



# *TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY*



April 27, 2018

It is the last April weekend of 2018! Tuesday is May 1<sup>st</sup>! The end of the year, preceded by the AP, IB, and Final Exams are quickly approaching!



Last week our ROP classes participated in WE Schools event at the Forum. The invitation has to be earned, not bought through students taking a yearlong educational program on global action through WE Schools with the goal of empowering young people to be compassionate leaders and active citizens. Our students focused on the five WE pillars of Education, Water, Health, Food, and Opportunity. All are critical in breaking the cycle of poverty and creating better lives for all. Thank you Troy ROP! There is even more ROP news! On Wednesday evening at Loara High School, ROP held their Annual North Orange County

Celebration of Success. Troy student, Kathryn Castro was the big winner of the night when she was awarded the Fullerton Joint Union High School District ROP Student of the Year Award!



More great Performing Arts news for Troy! On Wednesday, our Ladies First and Vocal Ensemble received Unanimous Superior ratings for their performances and sight reading at the Southern California Vocal Association festival held at Plummer Auditorium! Our choirs have some amazing singers and they have an amazing choir director in Troy's Mr. Mark Henson. Congratulations, and I look forward to your next performance!



This past Wednesday was Administrative Professionals' Day, and the Assistant Principals' and I wanted to recognize all the people in the front office that ensure Troy operates as efficiently/effectively from an operational standpoint as possible. AP, Lance Bletscher picked up the food for lunch and everyone was treated to a great taco / enchilada bar with all the fixings! Thank you to our entire office staff for everything you do for our students, staff, and parents!

This afternoon our Best Buddies club is holding their Annual Carnival Dance after school. This is always a fun event and it will run from 3:00-4:15pm. They can always use some additional staff volunteers, so if you are interested in hanging out with one of the best groups on campus, come on down for a bit! I am not going to miss this one!





It is impossible to miss the giant You Are Loved artwork, comprised of hearts. This is the effort our ASB. We also have positive sticky notes on lockers with mints, cute posters about love that are the efforts of our AVID freshmen community service project as you can tell in these pictures below. Also included in the effort to spread good vibes is our PTSA Student Leadership



Group who are partnering with the Orange County Department of Education's Kindness Campaign. The purpose of this campaign is to improve school climate, promote character and

rally the school for greater civility. Ms. Alice Lee reports that so far about 400 kindness cards have been submitted with acts of kindness students either received or have shown to others this year! It is great to be a Troy Warrior!

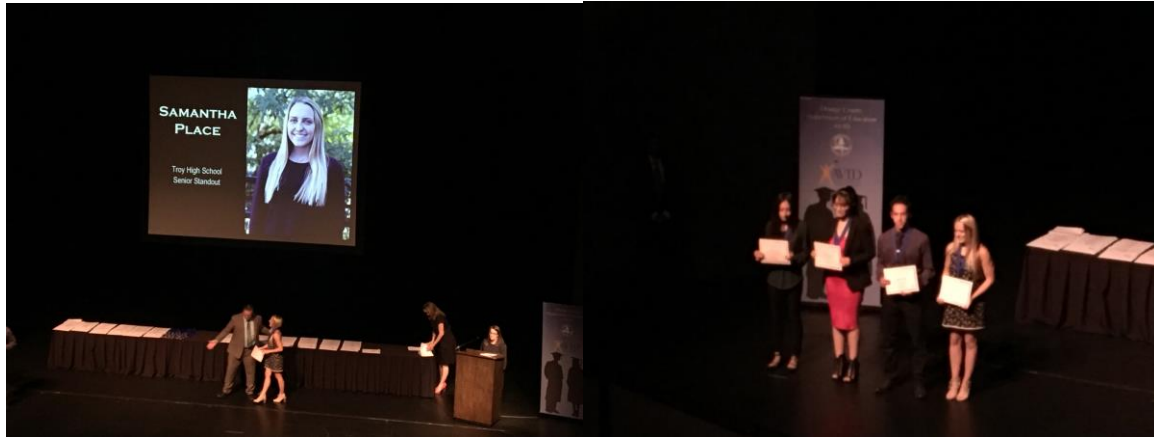


In some very exciting news, our own Troy school trainer Mr. Kyle Coburn has been selected as the Orange County Athletic Trainer of the Year! Anyone who either participates in athletics or attends athletic events has seen Mr. Coburn. He is the person that wraps the ankles and helps kids with sports related mishaps. We are fortunate to have Mr. Kyle Coburn on our staff and he is one of the best trainers with which I have had the pleasure to be associated. This is a well-deserved honor! Congratulations!



