

News

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

Practice SAT Exam: September 22

All Students in grades 9, 10, and 11 are offered the chance to take the PSAT in period one classes. To register, visit the TPHS ASB Student Store. Cost is \$15.

Back to School Night: September 27

Visit outdoor tables for clubs & booster organizations information, 5:15 p.m. Classroom visitations begin at 6:00 p.m.

Late Start Day: October 16

Classes begin at 9:00 a.m. See Bell Schedule online at www.tphs.net.

Sammy's Night: October 16

A great parent opportunity to donate directly to their children's classrooms! Del Mar Highlands Amphitheater, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

PSAT Exam: October 17

(9th–11th Grade, during school day) Special Schedule

WASC Committee Visit: October 21-24

Homecoming Game: November 2

TPHS vs. Westview; JV 5:00 p.m./Varsity 7:30 p.m.

Homecoming Dance: November 3

What's New as We Welcome the Class of 2008!

From Principal Brett Killeen

Welcome!

I'd like to offer a warm welcome to our returning Falcons as well as our new students and families. You are a critical part to the whole that we call, "Torrey Pines High School." This is a special school, because our students get connected in positive ways to thrive in high school, and our parents are there to support them all along the way. Our vision has two parts: "To be a community of learners," and "To make significant contributions to our world." We need your support to make this vision a reality for all of our students.

Some Positive Indicators of Academic Success

We recently learned about how our students performed on several assessments, and this gives us an indication as to the academic health of our school. Over 1,200 students took over 2,600 Advanced Placement exams last spring, and the results are impressive. Last year, 78% of the exams were passing scores; this year, the pass rate was 80%. We are very proud of these students, and thankful to great teachers who facilitate such results. These courses offer students access to a rigorous curriculum, and in most cases, early college credit.

Another indicator of our students' academic progress is their performance on the STAR standards-based assessments in English, math,

science, and social studies, as well as the California High School Exit Exam. More than 94% of our students pass the Exit Exam on their first attempt during their tenth-grade year. The results of this exam, along with the STAR exams, as well as a participation rate and graduation rate are used to determine a school's Academic Performance Index (API). Last year at this time, our API was 832. Anything over 800 is noteworthy, but we believe in continuous improvement. The students and staff deserve credit for posting a district and county-leading 852 this year! This validates that kids are learning and staff is teaching in a standards-based context, and more importantly, it provides us with some reliable data upon which to make informed educational decisions. Though our schoolwide API is pretty amazing, we still have some subgroups of students who are struggling, and we are going to be working in a focused way to help those students. You can access API scores for every public school in California at www.cde.ca.gov.

Accreditation Visit is Right Around the Corner

A visiting team of educators from throughout California will be visiting Torrey Pines from October 21st through October 24th. We have submitted our Self-Study to them, and we look forward to their visit so that they can validate what we have written. We have de-

scribed our strengths and our areas of needed growth, and we have put together an Action Plan to address the areas of needed growth. A reception will be held with the visiting team on Sunday, October 21st outside the College and Career Counseling Center from 5:15 through 5:45. For more information, please contact our WASC Co-Coordinators, Elloise Allen or Mary Sanchez-Allwein. We would love to have you there!



Back to School Night
Thursday, September 27

Club Information 5:15 p.m.
Classroom visits begin at 6:00 p.m.

Visit www.tphs.net for schedule.

Get to know.... Assistant Principal Milan Perisic



My favorite aspect of my job as an Assistant Principal is helping students to develop their individual talents and to achieve academic success...

Check out this section in the next newsletter to get to know another one of our amazing assistant principals!

Dear Parents and Students,

This is my first year at Torrey Pines High School, and I am excited at the prospect of working in a school community that has such a strong tradition of academic and extra-curricular excellence. I feel fortunate to be joining an outstanding administrative team here at Torrey Pines and truly enjoy working with Assistant Principals Rick Ayala and Elloise Allen and Principal Brett Killeen.

