Youth focus on their future at Career Fair

The future looked bright for Temple City youth who attended the Youth Career Fair on May 30 at the parking lot of Coldwell Banker Dynasty in Temple City.

Working professionals shared information and guidance on what it took to achieve their careers.

Organized by local realtor Michelle Lau, the event was sponsored by the Temple City Chamber of Commerce, California American Water and Coldwell Banker Dynasty.

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WW II vet recalls risky duty

Lyle Umenhoffer describes terror of bombing, sharks after sinking of USS Indianapolis

By Monique Weiland

If people are familiar with the sinking of the USS Indianapolis, it is usually associated with the monologue by Quint (Robert Shaw) in the blockbuster movie Jaws. Guests at the Blue Star Program’s June 5 semi-annual dinner at First Baptist Church gym, however, heard a first-person account of the event from former Navy Seaman First Class Lyle Umenhoffer, one of the surviving crew members of the USS Indianapolis in World War II. A Portland class heavy cruiser of the United States Navy, her sinking on July 30, 1945, led to the greatest single loss of life at sea in the history of the U.S. Navy.

Mr. Umenhoffer told about his personal experiences in World War II beginning with his graduation from Mark Temple High School in 1942.

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**Las Tunas meeting draws big crowd**

Temple City residents and business owners were given an opportunity to share their perspective on the Las Tunas design plan at a community meeting June 10, in City Council Chambers.

Updates on the Las Tunas Design Plan were also presented, allowing residents and business owners to provide feedback on the revised concept.

After City Manager Bryan Cook and Community Development Director Michael Forbes reviewed the project’s history and current incarnation, Mayor Tom Chavez and the City Council heard public comment from 30 individuals who shared their perspective on the current plan.

For more information, visit www.templecity.us or phone the city’s Community Development hotline at 626-656-7316.

**First Lutheran School closing doors; games and educational items for sale**

After 69 years serving the Temple City community, First Lutheran School is closing its doors. A closing out sale is planned for 7 p.m., July 10-11. There are many games and other educational items that parents and children will want to see. All items will be sold for 25 cents each. A celebration event was planned for June 27 in the Parish Hall of First Lutheran Church to which friends and family of former students and teachers were invited.

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**EASY project offers free energy advice**

The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) recently partnered with CivicSpark, a governor’s initiative to assist local governments in fighting the effects of climate change.

Four recent college graduates are serving an AmeriCorps year of service as CivicSpark members working in the SGVCOG office.

The primary project these CivicSpark members will be working on is called EASY (Energy Assessment Screening for Your home). The EASY project provides free home energy assessments to residents of 16 cities in the San Gabriel Valley.

CivicSpark members, trained in building science and community outreach, will be conducting the assessments.

The main goal of the EASY project is to provide residents with customized, non-partial recommendations on ways to reduce their energy consumption, thereby lowering their utility bills.

In addition, CivicSpark members will provide explanatory information on utilizing the various rebates and financing options that are available to aid residents in completing their energy efficiency upgrades.

CivicSpark’s EASY program is funded through the San Gabriel Valley Energy Wise Partnership (SGVEWP), a partnership between Southern California Edison, Southern California Gas Company, the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG), and 29 other cities in the San Gabriel Valley.

“EASY is an excellent program. We are excited to engage the community in energy efficiency while also helping them save money,” said Denis Bertone, chair of SGVCOG’s Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Committee.

“The EASY project is beneficial for everyone. Residents save money on their energy bills while the community as a whole becomes more sustainable,” said Francis Delach, executive director of SGVCOG.

To schedule a free energy assessment, visit the EASY program Web site at www.sgvenergywise.org.
Relay For Life of Temple City, July 11-12, includes NBC4 reporter, breast cancer survivor Lolita Lopez as part of opening ceremonies

Temple City’s annual Relay For Life benefiting the American Cancer Society is set for July 11-12. This year’s 24-hour public event will be held at Temple City High School’s track beginning at 9 a.m. July 11. “Relay For Life is one of our community’s most celebrated events,” said Mayor Tom Chavez. “I’m so proud that our residents come together each year to raise money and support those fighting cancer.”

