



TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY



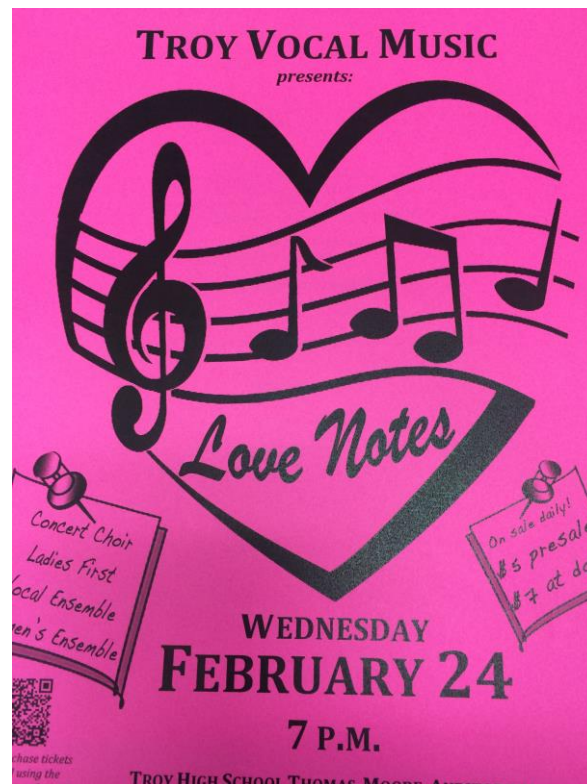
February 19, 2016

Another week in the books for 2016 and another week closer to graduation for the class of 2016 on May 26th! I know it cannot be possible, and I think I have written this before, but I really think time is speeding up. Seriously. Even though we had a four day school week, it seems like we packed in a full week of school and events.

In very exciting news, I recently mentioned Troy student Varun Mandi had been announced as a finalist for the Coca-Cola scholarship. On Monday, Varun notified us that he had received the \$20,000 scholarship and joined very small group of students to receive the top award from Coca-Cola. Mr. Mandi is currently weighing his college options, and it will be very interesting to see where he ultimately chooses to attend for his undergraduate work. Varun already has an eye on medical school, so that option is also playing into his first college decision! Varun, congratulations on the scholarship and Troy is proud of your accomplishments so far, but we also look to the future for you as well!

Ms. Katy Hoehn, counselor in residence extraordinaire, informed me that we have 49 National Merit finalists! To put this in perspective, Troy High School has more students reaching the National Merit finalist level than many school districts have in their entirety. Once again, Troy Warriors did a fantastic job! In related news, all current 11th graders desiring entry into the National Merit Scholarship Competition for 2017, **MUST** complete the Alternate Entry process **no later than March 1, 2016!** Our Counselors have already met with the junior class and this has been explained to the remaining 270 current juniors that have not yet received their PSAT scores. If I were one of these 270 11th graders, I would pick up the necessary form today

and **return it with the information to my Troy High School Counselor no later than February 26th**, as they need to fax all the information to National Merit. Two pages per student, times 270 students, equals 540 pages. This is why the deadline to turn in the paperwork to your counselor is **February 26th**! On a related note, Troy's PSAT tests have been located and will be scored, by College Board. However, as the scoring results will come in too close to National Merit's deadline, our 11th graders must use the alternate measure to enter the National Merit Scholarship Competition, as instructed by our Counselors.



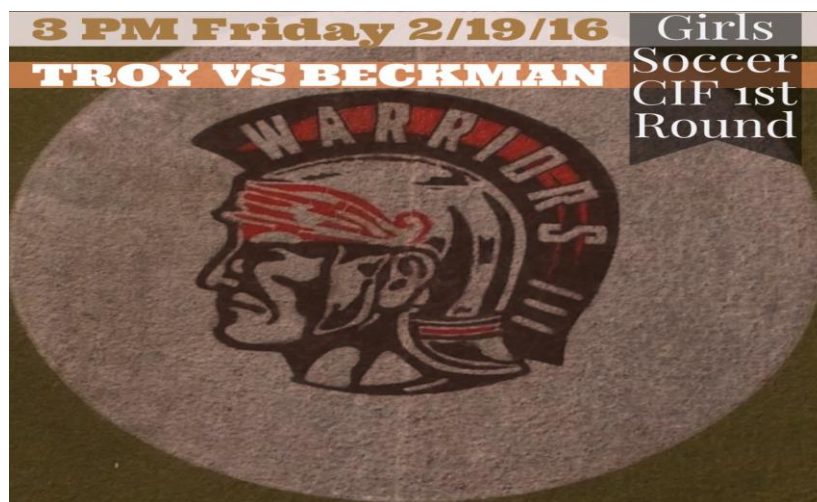
Anyone that has attended a rally at Troy has heard our Choir. Under the direction of the famous Mark Henson, our Choir will perform next week a “Love Notes” themed concert on February 24 at 7:00pm. If you have the opportunity to attend, you will enjoy a nice relaxing evening listening to one of the best choirs in FJUHSD and the surrounding area!