It happened! Music Director, Mr. Jo-Jo Castillo reported our Warrior Guard won their competition last weekend and they are now officially in 1<sup>st</sup> place and champions! Additionally, two of the Warrior Guard, Yaen Chen and Alisha Seghal were recognized for excellence and if I read the checks correctly, it looks like a couple \$1,000 checks are in their possession. ☺

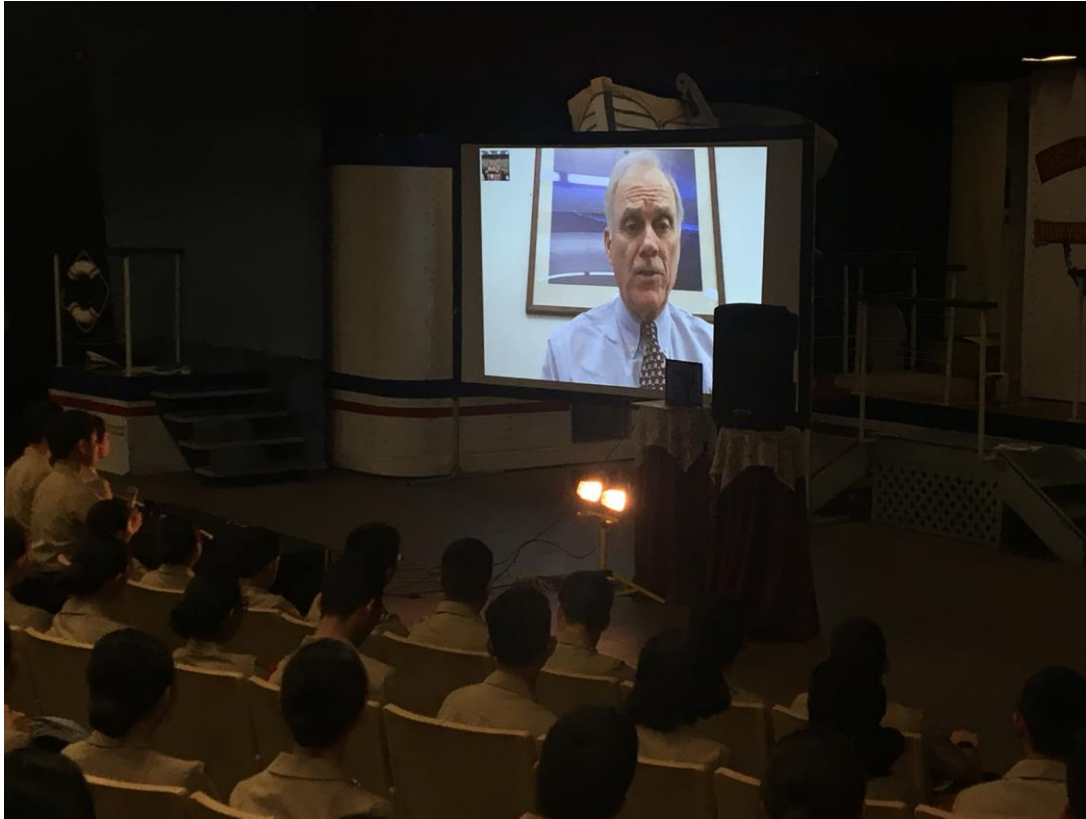




Monday night at UC Irvine, the 2018 AVID Senior Standout Recognition and Scholarship Presentation was held in the Barclay Theatre. This was a huge milestone for Troy, as in 2018 this is our first graduating AVID class! Each school selects their Senior Standout and for Troy, Ms. Samantha Place was selected from many great students! AVID agreed and awarded Samantha a \$2,500 scholarship! Congratulations Samantha on being the first ever Troy AVID Senior Standout! Also huge thanks to AVID Coordinator Ms. Tiffany Robinson!