The event will open with a speech by NBC4 reporter and breast cancer survivor Lolita Lopez. That evening a luminaria ceremony will be held to celebrate the lives of cancer survivors remember lost loved ones and support people who currently have cancer.

The overnight fundraiser involves teams of people camping out and taking turns walking or running around a track. Cancer survivors will participate in the first lap while other activities will recognize and celebrate caregivers.

Thus far 24 teams and 152 participants have raised more than $20,000 for this year’s event. To make a donation or form a team to participate in this year’s event, log onto www.relayforlife.org/templecityca. For more information phone Dawn Tarn at 626-688-8069.

After the opening ceremonies conclude, the first lap will celebrate cancer survivors. As the survivors walk, other relay participants will cheer them on to show their support. Ms. Lopez will help lead the first lap.

Born in Santurce, Puerto Rico, Ms. Lopez moved to the United States with her family when she was four years old. She later graduated from Harvard University in 1998, where she participated on the volleyball and track teams. After working for at WPIX-TV in New York for 10 years, she joined NBC4 in 2011.

A year and a half after joining NBC4, Lolita was diagnosed with breast cancer. She chose to make her story public to erase some of the stigma many women feel when faced with a cancer diagnosis.

In a five-part series, she shared the story of her treatment, including the loss of her hair, chemotherapy, her double mastectomy, and reconstruction.

Inspiring viewers and colleagues across Southern California, she continued to work as an on-air reporter throughout her treatment. Shortly after her diagnosis, she led a team that participated in the American Cancer Society’s Making Strides Against Breast Cancer event.

She continues to work with Making Strides, which supports breast cancer research, cancer education, patient and caregiver services, and advocates for quality care for all patients through the American Cancer Society. She continues to participate in charity events in Southern California.
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New Member

PrimeLending

By Peter Choi

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Thanks to member

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Close to home I’d like to highlight the efforts of the many Temple City volunteers who have been on the front lines of the fight against cancer which culminates this month with the annual Relay for Life. Learn how you can participate and help beat this disease which does not discriminate against race or creed. Welcome NBC4 reporter and breast cancer survivor Lolita Lopez who will be in town July 11. See Page 3.

Bringing it back to the one and only Janis Joplin, her life and music will be presented in the Tony Award nominated “A Night With Janis Joplin” featuring Mary Bridget Davies who rockets through at least a dozen of Joplin’s best-known songs. Through our partnership with the Pasadena Playhouse, you can get a special discount on tickets. See ad Page 19.

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Zaxwerks demonstrates messaging signage

Representing Temple City at the June 9 product demonstration event for California Public Entities & Educational Institutions were (l-r) Chamber President Peter Choi, Joshua Yoon (U.S. Dept. of Commerce/MBDA), TCUSD Superintendent of Schools Kathy Perini, and Zax and Alex Dow of Temple City-based Zaxwerks. The special presentation event paired Mega's bright digital billboard with Zaxwerks' flashy NFL/NBA style graphics to demonstrate how local schools can upgrade their traditional message boards for better visuals and results.

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HealthCare Partners hosts luau mixer – open house

Surrounded by pineapples donated by Super A Foods and ValuMart Food Warehouse, Chamber President Peter Choi and Dr. Yan Chen of HealthCare Partners welcomed more than 100 guests wearing leis to enjoy free refreshments, buffet, and prize drawings at the fun, high-energy June 24 event co-sponsored by Sunnyslope Water. After feasting on a buffet catered from Ono Hawaiian BBQ, guests were introduced to new doctor Emelou Sagaral and invited to tour the facilities before a show by standup comedian Scott Shimamoto.

