

News

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News, events and resources for students, parents and the Torrey Pines community

Memorial Day Holiday: May 30

Athletic Physicals: June 1

Upper Level B Bldg., 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

TP Falcon Awards Night: June 7

Gym, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Senior Check-out Days: June 10, 13

Senior Finals: June 10, Periods 1-3-5

Senior Distribution Day: June 11

Senior Finals: June 13, Periods 2-4-6

Finals: June 15, Periods 1 and 5

Finals: June 16, Periods 3 and 4

Finals: June 17, Periods 2 and 6

Graduation: June 17

4:00 p.m., Stadium, No tickets required

First Day of School: August 30

Have a great summer!

Office Hours will be limited during the summer. Check the website for details.

Another Impressive Year: Torrey Pines by the Numbers

Here are some highlights from the past year!

- ◆ TPMS had an incredible 35 National Merit Finalists this year!
- ◆ TPMS Varsity Academic Team - North County Academic League Champions
- ◆ JV Academic Team - NCAL Coastal Division Championship
- ◆ Freshman Academic Team - North County Academic League Champions
- ◆ Toshiba Exploravision Region winning team: Howon Lee, Alice Fang, Albert Chen, Marci Rosenberg
- ◆ American Chemical Society Lab Competition - TP 1st Place (AP Level): Margaret Guo, Jesse Li, Florine Pascal, Anita Chen (Margaret and Jesse 1st Place duo)
- ◆ Science Olympiad—3rd Place in the County, 7th place in the State.
- ◆ Carrie Cao - 8th place in the Intel Science Talent Search 2011
- ◆ 12 out of 13 of our AVID students were accepted into four-year universities.
- ◆ The TP Math Club ranked 1st in the Rocket City Math League Inter-School Contest for 9th Grade and Senior (10-12) Levels, 1st in the California Math League, 2nd in the UCSD Honors Mathematics Contest, 1st in the UCSD Honors Statistics Contest, 4th in the Mu Alpha Theta Log1 Contest, 2nd and 6th for the Mandelbrot Team Competition, 6th for the National Mandelbrot Competition, 2nd and 8th for the CalTech/Harvey Mudd math competition, and Honorable Mention for the Purple Comet! Math Meet. In addition, Torrey Pines had 21 students qualify for the American Invitational Mathematics Exam, 4 students for the USA Math Olympiad, and 3 for the USA Junior Math Olympiad. The TP Math Club includes boys and girls of all grade levels.
- ◆ Victoria Carter, Jiyeon Lee, and Helen Hunt all had exceptional sculptures entered into the Del Mar Fair Student Exhibition.
- ◆ Girls Track - Palomar League Champions 2011; 6 Stadium Records broken - 1600m, 100IH, 300LH, 4x100m relay, triple jump; 2 New School Records set in the 100H & 300LH. Alli Billmeyer - broke the CIF Section Record in 3200m 10:18.92 at the Palomar League Finals.
- ◆ Boys Track - 5 New School Records - 3 set by Matt Carpowich in the 800m, 1600m, 3200m; also New School Records in the 4x800 and Distance Medley Relay; 2nd in the nation for the 4x800 and Distance Medley Relay; New Stadium Record in the 800m.
- ◆ The Torrey Pines Dance Team took 1st place in the Open Division - Small Lyrical at the 2011 USA Dance/Drill Nationals, and 3rd place in the Open Division - Small Jazz.
- ◆ World Language teacher Leonor Youngblood was named "Torrey Pines Teacher of the Year" and Receptionist Jan Hueners was named "Classified Employee of the Year."

Reflection on 2010/2011

As our 2010/2011 school year is coming to a close, I can reflect with pride on our students' accomplishments in the classroom, on the field of play, and in the community. At press time—typical of much of the year—amazing things are happening. For example, we just wrapped up Advanced Placement testing, and it was a record year for participation. Our students took approximately 2,530 AP exams; the challenge will be to beat last year's pass rate of 84%! Our spring sports are not over yet, and we have already won 4 CIF team championships, and there will likely be more before the year ends. "For Arts Sake" is going on now, and classes are streaming into the art venue to see their peers' amazing work. Visual and Performing Arts Day (VPA Day) is tomorrow, and we expect it to showcase our students' talents in visual art, film, dance, theater, and music. Our dance numbers have tripled in the last year, and our school spirit is at the highest level I've seen it in the last five years. We are planning for graduation right now, and it will be a fantastic ceremony, honoring our 657 students who represent the class of 2011. As the word "commencement" denotes, this is a moment to reflect on their accomplishments, but it really is the *beginning* of even better things as these young men and women go on to make their mark in our world.

Looking Forward

Because of heightened interest in Torrey Pines High School, our school size is actually going to be larger next year than in the past several years. We expect to open with about 2,650 students, or about 100 more than this past year. The ninth-grade class will have over 700, but we plan to connect them to our school right away. Our PALS program is planning an activity right after school is out for our incoming students, so stay posted on announcements and advertisements promoting this event. This will be separate from Freshmen Orientation, but it will be filled with fun.

