



Historical Society of Temple City

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Reflections Newsletter

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Happy Holidays

President's Message

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It is hard to believe that we are in December 2022 and that my term as President will shortly come to an end. It has been my privilege to have served during a transitional time as the Historical Society Board changes. There were challenges with Covid, and then continued challenges with Covid related issues. A great many things have been accomplished during the last three years, but most importantly is the accomplishment of bringing community members together to ensure the Society continues to be a resource and advocate for the City of Temple City and the surrounding communities, a loyal protector of history to ensure the longevity of the Society.

I am honored to have served with a great Board that has surpassed many obstacles in the pursuit of our museum initiative and building enhancement projects. I am so lucky to have the support of a team I could rely on without judgment and with endless dedication to sustaining the Society. This Board has rallied for the cause, supported and encouraged each other and gave their time and hearts to the Society. This has been priceless to me! I know the incoming Board and President will continue this great work for the next three years! I am excited to see what happens and what great things will happen.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TEMPLE CITY
GENERAL MEETING
Sunday
January 8, 2023
2:00 pm
Historical Society of Temple City
Woman's Club Hall
9704 Woodruff Ave., Temple City

Installation of Officers,
... and
100th ANNIVERSARY
of City Founding Planning Session

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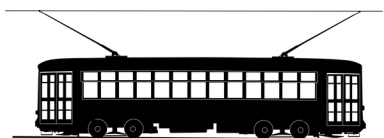
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President's Message - Continued

I It has been an honor to serve as your President. My family is rooted in Temple City and the San Gabriel Valley, and my son has proudly served our Nation, recognized as enlisted from Temple City and my daughter will forever be the 99th Rose Queen-Pasadena Tournament of Roses, from Temple City. I will continue to always refer to Temple City as "home".

Lastly, I would like to welcome your incoming Board for 2023-2025: President Robert Westgate, Vice-President Donna Georgino, and Treasurer Dawn Tarin. The Board will need a secretary, please reach out to the incoming President if you are interested.

It has been a pleasure serving as your President.



Rachel La Sota
President

*Best
Wishes*

It's Time to Renew Your Historical Society of Temple City Membership

**If You are
Not a
Member
..... NOW
is the
Time
to
JOIN !**

Join / Renew Your Historical Society Membership !



Reasons to become a Member

- Help preserve the Woman's Club Hall as a resource for our community.
- Help organize and preserve our Temple City History through the Community's Museum.
- Your membership plays a vital role in maintaining these gems for the entire Temple City community.

Join - Donate - Volunteer

For More Information email
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Hometown Harvest Fundraising Dinner



Thank you to all of our Members and Friends who made the Hometown Harvest Dinner a huge success !

Incoming President's Message



Temple City Historical Society Members,

I am so honored to be your next President. Let me take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Robert Westgate. I have literally lived in Temple City almost my entire life. Having grown up in Temple City, I have enjoyed the small town environment. I enjoyed playing soccer at Live Oak Park, playing little league, participated in youth groups, and earned my Eagle Scout performing service to the Temple City Community. Going to kindergarten at Live Oak Park, then LaRosa, Cloverly, Oak Avenue Intermediate, and graduating from Temple City High School, I am very familiar with Temple City Schools. From my earliest memories, serving the community has been a large part of being an active citizen. I genuinely feel we are responsible for the community we create.

Through my term as President, I look forward to documenting, organizing, and ultimately sharing Temple City's rich history with our community and others. The town, founded on the dream of Walter P. Temple, to create a place for working families, is our home and our community, that I cherish so dearly. This is the town where I have chosen to raise my family and have dedicated my life to the children of Temple City through my work in Temple City Unified School District (TCUSD) and various volunteer activities I have been a part of through the years. Having worked in eight out of the ten Temple City Schools, where I still strive to serve my community.

I look forward to meeting the residents of Temple City and learning more about the history of those who also call Temple City home.

With great appreciation,

Robert (Bob) Westgate
President Elect



**Historical Society
of Temple City**

MUSEUM IS OPEN



Upcoming Dates

December 11th
January 8th
February 12th

**2ND SUNDAY
EVERY MONTH
11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM**

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The Historical Society Museum has Officially REOPENED !

After a long, two-year renovation, our Historical Society Museum has officially reopened and we are ready to resume regular schedule - every 2nd Sunday of the month from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.

When we started the renovation, our dream for the space was a museum that was focused on Temple City's history, and the Temple family. Another item on our dream list was to make it more interactive. All this while making it a place where our community could learn more about our special town and the history that makes Temple City such a unique place. We now have two (2) interactive displays: the beautiful Temple-Workman Family Tree and our "hands on" exhibit of historic kitchen items.



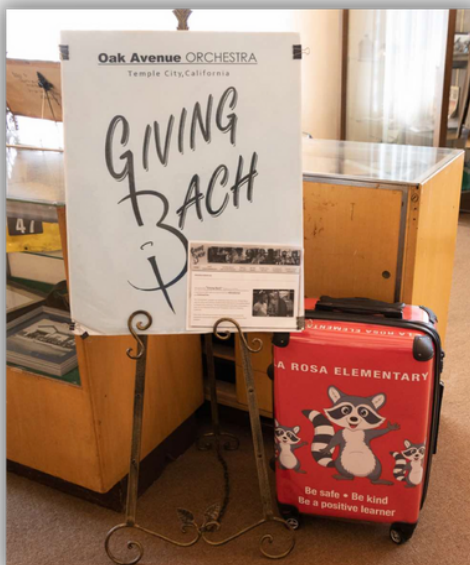
In 2023 Temple City will be celebrating the 100th Anniversary of its founding in May. Our city was started as a community where middle-class families could afford to buy a home in a small town, and that same small town feel is still alive in our community today. The museum celebrates this 100 year history and the family that started it all. While Walter Temple was important to our town's founding, one area of the museum acknowledges the important influence of the Temple family on the early history of Los Angeles. We are especially proud of the collage wall featuring a timeline of Temple City's history and several historic photos from Temple City's early history.

The Historical Society Museum has Officially REOPENED ! (continued)

On October 9, 2022 we had our Official Grand Reopening, which was followed by a Teacher Preview Day, and on December 11th we began our first regular Sunday hours. Photos of the Museum and a video tour filmed by Jerry Jambazian of www.TempleCityPhotos.com is available on his website. As we get additional volunteers, we hope to have the museum open at least 2 Sundays a month. If you would like to volunteer to serve as a docent in the museum, please contact us.

As the Museum Director/Curator, I am very grateful to everyone who helped in so many ways during the renovation. This was truly a team effort.

Mary Sneed, Museum Director/Curator



Woman's Club Hall Available For Use

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More Information

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Attention ! Attention!

Historical Society Members,
please help spread the word
that the beautiful Woman's
Club Hall is available for rent.
Birthdays, Holiday Events, or
other gatherings. All
information is available on our
website under
"Hall Use Information"



DONATE TO THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TEMPLE CITY

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2023 - 2025
Board Of Directors

Are you are interested is
 serving on the
 Board of Directors as
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 Chairman,
 or Volunteer,
 please attend our
 January 8th General Meeting
 and/or contact us at
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Do you Enjoy Photos of Temple City's past? Make sure to "Like" our page on Facebook where Donna Georgino is posting daily photos from the Historical Society archives. The excitement and comments we are receiving are amazing!



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