

28 SEPT 2020 - NEWS UPDATE



JOIN US IN CELEBRATION OF RYAN'S LIFE

An open invitation from Randy & Sarah Botts, Ryan's wife Nikki and their families

Photo L to R: Ryan and Randy Botts enjoying one of their favorite past times together – fly fishing in the Northern Sierras.

Ryan Botts passed away last Tuesday. The Botts family has invited all their Templeton/North County friends and neighbors, in addition to Ryan's former students, to a "Celebration of Ryan's Life"

on Sunday, October 4 at 1pm at The Links Golf Course in Paso Robles.

Guests are encouraged to bring a photo or favorite memory to share.

Ryan graduated from Templeton High School (THS) in 1997, and Cal Poly in 2003 with a B.S. and in 2005 with his Masters Degree in Mathematics. He taught math at THS in 2006 and 2007 and then went on to earn his Doctorate from Ohio University in 2010. Ryan has been teaching math at Point Loma Nazarene University for the last 10 years.

He and his brother Randy were best friends who loved spending time in the outdoors together. Both men of faith, Ryan's last entry in his diary was Psalm 23. "The LORD is my shepherd...yeah though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil..."

NEWS FROM TCSD



Office hours change this week due to lack of AC

The AC unit at the Templeton Community Services District (TCSD) office went out early last weekend. Both the compressor and the condenser must be replaced. Unfortunately, the compressor had to be ordered and was not expected to arrive until Friday for Monday

installation.

According to TCSD General Manager Jeff Briltz, Templeton Heating and Air may be able to access the condenser earlier than they originally anticipated and repairs could go forward mid-to-late week.

In the meantime, with temperatures approaching three digits in Templeton, the TCSD office is open to the public during the morning from 7 am to 1 pm. After 1 pm, staff will be working from home and can be accessed thru the regular office number at (805) 434-4900.

Until the AC is fixed, Briltz recommended that those wishing to conduct business in the afternoon call first, thru the end of this week.

MORE NEWS FROM TCSD

Here are a number of additional items of interest from Templeton Community Services District.

[a] ELECTION REMINDER – An official ballot drop-off box is located in the TCSD office (corner of 5th and Crocker).

[b] TEMPLETON FIRE – New Fire Captain Greg McGill starts work on Monday (Oct 5). There will be a special oath of office and pinning ceremony during the TCSD board meeting on October 6 for Mc/Gill, in addition to Captain Phillip Goldbloom and Firefighter Dustin King.

[c] FIRE SAFETY REMINDER – “It’s still fire season, fuel moisture is low, and we’re expecting windy conditions,” said Templeton Fire Chief Tom Peterson. “It is important that fuel loads be kept low through continuing weed abatement with any

work done no later than 10 am. Please call the Fire Station at (805) 434-4911 if you have any questions or concerns.”

[d] DRIVE-THRU BBQ – “A special thank you to the Templeton Recreation Foundation, volunteers, and sponsors who helped put on such a successful Drive Thru BBQ fundraiser,” said Templeton Recreation Supervisor Melissa Johnson. “And thank you to the community for showing up and giving us such wonderful support!”

For more on this story, please [CLICK HERE](#) to see “Templeton Recreation Department holds fundraiser” from KSBY on September 26, 2020.

[e] COMMUNITY CLEAN UP – “Community Clean Up will continue thru tomorrow (Sept 30),” said Templeton Recreation Supervisor Melissa Johnson. “So far, there have been some interesting finds – like a large box of really good books – and of course, the usual cigarette butts and litter. One group picked up almost 10 pounds of trash in their half-mile area!”

Johnson went on to say that Templeton has had a very good turn out with 23 teams totaling about 90 participants signed up this year.

[f] YOUTH SPORTS – Flyers just went out for Templeton Youth Basketball League 2020 POD PLAY registration. POD Play will be focused on individual skill building, player development, being outdoors, and just having fun! For more on this, please see the Bulletin Board section on the Soaring Eagle Press website.

[g] MORE YOUTH SPORTS – A final note. “A second Soccer POD Program is coming in late November,” shared Templeton Recreation Supervisor Melissa Johnson. “Keep an eye out! More good times are coming your way!”

[h] PARK PLAYGROUNDS – A press release from the County of SLO this afternoon provided information on new guidelines for outdoor playgrounds and other outdoor recreational facilities. Keeping in mind that the Templeton Community Services District is responsible for Tom Jermin, Sr. Park (Bethel), Evers Sports Park, and the Skate Park in Templeton, and SLO County operates Templeton Park.

According to Templeton CSD Recreation Supervisor Melissa Johnson, her department has already begun the planning and work necessary to open the outdoor playgrounds at those parks under the TCSD umbrella. “Hopefully, they will be open on Friday!” said Johnson.

Editor’s Note! Soaring Eagle Press was unable to reach anyone at the County Parks & Recreation Department regarding the outdoor playground at Templeton Park. Watch future updates for more information regarding Templeton Park.

FROM YOUR CHAMBER



Meet Wednesday with Supervisor John Peschong

The Templeton Chamber of Commerce will host 1st District Supervisor John Peschong on Wednesday, September 30 at 11:30 am via ZOOM.

This is an opportunity to hear directly from Supervisor Peschong as he provides updates on what the County is doing. Hear the latest information affecting the Central Coast and from recent sessions of the Board of Supervisors. There will be a question and answer time at the end.

Those interested in attending are asked to register. An email will be sent with a link for the event. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to register.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Colds, COVID, flu and back to school

Editor's Note! With children most likely heading back to school physically in the near future, the following items provide some very important information. Keep in mind that we're at the beginning of the cold and flu season in conjunction with the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Local pediatrician weighs in on the difference between flu and COVID in children" by Alexa Bartola and published by KSBY on September 28.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to access this item.

"President Trump gives update on COVID-19 testing" – September 28 on C-Span

President Trump is joined by members of his administration to announce that a new, rapid COVID-19 test is now available for distribution for those in the most vulnerable categories. The plan is to distribute 150 million rapid tests in the coming

weeks with 100 million to Governors for distribution. The President stressed the importance of these tests being made available to K-12 schools and vulnerable communities like nursing homes. Also in the video, Admiral Gioir demonstrates the new test on himself and shows how quick and easy it is.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to watch this very informative video.

NOTES FROM TEMPLETON SCHOOLS



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Editor's Note! As a tie-in to the information in the “Health & Fitness” section in this update, Templeton Unified School District (TUSD) Assistant Superintendent Andy Burnett provided the following:

“As of last Thursday’s TUSD board meeting, the Board of Trustees gave us direction to pursue three matters,” said Burnett. “They include...”

[a] Bringing elementary (TK-5) aged students back onto campus for a Hybrid model of learning at the beginning of the 2nd trimester (November 16, 2020).

[b] Pushing up the transition date from Distance Learning to Hybrid Learning for secondary students at Templeton Middle School and Templeton High School to November 16, 2020 instead of January 2021.

[3] In the event that our county moves back to the purple tier on the state’s monitoring system before we transition into Hybrid Learning, then we are to pursue a waiver to bring elementary-aged students back onto campus.

To learn more about “Hybrid Learning” for Templeton Schools, please [CLICK HERE](#) to visit their “Reopen Templeton Schools Website”. Scroll down the front page and click on the draft reopening plan to learn more.

Editor’s Note! Please keep in mind that things are in a constant state of flux and what may or may not happen in the future is very difficult to predict. Between the economy, our state government, the national election, and the pandemic, planning – even for the near future – is extremely difficult at present.

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