We are going to be creating a technology-rich learning environment over the summer to serve our students who may have signed up for Independent Studies Online Learning (ISOL) for either credit recovery or enrichment. In addition, we plan to do some cosmetic upgrades to our much-used Lecture Hall.

A new person will be joining our administrative team with the departure of Mr. Milan Perisic. Cara Couvillion, principal at Julian High School, will come to Torrey Pines High School and serve as an assistant principal. She has done a terrific job in her present assignment, but she is looking forward to working in a larger context.

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WorkAbility in the Community

By Katherine Shoecraft
WorkAbility Advisor, TPHS & CCA

WorkAbility is a state grant funded program and participation in it is available to all students with IEP's. One of the services WorkAbility provides for our students in the TAP program is job placement, and there are nearby community businesses that have opened their doors to our students that deserve recognition and thanks! We have two seniors working at **Jimbo's** who are learning many important job skills, and three students have been placed in the **Del Mar CVS** store. They are all learning new job skills which include teamwork, housekeeping, product placement and quality control. In addition to developing marketable job skills, working at a job gives students a sense of responsibility and significance. I often see a boost in their self esteem and a stated strong desire to do a good job. These students really look forward to the days that they work in the community! The WorkAbility program subsidizes the students' work in the community through their grant, and couldn't succeed without the cooperation and participation of local businesses. Without these valuable community

business partners, our students wouldn't be as well prepared for their transition to life post high school. Cheers to Jimbo's and CVS!

If you have any questions about the WorkAbility program or have a local business which could benefit by placing one of our hardworking students, please contact Katherine Shoecraft at Katherine.Shoecraft@sduhsd.net.



< David Moehnke, who also works at CVS



< Cody Glickman is working as a direct hire courtesy clerk at Von's in Torrey Hills!



^ Kevin Bath with job coach, Rodolfo Flores at Jimbo's



^ Andrew Wiggins and Alex Nichols with their job coach Lorraine Leftwick at CVS.

accolades & Appreciation

Congratulations to the following students on their incredible results at the **California State Science Fair**. The competition had 1000 participants from 403 schools.

Mike Wu and **Stephen S. Yu** placed first in Mathematics and Software with their project "Position and Vector Detection of Blind Spot Vehicle with Horn-Schunk Optical Flow." They also received an additional mathematics and software special award.

Carrie (Xiaoyu) Cao received a second in Physics and Astronomy with her project "World of Structural Color: Novel Photonic Polystyrene Nanostructures for Chemical Sensing".

Marci F. Rosenberg placed 4th in Environmental Sciences with her project "Effect of Neustonic Microplastic Debris on the Pelagic Insect *Halobates sericeus*."

The results for the **Spring National High School Journalism Convention Write-off** contests in Anaheim, April 15-17 are in! Please congratulate the following Falcons:

Newswriting: **Alexa Lomberg** *Excellent*
Editorial writing: **Lauren Shauh** *Excellent*

Sportswriting: **Kyle Joyner** *Excellent*
Computer Design Art Illustration: **Miharu Sugie** *Superior*

Computer Design Photoshop Art: **Zoe Palenik** *Honorable Mention*

Computer Design Advertising: **Jill Wong** *Superior*

Congratulations to the **TP Academic Team**, which finished as runner-up in the San Diego County Academic League Championship!



Kudos to the following 20 seniors for earning their student certification for *Mathematica*. Students earned this recognition through their work in the Advanced Topics in Mathematics II class with math teacher **Abby Brown**.

Mathematica Foundations Level:

Achal Dave, Xinyue Alice Fang, Akaina Ghosh, Ling Jing, Deanna Lau, Howon Lee, Robert Luttrell, Jiarui Gary Ren, and Marci Rosenberg.

Mathematica Advanced Foundations Level:

Siddhartho Bhattacharya, Charlotte Brown, Albert Chen, Anurag Kalavakunta, Hong Joo Kim, Naveen Krishnamurthi, Brian Leonard, Shayna Stein, Prithvi Undavalli, Sharad Vikram, and Kevin Yanofsky.

Shout-outs from **Mary Slattery Johnson** go to hard working **Friends of the Library** volunteers for a successful Rummage sale:

Norine Lozano--Tables, chairs, and ceaseless good cheer!

Jennifer Eveleth--Books, books, books, and sorting and financial prowess with Decker's help!!! Endless support.

Adele Irwin--Pricing prowess from her BookWorks experience. Thanks for the books!

Blake Johnson--Last minute desk removal and heavy lifting!!

Jan Goodin--Furthest travel to the Book Fair and always available to help and share!

Nancy Everett--Book club guru and FOL volunteer extraordinaire.

Cindy George--Easy going, up-for-anything volunteer.

Chris Tyner--Cookbook aficionado and ready to jump right in.

Lisa Goldberg and Catherine Pavnick--None of this would exist if it weren't for you! Thank you for minding the heart of the school.

Best wishes to English teacher **Bobby Caughey**, as he heads out to do AP English Literature and Exam Reading on June 9th, and best wishes to him on his 100 mile ultramarathon over the summer!



