

# Kiwanis Honors Oak Avenue Intermediate School Students Darren Yang, Abby Clark, Raymond Kao, and Maya Lipski March 6, 2018



The Kiwanis Club of Temple City recognized four outstanding students from Oak Avenue Intermediate School. Accompanying the students were their teachers Mrs. Jessica Goold and Mr. Aaron Loomis. Mrs. Goold has been in the District for 23 years and Mr. Loomis for 16 years

**Darren** is 14 years old and in Mrs. Goold's class. He has an older sister and enjoys listening to music, playing volleyball, going out with friends and watching Netflix. Darren said, "The best things about Oak Avenue are the caring staff who always want the best for the students, no bullying and students being left out, and the inviting clean campus." The best thing that ever happened was finding out that volleyball is his favorite sport. If he could build one thing, it would be a machine that could collect all the trash in the world, especially the ocean. Personal goals are to learn to ice skate, to become more confident, make it to the volleyball team, and become ASB Freshman Vice President.

**Abby** is 13 years old and in Mrs. Goold's class. She has two older brothers and enjoys playing soccer. Abby said, "The best things about Oak Avenue are the caring teachers, the school environment, and the materials I get to learn." The best thing that ever happened was being chosen to be in ASB at Oak. If she could change one thing it would be to stop procrastinating. If she could build one thing, it would be a machine that could help you multi-task. Personal goals are become a medical examiner, start her own bakery, and make it to the college of her dreams. Abby is also the granddaughter of our member Ron Dorazio.

**Raymond** is 13 years old and in Mr. Loomis' class. He has an older brother and enjoys sports and games. Raymond said, "The best things about Oak Avenue are the teachers, my friends, and sports." The best thing that ever happened was accidentally moving here from Gilroy. If he could change one thing it would be to stop suffering in the world. If he could build one thing, it would be a robot that could help with your problems. Personal goals are to live a happy life, do well in school, and graduate college.

**Maya** is 13 years old and in Mr. Loomis' class. She has two brothers and sisters and enjoys listening to music and dancing. Maya said, "The best things about Oak Avenue are the teachers, people, and classes." The best thing that ever happened was meeting her step-sister. She is her best friend and could not imagine life without her. If she could build one thing, it would be a way to look back on memories and relive them again. Personal goals are to learn new languages, be more productive, and choreograph dances to songs.

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 North Woods 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).