PHOTO BY PETER CHOI

Dr. Emelou Sagaral wears a lovely lei presented by Chamber member Bruce Watara of Fanny’s Flowers.

Fanny guy Scott Shimamoto and Past Board Chair Rita Padilla.

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EAT & MEET
NETWORKING LUNCH

The Temple City Chamber of Commerce invites you to join our “Eat & Meet” monthly networking lunch. This month we’re enjoying lunch at Clearman’s Galley.
Why it’s awesome being a dentist, Part II: what, me?

Jack Von Bulow, D.D.S.

So I realize it’s not cool to brag and hopefully I’ll avoid breaking any written or unwritten local rules or regulations. Back in January, I wrote a piece titled “Why it’s Awesome Being a Dentist.” I shared a story about a patient who came in and took a chance; investing some significant time, money, and trust. I’d never met anyone more comfortable in her own skin but yet not nearly comfortable enough to allow that person in the mirror to pursue a dream.

We provided to Jessica the Invisalign orthodontics and two beautiful dental implants and Jessica returned enough fulfillment to keep Temple City Dental Care going for at least another decade. Jessica traded in her administrative assistant job for the singing career she had always wanted. Jessica has been singing blues and jazz professionally in Hong Kong for the last six months and she’ll be staying for at least another half year.

Jessica stopped by for a brief visit last week. We took some photos, did an interview, and best of all, recorded a song Jessica surprisingly performed out in our reception area. If you guessed Smile, you were right. And I haven’t won a single thing since I brought home the Arcadia Tennis Ladder Championship back in 1987, but about a month ago something amazing happened.

Jessica’s case was chosen as the top North America restorative Invisalign case for 2015. In a couple of weeks, I’ll be presenting Jessica’s case to about 2,000 people at the Aria Resort in Las Vegas during the Invisalign Summit Shoot-out.

Understanding estate planning basics

Many new clients first come into my office saying they “want a trust.”

What those clients don’t know is that a trust is just one of the four essential estate planning documents that most estate planning attorneys recommend to ensure all of the clients’ bases are covered. Put simply, these four essential documents are:

- Revocable Living Trust: Manage your property into the trust name to avoid probate court and allows you to choose your beneficiaries.
- Pour-Over Will: Works with the above trust to ensure all property avoids probate.
- Durable Power of Attorney: Specifies who you would want to make financial decisions for you should you become incapacitated and what powers you give to that person.
- Advanced Health Care Directive: Specifies who you would want to make medical decisions for you should you become incapacitated and what powers that person has (e.g. Do you want to stay on life support? Do you want to donate organs?).

In gathering information for your first meeting with an attorney, I ask my new clients to bring information on the following two aspects:

- People: Who are your beneficiaries? Who do you want to be in charge once you pass or if you are incapacitated?
- Things: Your assets. Please bring a list of all accounts: account type, account number, and institution information.

Clients should also bring grant deeds or quitclaim deeds for all real property owned. Although estate planning is by no means simple, with this basic understanding of the estate planning documents and what information is needed to begin the process, you are now far ahead of the average new estate planning client.

Tony does not charge for initial consultations. For more information, please contact Tony at 626-285-7033, or e-mail him at tyyre@tyrelawgroup.com.
PrimeLending, offers multi-lingual mortgage expertise

A resident of Temple City for more than a decade, Priscilla Chen is an expert in the mortgage business with years of experience originating residential home loans in the San Gabriel Valley.

Fluent in both Mandarin and Cantonese, Ms. Chen is a multi-lingual professional mortgage broker who recently joined PrimeLending, a PlainsCapital Company.

Ms. Chen puts her knowledge and skills to practice by helping homebuyers and homeowners find the right options for their mortgage needs. It may be for a new purchase, a refinance to lower a monthly payment or shorten the existing loan term, or a cash-out refinance to upgrade an existing home, consolidate debts, or help children get a college education.