^ Congratulations to the **TP Math Club** which won 2nd place in the national **Mandelbrot Team Play** competition (a proof-based contest) and 6th place on the **Mandelbrot Competition National Level** (short answer, free-response). Students competed in several rounds of exams to earn these distinctions.

Congratulations to the following teachers and their classes for having **perfect attendance all four days of STAR testing**: **Harvie, Newman, Falcis-Stevens, Bodas, A. Brown, Chowdhury, Staycer, Harrah, Boozer, Preske, Allen, Umabe, Fleischman, and Godfrey**. A big round of applause also goes to **ASB**, which worked hard thanking students with snacks for putting forth their best effort on the test each day, for keeping track of attendance, and supplying a special treat for classes with perfect attendance!

The local **American Chemical Society** section runs a lab competition, with students competing in groups of two, with 2 groups from each school in each division. The tandem of **Margaret Guo** and **Jesse Li** came in first. They were joined by **Florine Pascal** and **Anita Chen** to give Torrey Pines first place overall in division 2 (AP). **Steven Shao, Thomas Kelly, Tommy Rutten, and Robby McKnight** represented Torrey Pines in division 1 (college prep). Congratulations to all these fine students!

The **TPHS Math Club** won Second Place in all of San Diego County at the 54th Annual High School Honors Mathematics Contest held at UCSD. (First place went to CCA who won by only one multiple choice question!) Every one of our eight team members placed in the top 25. Please congratulate the following students. Their rankings among all of the students who competed are noted.

Robi Bhattacharjee - 1st Place (tie)

Henry Huang - 5th

Casey Fu - 6th (3-way tie)

(Accolades continued on p. 8)

Counseling Corner

by Brennan Dean
Head Counselor

As we are entering the start of our final quarter of the 2010-2011 school year, we are looking forward to the following upcoming events!

May 27th: The last day for students to make changes to their 2011-2012 course selection. Students need to contact their counselor to request changes. After May 27th, changes can only be made during Readiness Days in August and will be for students who attended a summer school course or for those whose second semester grades in math or world language do not permit them to move to the next level of the course.

June 7th : Awards Night! This fun and celebratory night will be at 6:00pm in the TPHS gym.

Off Campus Classes

Students must obtain permission to take classes at other schools outside of our district. There is a limit of 30 credits that can be transferred to the TP transcript. Students considering taking an off-campus course should see their counselor to be sure that the class is transferrable and the school is an approved accredited institution. Students need to obtain an Off-campus permission form from the counseling office or online from the counseling website.

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The form should be turned in to their counselors by the end of the school year.

Seniors!

What do you plan to do next year? Are you getting a job? Traveling? Going to college? Please visit the College and Career Center to make your own college pennant and write your name on the "Today Torrey Pines... Tomorrow the World" board. This is your chance to let everyone know what your post-high school plans are! Also, log onto Naviance to report the colleges and Universities that you have been accepted to!

Seniors who are planning to attend a 4 year college or University next year, **MUST** see the registrar to request that a final, year-end transcript is sent to their college of choice. Admission is contingent upon successfully completing senior year.

For further senior information, be sure to check the school website periodically for announcements.

Congratulations Class of 2011!

From the Registrar's Office

Andy Shephard, Registrar

Off Campus Deadline: If you have taken an Off Campus class 2nd semester it is important that the Registrar's Office receives the official transcript.

Seniors: If you are taking an off campus class at one of the community colleges you may get a Preliminary Report of Semester Grades that can be mailed from the college. This form is available from the Admissions and Records Office at the community college.

Transcript fees: There is no charge for the final transcript. You will be billed if you have ordered more than 5 transcripts this school year. Fees for transcripts need to be paid by senior check out day

Final Transcript Request: Bring your transcript request to the Registrar's Office. PRINT your information legibly, neatness counts!

Torrey Pines High School
Registrar
710 Encinitas Blvd.
Encinitas, CA 92024

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College/University
Admissions
1234 Falcon Street
City, State Zip

Your name printed legibly w/ ID (print small)

The envelope should be addressed to the College or University that you will attend in the fall.

Print your name legibly on the lower left of the envelope. Bring your envelope to the Registrar's Office. **DO NOT PUT YOUR HOME ADDRESS AS THE RETURN ADDRESS.** The return address should be: Torrey Pines High School, 710 Encinitas Blvd., Encinitas, CA 92024. Include the correct postage on the envelope. Unless your college has requested otherwise, a long #10 envelope is all that is required.

There is **No Charge for the Final Transcript.** The transcripts will be sent out after graduation, as soon as second semester grades are posted in Aeries.

