



TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



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It is already May! Graduation for the Class of 2019 is on May 30th! The tick tock of the clock is getting louder and with AP Examinations beginning on Monday, it is that time of year! Time to show what you know on the AP examinations! Students, what is the most important thing you can do right now? Get plenty of rest, sleep, and eat well. This is true all of the time, but never more than now, when during the exam when you must be able to think very clearly and recall what is stored in the deep recesses of your memory. Relax, all of you are prepared for the exams, and are going to do well! Just make sure you get to your exam on time. ☺



The two pictures on this page are from our Prom, held last weekend at the House of Blues.

Our ASB did a fantastic job with the promotional videos and advertising for our Prom, and best dance of the year. The House of Blues was a great venue, all of our students were exceptionally dressed, they had a great time dancing, playing casino games, and again, most of all dancing.



Our Girls' Softball team won their first round CIF playoff game yesterday when they defeated Ramona High School of Riverside by a score of 7-1! This win was seven years in the making, so the seven runs was one for each year our team missed the playoffs. Ballplayers love numbers... This team has faced adversity and rose beyond the obstacles to come together as a team—we saw what they were becoming when they beat Sunny Hills the first time at home. Thank you to all the team leaders, and thank you to Coach Chris Nichols! This is a great team, and they will be playing a home game next Tuesday at 3:15! Let's pack the bleachers and surround the field with Troy fans! Great job Warriors!

Boys' Tennis made the CIF playoffs, but unfortunately lost on Wednesday. They are not done yet, as they still have individuals. Last year was when some of our Boys made a very deep run into CIF after team play had concluded. We will see what happens next week!



Congratulations to Troy's Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) for taking 2nd place in the State of California! Homestead High School, a juggernaut in the world of FBLA took 1st place for something like 40 years in a row... That may be a slight exaggeration. Our team performed exceptionally, and their FBLA adviser, Ms. Deborah Henniger is very proud of their efforts and achievement! Troy is back on the State medal stage in FBLA, and this is exactly where this team belongs! Congratulations, Warriors!

The Troy Outdoor Classroom is coming along and Brick donations have been coming in at a strong pace. Thank you to everyone who have already purchased a brick(s) for the path leading to the outdoor deck in the Outdoor classroom. Your brick donation is getting us closer to our goal of building the Trex wood decking and allowing us to be ready use this amazing place next year. Science Department Chair, James Kirkpatrick has been spearheading this project, and outside of him being really low on his budget estimates—thus this brick fundraising plan, the project has been coming together as he predicted. He is a man of vision and action! ☺ Mr. Kirkpatrick will be ordering the bricks next month and begin installing them shortly thereafter.

Major progress will happen on the outdoor classroom over the summer! Don't miss out on this great opportunity to be a part of this project and order your brick before the deadline on May 9th. To order another brick in the wall, I mean the pathway, please go to the website:

<https://www.brickrus.com/donorsite/troyoutdoorclassroom>

Fill in your information and choose either a \$50 with lettering & information or \$65 if you want to add an icon image along with your information. There are lots of great image options such as sports, music, theater, a warrior, etc. Once you have made your selection, the website will take you to our ASB store and there you can make your payment using a credit card.

Congratulations to our Drum Line on their 3rd place finish in the Finals held last weekend at Azusa Pacific University. Director, Mr. Castillo stated there were 36 teams and only seventeen made it to the Finals. Our team did a great job! On a side note, our Warrior Color Guard also performed well this year, and all of these students together with our Marching Band in the fall, are going to be tremendous. Throwing their prop rifles is also very difficult. Below is a photo of me attempting to the maneuver—doing it badly, and looking ridiculous in the process. Thank you to Mr. Castillo for the photo—and for sending said photo to the entire Troy staff and superintendent yesterday. Regardless, it was fun attempting the throw, and I have new appreciation for how difficult this is to do well.





On Tuesday in a message to Troy's Staff, Mr. Mike Silzer announced he would be stepping away from the Athletic Director position. This is his message: *Staff, I want to thank you for supporting me for the past decade as the Troy High School Athletic Director and Assistant Athletic Director! I will be stepping down from the AD position and enjoy the life of a PE teacher and coach at Troy! My daughters Brooklyn and Londyn just turned 13 & 10! (Today is Londyn's Birthday!) I look forward to spending more time with my wonderful wife and kids! I am grateful for the years that I had to serve as Athletic Director at Troy High School. I look forward to continuing to be a part of the Warrior family. Thank you to all of you who have supported Troy Athletics! Thank you coaches, administration, athletes, alumni, boosters, front office staff, district staff, custodial and district grounds personnel, district admin and district*

support staff. Thank you to all of the other Athletic Directors in the district for your friendship and dedication to Athletics

Sincerely,

Mike Silzer

Mike is still our Girls' Soccer Coach, and Physical Education Department Chair, so he still has plenty on his plate. However, I do believe he is right and will be able to spend more time with his family. Additionally, thank you Mike for your many years of service to your Troy family!

