay for Life and California Philharmonic’s summer concerts.

Maria Manjarrez

Maria Manjarrez, a junior attending Temple City High School, enjoys performing with her fellow Variety Cheer teammates and also enjoys being a Peer Lider (a trained group of individuals who foster emotional well-being on campus.)

Maria is also president of the RAMS World Culture’s Club, a club that promotes the beautiful languages, cultures, and philosophies from all around the globe. She is fluent in Spanish and English, and is currently studying her third year of French. Maria is a member of JSA and loves debating with her peers. She enjoys volunteering and serving her community in any way possible.

When Maria is not studying or volunteering, she spends her time reading thrillers and mysteries, especially by Dan Brown.

The art of photography also fascinates her so she would like to someday pursue a career in photography. Through these videos she captures memories and produces a work of art for others to enjoy. She also likes to spend her free time writing. With her passion for writing, she would like to someday pursue a career in journalism. Alongside writing, she likes reading to transport herself into different lives of fantasy and wonder. Kayla also loves the serenity she finds outdoors in hikes or simply walking her dog. With her frequent cravings for sweets, she enjoys baking, but mostly the eating part of the process. Kayla has volunteered with Temple City’s Relay for Life and California Philharmonic’s summer concerts.

Rachel Lin

Rachel Lin is a sixteen-year-old junior at Temple City High School. At school, Rachel is in her third year with the Associated Student Body Leadership. She has previously been a Public Relations Commissioner and Director and is currently the Junior Class Vice President.

Rachel is also a first-year member of her school’s dance team. Chose Furthermore, she is proud to partake in Gavel Club, a club associated with the Toastmasters organization, as well as Peer Lideras, a program dedicated to caring, confidentiality, and commitment.

Outside of school, Rachel dances with her studio Asian Arts Talents Foundation, AAIT allows her to connect with the community through Chinese dance and also learn the styles of other Asian cultures. She has been given the opportunity to be one of the six riders in the 2014 Rose Parade on the China Airlines float, “Taiwan Dreaming.”

Rachel is also a member of Asian Political Action Committee and participates in events, such as volunteering for local political candidates and public speaking competitions.

During her summers, Rachel volunteers for the Cal- ifornia Philharmonic’s Festival on the Green at their summer concerts. She enjoys cooking bacon and over easy eggs on a waffle snack.

Rachel plans to attend a four-year university and major in Anthropology.

Anita Velazquez

Anita Velazquez is a 17-year-old student at Temple City High School in Pasadena. She is enrolled in honors and AP courses, which allow her to be in the upper 5% of her class. She is also a member of the Honor Society and the California Scholarship Federation.

While living that she will be held to the right places at the right time, she hopes to continue schooling outside of California, her dream university being NYU. Anita has been a part of her school’s Variety Cheer Squad, Drumline, Junior Varsity Softball team, and is currently on the accreditation team for her school. She has also been a banner carrier for the 2006 Camella Festival Court and has been a part of the Temple City Youth Committee.

Outside of school she works part time, but also enjoys writing, traveling, avidly attending concerts, and keeping up with current events.

Anita also had the chance to visit New Orleans this past summer with her school and a local church in collaboration with the St. Bernard Project to help rebuild the homes destroyed by Katrina.

She said the experience was humbling and enjoyable, especially when her hometown was so happy from seeing that she would get to have her own closet. This experience reinforced her in the desire to both help and bring joy to others, and she hopes to do this in the future by writing stories.

However they may reach the public, Anita wants her stories to both bring happiness and enlighten her audience. She wants to thank her family, friends, and Creator for always being there.
Various Temple City congregations will meet for the annual National Day of Prayer from 6:15-7 p.m. May 7 at Temple City Park. The public is welcome to attend and pray for the city, state and nation.

This year’s theme is from 1 Kings 8:28, “Hear the cry and the prayer that Your servant is praying in Your presence this day.”

Prayers will be held for Temple City: the Mayor, City Council, Police, Fire, first responders, veterans of war, Temple City schools, families, businesses, churches, Temple City’s overall safety, the hurting, sick, widowed, orphaned, lonely, broken, abused, addicted, homeless; California – our Governor, State Legislature, businesses, schools, media, our need for rain; The Nation: the President, Vice President, Joint Chiefs of Staff, House, Senate, Supreme, the Military, Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Reserves and our economy.

The event will begin promptly at 6:15 and conclude promptly at 7 p.m. Bring chairs and invite friends. For additional information, visit: nationaldayofprayer.org/event-finder.

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Relay for Life purple signs appear all over Temple City; kickoff May 2

Purple signs are appearing all over Temple City in the yards of residents who are supporters of American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life or know someone who is.

Learn how to help raise $60,000 to fight cancer. Join Relay for Life participants us at Temple City High School, July 11, for the 24-hour event. The official event kick off is May 2 at the health care fair sponsored by the Temple City Unified School District. Go online to www.RelayForLife.org/TempleCityCA. Join a team. Sponsor a team. Make a donation. Buy a raffle ticket. Last year’s raffle prizes included Dodger tickets, weekend vacations, bicycles, gift certificates for Harris Ranch Meat, and much more.

Walk with participants. Bring your family. Camp out. Have lunch. Have dinner. Dance. Watch movies. Join a Leadership Team. Volunteer. Take part in a luminaria candlelight memorial dedicated to those fighting cancer and loved ones we have lost. Celebrate the victories. Watch for the following organizing and fund-raising events:

• Buno For Life, May 9, contact Kim Wimmer, kimwimmer@yahoo.com.
• Dine Out Monthly dinners, contact Mary Saxon, msbsoaplan@yahoo.com.
• Dinner at the Crest Lounge, Temple City, June 17, contact Dawn Tarin, dawntarin@hotmail.com.
• For all other information regarding Temple City Relay for Life, contact Mary Sneed, event chairperson, msnedee@yahoo.com.

