



It is Friday, and we have two weeks until the end of the semester! One more week of instruction, then one week of final exams! Keep focused, and turn in everything when it is due!

It is going to be a great day, as we have the 8^{th} grade class from Ladera Vista Junior High School joining us for a special pep rally designed for them which showcases who we are as Troy High School! If you see a few groups of 8^{th} graders around as we enter Break, make sure you welcome them as a number of them will very likely be here in the fall. 2



Last evening, the one night only instrumental holiday performance took place in our South Gym. Led by director, Mr. Joseph Castillo, the various instrumental groups played and also had some vocal renditions of holiday favorites. It was a great event on a rainy night at Troy High School! We also had an athletic event going at the same time with our wrestling team taking on wrestling powerhouse, Sonora High School. While we performed well and had some great matches, in the end we were overwhelmed by Sonora and they took the victory. The season has a long way to go, and I see our wrestlers continuing to get better and take some wins in the future!



On Wednesday, we held our Specialized Programs Classroom Visitation event for prospective students and parents from 3:30—4:30pm. Visitors were able to visit classrooms and see the various activities in which our students partake after school. Computer Science, mathematics, science, English, NJROTC, World Languages, Athletics, Fine Arts, and AVID were all represented. Additionally, our visitors were able to see our Esports team defeat Westminster High School in the 2nd round of playoffs in the *Overwatch* tournament! Thank you to everyone who made this evening special and exciting!



You are cordially invited to the 47th Annual Holiday Luncheon, hosted by your ever-so-grateful Special Education Staff

> Wednesday, December 5, 2018 11:45 am Room 509

Please join us, as a small token of our gratitude for all you do for our department!



For 47 years the Special Education Department has put together a holiday luncheon for the rest of Troy's staff members. The food, ambiance, and company were outstanding as always! The Special Education department is grateful for the rest of the staff, but all of Troy is grateful for our Special Education teachers and the wonderful work they do with our students! Thank you to Department Chair, Jenny Redmond and the rest of the team for a wonderful luncheon!

In another wonderful collaboration with our Special Education Department, our CBI students and Theatre Ensemble are proud to present their annual collaboration production today during 4th period and again tonight at 6:00pm for the holiday event titled, *Bedtime Stories*. This is never a show to be missed so if you are not part of one of the lucky classes during 4th period, please make plans to see the 6:00pm show!



In athletics it has been a crazy week. The Girls' basketball tournament at Troy has been going all week with some of the top teams in the state participating. Troy has been holding its own and playing very well including a win over Long Beach Poly. In soccer news, our Boys' team is strong and winning some close games, and even the losses are close. They are good. The Girls' Soccer team is playing well and really coming together. This week there were ranked #8 in the Division 1 CIF rankings! Our other sports teams are also doing well, and I will have more on them next week!

Last week a team of Troy students, Jino Sirivatanarat, Jennifer Ho, and Clement Chan finished 2nd in the National Cyber League Fall Finals Silver Category. Of the 363 teams from across the nation in the competition, six were from Troy. This is remarkable as this is actually a college tournament and Troy High School was the only high school to place in the top three in three different divisions. The other top teams were all college teams. Congratulations to our students and their Cyber Coach, Mr. Allen Stubblefield!



On Monday, AP Economics teacher, Mr. David St.Clair and Troy students, David Lee, Dayne Tran, Jimmy Li and Maxwell Tsao travelled to the Federal Reserve Bank in Los Angeles to compete in an economic tournament for which they qualified. Their coach, Mr. St. Clair gave this report on their effort. "Congratulations to seniors David Lee and Dayne Tran, and juniors Jimmy Li and Maxwell Tsao for winning 1st place at the Financial Advisers Competition Final held yesterday at the Federal Reserve Bank in Los Angeles. At the competition, students created a financial plan for a mock client's future and presented it to a panel of judges. After the presentation, students then played a jeopardy formatted buzzer round with 25 questions regarding personal finance and economics. In the end, Troy's team was the winner, capturing 1st place and a check for \$1500! Great Job Warriors!" For the record, this is not a one-time occurrence. Mr. St. Clair's students have done well in competitions such as this for many years, with many thousands of dollars of prize money earned to date! Congratulations Warriors!

Students and parents! It is time to get ready to sign up for AP Exams! Troy Counselor, Ms. Sarah Saleen sent this message home on December 4th and I am posting it again for all to read.

Attention Troy Students and Parents/Guardians,

This is a notification that Advanced Placement (AP) Exam registration for Troy will take place January 28- February 8, 2019. Registration is done through the Total Registration website. Students must be enrolled in the AP course in order to take the AP Exam at Troy. AP Exam registration information will be made available in January and emailed to parents and students, sent to AP teachers to post, as well as posted to the school website. AP Exams will cost \$99.00 each which includes the registration fee; late registration will cost more. If a student is enrolled in the Free & Reduced Lunch Program (FRLP), they are eligible for AP Exam fee waivers. To apply for the FRLP, go to the FJUHSD Food Services page (www.fjuhsdfoodservices.org). You may also obtain a paper copy of the FRLP application in Troy's Front Office. In case you missed the September 28th deadline, you have until December 10th to submit your FRLP application for AP Exam fee waiver eligibility. It is the responsibility of the student and parent/guardian to register for AP Exams. If the deadline is missed, students will be unable to take the exams.

Mrs. Sarah Saleen, M.S., PPS Troy High School Counselor



Former Troy Assistant Principal Scott MacIntyre made Troy NJROTC Commander, Bill Lauper aware of an event in which Navy Veteran of WWII, Korea, and Vietnam, 93 year old George Johnson was being recognized for his service and also for his refusal to let a 13 year old German Shepard belonging to a recently deployed sailor, be euthanized. When the story of what George Johnson did and saving the dog was discovered by Channel 7 Eyewitness News, the pet supply company PETCO's foundation gave \$25000 to the Orange County German Shepard rescue and a shopping spree for Mr. Johnson and his dog. Our NJROTC travelled to Downey to be part of the ceremony and had the opportunity to meet and speak with Mr. Johnson.



It is going to be a beautiful December weekend in So Cal with the rain being gone for a few days and a warmer weekend on the horizon. It is also a day to reflect upon the past as 77 years ago Pearl Harbor, Hawaii was attacked by Japan and ushered in the subsequent declaration of war from Congress and the formal entrance of the United States into World War II. 2403 American servicemen and civilians died in this attack, 417,000 more U.S. servicemen would die

during the course of the war and many millions more people of all nationalities died in the totality of WWII and its aftermath. As we reflect upon National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, as well as the death earlier this week of WWII naval pilot, and President of the United States, George H.W. Bush, it is important to be grateful to the men and women that have served in our military, both past and present. At a joint session of Congress shortly after the death of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, our new president Harry S. Truman stated, "*It is not enough to yearn for peace. We must work, and if necessary, fight for it. The task of creating a sound international organization is complicated and difficult. Yet, without such organization, the rights of man on earth cannot be protected. Machinery for the just settlement of international differences must be found. Without such machinery, the entire world will have to remain an armed camp. The world will be doomed to deadly conflict, devoid of hope for real peace." President Truman knew world peace depended upon communication, fairness, and strength. With his address to Congress he supported the continued planning for the meetings in San Francisco that in October, 1945 would create the United Nations and with it, the hope of a lasting world peace. May this vision of true worldwide peace someday become reality.*

Have a wonderful weekend! I am going to finish putting up the holiday decorations, get some holiday shopping done, and get the much needed rest and relaxation as we prepare for Final Exams! I wish everyone the same. I will see everyone back here Monday morning!



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