While I am new to Torrey Pines, I have been an educator for the past eleven years. Most recently, I worked at Fallbrook Union High School where I served as an assistant principal for two years and taught English 11 and 12 for a year. Prior to moving to the San Diego area, I taught English for eight years at Rocky River High School, a National Blue Ribbon school, in Ohio. This is also where I met my wife, Beth, who is currently an assistant principal at Poway High School.

My favorite aspect of my job as an Assistant Principal is helping students to develop their individual talents and to achieve academic success. It is my responsibility to provide support to our students through effective counseling, mentoring and discipline, when necessary. I will be working specifically with students whose last names begin with A-G, but I hope to get to know as many of our students as possible.

My other key responsibilities will be to oversee PSAT, SAT, ACT and CAHSEE testing and to coordinate the AP exams in May. I will serve as administrative liaison to the English, World Language, Business, Work Experience and Visual/Performing Arts departments and will work with our teaching staff to assure that we are meeting the learning needs of every one of our students. I will also be working closely with our Campus Supervisors to ensure that we maintain a safe, orderly and positive environment for our students.

I am looking forward to working with our students, teachers, support staff and parents and would like to thank all of you for making me feel welcomed at Torrey Pines High School. Please feel free to contact me at milan.perisic@sduhsd.net.

Go Falcons!

Welcome, New Falcons!

Brinn Belyea, Science
Richard Bryan, Computers
Lisa-Marie Callender, English
Robert Caughey, English
John Donahoe, English
Lauren Dowell, Counselor
David Dyer, Science
Matthew Evans, English
Ashley Moritz, Counselor
Stephanie Muh, Counselor
Jay Pearlman, Success Program and Math
Micah Sambrano, Computer Tech
Nicole Selby, English



< Congratulations to our **May Employees of the Month: Tiffany Malia and Matthew Evans.** (Not pictured: **David Pillsbury and Tamara Rey.**)

Congratulations to our **June Employees of the Month: Catherine Mintz, Dan Aposhian, and Marinee Payne.** **Lori Wilson** is pictured below.



accolades & Appreciation

On May 11th, the TPHS Jazz Band won 1st Place at the Coronado Jazzfest. Out of 20 other bands **Sky-lar Bisom-Rapp** (TP bass) and **Matt Davies** (TP Trumpet) received full scholarships to the UCSD Jazz Camp.

Congratulations to **Connie Chen, Colin Gerber, and Lauren Schaerer**, the 2007 recipients of the Torrey Pines High School Principal's Scholarship.

Kelly Tang attended the international conference of Future Problem Solving in early June, where she captured 3rd place! Way to go, **Kelly!**

TPHS is one of 382 high schools around the nation (one of 6 in California) to be cited in ACT's research report *Rigor at Risk: Reaffirming Quality in the High School Core Curriculum*. We're listed as a school that has proven to have core courses that are rigorous and that core content can be effectively taught to students. This report was presented mid-May in Washington, D.C. Great job, TPHS!

Brian Brunger's under 17 team won the State Championship for soccer.

TPHS ranked **#113** in **Newsweek's America's Best High Schools** published in May!

Please congratulate **Alice Lay** and **Justin Sayarath** for their 1st place in the High School Chemistry Experiential Contest in mid-May. It is a competition with other AP students from high schools in San Diego, and is a "think on your feet" lab practical requiring strong problem solving skills. Our whole team, including **Irene Cheng** and **Anirudh Srirangam** performed well. Torrey Pines placed 2nd overall.

In the Interscholastic Surfing Federation 2006-2007 season San Diego Section Coastal High School Division, **Max Ullman** took 2nd Place in Men's Longboard, and **Tanner Miller** took 3rd place in Bodyboard!

At Yearbook Tech summer yearbook camp at SDSU, TPHS yearbookies represented TPHS well! The 2006--2007 TPHS **yearbook won 1st Place Best in Show!** In Beginning Yearbook Design: **Alex Cohen** won an "Excellent" award, and **Emily Heaton** and **Irene Cheng** won "Superior" awards. In Beginning Copy: **Kate Cutting** and **Mollie Friedlander** won "Excellent" awards, and **Alex Cohen** won a "Superior" award. In Beginning Design: **Cindy Lin** won a "Superior" award. In Beginning Photography: **David Silva-McReynolds** won an "Excellent" award, and **Tommy Hoffman** won a "Superior" award. In Advanced Photography: **Michael Chen** won an "Excellent" award, and **Brianna Bernstein** won a "Superior" award. Congratulations, All!