It’s good to give blood

The Temple City Community Blood Drive will be from 12 noon to 6 p.m., May 20, at the TCUSD District Office, 9700 Las Tunas Drive, Temple City. This blood drive is co-sponsored by the Temple City Unified School District, the City of Temple City, and the Temple City Chamber of Commerce. Donors must have a photo identification to donate. To make an appointment to donate blood, visit the blood drive website at www.redcoldsbolid.org and enter sponsor code TCUSD or phone Lynne Burbard at 626-548-5120.

Temple City Church of Christ
Jonathon Hinckley, Minister 5227 Sereno Dr., Temple City 626-286-6678
Sunday Bible Class 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. All Children Welcome Nursery

San Gabriel Mission Catholic Church
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Sunrise Community Church
Non-denominational: Conservative Christian Andrew Kikkert, Pastor 9642 E. Live Oak Ave. • 626-287-6120

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Valley Community Church
Pastor Gary Clouse 3039 Santa Anita Ave., El Monte, CA 91733 626-433-3003 • www.myvcc.org

Friday Spanish Service 7:30 p.m. Sunday Worship Service 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Wednesday Worship Service 7 p.m. Spanish Translation Available (11 a.m. service only)

Westminster Presbyterian Church
Charles Castles, Pastor 9642 Live Oak Ave. 626-287-1087 • wpcoc@sbcglobal.net • www.tc-presbyterian.org

Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.

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St. Luke Catholic Church
Fr. Mark A. Strader, Pastor 6065 Cloverly Ave. 626-291-5900
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Weekday Masses:

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Blue Star sale May 2; biannual Recognition Dinner June 5

By MONIQUE C. WEILAND

Have you finished your spring cleaning yet? Do you need somewhere useful to send your items that need a new home?

If so, bring your items to the Alta Dena Dairy at 8 a.m., Saturday, May 2, at the corner of Las Tunas Drive and Encinita Avenue for the Blue Star Banner Program yard sale.

For questions about the event, phone Sharon Johnson at 626-395-5852 or to make other arrangements for drop off of your items. Don’t forget to tell your friends and neighbors about the yard sale.

The biannual Blue Star Banner Program Recognition Dinner is June 5 at the Temple City Baptist Church. The speaker will be Joe Milazzo, a long-loved veteran and resident of Temple City. He will share stories from his military service during World War II.

Ms. Johnson has received letters recently from the active military personnel with roots in Temple City thanking the Blue Star Banner Program volunteers and donors for the holiday boxes. When you are far from home, notes and letters from neighbors, students, and supporters are a great treat as well as all the edibles and wearables included in the box.

The sign off of one letter said, “Thank you signed the soldiers, sailors, and airmen.” They watch out for each other and we at home enjoying our freedoms and liberties need to watch out for them.

Please phone Ms. Johnson if you need a recognition banner for a military person in your Temple City family.

Honoring those who protect us 24/7/365

Dan Snell to take Honor Flight to D.C. on May 8

By JERRY JAMBAZIAN

The Honor Flight program transports veterans of World War II to the National World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C.

Temple City’s own Dan Snell will board his Honor Flight with his son on May 8. The veterans are generally escorted by volunteer guardians, who help them on the flight and around D.C. After landing, the taxing airplane may be saluted by fire trucks, and passengers are often met by cheering crowds in D.C. or upon their return flight home.

Organizers are transitioning their program to focus on veterans of the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and subsequent wars as veterans of those wars get older.

Congratulations, Dan Snell. You deserve it for your service to this wonderful country.

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**Shelby is perfect pet for active family with large yard**

Shelby is a beautiful 2 ½ year old American Staffordshire terrier who came to the shelter as a stray. Her coat is a gorgeous soft black that is easy to care for and feels like velvet after she has had a bath. Shelby enjoys going for walks, sniffing and exploring the world around her. Although she is strong, she is responsive to commands and is very manageable on leash.

Shelby loves getting attention and pets from her handler, and is happy to sit or lie down and get a massage or belly rub. She is a very affectionate girl with a lot of love to share. Shelby recently went on an off-site adoption event, and was friendly greeting new people who approached her and behaved like the sweet girl she is.

Shelby would benefit from some basic training classes to help her live up to her potential to be a great companion. As a young dog with a lot of energy, a daily walk or run is a must, and a large yard for her to get more exercise would be ideal.

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Temple City High School's Vincent Sicat will attend Santa Clara University this fall and compete for their Men's Water Polo team. The Broncos are members of the West Coast Conference, a Division I NCAA Conference but compete in the Western Water Polo Association in Men's Polo. He has been admitted into the Mechanical Engineering program at Santa Clara University. Vincent was the Rio Hondo League MVP this past season for the second place Temple City Rams and led both the Rio Hondo League and Division 3 CIF-SS in goals with 158 on the year.

Longden student Elizabeth Grinstead is L.A. Lakers' Student of the Month

An Honor Roll student who writes for her school newspaper, Longden Elementary School 6th grader Elizabeth Grinstead was recently honored by the Los Angeles Lakers organization as one of their 2015 Students of the Month. Motivated and dependable, Elizabeth always makes time to help her peers and teachers when needed. As a Laker Student of the Month, Elizabeth treated her family of four to a game at Staples Center where she received a certificate and t-shirt on the court at half-time.

Remember Mom. Dine out Mother’s Day

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