“1 enjoy helping people achieve their financial needs and that is why I love what I do,” said Ms. Chen. “I love seeing happy customers and I am committed to take good care of them because I do care how they feel at the end of the day.”

Certainly, Ms. Chen’s success is partially due to the huge demand in the region for multilingual professionals in recent years, but underneath her language facility is a strong background in all areas of mortgage lending, a dedication to customer satisfaction, and, perhaps most of all, a strong personal connection to Temple City and the San Gabriel Valley.

Contact So Cal Termite Solutions for dealing with termite problems arising from California drought

An aspect of the drought that is not well known is the possibility of termite infestation. When there is heat followed by a little rain, it creates prime conditions for subterranean termite swarmers.

Most subterranean termite colonies produce swarmers by the time they are five years old.

With El Niño conditions predicted this year, it is a great idea to schedule an inspection by Chamber member So Cal Termite Solutions.

So Cal Termite Solutions owner Glenn Dugger is ready to serve you.
Sunny Slope announces scholarship winners

Sunny Slope Water Company announces $500 scholarships to winning essayists answering the question “How Do You Propose Water Conservation Be Enforced?” The scholarships for graduating college-bound students were awarded to Annaka Besaw of Temple City High School, Brian Bradshaw of Del Mar High School and Ira Simbulan of Gabrielino High School.

Their entries were chosen the best of submitted 400-500 word essays mailed to the company office along with the student’s name, school and the college they plan to attend. Sunny Slope’s Board of Directors reviewed the essays and announced the winners May 11.

Among its customers, Sunny Slope Water Company, 1040 El Campo Drive, Pasadena, serves families in Temple City and neighboring San Gabriel.

Temple City plans July 10 pet clinic for pet licensing, affordable vaccinations

Temple City residents are strongly encouraged to bring their dogs and cats to the City’s annual Rabies Clinic from 6:30-8:30 p.m. July 10 at Temple City Park, 9701 Las Tunas Drive. The primary shot is valid for one year and subsequent shots are acceptable for three years.

Residents can also purchase dog licenses at City Hall during the clinic. Licenses for unaltered dogs are $20. Seniors ages 65 years or older may license their altered dog for $7.50. Seniors may only license one altered dog per household at the discounted price.

A dog license is required to verify a rabies vaccination (July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016) and must be valid for an entire licensing period.

Also at the clinic the San Gabriel Valley Humane Society will provide inexpensive microchipping at a fee of $15 per pet. The City adopted Title 10 of the Los Angeles County Code which includes mandatory spay/neuter and micro-chip provisions.

Dog must be on a leash and in a carrier at all times during the clinic. For more information phone the City’s Public Safety Division at 626-285-7187.

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Real estate broker Rudy L. Kusuma signs publishing deal to co-author new book

Local real estate broker Rudy L. Kusuma will team up with Jack Canfield, the creator of Chicken Soup for the Soul series, to release a new book to benefit consumers looking to buy or sell homes in Alhambra and the San Gabriel Valley area.

A portion of the royalties earned from this book will be donated to Entrepreneur’s International Foundation, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to creating unique launch campaigns to raise money and awareness for charitable causes.

“’My team and I manage more than $1.3 billion of real estate assets,’ said Mr. Kusuma. ’I have advised and counseled the executives, they are thoroughly familiar with the benefits of a team approach. Exceptionally busy couples hire us because my home selling system features methods of marketing and selling homes that minimizes their involvement and inconvenience.’"
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Students on right end (l-r) are Carolyn McKendrick, Jeffrey Li, Tiffany Maxwell, Jason Ng.

Honor Speaker Emily Stoker.

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Mrs. Mary Jo Fosselman King .......................... Principal
Conferring of Diplomas............... Board of Education
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Graduate Jimmy Morinaga with family

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From left are Eric Gunn, Brian Wei, Derek Htun (behind), Andy Chek, Clinton Quach, and Tim Siu.