**Congratulations to our
2011-2012
Falconer Newspaper Editorial Staff**

Editor-in-Chief: Alexa Lomborg
Assistant Editor-in-Chief: Lucy Chen
Managing Editor: Kyle Joyner
Copy Editors: Elly Kim and Benji Lu
News Editor: Winnie Ma
Opinion Editor: Ben Bai
Feature Editor: Heather Chang
**Sports Editors: Jonathan Gao and
Harrison Schneider**
**Focus Editors: Lauren Shauh and
Miharu Sugie**
Entertainment Editor: Daniel Liu
Backpage Editor: Ben Bulow
Photo Editor: Cory Lomborg
Business Manager: Julia Liu
**Public Relations Manager:
Natalie Tesfai**

**Announcing the 2011-2012
Freeflight Yearbook Editorial Staff**

Editor-in-Chief: Lucy Li
**Design Editor and Assistant Editor-in-Chief:
Zoe Palenik**
Managing Editor: Jesse Vismonte
Copy Editors: Megan McVay and Chris Rellas
Photography Editors: Kendall Kaestner and Bri Massas
Assistant Photo Editor: Zack Jafek
Student Life Editor: Casey Williams
Sports Editors: Bailey Sayin and Rachel Hiraoka
Seniors Editor: Hari Maggs and Allison dePeralta
Underclass Editors: Sydney Shaffer and Chris Watson
Clubs Editors: Rachel Auwarter and Erin Frederickson
Academics Editor: Doreen Govari
Faculty Editor: Melanie Tayer
Minimag Editor: Brooke Tencer
Senior Ads Editor and Business Manager: Elliot Block

**Torrey Pines Botball Team Takes 2nd Place in
Southern California Botball Robotics Tournament!**
by Jyothi Undavalli, TP Botball Robotics Parent Volunteer

Torrey Pines HS is currently competing in a robotics competition called Botball, in which teams compete using robots they've built from scratch. The robots are programmed to accomplish various tasks against another team's "bots." The tournament was held on March 19 at Cuyamaca College in El Cajon. TPHS competed against 29 other Southern California teams in the region, including High Tech High and the Preuss School at UCSD. This year, the TPHS Botball team won the second place regional award, and the team is preparing for the international tournament in Orange County. Last year, the team won first in regionals and won the best engineering award at the international tournament. "Though we did not do as well this year at the regional tournament, we plan to surpass our performance this year at the international competition" said **Prithvi Undavalli**, one of the co-presidents of the team, along with **Jesse Vismonte**.

Throughout the development process, participants become not only well versed in hardware design and programming, they also learn how to interact with others in a high stress environment, important skills that will aid them throughout life. As Jesse states, "I'm having a blast solving mind-stimulating problems that can be applied to the real world. There is no doubt in my mind that Botball has prepared me for the real world much better than any classes could have."

There are three sections to the competition, all of which contribute to the final score and standing. Through the two months of preparation up to the tournament, teams will document their progress, including problems encountered and changes made, by responding to various Documentation assignments that are then

graded and factored into the final score. On the day of the competition, there will be a precision seeding round in which teams' bots complete as many tasks as they can on the game board unopposed to show judges what their robots are capable of. In the double elimination round, the different teams' robots face off head-to-head.

TPHS Botball is funded completely by donations and is currently seeking assistance from community members or companies that are willing to sponsor TPHS for the international tournament and future competitions. **Qualcomm** and **Motorola** have been kind enough to support us.



Top Row (Left to Right): Anurag Kalavakunta, Siddhartho Bhattacharya, Praneet Mylavarapu, Jesse Vismonte, Victor Pontis, Madhu Krishnan, Eric Liu and Joshua Send
 Front Row (Left to Right): Prithvi Undavalli, Dheeraj Navani, Nick Guo and Pothana Kambhampati



Important Dates for Seniors



- June 3 Transcript Fees due. Please pay Registrar in the Administration Building for any outstanding transcript fees.
- June 7 Torrey Pines High School Falcon Awards Night, in the Gym, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- June 10 Senior Finals/Senior Check-Out Day - Periods 1-3-5 classes. Pick up an official check-out sheet in the Quad from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.; keep your check-out sheet in a safe place, you will need it again on Monday!
- June 11 Senior Cap & Gown/Yearbook Distribution Day - 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the "E", "G", West Quad, and Lunch Pavilion Areas
- June 13 **Senior Finals/Senior Check-Out Day - Period 2-4-6 classes. MANDATORY - turn in the official check-out sheet to the Counseling Center at the end of the school day between 12:30 and 3:30 p.m.**
- June 13 Senior Week Event - Movie Night - A pre-purchased Senior Passport is required to attend; 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. - Movie Max Theatre, located near the Carlsbad Mall at the corner of El Camino Real and Marron Drive in Carlsbad. Movie Selection - TBA.
- June 14 Senior Week Event - Disneyland Field Trip - A pre-purchased Senior Passport is required to attend. Buses load and drop-off at the TPHS turn-about, off Del Mar Heights Road. Loading 8:30 a.m. SHARP! Return 9:00 p.m. (ETA). **Seniors are required to check in to period 1.**
- June 15 Senior Week Event - Senior Breakfast & Dodge ball - A pre-purchased Senior Passport is required to attend. Takes place in the Gym between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Seniors must check in to period 1 or 5.
- June 15 Senior Week Event - Senior Dance. A pre-purchased Senior Passport is required to attend. Location: Party Pals, 10427 Roselle Street, San Diego, CA Time: 8:00 - 11:00 p.m. Theme: "Alter Ego"
- June 16 Graduation Rehearsal - MANDATORY for ALL Seniors - located in Falcon Stadium @ 10:45 a.m. SHARP! Entry at Main Gate to Stadium.
- June 16 Senior Week Event - Senior Picnic & Cap Decorating - A pre-purchased Senior Passport is required to attend: Go directly to the TP Upper Field following rehearsal. **Seniors are required to check-in to period 3 or 4.**
- June 17 **Graduation Day** - Graduates report to the "B" Building Math & Science Wings @2:30 p.m. IF ELIGIBLE, Seniors will pick up Principal's Honor, SSF, NHS, and AVID Cords; Ceremony begins at 4:00 p.m. SHARP!
- June 17 Grad Night - This is sponsored by the TPHS Foundation. For more information or to purchase Grad Night Tickets, contact the Foundation.

