

Oak Views

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Donations Requested:

- Gift cards in small denominations to give as student rewards and awards.
- Awards such as: most credits earned in a quarter, perfect attendance, best costume (Halloween)
- Denominations from \$5 to \$10 for businesses (especially local) students frequent
- Send to Mrs. Roberts via the office

Sustainable Fishing at the Long Beach Aquarium

We kick off our monthly field trips with a jaunt to the Aquarium of the Pacific in Long Beach. Mrs. Kelem led the trip, organizing a class on sustainable fishing and giving students a chance to check out multitudes of sea creatures. Teachers had students complete assignments based on their ob-

servations at the aquarium. Students had a great learning experience and a whole lot of fun. Next month, it's a trek to Anacapa Island for habitat res-

toration and animal observation in the Channel Islands. More photos on page 5.

Yasamin Eftekhari, Jake Sands, Makenna Brown, Emma meek, Shaeli Young, Blake Hayward



Best Bargain Ever! Yearbooks at \$35 Until 10/31!

The OVHS yearbook is remarkable in that EVERY student has a hand in creating it. While there is a yearbook staff putting it all together, each student has at least one page — seniors have two — to craft using

this or her own pictures.

Never will your son or daughter be more represented in a yearbook than this one! Every classroom, every event, every aspect of student life is covered,

and each student is represented multiple times through out the book.

In addition, the book is entirely in color. The price will go up

Principal's Corner

It's hard to believe that we are wrapping up September already. Before we know it, we will have completed our first quarter! I have seen so many of you really rising to the occasion and doing so well in your classes. Keep that motivation strong. All of you have the ability to be successful and realize your dreams. Keep up the great work and let's continue to have a great year!

We have many exciting things planned for the next few months. We will

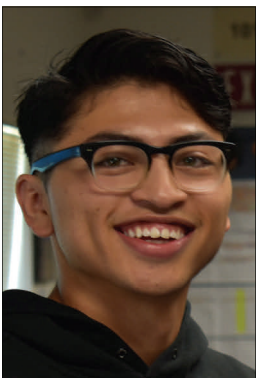
be taking a trip to Anacapa Island where we will learn about the island ecosystem and actually be

able to contribute to keeping it healthy. We have a Halloween party in the works that will involve fun games and good times. We will also begin to work with community members to de-

velop plans for an organic garden at Oak View! So much has already happened and so much more to come!!! Keep on being strong Oak View...You all rock!!!



Alumni Update

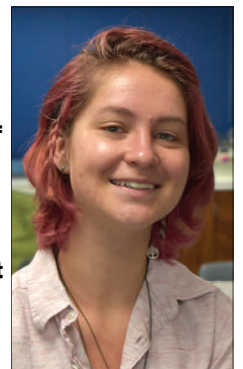


Robert Romero ('17) is headed back to school after recording his first album, now available on iTunes, *Float On* by MaTeo. Check it out, it's great (and only \$4.99)!

Nick Kryz is starting out his second year of college online from home. He had a great freshman year studying business and sports management at Full Sail University in Florida.



Ashlyn Dobbie ('18) is also heading to Florida to begin school at Ringling School of Art and Design. She stopped by to share her excitement for what is to come. We can't wait for an update from her during spring break.



SELECT NOTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

At the regular monthly meeting of the OPUSD Board of Education held on September 17, the Board recognized Ryan Rosen, the outgoing chair of the Oak Park Education Foundation ("OPEF") with the Partner in Education Award. The Board heard regular reports from Board Members, the student Board member, and the Superintendent. Scott Star provided an update about OPEF.

The Board took action and/or approved the following:

CONSENT ITEMS

- Approved Resolution #18-20, Establishing the GANN Appropriation Limit for Fiscal Years 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 - The Gann Initiative (Proposition 4, 1979) created a constitutional requirement for school districts to annually adopt a resolution establishing its maximum appropriations limit. The completed appropriation limit forms are included in the District's Unaudited Actuals and will be submitted to the State Department of Education, and approved by the State Board of Education.

- Approved an Additional Textbook for Oak View High School's Nature-Based Program. The Board approved the book "Wild" by Cheryl Strayed as part of the curriculum in a new class that will also include hands-on activities such as survival training, hiking, and journaling.

ACTION ITEMS

BUSINESS

- Approved District of Choice ("DOC") Reporting Requirements This report summarized the information required of DOC school districts pursuant to Education Code 48313 in regard to students enrolled in OPUSD for the current school year. This information will now, and prior to October 15, be disseminated to local adjoining districts, the county office of education, the State Superintendent of Instruction and the Department of Finance. Per Education Code, the report shows the number of requests into OPUSD, the number granted, denied

or withdrawn (and the reasons for denials), the number of pupils transferred into and out of the District under the DOC program, the race, ethnicity, gender, self-reported socioeconomic status, eligibility for free or reduced-price meals and the school district of residence of the transfers.