Last Saturday evening Troy's Prom was held at the Queen Mary in Long Beach. Thank you to AP, Ms. Renee Gates for the fantastic picture at sunset. Inside the ship, the dance floor was the happening place to be! This is still a beautiful ship and is not looking too bad for 83 years old! The 835 students in attendance had a wonderful night and one to remember. I have much thanks and appreciation for our ASB and their adviser, Ms. Alexandria Williamson for the selection of this wonderful location for our 2018 Prom. What will 2019 bring? 😊.



This week our NJROTC cadets had an opportunity that to anyone's knowledge has never before occurred. Through his various contacts and associations, Commander Lauper was able to arrange a live video teleconference with Richard V. Spencer the 76<sup>th</sup> Secretary of the Navy. This is no small matter as the Secretary of the Navy is part of the President's Cabinet and has a lot on his plate—especially right now. For him to take time to speak with our cadets and answer their questions was simply amazing! Secretary Spencer had done his homework on our NJROTC and complemented our cadets on the quality of the program and our accomplishments, citing our Cyber Defense program and our general excellence. Thank you to the Secretary Spencer for

taking his time to speak with our cadets. Also, thank you to Commander Lauper for helping create this amazing opportunity for our cadets. Thank you to our cadets for being amazing and making it easy for Commander Lauper to hold up our program as an example of excellence so the Secretary of the Navy and those that surround him want to know more about us and our fantastic program! Last but not least, thank you to Computer Information Tech, Mr. Jonathan Hill and Technology expert and Troy Teacher, Mr. Jesse Knowles for being able to quickly work with the Secretary of the Navy staff as they set up the live feed to our school. It would not have happened without their help! A great event and one to remember forever! Go Warriors!



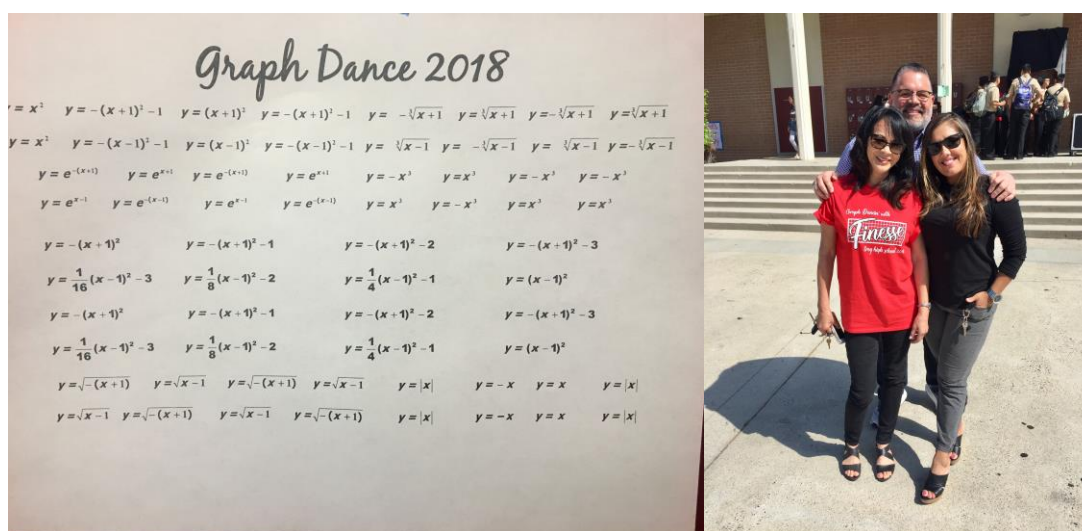
Last Saturday, Troy students/programmers participated in the Lockheed Martin 2018 Code Quest competition. We had two teams and both finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in their divisions which is pretty darn good considering the level of competition. Pictured are Mathhew Tran, Lydia Chan, and Felianne Teng in the Advanced Division. Not pictured are Benjamin Liu, Rahil Shah, and Lucas Jeong whom finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Novice Division. Congratulations on a great performance!