Congratulations to the Torrey Pines Academic Team of **Brian Alford, Jenny Tan, Phillip Zhang, Jeffrey Tsao** and **Auroni Gupta**, who attended the Panasonic Academic Challenge at Disney World in Orlando FL at the end of June. They placed fourth in the nation in this prestigious event! Kudos to their coaches, **Staci Ortiz-Davis** and **Nona Killmar!**

Many thanks to the **Parent Association** for generously providing breakfast for the staff on the first of our August in-service days! It was a wonderful way to begin the school year! We truly appreciate your continuous and thoughtful support of the staff!

Please Congratulate our end of year recognized Employees!

David Pillsbury - Math Teacher: David is an outstanding and personable individual and an exceptional math teacher. His students are always highly engaged. He teaches mathematics with sincerity and enthusiasm and in a non-threatening

manner. He helps students to make connections between what they are learning in the classroom with real-world applications and scenarios, making the learning of math highly relevant. Though David is teaching at LCC this year, he is still a Falcon, and we appreciate his dedication to our kids every day!

Tamara Rey - Data Processor: Tamara greets everyone with a pleasant smile and is always available to assist students, parents and the staff. We want to thank Tamara for the three and a half years of dedicated services she has provided to our school and we want to wish her much success in her new position as counseling secretary at San Dieguito Academy.

Tiffany Malia - Science Teacher: Tiffany works incredibly hard to motivate her students to learn the wonders of science and to help students develop an appreciation for the real world applications of biology and coordinated science. Tiffany's knowledge and passion for science are evident in her delivery of instruction and her accessibility to her students. Thank you Tiffany for your dedication, diligence and compassion for our students.

Matthew Evans - English Teacher: Despite being a new member of the TPHS family - hired in February! Matt has already made his mark! Matt has shown energy and passion in the classroom, as well as caring for students! It's not unusual to see him 'escort' students to class to ensure that they don't get distracted by thoughts of hanging out on the quad! He's enthusiastic, a team-player, and even better... VOLUNTEERED to proctor the STAR!

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Counseling Corner

September, 2007

By **Mary Sanchez-Allwein**
Head Counselor

Changes in Office

Welcome to a new year at Torrey Pines! We look forward to helping you with all your counseling and guidance needs in the weeks and months to come. We had some changes in the counseling office over the summer and we are happy to be welcoming three new counselors to our office.

Lauren Dowell, is originally from Carlsbad and attended USD for her undergraduate degree and then Marquette University for her Master's degree.

Ashley Moritz, is originally from Moorpark, CA and attended San Diego State for her undergraduate degree and Cal Lutheran University for her Master's degree.

Stephanie Muh, joined our office in January of last year but now she has a caseload of her own. She attended UC Irvine for her undergraduate degree and then completed her Master's degree through National University.

As a result of these additions, our caseloads have changed. Be sure to check out the new alpha breakdown to the right of this page.

We are very excited to be adding a seventh counselor this year as we hope to better meet the needs of our students and families due to our smaller caseloads. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have. You can reach us via email, voice mail, or with a personal appointment. Generally, email is our preferred method because we are able to check our emails throughout the day and provide a timely response. If you need to schedule an appointment, please contact one of the following counseling secretaries, Helen Granville, ext. 2296 or Judy Robertson, ext. 2295.

Drop Dates

Keep in mind, the last day to drop a class this semester without it appearing on your transcript is September 25th. After that, students may drop a class for a "W," Withdrawn, on their transcript and may not add any other class. This option is available until November 29th. After November 29th, students may not drop any class until after the end of the semester. Please have your student see their counselor as soon as possible if they are looking to drop a class this semester as changes can only be made, space permitting.

