



## Kiwanis Honors Oak Avenue Intermediate School Students Gladys Garcia Lopez and Kendrick Phan March 16, 2021



The Kiwanis Club of Temple City recognized two outstanding students from Oak Avenue Intermediate School. During this time of pandemic our club recognized these great students at a virtual Zoom meeting.



**Gladys** is 14 years old and in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. She has three younger brothers and sisters enjoys taking care of her brothers and sister, math, and she has an interest to assist in surgery. Gladys said, “The best things about Oak Avenue are the nice teachers that help me with things that I need help with, they help me learn more than my old school at Willard, and I have made new friends.” The best thing that ever happened was getting all A’s because she was doing really bad.

If she could change one thing, it would be to let her family from Mexico come to the United States. If Gladys could build one thing, it would be a machine to bring her things like food and clothes. Personal goals she is striving for are to give back to people like food or money, help her grandpa get a new restaurant which he deserves, and help her family.



**Kendrick** is 12 years old and in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. He enjoys gaming, designing, and architecture. Kendrick said, “The best things about the Oak Avenue are the helpful teachers, the warm and friendly atmosphere, and the wide range of enjoyable projects.” The best thing that ever happened was passing the Algebra Placement Test at the beginning of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

If he could change one thing, it would be the negative effects mankind has put on the earth. If Kendrick could build one thing, it would be a minimalistic home for his family and friends. Personal goals he is striving for are to continue his academic success, get into a famous university, find an enjoyable and money-making occupation, and have a successful and enjoyable life.

Each month the Temple City Kiwanis Club is pleased to recognize outstanding students and their teachers from La Rosa, Cloverly, Emperor, Longden, Oak Avenue, Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center, and Temple City High School. Students receive a certificate, a letter for their parents, and a bumper sticker. Their photo and story will be posted on the Temple City Unified School District website, on their Facebook page, and the Superintendent’s monthly newsletter.

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 normally 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).