On Monday night our Film and Media classes under the watchful eye of Mr. Jim Falletta held their Annual Wally Awards. The big winners of the night were Sonali Chugani and Nathan Lee both of whom took home the Best In Show Award. Mr. Falletta is very good about uploading the winning films to You Tube so they should be available to be viewed by the general public very soon! Who knows, these could be the next Spielberg or Lucas!

On Wednesday, we held the Annual Graph Dance with main organizer and mathematic teacher extraordinaire, Ms. Pat Roach in the lead. When I spoke with Ms. Roach about this year's dance, she explained the students followed her parameters to select the right music and



then they held tryouts for the first two rows of dancers. It is really a very involved process with the students practicing their dance moves according to the supplied formula. As always it was awesome, but also bittersweet as Ms. Roach announced her retirement only a few days prior. Someone will follow Ms. Roach's legacy and will continue the Graph Dance in 2019! Who will it be? We will have to stay tuned and find out!



One of the biggest events of the year for Troy High School is the Troy Tech Fair, which happens each spring. At this event, our current seniors get to showcase and explain to numerous visitors, elementary and middle school students, and underclassmen their summer internships completed as part of the Troy Tech program. As they always are, our students were amazing as they explained some of the various internships in which they participated. Our students worked in areas such as; academic, legal, political, medical, aerospace, cyber, computer, charity, community, outreach, education, robotics, the list goes on and on. Other schools may have some



of what we are but nobody has anything like our Internship program. Thank you to everyone involved in making this event a tremendous success, starting with the students, pathway advisers, parents, classroom teachers, and last but not least, Troy Tech Coordinator, Ms. Laurie Downum! I have included many pictures from this fantastic showcase event!

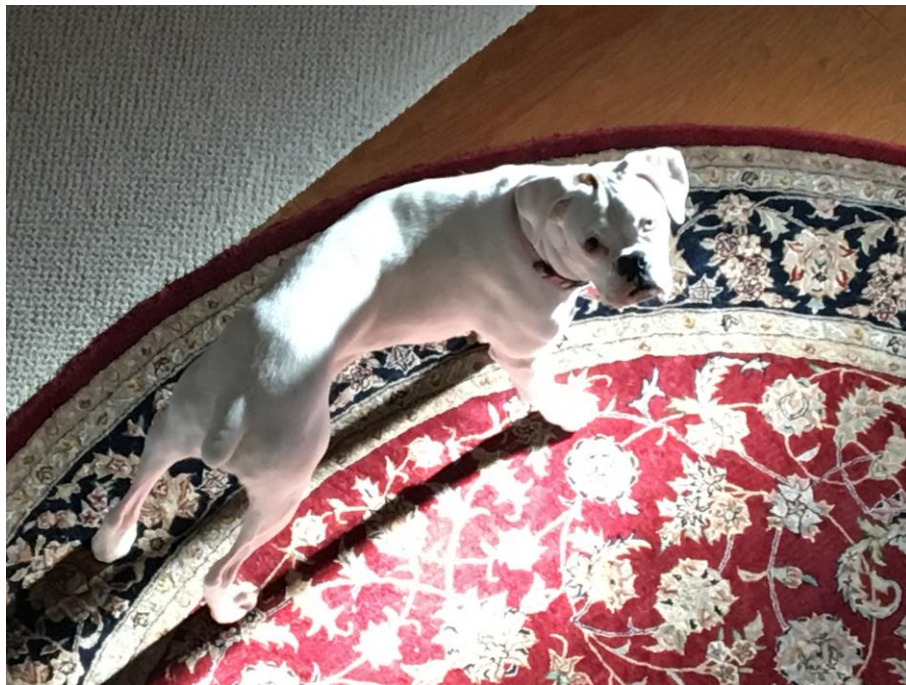


I wish everyone a wonderful and restful weekend! It looks like a very cool spring weekend with the possibility of rain Tuesday. I think it is the perfect lay around and find a good movie weekend. On the other hand, our school play, *Anything Goes* is closing Saturday night and it is spectacular! I might see it again... 7:00pm and totally worth every second! Have a

great weekend, and I will see everyone back here on Monday. Do not forget, it is our last Late Start of the 2017—2018 school year!



*Anything Goes*. It really is that good! Friday and Saturday night @ 7:00pm!



I think my wife's dog expects to go for at least one walk this weekend as well. Exercise is always good!

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