From left are Wesley Shen, Derek Htun, and Catherine Wei.

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Young people focus on their future at Youth Career Fair

Students ages 14-22 attended a free Youth Career Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., May 30, at the Coldwell Banker Dynasty parking lot, 9228 Las Tunas Drive, Temple City. The event was organized to help young adults realize their future career choices through inspiration, education and empowerment.

New Chamber Board member Franklin Ruedel listens as his colleague explains the difference between an Enrolled Agent and an accountant.

Sharon Saharos of event sponsor California American Water.

Working professionals shared information and guidance on what it took to achieve their careers.

Next Neighborhood Watch meeting set for July 16 in Area 7

The next neighborhood watch meeting is from 5:30-7:30 p.m., July 16, in Area 7, at La Rosa School. Fresh-made soft tacos and beverages are provided for everyone. To receive the latest crime prevention tips, alerts, announcements, and news directly from Temple Sheriff’s Station, register to their Nixle account at www.nixle.com, follow them on Twitter @TEMLASD, and like them on Facebook / TempleSheriffStation. You can also visit the City’s Web site: www.ci.temple-city.ca.us/204/Neighborhood-Watch, or phone the City’s Public Safety Division, 626-285-2171.

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Temple City Deputy Sheriff Jose Zuniga and Neighborhood Watch leader Lucy Liu.

New Chamber Board member Franklin Ruedel listens as his colleague explains the difference between an Enrolled Agent and an accountant.
Training programs prepare youth for high school sports

By Coach Richard Marquis

Play Smarter Basketball

As a basketball coach who has worked with NBA professionals, varsity athletes, and kids who just enjoy the game, the No. 1 question I’m asked is how to help your child get to the next level of their personal development.

In our Play Smarter Youth Basketball Development Training Class program in Temple City, San Gabriel, and Alhambra we get a lot of parents wanting to place their boy or girl into one of our local classes as a seven or eighth grader, in some cases with little or not enough previous team training, because their child wants to try out for their local junior or high school team.

Some years ago my son, Richard Jr., played for me on his high school varsity basketball team at El Monte’s Arroyo High School. (I also raised a couple of athletic daughters as well.)

Today the game of basketball has grown and made some big changes, making it much harder to play on any of the more competitive high school teams in and around the San Gabriel Valley area. I was also the boys and girls high school coach at Mark Keppel High School for several years and as a coach I always felt really bad when we had to cut the kids due to lack of proper previous training.

Here in the San Gabriel Valley region, there are several very good training or development programs that can help boys and girls prepare for their junior and senior high school days of tryouts and the road ahead of them in the sport of basketball.

The local Parks and Recreation and YMCA programs are good places to begin, but when your child shows a stronger interest in the sport around age 9-11, find a stronger development training program like our Play Smarter Youth Basketball Development Training Class program.

Local artist Min W of Min W Fine Art & School was nominated and selected as the local artist June 1 to represent Senator Ed Hernandez District for the 2015-2016 California State Senate Contemporary Art Collection Exhibit.

The CA State Senate Contemporary Art Collection will be on display at Legislative Caucus rooms near the Senate Chambers and the Senate Sergeant-At-Arms office at the State Capital in Sacramento, CA.

The exhibit will last for approximately 18 months and a collection catalogue is also produced to highlight the artists selected during this exhibit period.

Since being selected as one of four outstanding female artists for the 1999 annual Provincial Art Gallery Exhibit in Shenzhen, China, Min W has received honors and awards for her work in the United States, England and China.

As a diversified and detail artist, Min W has created paintings of a wide realm of subject matter, styles and impressions. The “On the Hunt” of a great white shark is one example of her contemporary style impression paintings and was selected for the California exhibit.

Born in China, Min W, immigrated to the United States in 2008 and became a naturalized citizen in 2012. A member of the “Monovnia Association of Fine Arts” and the “San Gabriel Fine Arts Association,” she shares her passion for art by teaching students at her Temple City gallery for which she has received numerous instructor awards including the Chinese National Teachers Award.