"Start Smart" Program Reminder

by Barbara Gordon,
Start Smart Coordinator

Beginning with the 2011-12 school year, the district will implement a new policy, that every high school student who would like to purchase an on campus parking permit must **first** have completed the Start Smart class. Students and parents or guardians must attend the course together.

The California Highway Patrol's Start Smart program is a free two hour driver safety education class that targets new and future drivers between the ages of 15-20 years old. The law enforcement officers will discuss traffic avoidance techniques, collision causing factors, student and parent responsibilities, and seatbelt usage.

"Start Smart" Summer Classes

June 23
July 26
August 22
September 15

All Classes will be held from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the TPHS Lecture Hall.

Reservations are required. Please RSVP for Torrey Pines at tpstartsmart@gmail.com



Congratulate Your Favorite Senior with a Yard Sign and Balloons!

Dollars for Scholars is holding a special fundraiser, with all proceeds going to support TPHS Dollars for Scholars Senior Scholarships. In 2010, DFS distributed over \$46,000 in scholarships!

Order deadline is June 1st.

Visit tphs.net for more information.

(*Accolades continued from p.4*)

Soumya Basu - 6th (3-way tie)
Alex Wong - 13th
Andrew Liao - 14th
Daniel Teng - 16th
David Zheng - 17th (tie)
Xingyou Richard Song (alternate)
Joshua Send (alternate)
Daniel Xie (alternate)

Track and Field News:



Here are the results from the **Mt. SAC Relays** held April 15-16 in Walnut, CA: Our Boys 4x800 consisting of **Trent Newquist, Kaushik Sahoo,**

Andrew Ward & Matt Carpowich ran a winning time of 7:48.39. They finished 1st at the meet, ran a new school record and are 2nd in the nation



for that event. The Boys Distance Medley Relay (1200m - 400m - 800m - 1600m) placed

2nd with a new school record of 10:03.80 and ranks 2nd in the nation. The team consisted of **Andrew Ward, Alex Jiang, Trent Newquist** and **Matt Carpowich**. On the girls side, we won the Palomar League title, our 4th consecutive title.



In early May, 8 students from each SDUHSD band program performed with the Coastal Communities Concert Band in their annual **Salute to Young Musicians** concert. Three scholarships were awarded through an audition process. **Ashley Kim** was awarded the grand price of \$2,000 and will be performing a solo with the band next spring! Please congratulate **Ashley** when you see her!

Bravo to the **Jazz Band** for receiving 2nd place & a unanimous Superior rating in the Advanced category at the **Coronado Jazz Festival**. Outstanding Musicianship Awards went to: **Will Shi, Omron Hassan, Lenny Cheah, Andy Zhao & Nicci Cazares!**

Congratulations to math teacher **Abby Brown**, who was one of 8 alumni/teachers featured in the cover story on "Fresh Approaches to STEM Education" in the Spring 2011 Harvey Mudd College Bulletin!

Congratulations and thank you to P.E. teacher **Burt Blackwell**, who is retiring from coaching football at TPHS after 35 years! Burt was honored at a surprise retirement party last month hosted by



from the past and present.

Tim Stayer and **Chas Doerner**, where he was honored by fellow coaches

Congratulations to the **TP Math Club** for scoring First Place in both the 9th Grade and Senior (10-12th Grade) Levels of the Rocket City Math League Inter-School national contest.

Stephen Yu and Mike Wu have placed third in the computer science category at the INTEL International Science and Engineering Fair. The Fair had over 1500 competitors from 65 countries and territories. In addition, Stephen and Mike received two special awards - second place from the Sigma Xi Scientific research Society and fourth place from the Association for Computing Machinery.

Congratulations to the following Senior Girls Soccer players for receiving scholarships to play at the next level:

Meghan O'Rourke - USD
Kylie McCarthy - UCLA
Mary Harrah - Northern Arizona Univ.
Olivia Buechler - Michigan
Allie Bailey - Texas A & M
Katie Trees - Duke

Thank you to **Rubio's, Souplantation, Via Italia (Encinitas), and Pat & Oscar's** for providing the food for Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week!

Congratulations to **TPHS American Red Cross Club** for raising over \$437 for two fundraisers this spring -- "The Measles Initiative" and Disaster Relief in Japan. Congratulations also go to **TP-UNICEF**, which raised an additional \$200 for the projects. Key participants were **Tommy Wang** (12), **John Qiu** (12), **Katharine Yang** (10), **George Kung** (10), and **Hamahito Hokyo** (12).