This has been a busy week in athletics with many of our teams in CIF competition. Today and tomorrow we have about ten wrestlers in CIF prelim competition in Perris. This has been one of the best Troy Wrestling seasons in recent memory! Saturday, our Girls' Basketball team will be competing in the 1st round of CIF in the Open Division! We will be playing away at Bishop Alemany High School in Mission Hills. Also on Saturday, our Girls' Water Polo team

having won their first round CIF playoff on Wednesday against Bishop Alemany, advances to the second round! Our girls jumped out to a large lead early in the game and never looked back. Congratulations, Warriors!



Today, our Girls' Soccer will play their 1st round CIF match at home vs. Beckman High School. This game was originally going to be played yesterday, but there was enough water on our field to necessitate moving the game to today. The conditions will be perfect for both teams and it will be a great day to watch some high level soccer! The game starts right after school, so come out and support our team!



Last but certainly not least, our Boys' Basketball team had a great season! On Wednesday our team travelled to Temecula to play the Temecula Golden Bears. It was a close game until the end, when the Golden Bears pulled away ultimately winning the game 73-57. Our team had a great year and had one of the greatest wins I have ever seen when they beat Sonora High School at Sonora! As it turns out this year, we were the last team to beat Sonora, the reigning CIF champions! Great job Warriors on a great season, and I look forward to next year!

This weekend is another round of Cyber Patriot competition at Troy High School! We have multiple teams competing in the National Semi-Finals so we are getting close to see which teams will move forward to the Finals! Great job Warriors, and I am glad you are on our side!

Also in computing news, Mr. Don Allen informed me that a number of our students were recognized by the National Center for Women Information Technology for their computing ability. According to Mr. Don Allen, Troy High School topped the charts with 15 local awards! These students are: Allison Picker, Kristen Randall, Baunnee Martinez, Serris Lew, Jiachen Jiang, Shanel Huang, Amanda Chow, Winne Wang, Hsiu-Chu Cheng, Sharie Wang, Shi Ping Deng, and Shreya Havaladar. Congratulations ladies, and thank you for being part of our future Computer Science infrastructure!

This week there has been concern from parents about a recent decision in U.S. federal court ordering the California Department of Education to release student confidential information going back to 2008 to a private non-profit group. What can parents, and students over the age of 18 take to prevent the release of confidential student information? I sent this email to all our families yesterday and there is a link on the FJUHSD website that gives information for next steps.

Dear Troy High School Families

Good Evening, this is an important message from the Fullerton Joint Union High School District about your child's confidential student record information. The California Department of Education has been ordered by a federal court to disclose confidential student record information for use in a lawsuit.

The court has ordered the parties to keep student record information confidential.

The court has also provided an opportunity to personally object to the release of those records by the California Department of Education.

Objections must be submitted to the court no later than April 1, 2016. Visit the District's website at www.fjuhsd.net for more information, including how to submit an objection to the court. Forms to submit an objection to the court will also be available in the District's school offices.

Thank you,

William V. Mynster, Ph.D.

Principal

Troy High School



Last but not least, on Wednesday evening a few Troy students, Mr. Joe Coglianesse and I attended an event at the Nixon Library for students that competed in the 2016 Congressional App Challenge. The exhibit and awards ceremony was hosted by U.S. Representative, Ed Royce and also featured Marc Fischer, CEO and co-founder of Dogtown Media, Tom Ward, CTO of MEDL Mobile, and LTC Dennis Sugrue, US Army Corp of Engineers. Our students took 3rd prize with a fantastic app to track the completion of chores that also provided rewards to the user when specific chores are completed. Great job to our Troy students!



Despite what the calendar is telling us, apparently it is spring. At least the trees think so. Have a wonderful weekend! It is going to be nice outside so if you were not planning on a hike, bike, stroll on the beach, I strongly encourage changing your plans! Rest, relax, and hang out with friends and family! I will see everyone back here on Monday!

W. Mynster