Contact Min W regarding information for art lessons, original or signed digital re-productions of canvas or paper and special request commissioned paintings. Min W paintings can be found at her gallery, Min W Fine Art & School, 9908 Las Tunas Drive, Unit A, Temple City or www.fineartamerica.com/profiles/min-wang.html. Her Web site is: www.MinW-FineArt.com.

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Wednesday Night Youth Program, Jr. & Sr. High, 7 p.m.

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Lyle Umenhoffer describes terror from 1945 sinking of USS Indianapolis

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Deciding to enlist rather than be drafted into the Army, young Umenhoffer joined the U.S. Navy and after 21 days of boot camp was assigned to the USS Indianapolis. As part of the crew, he saw action in the Pacific theater including the Aleutian Islands campaign, the invasion of the Gilbert Islands, and the Battle of the Philippine Sea.

The Indianapolis joined Vice Adm. Marc A. Mitscher’s fast carrier task force attacking Tokyo to cover the landings on two l ilma. Mr. Umenhoffer described surviving the bomb attack by a Japanese pilot on Easter Sunday morning.

The Japanese pilot dropped his bomb directly on the ship’s deck, going through the deck, mess hall, berthing compartment, and fuel tanks before crashing through the keel and exploding in the water underneath.

The concussion blew two gaping holes in the keel which flooded nearby compartments and left a hole the size of two Mack trucks. Under her own power, she made it back to Mare Island for repairs and was given a special assignment.

On 30 July 1945, after delivering parts for the first atomic bomb to the United States air base at Tinian, the USS Indianapolis was torpedoed by the Imperial Japanese Navy submarine I-58, sinking in 12 minutes. Of 1,196 crewmen aboard, only 317 survived.

Mr. Umenhoffer recounted how, just after watch on that night, around midnight, he went to the aft of the ship to sleep. At 12:12 a.m., he heard and felt the first explosion. He jumped up and put his clothes on.

The first torpedo blew off the bow. The second torpedo hit the ammunition and fuel on the port side. As the fire spread to the front of the ship, Sea- man Umenhoffer took his position on the side of the ship to wait for orders.

Suddenly, the ship rolled to the starboard side, causing the plane and thrown into the back. Although the radio transmitter.

While dropping rafts and supplies for three hours, Marks witnessed men being attacked by sharks and, disobeying standing orders, landed on the open sea. He began taxiing to pick up the stragglers and lone swimmers who were at the greatest risk of shark attack and radioed for immediate assistance.

Umenhoffer and two others in his “pod” were passed by twice until they were finally pulled into the plane and thrown into the back. Although the plane was full. Lt. Marks instructed Umenhoffer and other men to climb out the hatch and onto the wings so he could pick up more men.

Umenhoffer recalled thinking this was crazy, but he and the planeload of men successfully arrived to the hospital ship, the USS Quiescence.

The Navy Command had no knowledge of the Indianapolis’ sinking until the survivors were spotted. Of the 880 who survived the sinking, only 321 men came out of the water alive; 317 ultimately survived. Marks and his crew rescued 58 of those survivors. The Discovery Channel stated in Shark Week episodes “Ocean of Fear” that the Indianapolis sinking resulted in the most shark attacks on humans in history.

After his military service, Mr. Umenhoffer enjoyed a career in the Street Department, eventually becoming a welder and heavy equipment operator in the Pasadena area. He retired in 1986 after 40 years with the company. He has a daughter and three grandchildren. His wife passed away in August three years ago. During the meeting, a representative of the now defunct Temple City Pony League association presented the Blue Star program a check for $2,000.