TPHS Initiates New Members into Mu Alpha Theta Honor Society

In late May 2010, the TP Math Club renewed its charter with the **Mu Alpha Theta National Mathematics Honor Society**. Active participants in the Math Club who have a strong academic record in their math courses are eligible to join this prestigious organization. Students of all grade levels are invited to participate. Membership benefits include connections in a national organization and awards for competitions along with scholarship and volunteer opportunities. Charter members and new inductees for 2011 will be recognized at the 1st An-

nual Math Club Awards and Mu Alpha Theta Induction Ceremony on the evening of May 24. Students interested in learning more about Mu Alpha Theta and becoming members should attend the weekly Math Club meetings in the fall. Contact math teacher Abby Brown for more information. Congratulations to the following students!

2010 Inductees:

Seniors: **Soumya Basu, Carrie Cao, Albert Chen, Achal Dave, Casey Fu, Henry Huang, Hong Joo Kim, Howon**

Lee, Jieming Li, Praneet Mylavarapu
 Juniors: **Robi Bhattacharjee, Anson Kahng, Andrew Liao, Daniel Teng**
 Sophomores: **Young Kang, Rebecca Kuan, Ken Zhang, David Zheng**

2011 Inductees:

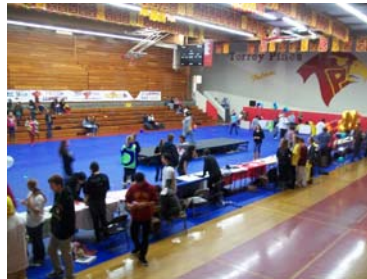
Juniors: **Nathan Manohar**
 Sophomores: **Hye-In Sarah Lee**
 Freshmen: **Sarah Bhattacharjee, Noa Glaser, Alex Kahng, DoWon Dan Kim, Apoorva Mylavarapu, Joshua Send, Xingyou Song, Alex Wong**

Seen Around Torrey Pines ...

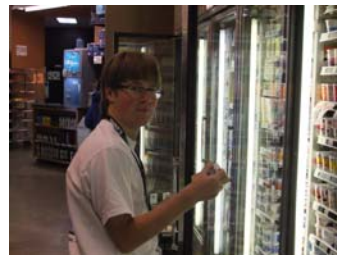


Sophomore Class Fundraiser

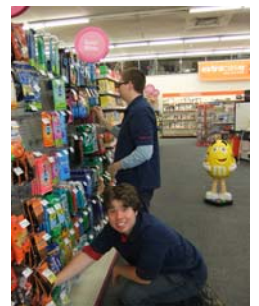
Advanced Math Open House



< ^ 2011 Election Convention ^



Kevin Bath, Andrew Wiggins, ^ and Alex Nichols working at CVS >



...and out and about...

National Art Honor Society Honors Dee Rich with Lecture Hall Mural

Just after our winter break NAHS was visited by principal, Brett Killeen and our Superintendent, Ken Noah asking if they would like to create a work of art to honor school board member, Dee Rich, who will be retiring after 29 years of service to our schools and to our greater community. During the months of February, March and April the National Art Honor Society volunteered countless hours after school, planning and painting a mural on the entire back wall of the Lecture Hall. "Once these talented young artists had their ideas planned out on paper, they com-

mitted to painting something truly beautiful and worthy of our appreciation to Mrs. Rich's contributions over the years to make our schools and the Carmel Valley area what they are today," said Ms. Limerick, NAHS sponsor. "The idea was to include the beauty of Carmel Valley where some of our schools are nestled, as well as the merging of development with nature, minimizing the visual and environmental impacts." Mrs. Rich will be honored on June 2, the date of the NAHS induction ceremony, where she will see the mural for the very first time and meet these talented and dedicated art honors members.



News from AVID...

by Anasatsia Kokkinis,
AVID Senior Seminar teacher

On behalf of the AVID Team, I would like to thank the TPHS faculty and staff for their support of our AVID seniors. Their belief in these students is what gives them the courage and motivation to propel themselves forward into the next phase of their lives, and for many, as the first in their families to attend college.

While most seniors were accepted to a variety of CSU, UC and private schools, a few made conscious decisions to enroll in community college because of steep tuition fees, inadequate financial aid packages, transportation costs involved in moving away from San Diego, and/or

their responsibility to contribute to their families financially. The great news though is that 12 out of 13 did receive acceptances to four-year universities.

We'd like to give a special shout-out to our **AVID Counselor, Ashley Bascom**, who spent countless hours helping our seniors research colleges and write them letters of recommendation for college admissions and scholarships. It means so much to them to have a counselor who was so devoted to their academic, social and emotional issues.

So where are the AVID seniors going to college in the fall?

