



# TROY HIGH SCHOOL WARRIOR WEEKLY

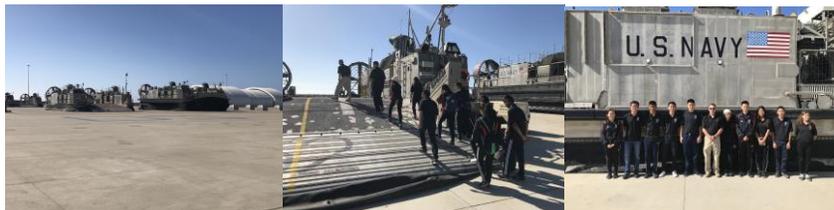


November 17, 2017

Last weekend on November 11<sup>th</sup>, our NJROTC participated in the annual Fullerton Veteran's Day parade. Not only did they represent our country, but they were also named Most Outstanding Unit in the parade! Thank you for representing our nation in the parade, but also thank you for being the outstanding and impressive unit that represents Troy High School!



Additionally, ten cadets went with Commander Lauper, down to Camp Pendleton and visited with Assault Craft Unit Five. They were able to board Landing Craft Air Cushion (LCAC) used to transport Marines from ship to shore. These are large hovercrafts and can carry up to 70 tons, the equivalent of an M1A1 Abrams tank! Thank you to Commander Lauper on this opportunity for our cadets and for the LCAC stats!





Last Friday, our Girls' Golf team is competed at Canyon Crest Country Club in the Southern California Championships. This great team repeated their 2016 So. Cal Championship, winning it again! On Tuesday, they played for the California State Championship in Pebble Beach at the Poppy Hills Country Club. As a team, they had wonderful rounds of golf and in the end finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the State Championship! This is a young team with everyone returning next year. For most of us, hearing about their success playing this very enjoyable but difficult game is almost as rewarding as being on the links with them. Congratulations, on another extraordinary season for our Girls' Golf team and their coach, Mr. Jerry Cowgill!

Here is the final report on our Red Cross Blood Drive last Friday. Troy registered 93 donors and collected 91 pints of blood! Our next Blood Drive will be held on Monday, January 29, 2018. This time we have a goal of 101 units. Remember, it is a busy time of year after the holidays when blood supplies dip again. Thank you to Ms. Charlotte Kirkpatrick, our Red Cross Club, and the American Red Cross for organizing this important event in our community!

Cyber Patriot competitions have completed Round 1 of four rounds and the final scores in two divisions both Open and NJROTC have been posted. In the Open, two teams are tied with 45 other teams nationally with perfect scores of 222. Eight of these teams are in the Top 1% nationally! In the NJROTC division, all of our teams are on track to make the Platinum tier after Round 2. In this division, our top three teams are nationally ranked at #1, 5, and 7! Keep in mind that there are over 1000 ROTC teams! Our students are having another great start to their cyber security competition season! Additionally, thank you to Mr. Allen Stubblefield for being the driving force behind our movement to improve our nation's cyber defense! Our students are

learning skill that will not only provide them with a pathway to college, but a very lucrative and important career upon graduation! Their cyber defense skills will benefit all of us as they protect us from the cyber attacks that are happening every single day. Go Warriors!



These two turkeys are examples of arts and crafts produced by some of our students in Mr. Royce Watanabe's classes! Actually, the one on the left is this year's project as the other one is from a few years back. I recall seeing the students in the workshop a few weeks ago working upon this project under Mr. Watanabe's direction and I quizzed several of them about their project. Congratulations to our students on fine finished turkeys for Thanksgiving!



Our gym renovations have begun! Here can be seen some of the preparations for the structure that will support the air conditioning units for the South gym. Both the North and South gyms are being modernized and one of the key modernizations is air conditioning! While we use our gyms for athletic events, they are also very frequently booked for other events. These

events range from pep rallies, college nights, AP testing, Troy Tech events, NJROTC events, senior awards, graduation events, parent nights, band events, etc. The list goes on and on!

Thank you to our Board of Trustees, Superintendent Dr. Scambray, and Director of Facilities and Construction, Mr. Todd Butcher for approving and orchestrating this commencement of this project! We love the last project, our pool and we look forward to the renovated gyms!