Senior Information

Counselors will soon visit senior English classes to conduct senior audits. We will discuss transcripts, graduation status and planning for post-high school options including four-year college admissions. Please note the deadlines to request letters of recommendation. We are unable to meet application deadlines for students who do not turn in their requests by the following:

October 5th- Early Action/Decision and December 1st- Regular Decision. Seniors should sign up for Naviance as soon as possible so they can receive information on what college admission representatives are visiting Torrey Pines, sign up to attend a visit and get information on any scholarships that are received by our office.

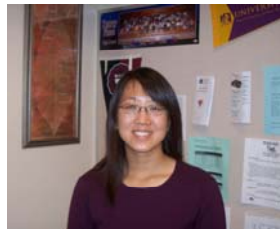
Welcome, New Counselors!



Lauren Dowell



Ashley Moritz



Stephanie Muh

Who's your Counselor?

Students in all grades are assigned to counselors in alphabetical "caseloads" according to the first letter of their last names, with the exception of AVID and English Language Learner students. Counselors and their caseloads are listed below. Dial 858-755-0125, followed by the extension.

- **Jayne Williams** (A-Chi)
jayne.williams@sduhsd.net, Ext. 2213
- **Brennan Dean** (Chu-Gh)
brennan.dean@sduhsd.net, Ext. 2214
- **Mary Sanchez-Allwein** (Gi-Ja) and English Language Learner students
mary.sanchezallwein@sduhsd.net, Ext. 2017
- **Lauren Dowell** (Jb-Mao)
lauren.dowell@sduhsd.net, Ext. 2215
- **Sally Gervasini** (Mar-P)
sally.gervasini@sduhsd.net, Ext. 2200
- **Ashley Moritz** (Q-Tar)
ashley.moritz@sduhsd.net, Ext. 2012
- **Stephanie Muh** (Tas-Z) and AVID students
stephanie.muh@sduhsd.net, Ext. 2207

College Career Counseling Center Welcomes Naviance

Naviance is a program that simplifies the college selection and admission process by providing up to date information for all of our students. All you need is your ID number and this website. Feel free to come by the College Career Center to register.

<http://connection.naviance.com/tphs>

In addition, we are pleased to introduce **Family Connection** from Naviance, a web-based service designed especially for students and parents. Family Connection will allow you to build a resumé, complete online surveys and manage timelines and deadlines for making decisions about colleges and careers, research colleges, sign up for college visits, find out what scholarships are available to you, and more!

Your school ID number and the web address below is all you need to access Family Connection and create your Family Connection account. Your parents can also create an account; all they need to do is add your ID # with a P at the end.

Just log onto

<http://connection.naviance.com/tphs>

Seen Around Torrey Pines during May & June...



Cameron Clapp Assembly



Looks Like Me



Cutting Edge Conversation with Emmy Award-winning producer Shannon McGinn



and in August...



Freshman Orientation



Readiness Days



All Staff Meeting

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Lori Wilson - Administrative Assistant: Lori is an integral part of the TPHS team. She is often the first point of contact for students who have questions about upcoming events. During the year, she works tirelessly to help organize and manage all of the senior activities. Lori enthusiastically handles many tasks that help give our students the best possible experience here at TPHS. Whether it is helping students or staff, Lori always does it with a smile. She is a true professional who is loved by students and colleagues. Way to go, Lori!

Marinee Payne - Drama Teacher and V/PA Dept. Co-Chair: Marinee is one of the most selfless persons one would ever have the pleasure of meeting. Prior to each incredible performance her students produce, she is careful to give all of the credit to them. It is common to hear her say, "This entire production was done by the kids--everything--from the programs, to the lighting, to the music, to the costuming, to the acting and singing." She voluntarily, willingly, and passionately, spends an amazing amount of her personal time and energy at TPHS--all for the students. Her collegial candor is appreciated, and she serves as a mentor to many. Congratulations, Marinee!

Dan Aposhian - Social Studies Teacher: Dan has been a pillar in the TPHS community and the Social Studies Department for....well, a long time! Devoted to kids, passionate about social studies, and a core member of the faculty, Dan does all that with a positive attitude and heartfelt caring. Whether it's AP review sessions on Saturday, helping kids at lunch, or cheering on teams from the side lines, Dan is a valued member of the staff! Thank you, Dan!