Ileana Axomulco – UC Riverside
Andrew Barnes – Manhattan College
Ori Benoni – UCLA

Martin Duarte – Mira Costa
Christian Escobedo – University of Redlands
Shaynie Glazebrook – San Diego State
Mark Holmes – Indiana University
Carolina Jauregui – UCSD
Nathalie Munoz – American River College
Grant Myerson – University of Arizona
Breanna Norton – Grossmont College
➡ SDSU
Chris Orth – University of Arizona
Alana Willis – University of San Diego

These college acceptances would not be possible without the guidance and support of the TPHS faculty and staff. Thanks again for all you do to make our AVID students' dreams of attending college a reality.

Principal's Corner

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We have had the opportunity to interview a very talented pool of candidates for our new Mandarin Chinese program, and will make our selection next week. We are also thankful to Anne Meigs, our very successful Athletic Director over many years; we are in the process of hiring a new Athletic Director for next year now.

Thanks, as usual, for your amazing support—you are a big part of what makes this school unique and successful!

TPHS Falconium's College Night

Friday, May 27, 2011

TPHS Lecture Hall

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

This event is a Q&A style info session, featuring accomplished TPHS Seniors that will be sharing advice on how to build a successful high school career in preparation for college. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the college application process from students with firsthand experience.

News from the Music Department
by Amy Willcox, Music Teacher

TPHS Music Department Performs Brilliantly

In March both Orchestras qualified for the SCSBOA (Southern CA Band & Orchestra Association) regional finals by receiving Superior ratings at the local festival in Oceanside.

Over the weekend of May 20, both groups traveled to Colony High School in Ontario, CA for regionals. Each group performed a 30 minute prepared performance and then were also judged on their sight reading abilities. **The Advanced Orchestra entered the AA category (Collegiate level) and received a Unanimous Superior (superiors from all 4 judges) for the 8th year in a row.** They were also the only other high school orchestra to receive a unanimous superior! The Intermediate Orchestra (A category), received an Excellent Rating.

On Friday afternoon all the music ensembles traveled to Valencia for another music festival, followed by an overnight trip and fun day at Magic Mountain. There were 19 schools represented at the Music in the Parks festival. It was a clean sweep for TPHS!

Symphonic Band- (Band II category) 1st place, Superior Rating
Wind Ensemble- (Band I category) 1st place, Superior Rating & Overall Best Band!!!
Jazz Band- 1st place, Superior Rating
Intermediate Orchestra- 1st place (Orchestra II category), Superior Rating
Advanced Orchestra- 1st place (Orchestra I category), Superior Rating
Nicci Cazares also received the overall best soloist award (This was the only soloist award of the festival.)



TPHS 2011 UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS



STUDENT NAME	COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY	NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED
John T. Stratigopoulos	Texas Christian University	Texas Christian University Scholar
Makana Krulce	University of Southern California	Trustee Full Scholarship
Mitch Carruthers	University of Alabama	The UA Scholar Scholarship
Austin Carr	Whittier College	Merit and Athletics Scholarship Award
Charlie Reed	UC Berkeley	San Diego Alumnae Panhellenic Association Scholarship, Change a Life Scholarship, Ford Salute to Education Scholarship
Tommy Wang	Northeastern University	Presidential Global Scholarship, Northeastern National Merit Full Tuition
William Shi	Bowdoin College	Bowdoin National Merit Scholarship
Tory Parravi	Loyola Marymount University	Athletic Full Scholarship for Tennis
Colin Rafter	Embry Riddle Aeronautical University	Academic & ROTC Full Scholarship
Olivia Buechler	University of Michigan	Athletic Scholarship
Colin McAtee	University of Michigan	Athletic Scholarship
Timothy Lee	University of Michigan	Academic Scholarship
Cindy Yu	University of Michigan	Academic Scholarship
Mitchell Carruthers	University of Alabama	Tutwiler Scholarship

*Many of our students have received scholarships to various colleges/universities. All information above is self-reported by students or communicated to TPHS directly by the college/university.



NATIONAL MERIT \$2,500 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



Achal D. Dave

Ling Jing

Michelle M. Zhang



BOOK AWARDS



Harvard Book Club Award
Smith Book Award
Wellesley Book Award
Williams Book Award
Yale Book Award

Sasha Patel
Kelsey Moore
Brianna Massa
Florence Lambert-Fliszar
Priyanka Bisarya



BE THE CHANGE AWARDS



Jaclyn Bailey and Nicholas Paganelli



**Congratulations to Seniors with
Perfect Attendance 8/31/2010 - 5/25/2011**

**Jieming Li
Maxim Kondratenko**

Athletic Physicals Night

Wednesday, June 1st
Upper Level B Bldg., 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Cost is \$25.

**These physicals will be good
for the entire 2011-2012 school year!**
No appointments necessary!

TP Falcon Awards Night

June 7, 2011

Gym, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

From the Library Media Center

Here are the community folks who deserve kudos for adding or replacing more than 25 flags to add to our collection:
Nancy Schmall, Kelly Richards, Dr. Ugne Skryskus-Roper, Gregory Benjamin, Gina Martinez Loyek, Jeanette Manoushakian, Karen Billing, Kristine Pisacane, Richard Abello, and N. Erbay.

