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Talented & Terrific

Singers dominate annual Talent Blast

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“My best friend is performing (Aaliyah Cisneros), so I decided to show up and support her,” said Amelia Custodio.

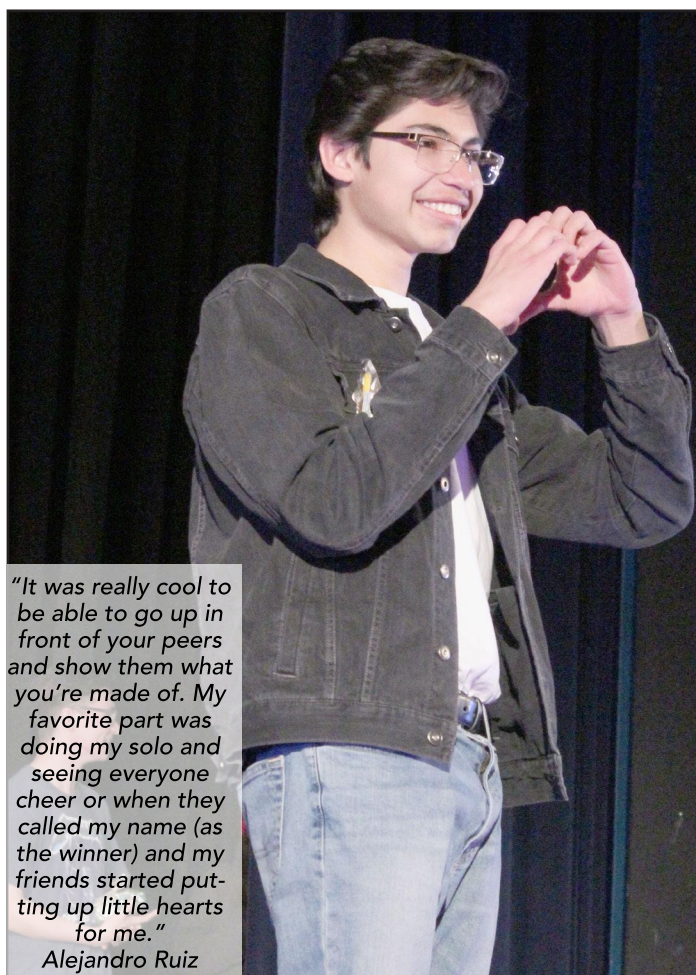
With fourteen acts making the final cut, singers and musicians dominated the stage for 90 minutes. The auditorium was loosely packed (about 50-75 people) for the Jan. 23 event, but the cheering, shouting and support could be heard loud and clear.

Aisha Campos, the announcer (MC) introduced Herbert Vega onto stage, the first act at 3:30. “Since I am the captain of Sound and Spirit (one of four ASB’s organizational groups), it is my job to MC,” said Aisha.

Herbert served as intermission entertainment, as the judges were tallying up the scores from all per-

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“It was really cool to be able to go up in front of your peers and show them what you’re made of. My favorite part was doing my solo and seeing everyone cheer or when they called my name (as the winner) and my friends started putting up little hearts for me.”
Alejandro Ruiz

NEWS

Lunch is on us

First annual cook-off sponsored by Cooking Club

Brandon Garcia, Darwin Manansala, Anthony Brown, Jago Legaspi
Section editors

It isn't everyday teachers gather around to celebrate a wholesome Thanksgiving meal with their colleagues. It's a rare sight to see them acting casually on campus. As of Wed., Nov. 13, this magical scene occurred for one day in Room 50. This was where The Cooking Club sought to provide a hearty and delicious meal for the educators on campus, with the intention of testing their ability against some of the teacher's best chefs. The cost? Absolutely free of charge.

"The cook-off was an amazing event that we haven't had on campus before and it definitely brought something unique. Teachers don't get enough events like us students around the school, so it was a good thing they had a special event like this. The best part was afterwards when everyone was trying food and having fun talking about the dishes they've tried," said Nestor Gonzalez.

The students had a good time, but the teacher's were the real stars of the event. Several teachers and faculty came to try all the food.

Ms. Elizabeth Morlock said, "The food was stupidly good. It was a super cute idea that brought super great food. I hope they continue to have it next year."

Ms. Cheryl Henderson added, "I feel the event is a beautiful indicator of a future BHS tradition in the making. The food was a rare treat and included so many scrumptious items that I would never be able to cook for myself.

