



# TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



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It has been another predictably busy week at Troy High School! Of course we are now less than a month from the end of the school year and graduation on May 25<sup>th</sup>! I am sure nobody is counting the days... There is still a lot left to do in a short amount of time! IB exams begin today and AP exams begin on Monday!



On Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, North Orange County ROP held the Annual Celebration of Success Awards Ceremony at the City National Grove of Anaheim. Students who have taken ROP classes / programs from throughout the county were recognized for their achievements and seven of the recognized students were from Troy High School!

*Ariana Meza: Health Sciences and Medical Technology Industry Sector Award*

*Abril Medina: The Altrusa International – Anaheim Chapter Dolores Suter-Crupnick Award*

*Lizeth Gonzalez: Troy High School ROP Student of the Year Award*

*Julia Dixon: The Dewey Family Memorial Award*

*Jillian Dias: Education, Child Development, and Family Services Industry Sector Award*

*Helena Cuellar: The Ray Gerace Memorial Award Honorable Mention*

*SeaAnn Cobain: Education, Child Development and Family Services Industry Sector Award*

This is the largest group from Troy recognized in recent memory. Congratulations to our ROP teachers, Ms. Taylor Swaney, Ms. Amy Jensen, and Counselor Ms. Dionne Evans! Also, to the students that completed the work, you have demonstrated beyond a doubt you are deserving of the recognition you have received and will continue to earn. Congratulations!



Last Saturday we held our annual Prom with the City of Stars theme at the Bowlmor in Anaheim. I have rarely attended a Prom in which I witnessed students having a better time than at Prom this year! It is not abnormal for students to be fashionably late and often leave early. True to form, our students were fashionably late—but they did not leave early because they were having too much fun! It was a large crowd and it was nice to see the turnout for what turned into one of the best Proms our ASB has organized! Congratulations!

On Thursday, we held our annual Troy Tech Fair! This event ran from 8:00am with various events throughout until 8:30pm. The centerpiece of the event was our Troy Tech seniors

speaking about their 150 hour internships they completed as part of the Troy Tech program. There were 337 seniors available to groups of parents, students from elementary/middle and Troy High School, as well as community members. It was a wonderful event and included a visit from California State Assemblymember, Ms. Sharon Quirk-Silva who had a few words for our students and parents. Thank you to everyone involved for this event, as it truly takes our entire staff, parents (TSO-PTSA aka Team Troy), and students to create this event!



In more ROP news, Ms. Amy Jenson informed me of an outstanding opportunity available for our eighteen Principles of Teaching and Learning students. Through a NEA grant, these students are involved in an internship at Raymond Elementary that began on April 24<sup>th</sup> and will run through May 19<sup>th</sup>. These students also had the opportunity to attend the Teacher Pathway Partnership at the Tomorrow's Teacher Conference at Santiago Canyon College a little more than a week ago. It is gratifying to see that we are already beginning the training for the next generation of teachers at Troy High School!





We have tremendously talented students in a many different categories ranging from Academics, Athletics, Arts, and Activities, we can cover it all. From the Performing Arts, Music Director Mr. Joseph Castillo has been conducting concerts during break with different performing groups. On Tuesday we were able to enjoy, Strings in the Quad. Today I believe the group will be Jazz in the Quad. I strongly encourage taking a few minutes to stop and listen, as their performances are very well done! Only at Troy do we have live music at break!



Another wonderful musical performance this weekend involving one of our students will happen this Sunday afternoon at 2:00pm at the Nixon Library. Troy senior, Andrew Edwards will perform a solo recital on the piano playing works by Haydn, Chopin, Debussy, Rachmaninov, and Ginastera. Andrew is also a National Youngarts Foundation 2017 winner, having been recognized by this prestigious organization for his talent! Thank you to Ms. Gabrielle Hufferd for the information on this event! Congratulations Andrew!

On Wednesday we held a potluck for our tremendous Main Office Staff for Administrative Professionals Day! As we all know the people that actually make this school run

on a daily basis are in the main office and they are not the Principal, Assistant Principals, or Counselors. We all know who runs the school! Thank you to our fabulous team and for everything they do for the Troy High School family!



On Tuesday our NJROTC held two major events. During lunchtime they held their Change of Command ceremony in which next year's first leadership team takes command. This event is held at regular intervals during the year. In the past it has been on quarters, but I think for next year that time has been extended for additional leadership development.



Also on Tuesday at 6:00pm in the North Gym, NJROTC we held the 2017 Awards Night as our cadets were honored for their achievements this year. It is always a rewarding event and it is amazing to see the growth and accomplishments of our students. This year our NJROTC has competed, or still will compete in a total of six national title events. That is the most of any NJROTC in the country, and it is amazing! Congratulations to what I believe to be the best NJROTC in the nation!



At the beginning of the *Warrior Weekly* I mentioned that I did not think anyone was counting the days left in the school year. I now know at least one group that may be doing so. Could this be the work of our seniors?







Every year the Orange County Environmental Health Division inspects school food facilities. Once again, our outstanding Food Service Staff, led by Ms. Geri Imler received the Award of Excellence! This award is not just given on the basis of having an excellent facility on a single day, it represents consistently maintaining exceptionally high food safety and sanitation standards throughout the year. Congratulations to our Food Services Staff Members and our Custodial staff members for their good work and commitment to our school!





Work continues on our pool at a feverish pace! It is amazing to see the pool coming together, and I go out daily to check on the progress! We will have our new pool soon, and I could not be more excited! Thank you, thank you, thank you, for everyone at every level for this wonderful project for the Troy High School community!

On April 22<sup>nd</sup> teams from Ladera Vista and Troy High School travelled to the Los Angeles Unified School District Roybal Education Center to compete in the LA Cyber Cup. Of a possible twelve high school awards we brought home four. In the middle school division, there were three total awards and Ladera Vista brought home two. We were the only Orange County schools invited to the competition! Troy and Ladera Vista have already cemented their reputations as Cyber Security powerhouses with consistent top performances in competitions against top programs! As we move further down this road it is relevant to know that there are currently in the United States 348,000 job openings in this field! Of this number 45,000 of these jobs are in California with starting salaries in the \$70-90,000 dollar range! Thank you to 2016 CyberPatriot National Coach and Troy Tech Cyber Defense Pathway teacher, Mr. Allen



Stubblefield for providing the hard data on our cyber defense teams and on their future college and career prospects!



It is Friday, it is spring, and it is going to be a wonderful weekend! I hope you will be able to get outside and take a few moments to enjoy the season! Rest, relax, study, and repeat. I will see everyone back here on Monday morning!

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