TPHS Library Media Center's Community of Flags



Legend

Beginning at the SE most flag to SW in row 1; then SE To SW row 2, etc.) * Replacements or New Flags

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| <p>Row 1</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Italy 2. Switzerland 3. Finland 4. France * 5. Germany * 6. Japan 7. Canada * 8. Honduras 9. Denmark * 10. Israel 11. Spain 12. Hungary <p>Row 2</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13. Belgium 14. Thailand 15. Colombia * 16. Mexico 17. Romania * 18. Brazil * 19. Austria * 20. Netherlands 21. Vietnam 22. New Zealand * 23. Chile * 24. Norway 25. Guam 26. Taiwan | <p>Row 3</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 27. Turkey 28. Sweden 29. Saudi Arabia 30. Dominican Republic 31. Armenia 32. United Kingdom* 33. South Korea 34. Tanzania 35. Philippines 36. Australia 37. Georgia* 38. Poland* 39. Peru <p>Row 4</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 40. Lithuania* 41. Macau 42. South Africa 43. Paraguay 44. Lebanon 45. Argentina 46. Guatemala 47. Iran 48. Nicaragua 49. Malaysia 50. China 51. Hong Kong 52. Venezuela | <p>Row 5</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 53. Iceland* 54. Cuba 55. Sri Lanka 56. Jamaica 57. India 58. Egypt 59. Greece 60. Hawaii 61. Slovakia 62. Portugal 63. Czech Republic 64. Kazakhstan 65. Puerto Rico* |
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Torrey Pines High School *From the Foundation...*

Grad Nite registration will close on **June 3rd!**

Registration Forms and information are available on the TPFS Foundation website at www.torreyhigh.org. Completed forms can be dropped off in the Foundation office located in the Administration building on campus.



Buses were reserved a year in advance. The only way to get the Grad Nite All Night Party site is on a bus.

For those of you who have or will register, here's some important information:

- Parents drop you off at school between 8:45 & 9:00 PM - no later. Do not drive yourself. Buses will leave promptly.
- The best place to be dropped is the staff lot on the west side of the campus. There will be no access to the senior lot.
- **Check in at the gym.**
- Dress comfortably, bring a sweatshirt and wear tennis shoes.
- No back packs or purses.
- You don't need any money.
- Parents pick you up between 6 & 6:15 AM - they should park in the lower lots but not park in the senior lot. **The buses will drop you off in the senior lot.**

There will be many things for you to do – amusement park rides, roller coasters, a huge arcade, casino, night club and entertainment – including a hypnotist – last year a group large boys did an amazing ballet performance for their classmates! The organizers surprised us with a group of MTV dancers who performed and stayed to party with the grads.



Don't miss the fun! Get your registration in today!

Calling any grade level parent!

**Support this year's Grad Nite by chaperoning.....
We need a few more parents to attend. If you would like
to join us for this fun filled evening please contact the
Foundation Office for more information. (858) 793-3551**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
22 Underlined dates indicate 1-3-5 block period days.	23 May	24 Late Start Day, classes begin at 8:55 a.m.	25 Late Start Day, classes begin at 8:55 a.m.	26 VPA Day	27 Last day for students to make changes to their 2011- 2012 course selections.	28
For Art's Sake						
29	30 H Memorial Day Holiday	31	1 June Athletic Physicals, Upper Level B Bldg., 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	2 School Board Mtg., D.O., 6:30 p.m.	3 Transcript fees due.	4 SAT and SAT Subject Test, Off Campus
5	6	7 TPHS Falcon Awards Night, Gym, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	8	9	10 Senior Finals/Senior Check-Out Day, Period 1-3-5 classes	11 Senior Cap & Gown/Yearbook Distribution Day, 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; Expression Session
12	13 Senior Finals/Senior Check-Out Day, Period 2-4-6 classes; turn in official check-out sheet 12:30 - 3:00 p.m.; Senior Movie Night	14 Single Period Day, 1-3-5-2-4-6; Senior Disneyland field trip	15 Finals, Periods 1 and 5; Senior Breakfast & Dodgeball; Senior Dance	16 Finals, Periods 3 and 4; Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal, 10:45 a.m.; School Board Mtg., D.O., 6:30 p.m.	17 Finals, Periods 2 and 6; Last Day of School; Semester Ends; Graduation, Stadium, 4:00 p.m.; Grad Nite	18
School ends at 11:55.						
14 Aug.	15	16 Readiness Day for Seniors, 9:00 - 12:00.	17 Readiness Day for Juniors, 9:00 - 12:00.	18 Readiness Day for Sophomores, 9:00 - 12:00.	19 Readiness Day for Freshmen, 9:00 - 12:00.	20
Check the website for details.						
21	22 "Start Smart" Class, Lecture Hall, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 1st Day of School; Single Period Day, 1-3-5-2-4-6	31	1 Sept. School Board Mtg., D.O., 6:30 p.m.	2	3
4	5 H Labor Day Holiday	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 "Start Smart" Class, Lecture Hall, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. School Board Mtg., D.O., 6:30 p.m.	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Back to School Night	28	29	30	1 Oct.