From left are Lyle Umenhoffer, Bob Marston, Mayor Tom Chavez and Larry Stevens, a tail gunner on a B-17 in World War II. PHOTO BY JERRY JAMBAZIAN, WWW.TEMPLECITYPHOTOS.COM

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TEMPLE CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUYER’S GUIDE

Oasis Trilingual School celebrates grand opening

Temple City Mayor Tom Chavez and invited dignitaries helped welcome the city’s new- est elementary school on May 21. Students at Oasis Trilingual Community School are taught in English, Spanish and Mandarin.

Following the ribbon cutting, Head of School Tamara Hernandez led a brief tour of the classrooms. Afterwards, guests and parents had lunch while enjoying entertainment from the students, including songs in Spanish and Mandarin, as well as delightful music from Ernie Durksen. For more information about their summer and regular session programs, e-mail info@oasistrilingualschool.org. Phone 626-285-8262 or visit www.oasistrilingualschool.org.

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TC High School
Associate...
Schools earn Honor Roll status.

The Temple City Unified School District is honored to announce that all traditional schools in the District have received 2014 California Business for Education Excellence (CBEE) Honor Roll Star awards.

Cloverly Elementary School, Emperor Elementary School, La Rosa Elementary School, Longdon Elementary School, Oak Avenue Intermediate School, and Temple City High School are six out of 1,851 California public schools that received this prestigious distinction.

Emperor Elementary School and Oak Avenue Intermediate School also received a Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Honor Roll Award.

Emperor and Oak focus on subjects to help student gain the skills required to succeed in today’s challenging world, including the ability to think critically, solve complex problems, and drive advancements in science and technology.

“TCUSD students and staff affirm that great successes are taking place in our District,” said Superintendent Kathy Perini. “This is a testament to everyone’s hard work and relentless focus on student achievement and narrowing the achievement gap. TCUSD is committed to 21st century academic excellence for all students.”

Schools are recognized by the business community for consistent high student academic achievement and a significant reduction in achievement gaps among student populations.

Using data, CBEE identifies and honors the highest performing schools in California. These schools are being recognized not only for their achievements but so other schools can learn the successful strategies or best practices of these Honor Roll schools.

Temple Unified School District serves students in transitional kindergarten through high school graduation. For more information about TCUSD, phone 626-548-5120.

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Two pairs of Temple City sisters wow America’s Got Talent

Four Temple City students—two pairs of sisters—are members of the Los Angeles Children’s Orchestra that appeared during the June 9 episode of NBC’s competition program, America’s Got Talent. They are Isabella Reazola, who just finished second grade at Longden, and her sister Victoria Reazola, who recently graduated from sixth grade at Cloverly and sisters Ashley Mok (finished seventh grade at Oak) and Kristen Mok (graduated sixth grade at Cloverly).

Led by Director Susan Pascale, the orchestra brought the crowd to their feet while receiving four “Yeses” and advancing to the second round.

Judge Howard Stern said, “It warms my heart when this generation starts to learn the music of the Beatles, so important, so influential.”

“Kids, you should be very proud of yourselves!” said judge Heidi Klum following the bravura performance of the Beatles’ “Eleanor Rigby” by the Los Angeles Children’s Orchestra during the June 9 episode of NBC’s competition program “America’s Got Talent.”

Isabella is no stranger to public appearances, having been selected as a Camellia Festival Princess in 2014.

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Smarters Program, the outstanding SGV Youth Program or the Impact League and Training Programs.

Other very good programs include Coach Sid Cooke’s Renaissance Academy and the Brotherhood Youth Program in the Pasadena area. Two other local recommended programs in the Monterey Park/Alhambra area are the Monterey Park Sports Club and the very good program run by Coach Joe Kikuchi, Head Girls Varsity Coach at Mark Keppel High School.

These are a few of our local area training programs, but there are many more programs that can help prepare and improve your child’s opportunity of playing at the next or higher school levels and perhaps beyond.

For more information about the Play Smarter Basketball program, visit www.playsmarterclasses.com or phone Coach Richard Margas at 626-482-8267.