Catherine Mintz - Social Studies Teacher: Catherine is a dedicated, conscientious and student-centered teacher who motivates students to be accountable for their own learning and their behavior. She develops lessons that make history relevant to students' everyday lives and that engage them in insightful discussions about past and current events. We all appreciate Catherine's devotion to her students and to the school. Great job, Catherine!

The TP community appreciates all that you do for our students!

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TPHS WASC-ing Drawing to a Close

By Elloise Allen

Torrey Pines faculty and staff have been engaged in a process of self-study and reflection in preparation for the end of our WASC accreditation term. WASC, the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, is an independent organization that visits schools and conducts assessments to determine the accreditation term of the school. Elementary schools, high schools and universities and colleges all undergo this process. Schools engage in a self-study process, which is assessed and validated by a committee of WASC volunteers, usually made up of teachers, administrators and parents from other communities. This visiting team then determines a term of accreditation – similar to being granted a license with an expiration date after an audit.

TPHS was awarded a 6-year term – the longest and most prestigious term in WASC world – during our last visit in 2001. Over the past years, TPHS has been working on implementing the Action Plan developed in 2000 to address schoolwide areas of growth – items such as improved communications and access to services, as well as student placement in appropriate and equitable courses.

Beginning in 2006-2007, a concentrated self-study was conducted once again in preparation for our upcoming committee visit, which will take place October 21-24, 2007. Faculty, staff, students and parents met in a variety of arenas to discuss progress since our last visit, changes in areas of growth, and ‘analyze’ our campus from the 5 areas of focus on which a WASC study is based: school organization and vision, standards-based curriculum, standards-based instruction, assessment and school culture.

The culmination of the self-study process was the development of a new Action Plan that will guide our actions for the next, hopefully, 6 years. The Action Plan, developed by a leadership team comprised of a variety of stakeholders, is focused on three critical areas:

- Academic Excellence for All Students – addressing the needs of all students and working towards closing the achievement gap between our highest and lowest performers through methods that would include staff development, student programs, and more.
- Student and Staff Support – addressing the needs of a large campus to provide adequate emotional, social and academic support as well communication to develop a community with one vision.
- Safe and Orderly Campus – addressing our needs for a beautiful, safe and orderly campus.

We're excited to welcome our WASC team in October, and to work towards the implementation of these three areas of strategic focus.

If you are interested in meeting the WASC visiting team during their time here, please contact Elloise Allen at elloise.allen@sduhsd.net for information about the Parent Reception on October 21st.

What is a PAL?

PALs are Peer Assistance Listeners

We have 24 enthusiastic PALs on campus this year who are trained as peer counselors. PALs are always available in the counseling office and provide a comfortable confidential setting to help students.

Who might benefit from connecting with a PAL?

- new student
- difficulty connecting with others
- lonely
- withdrawn
- family issues
- relationship issues
- negative change in mood
- conflict mediation

Students can be referred to PALs by staff, students, or themselves!

If you have any questions about PALs, please feel free to contact: **Brennan Dean** at x2214, **Sally Gervasini** at x2200, or **Jayme Williams** at x2213.



Perfect Attendance 2006-2007!

Please congratulate the following students who had **perfect** attendance for the 2006-2007 school year.

Great job, students!

Caballero, Veronica
Chaturvedi, Varun
Chen, Elise
Chen, Justin
Cheng, Joyce
Chien, Deborah
Chough, Hee-sun
Gao, Angela
Halstead, Samuel
Hang, Ryan
Hsu, Irving
Ko, Paul
Koga, Nanase
Lay, Alice
Lin, David
Lin, Tiffanie
McGahey, Evan
Meng, Zhou
Mimura, Hazuki
Mumma, Jake
Nam, Kwang Yeon
Nguyen, Jessica
Sakurai, Haruyuki
Sakurai, Yasuyuki
Smith, David
Song, Jeongyoon
Tsuchikawa, Yuji
Williams, Jack
Won, Michael
Yamauchi, Naoki
Yang, Chen

Torrey Pines Tutoring Network

Our Program Provides...