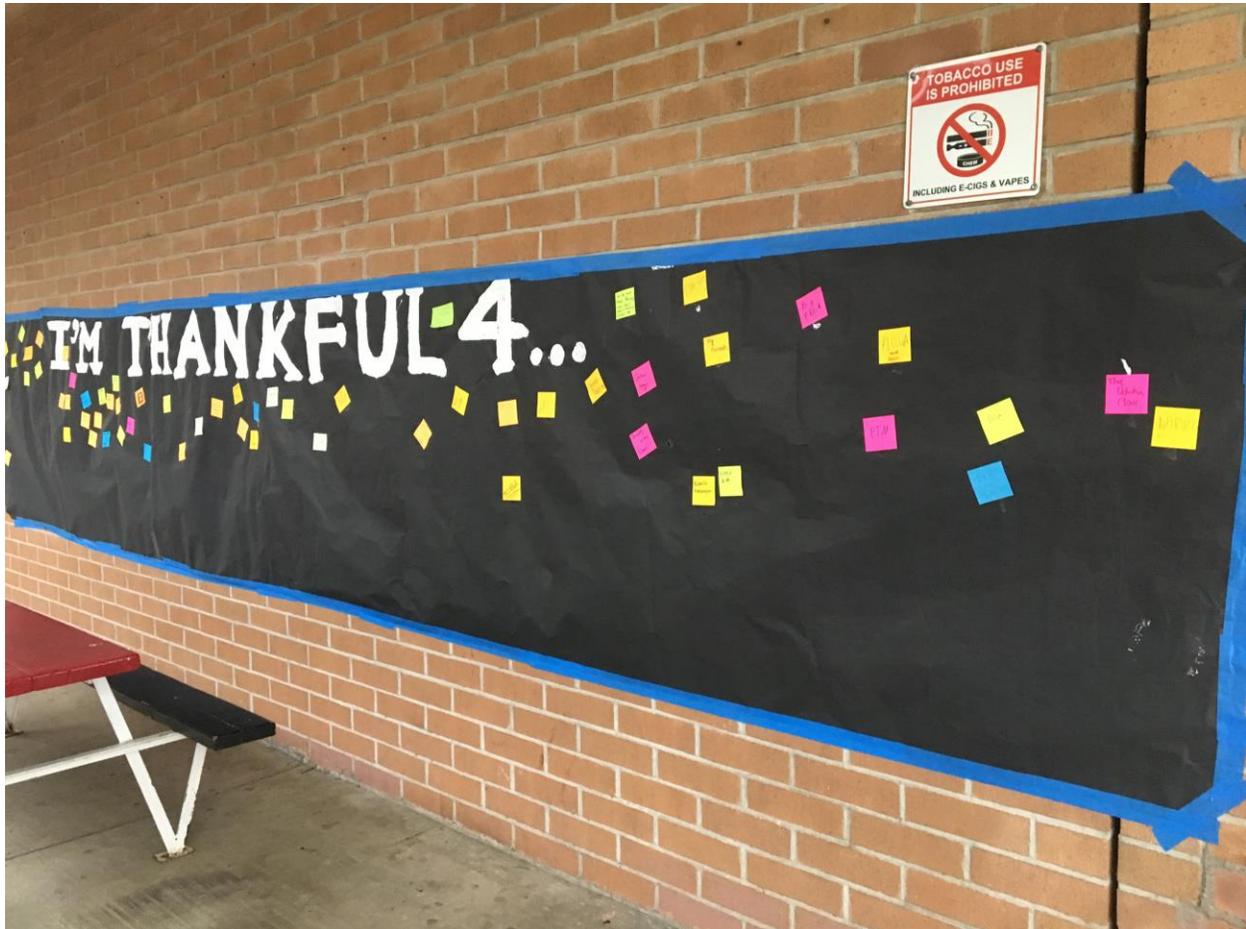


I was walking by our band room this week and I heard some beautiful holiday music coming from Mr. Castillo's room. This is what I observed, but unfortunately I cannot post their sounds in my newsletter. The great news is their Holiday concert is coming up on December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm! The Marching Band, Symphony Orchestra, String Orchestra, and Jazz Band will be performing some of the Holiday's time honored tunes. This is always a wonderful concert and if you have not yet heard them perform, I highly recommend coming to this event!



Today at lunch is the last day of Troy's Warrior Idol vocal competition and our students and staff love it! This event is orchestrated by ASB and their adviser, Ms. Alexandria

Williamson. So far the competition has been strong, and I am amazed at the nerves of steel our students possess when they stand up on the stage in front of a thousand people. I don't think I could do it... Come see the finals today and see who is crowned, Troy's Warrior Idol!



Conceived by our PTSA student leaders, is the "I'm Thankful 4..." post-it wall. Over the past few days our students and staff have posted messages with messages of thanks. It is a small gesture and reminder, but it is something nice to see as we finish the week. Thank you PTSA!



This week Freeway League president, Dr. Karl Zener presented me with our Freeway League Championship plaques for Girls' Tennis, Girls' Golf, and Boys' Water Polo. Once again

congratulations to all of these teams and their coaches, parents, and booster organizations for helping them achieve these league titles! Championships are never easy and it takes a lot of support for the team on the field, court, or pool to become champions! Thank you to everyone for making these championships possible and for supporting all of our competitive teams!



The donor disks are up in our Aquatics facility! Thank you to Mr. Todd Butcher for designing the mounting system and for our own Head Custodian, Mr. Rudy Garcia for the assembly of the finished product on the wall! We have several more disks that will go up and this will require another mounting board, but that should be done shortly! ☺

So...last weekend I thought I would get my Christmas lights put up. It did not happen. This happened instead...a 9 week old white boxer puppy. Cute, and there went the weekend. ☺



Let it be known that no puppy is as sweet and innocent as it looks—especially if it is smart. ☺  
This puppy has us right where she wants us...

This afternoon at 3:00pm marks the beginning of our Thanksgiving Vacation! I hope everyone enjoys taking some time to be with friends and family. Then, there is Thanksgiving Day. Who does not love turkey and all the trimmings? I'm sure they exist but I think they are few and far between. This I know, I have much for which I am thankful not the least of which is being able to serve as principal of Troy High School. Troy is a wonderful and extraordinary place of learning and high expectations. I have never seen nor heard of anyplace else that comes close to who and what we are in terms of achievement, but there is more to us. We are also a large family based community, firmly committed to each other. This family community is something I we never take for granted, and it is something for which I will always be thankful. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving Vacation, and I will see everyone back here on November 27<sup>th</sup>!  
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*Bishop Creek, 2016*