

# Kiwanis Honors Oak Avenue Intermediate School Students Timothy Cai, Annabella Liao, Giordano Camera, and Katie Hwang January 30, 2018



The Kiwanis Club of Temple City recognized four outstanding students from Oak Avenue Intermediate School. Accompanying the students were their teachers, Mr. David Steinkamp and Mrs. Winnie Joe.

**Timothy** is 14 years old and has a brother and sister. He enjoys playing the cello, basketball, reading magazines, and shopping on Amazon. Timothy said, "The best things about Oak Avenue are the great teachers and staff members, the sports teams and coaches are excellent." The best thing that ever happened is having a brother and sister who constantly correct, insult, praise, and support him. If he could change one thing, it would be his mediocre time management skills. Personal goals are to build a vending machine that analyzes diseases and dispenses cures, to get accepted into a prestigious university, become a well-paid surgeon someday, and live a great and exciting life.

**Annabella** is 13 years old and enjoys baking macaroons, playing her guitar, and reading. Annabella said, "The best things about Oak Avenue are the extremely educated, and hardworking teachers, the clean and fresh campus, everyone works hard to make sure everyone feels welcomed and no one is left out." The best thing that ever happened was traveling to different countries, and not judging other people based on how they look. If she could change one thing, it would be to give everyone a chance to get the education they deserve. Personal goals are to build a place that helps find housing and jobs for those in need, get into a good college, to get a good job with a steady income to take care of her parents, and to meet new friends all around the world.

**Giordano** is 13 years old and has a younger brother. He enjoys basketball, reading, video games, cooking, and math. Giordano said, "The best things about Oak Avenue are the amazing teachers and staff, the school spirit, the clubs and activities." The best things that ever happened was going to the Super Bowl in Dallas, and being the Theme Winner of the Camellia Festival three times. If he could change one thing, it would be to end childhood diseases. Personal goals are to build a detector that would give plenty of notice before natural disasters, make it into the NBA, travel the world, and create a video game that sweeps the world.

**Katie** is 13 years old and has a brother and sister. She enjoys dance and stage managing. Katie said, "The best things about Oak Avenue are the great teachers, everyone is welcoming and friendly." The best thing that ever happened was spending time with her family in Lake Tahoe. If she could change one thing, it would be the amount of waste the world has. Personal goals are to become self-confident, manage her time well, and to be more outgoing and not so shy.

Each week the Temple City Kiwanis Club is pleased to recognize outstanding students and their teachers from Cloverly, Emperor, Longden, Oak Avenue, Temple City High School, and the Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center. Kiwanis treats students and their teacher to lunch. Students receive a certificate, a letter for their parents, a bumper sticker, a gift certificate from The Hat Restaurant and Northwood's Inn, and a photograph of them receiving their award. Their photo and story will be posted on the Temple City Unified School District website and on their Facebook page.

Temple City Kiwanis has been serving our community since 1939. Members are dedicated men and women who desire to make a difference in the quality of life for the youth of Temple City. Kiwanis meets at 12:00 noon each Tuesday at North Wood's Inn Restaurant. To find out more about Kiwanis, please contact Jerry Jambazian at (626) 643-9460. You can also visit their website at [www.templecitykiwanis.org](http://www.templecitykiwanis.org).