



75th Camellia Festival General Chairman Jessica Lynn Westgate Goold

Seventy-five years ago, the Women's Club of Temple City created one of the most significant events in Temple City, The Camellia Parade & Festival.

Jessica Goold is honored to be the General Chairman of the 75th Camellia Festival. She and her family have deep roots in Temple City and a love for its family values that stretch back to 1937 when her great-

grandfather built the family home and one of its first water companies here. Jessica was raised in that home, and is a proud alumna of LaRosa, Cloverly, Oak Avenue Intermediate, and Temple City High School. Jessica recalls walking in the Camellia Parade as a Brownie and as an Oak Ave. Drill Team member. Jessica and her family have a long history with the Camellia Festival. From her dad marching in 1952 with his cub scout pack, to ten years of selling sodas in the Job's Daughters' Coke booth, to selling funnel cakes with boy scouts, and watching her 3 children Steven, Shaughnessy & Rebekah march in the parade for the last 17 years. For three generations the Camellia Parade & Festival have been an important annual event for Jessica and her family.

Jessica has taught 8th grade history at Oak Avenue Intermediate for 24 years and loves getting to work with the youth of Temple City. She created an annual historical event for the entire eighth grade class, and helped found the STEAM Club, Science Olympiad, and the Royal PIE Robotics at Oak Avenue Intermediate. She has served as an active member in the Teachers Association and is the current ASB Director at Oak Avenue, helping student leaders plan events and create a positive school culture. Jessica is currently serving as the president of the Performing Arts Boosters for TCUSD. In 2004 she was named TCUSD Teacher of the Year. Jessica has also been a Cub Scout Leader of Pack 156, an Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 161, where her son, Steven, earned his Eagle Scout, a Girl Scout Leader of Troop 2761, and a Sunday School teacher, along with her husband.

Jessica and her husband were married in the gazebo at Temple City Park. Jessica's mother-in-Law, Joan, along with her two daughters Shaughnessy & Rebekah are active in the Women's Club of Temple City. Jessica and her family live in the home her great-aunt, Elaine Kelty, built in 1947. Jessica feels blessed to be a part of Temple City because it is a wonderful place to grow up and raise a family.

Jessica wishes to thank all of the hard-working volunteers that helped ensure the Camellia Festival is a success. She thanks the 2019 Grand Marshal, the Women's Club of Temple City, for creating a remarkable event that has brought our community together for 75 years. She wants to express gratitude to the 2019 Honorary Grand Marshal, Dave Smith, for all he has done for Temple City through the years. Lastly, she thanks Oak Avenue Intermediate 8th grader, Giordano Camera, for capturing the essence of the 75th Camellia Festival with this year's theme, **"75 Years of Kids, Camellias & Carnivals."**