- Students with an opportunity for one-on-one Peer-to-Peer tutoring
- Help in all major subjects: Math, Science, English, History, Foreign Languages, etc.
- Homework Help and Test Prep
- SAT Writing, Critical Reading, and Math help You pick the time and subject; we'll find and match you with a tutor. To reserve a tutoring session, please contact

tphtutoring@gmail.com
Walk-ins Monday and Thursday after school in the Media Center

TORREY PINES HIGH SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL

By Rick Ayala, School Improvement Program Coordinator

Our first Site Council meeting of the year was held on September 4th. This was the last meeting for **Sarah Morawa, Brenda Robinette, Brennan Dean, Elena Gomez, and Nancy Chase**. We thank them for their service and dedication. We welcome **Bobby Caughey, Lisa Hendricks, Ashley Moritz, and Lauren Dowell** to the Council. Two new parent representatives will be elected at Back to School Night on September 27.

The Council reviewed proposals totaling more than \$20,000 and funded all of them. Proposals included scientific calculators, funding for under-represented students for a science expedition, vocabulary books, 10 LCD projectors, a laptop computer for Work Experience/Internship classes, a laptop computer for the College and Career Center to be used in ELL and AVID classes to demonstrate the new Naviance Program, a conference for Advanced Topics Mathematics II students, lab supplies for AP Biology, and AP Statistics training.

Mr. Killeen also reviewed the first week of school, capital improvements, and the newly released API scores for the 2006-2007 school year. TPHS earned an API score of 852. This is an increase of 14 points from the previous year and the score ranks first among large comprehensive high schools in San Diego County. Mr. Killeen also reviewed our upcoming WASC visit which will begin on October 21.

Special reports to the Council included student reports for grades 10, 11, and 12, an ELL Program report from **Joanne Serrano**, and a GATE report from **Mrs. Allen**.

This year I will take over for **Elloise Allen** and I will serve as the administrative liaison for the Site Council. A special thanks goes to Mrs. Allen for her guidance and support of the Council. I look forward to working with everyone involved with the Council.

Our meetings are the first Tuesday of the month, in room 205 at 2:45 p.m. If you'd like to become involved with the School Site Council, please contact **Rick Ayala** at rick.ayala@sduhsd.net.

Torrey Pines Foundation

New Address:
P.O. Box 2489, Del Mar, CA 92014-1789
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Upcoming Events

September 27 - **Back to School Night**

October 16 - **Sammy's Night**, Del Mar Highlands Amphitheater, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

2007-2008 Falconer Editorial Staff Announced

Please congratulate the 2007-2008 Falconer editorial staff!

EIC--**Irina Potapova**

AEIC/Design Editor--**Phillip Zhang**

Copy Editors--**Brandon Young and Nadia Farjood**

Opinion Editor--**Max Sutton-Smolin**

News Editor--**Savannah Lake**

Feature Editor--**Ellen Willis-Norton**

Sports Editor--**Davia Craumer**

Entertainment Editor--**Christine Auwarter**

Focus Editors--**Katherine Bai and Zarko Perovic**

Managing Editor--**Lucy Yu**

Photo Editor--**Amy Scarano**

Back Page Editor--**Blake Faulkner**

Staff Art and Infographics Editor--**Paige Miller**

Editorial Art Editor--**Taryn Elliott**

Business Manager--**Allie Ferguson**

Public Relations Manager--**Haley Glatthorn**

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Our new football helmet was designed by 12th grade student, **Quinn Early**. An outstanding artist, **Quinn** also has an art exhibition at a Solana Beach studio!

The **yearbook** won **First Place** and the **Falconer** won **1st place Best in Show** at the **San Diego County Fair!** Way to go!