- Approved the Unaudited Actual Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018

The District's 2017-18 books were officially closed on September 11, 2018, and the fiscal year's revenues, expenditures, and year-end balances were finalized. The District is required to present the prior year's actuals to the Board before forwarding the information to the County and the State Department of Education.

- Approved Updated 2018-19 General Fund Operating Budget and the 2018-19 Extra Duty Stipend Requests The Board approved a revision to the District's 2018-19 General Fund (Fund 010) operating budget, originally adopted on June 12, 2018. The State Budget Act was signed into law by Governor Brown on June 27, 2018,

significantly altering the funding assumptions used in the District's adopted budget. Accordingly, the Board took action to recognize these changes, Approving revisions to revenues and corresponding expenditures in Local

Control Funding Formula (LCFF) funding and in One-Time Discretionary funding. The budget revision also incorporated adjustments to reflect lower than projected enrollment, as well as a commitment from OPEF to fund a middle school counselor, 24 classroom aides for grades DK-3, and support for the OPHS STEAM program. The revised budget projects a modest excess of revenues over expenditures, and a projected ending balance of \$1.66 million, and a 5.44% reserve designated for economic uncertainties.

- Authorized the use of Measure S Bond Funds for Project 18-38S, Extended Care Facility Furniture, and Equipment Acquisition

The Board authorized up to \$100,000 allocation for a one-time expense for program furniture and equipment from the Measure S bond fund which specifically provides for the "furnishing and equipping" of classrooms.

HUMAN RESOURCES

- Approved Annual Teacher Assignment Report

The Board received the certification that all teachers are appropriately assigned in subject areas for which they qualified.

CURRICULUM

- Held a Public Hearing and Approved Resolution #18-21, Regarding Sufficiency of Textbooks and Instructional Materials, for 2018-2019.

Education Code 60119 requires that districts, in order to receive the textbook and instructional materials funding from the state, hold a public hearing regarding the sufficiency of core textbooks and instructional materials in the district. During the 2018-2019 school year, OPUSD has followed the state curriculum framework guidelines and all associated recommendations.

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- Approved Consultant Agreement for the Continuation of School Gardens Program. The cost of the agreement with 2Eden Design Studio is \$53,275.00, plus other expenses related to supplies.

AAA (Attendance, Attitude, Achievement) Award Recipients

Liepman

Period 1 Algebra

Kat Leopold

Period 1 Office Aide

Sierah Tew

Period 2/3 Government

Genevieve Akoury

Period 4/5 World History

Stephanie Griffin

Kelem

Period 1 Geometry

Kellen Lignitz

Period 2/3 Biology

Kat Leopold, Matthew Ruble, Michael Ruble, Stephanie Griffin

Period 4/5 Environmental Science

Makenna Brown

Allen

Period 1 Careers

Genevieve Akoury, Makenna Brown

Period 2/3 English

Kellen Lignitz

Period 4/5 Computers

Emma Meek

The Clean Teen Team Goes Bowling



OVHS took 9 students on the quarterly field trip on September 5th - students bowled, played video games, and went to lunch together to celebrate their clean life style choices. The clean teen program is a voluntary drug testing program that has the goal of supporting substance

free lifestyles by rewarding students, four times per school year, that have a clean drug test. Great job Clean-Teenagers! Keep up the good work!!!!





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Our Trek to Long Beach



At left, Stephanie Griffin feeds the lorikeets in a special enclosure. At right, Basil Ciccone, Hady Tawil, Kai Balke, Melanie Farfan, Emily Barber, and Ryan McComb learning about sustainable fishing from an aquarium instructor.

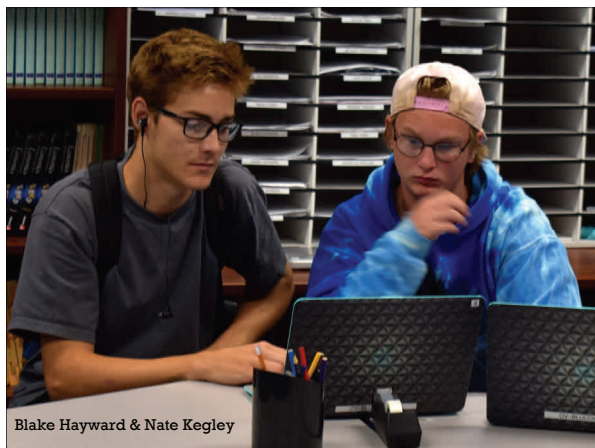


At left, Kaytie Pinel, Marc Funes, Eli Andrade, Corey Hayward. At right, Armen Kazarian, Michael Ruble, Michael Rodriguez, Jackson Spence



At left, Sierah Tew, Kellen Lignitz, Nate Kegley, Andrew Tamisen, Aaron Villaescusa, Adi Eminente. At right, Kat Leopold, Victoria Johnson, Stephanie Griffin, Genevieve Akoury