To fill Mr. Silzer's shoes as our Athletic Director, longtime Troy teacher and coach, Mr. Chris Blume will be officially taking over the position on June 1st. Mr. Blume has been an FJUHSD and Troy Teacher since 2004. During his time at Troy, he has served as an English teacher, AVID teacher, Football Coach, and Head Track & Field Coach. Chris has a long history in the Troy community and is well regarded throughout Fullerton and Orange County.

Congratulations, Mr. Chris Blume!



Yesterday was the last "Goodie Day" feast of this school year, put on this time by our Special Education Department. As can be seen, there was a Cinco de Mayo theme and all the snacks were food associated with the Mexican holiday. Lots of salsa, chips, pastries, cakes, and other snacks for our Troy staff members. It was very tasty, and a preview for Sunday's holiday. Thank you to our Special Education Department!



Yesterday in a collaboration between Ms. Tamra Donnelly's Spanish 1 classes and Ms. Redmond's Special Education classes a Cinco de Mayo celebration was held! The students had a few piñatas that were broken using cardboard "sticks". It was a safe and fun event followed by lunch! For our Special Education students the fun continues today with the Cal State Fullerton Special Games. Participating students will be excused between periods 2—4. This event involves multiple schools and multiple districts. It is a major event at Cal State Fullerton and is always fun to watch! Go Warriors!



Yesterday, I was informed we have the Vice President of the California Association of Student Councils on our campus. The following article was in the most recent CASC Newsletter. *"Fiona Huang (Troy High School, 2020) will serve as the Vice President of CASC during 2019/2020. Huang has been involved with CASC since her sophomore year and was a member of the Region 10 cabinet when she was a junior. Huang attributes her involvement in CASC to strong alumni outreach, and hopes to prioritize this as Vice President. "I want to extend CASC's reach to currently inactive regions, because every student, regardless of socio-economic background, deserves an opportunity to speak up and have a say in our educational*

future. Being a part of CASC has a had a huge impact on Huang's life. "Not only do you learn essential leadership skills that you can use in many areas of your life, but also it is a great way to meet like-minded people from different schools all across the region and the state."



Last evening in the North Gym, we our NJROTC held their annual Awards Ceremony. Commander Lauper went down the list of impressive achievements, in part represented by the trophies on the floor, all earned this year. We built a new trophy case for Troy, in the Main Office, but our NJROTC could fill one that size every year. We are proud of our NJROTC cadets and their instructors! They are a tight knit group, and they reflect the best of Troy High School. Go, Warriors!

May the 4th be with you (May the Force be with you)! Tomorrow has been officially designated Star Wars Day by the State of California. For the Star Wars fans, the countdown to the opening of Disneyland's Star Wars Land has begun! Additionally, as mentioned earlier in the *Warrior Weekly*, this weekend May 5th is also Cinco de Mayo! Granted, the celebration does commemorate the 1862 Mexican Army's victory over the French at the Battle of Puebla, and California was already a U.S. State at that point. However, I am sure we were and remain happy that the principles of the Monroe Doctrine were falling into place and that despite the exception of the pesky British in Canada, another European power was largely out of the Western Hemisphere. I love history. ☺

It is Friday! I think the weather is going to cooperate until Monday at least. It is looking like a nice typical spring weekend in So Cal. AP Exams start Monday! Students, take advantage of this weekend to get lots of rest and relaxation! Sure, you could last minute cram study for AP's, but I would not do it. The sleep and rest will be a far greater benefit than getting one more



Luna enjoying the spring flowers. Until she saw the lizard ...and tried to kill it. This is the flowers, "BEFORE" picture. I will let you leave the flowers "AFTER" picture to your imagination.

question right, or worse...getting questions wrong because you are tired! I hope everyone takes the opportunity to spend time with family and friends this weekend! Have a BBQ, watch all the Star Wars movies, (Perhaps only few of the movies as I don't know if there are enough hours in the weekend to watch them all.), celebrate Cinco de Mayo with traditional Mexican food, or go to the beach. There are lots of choices! No matter what you do this weekend, be safe and I will see everyone back here on Monday!

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