In early June, the Academic Team came in 2nd place at a national competition in Washington DC! The kids de-

serve a pat on the back for going undefeated until the last round! Please congratulate the following seniors: **Brian Alford, Michael Chen, Ryan Chuang, Mani Ramachandran, Jenny Tan, Abhi Tyagi, and Alex Warburton.**

Senior **Scott Lemoine** served as a ball boy for the San Diego Chargers and wrote about the experience for Ms. Pennock's class. His story was also published on the Chargers' website at <http://www.chargers.com/news/headlines/a-memorable-experience.htm>. Great job, **Scott!**



JV/Novice TPMS Speech & Debate Team

Alex Tyrrell, Alice Fang, Andre So, Angela Qian, Avril Prakash, Chi Shing Tsui, Diane Jeon, Eric Guan, Hung Joo Kim, Marci Rosenberg, Melissa Coy, Naveen Krishnamurthi, Noor Al-Alusi, Rebecca Warlick, Sally Gu, Sammy Keshavarz, Siddhartha Bhattacharya, and Sunny Jeon.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sept.	24	25	26	27 Back to School Night, Club Info. 5:15 p.m.; Classroom visits 6:00 p.m.	28 Progress Period Ends	29 Mock PSAT, 9:00 a.m.
30	1 Oct.	2 Site Council, Room 205, 2:45 p.m.	3	4 School Board Mtg., D.O., 6:30 p.m.	5	6 SAT TPHS
Underlined dates indicate 1-3-5 block period days.						
	8	9	10 Parent Assn. Mtg., CCC, 9:00 a.m.	11 Campus Tour, Admin Bldg., 8:15 a.m.	12	13
14	15	16 Late Start Day; Sammy's Night, DM Highlands Amphitheater, 6:30-8:30 p.m.	17 PSAT (9th-11th Grade, during school day)	18 School Board Mtg., D.O., 6:30 p.m.	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Newsletter Collating, MC, 8:15 a.m.	26	27 ACT Off Campus
WASC Committee Visit, October 21-24						
28	29	30 1st Quarter Ends	31	1 Nov. Athletic Packets Due	2 Homecoming Game	3 PLAN TPHS; SAT Off Campus; Homecoming Dance

New Library Media Center Hours!

Monday through Thursday - 7:15 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Friday - 7:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Thanks to Site Council and Friends of the Library funding!



Reminders for Home Football Games:

Backpacks ARE NOT ALLOWED in the stadium and purses will be checked. Once you enter the game, you may not exit and re-enter. No under high-school-age students without parent, and only service dogs are allowed on campus.



Parents:

Remember to Vote for Site Council Representatives at Back to School Night!

TPHS Student Directories on Sale at Back-To-School Night

Torrey Pines High School student directories will be available for purchase during Back To School Night on September 27th. Priced at \$20, this back-to-school staple is an essential reference source for TPHS students and parents alike. **In addition to the student address and phone listings, the directory also includes the TPHS Calendar for 2007-2008, the bell schedule, TPHS teacher phone extensions and email listings and a map of the campus.**

Look for student directory sales tables and blue-aproned sellers in the quad area, near counseling and in the media center during Back-To-School Night.

Sales of the directories help fund scholarships distributed by the Torrey Pines High School chapter of Dollars for Scholars, a nationally affiliated scholarship organization, which last spring awarded scholarships totaling more than \$55,000 to deserving Torrey Pines seniors.

Students Attend Workshops and Present at International Conference

In July, **Abby Brown** along with nine students attended workshops presented by Wolfram Research to learn more about using the computer program *Mathematica* in preparation for the Advanced Topics in Mathematics II class. The participating students were seniors **Alan Joyce, Victor Fan, Ernest Lee, Lucy Yu, Paul Hein, Vicky Le, Alice Wang, Skylar Bisom-Rapp**, and graduate **Kevin Zhang** ('07). Five additional 2007 graduates (**Brian Alford, James Che, Kenneth Leung, Bob Ma, and Anthony Neuberger**) and **Brown**, presented their *Mathematica* work from last year's class at the annual SIGGRAPH conference in San Diego in August. SIGGRAPH is an international computer graphics conference that showcases new technology in software, hardware, animation, movies, television, and gaming.

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