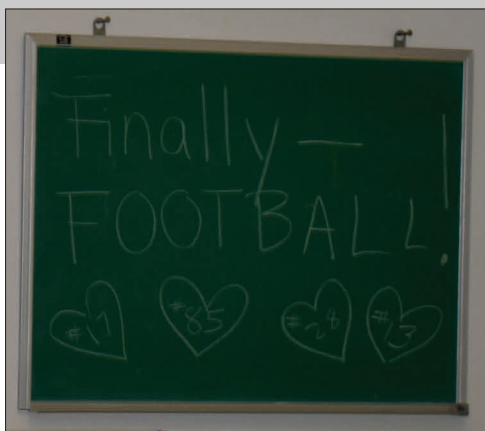
Fantasy Football



Blake Hayward & Nate Kegley



Marc Funes & Eli Andrade



Andrew Tamisen

OVHS kicked off its third year of the fantasy football club on September 5th when we held our annual fantasy football draft. This year we have our returning champion in Mrs. Liepman along with Mr. Rogers, two OPIS students, and eight OVHS students. Fantasy football is a game in which teams (students) select different players from different NFL teams and points are awarded for yards, touchdowns, field goals, etc. Past student winners have won NFL gear and custom pairs of Vans. We are looking forward to another fun year with a lot of friendly banter. Go Chargers!!! (had to say that for Mrs. Liepman).



Mrs. Liepman, Marc Funes, & Mr. Rogers

Thursday Time to Relax and Commune



Every Thursday during 6th period, students choose a fun activity to participate in such as knitting, walking, or playing sports. On this Thursday, we all decided to play in the park together. Some played sports, some sat and chatted, some threw the Frisbee around. It's a great way to build school culture and, more importantly, to make a new friend.



Far above left, Sierah Tew makes the catch. Far above right, Michael Ruble, Kai Balke, Cody Hayward, and Jake Sands taking a break. Above right, Michael Ruble, Kellen Lignitz, Nate Kegley, and Sierah Tew kicking the ball around. Below left, Kat Leopold, Victoria Johnson, Basil Ciccone, Melanie Farfan, Kaytie Pinel, Nathan Lewis enjoying each others' company. Below right, Genevieve Akoury enjoys herself.



Pancake Breakfast



The Oak View staff loved taking some time to serve a pancake breakfast to all of our students. We will be planning more of these for the future! It was great to see all of the happy faces! We look forward to the next one!



Above left, Stephanie Griffin. Above middle, Corey and Blake Hayward. Above right, Nathan Lewis. Below left, Mrs. Tribe serves food to Hady Tawil, Yasamin Eftekhari, and Basil Ciccone. Below right, Kat Leopold and Kellen Lignitz add side dishes to their pancakes.



We go to the Theater! Euripides' *The Bacchae* at the Getty Villa



Kellen Lignitz, Victoria Johnson, Aaron Villaescusa, Adi Eminente, Emma Meek, Hady Tawil, and Andrew Tamisen traveled with Ms. Allen to the Getty Villa to see their annual production of a Greek play in a beautiful outdoor amphitheater. On the evening of September 20th, they drove to the Getty Villa near Malibu and sat with an audience of several hundred to see the realization of a new translation of the ancient play. *The Bacchae* features the god Dionysus and reminds the audience of the importance of giving the gods their due.



Luddington Institute Presents on Identifying Concerning Behaviors

Staff members of the Luddington Institute provided an educational presentation suicide prevention. Suicide is the number two cause of death among teens and has risen by 30% in the last five years. Many psychologists relate this rise to the increased use of cell phones and social media. The focus was on how to identify behavior in others that could be a concern and what to do with that knowledge. Four out of five people who commit suicide show signs that they are planning to do so. Indicators include: talking about dying, disappearing, and self-harm even in a joking manner; recent loss, death, divorce, a friend moving, or a breakup; change in personality such as sadness, indecisiveness, or irritability; change in behavior such as routines, work quality, or school work; a change in sleep patterns and increased tiredness; loss of appetite or weight gain; erratic behavior; low self-esteem, guilt, feelings of worthlessness, and self-hatred; and finally, no hope for the future.



Daniel Veselak, Cara White, Jeremy Rogers

When people struggle with depression, they may cope using unhealthy strategies such as alcohol, tobacco, or drug use; cutting or self-harm; overloading on social media; or isolating themselves from others. Often, person will not reach out for help because they do not want to feel like a burden. Knowing this, friends and family can reach out and care for the loved one who is hurting. It is important to report any talk or behavior that indicates a person is suicidal. Sometimes people are hesitant to do so because they do not want to break a confidence. It is important to find a way around or through this

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October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Community Book Talk Calle Rio Vista, 6:30 1	College Knowledge night OPHS 2	3	4	5	6
7	8	Andrew Tamisen's birthday 9	Anacapa field trip Leaving at 7:45 BE HERE! 10	11	End of Quarter 1 12	13
Kai Balke's birthday 14	15	School Board meeting 16	Emma Meek's birthday 17	18	19	20
21	22	23	Kat Leopold's birthday 24	25	26	27
28	29	30	Halloween celebration Kaytie Pinel's birthday 31			