The overall experience was collegial, warm and wonderfully integrated with student participants that were not only gifted cooks but also competent poll-takers! Hope we can do this EVERY year!"

It's as Ms. Henderson described it may very well be a new tradition in the making. During the event, many came to try out the food students and teachers brought. The battle was fierce yet a welcomed one.

Mrs. Rosa Aguirre, one of the teacher representative chefs, said, "The cook-off was great, I loved it, I kind of wish that we would have more involvement. I really enjoyed the activity. I would definitely be more involved bringing more portions and seeing how successful it was I would like for this to be expanded."

Daniel Villalobos, one of the student representative chefs, said, "I made brownies for the contest. The brownies were the usual ingredients: milk, eggs, butter, etc. We didn't have oil at the club so we had to use applesauce from the cafeteria as a substitute. That's what caused the light apple taste, the oil was supposed to make the brownie cakier and applesauce, I think applesauce was a good substitute. The qualities that define a true chef, to me, are things like these."

Even the principal, Mr. Sandy Torres, couldn't resist joining the event and having a taste of what was

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Above: There were four categories that teachers and students could compete in: appetizers, desserts, main course and side. Eli Sebastian tries a piece of ham. There were fifteen entries in total.

Left: Teachers, including a few cooks, enjoy eating and judging various dishes prepared by a teacher or student during the first Cook-Off sponsored by the newly formed Cooking Club.



NEWS

Blast NY here they come

Mace Case advances to Nationals

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formances. "I played Chopin's *Minute Waltz*." All the performers then lined up to the center of the stage after the judges finalized their decision, and the winners of the talent blast were announced. First place was Alejandro Ruiz, second place was Herbert Vega, and third place was Cynthia Hernandez and Peter Guzman.

"I participated just to have fun. Playing the song meant a lot to me; so I thought it would be special to share with the people around me," said Alejandro, the surprise winner. Herbert Vega took first place for the last two years.

The first place winner received a \$50 gift card, the second place winner received a \$30 gift card, and the third place winner received a \$20 gift card. All the performers who participated also ended up getting one goody bag, inside the goody bag was just three types of candies. Starburst, one small candy cane, and one small Mini Pelon Pelo Rico Tamarind push up candy.

"We got a \$20 gift card, we ended up splitting it into \$10 each," said Cynthia Hernandez, who shared third place with fellow color guard Peter Guzman.

There were four judges, Mrs. Heather Butterworth, Ms. Blanca Sida, Mr. Steve Barton and Mr. Israel Fuentes, one of our school board members.

"My favorite act was the guy playing the guitar and singing, and all of them were awesome but he stood out more because I used to play the bass," said Mr. Fuentes.

The list of people that performed, with their act:

Herbert Vega- *Crystal Like Complexities*, piano
 Madison Barrera- *Dearly Beloved*, piano
 Aerica Agda- *Part Of Your World*, sang
 Michelle Argumedo- *The Show Must Go On*, sang
 Alina Sanchez- *Baby, You're a Haunted House*, sang
 Aaliyah Cisneros- *Figures*, sang
 Dylan Clift- *For Whom the Bell Tolls*, guitar solo
 Gisel Soberano- *Violet*, sang
 Cynthia Hernandez & Peter Guzman- *You and I*, flag/rifle twirling
 Stefany Martinez- *Lost in Japan*, flag/rifle twirling
 Mekhi Stewart- *Go Crazy*, danced
 Perla Salcido- *Play That Funky Music*, sang
 Aimee Valencia & Mark Madrid- *A Whole New World*, duet
 Alejandro Ruiz' "Falling," on guitar an original piece

For the second time in the school's history, one of the Virtual Enterprise teams will compete nationally at the Virtual Enterprise National Business Plan Competition in New York City. Mace Case company will compete at the 2020 Youth Business Summit April 21-23 in New York.

The team earned the spot after placing fifth in the state competition in Bakersfield in March. The other BHS team, Life Cycle, also made it to the finals at the state level placing eighth. The top six California teams are eligible to compete nationally.

"We never thought we'd make it this far, especially New York," said Jazmin Gonzalez, one of the five chiefs of Mace Case.

Beyond the win and opportunity to participate on a national stage, team members say that participating in the competition and in the Business Entrepreneurship pathway has helped them grow as individuals and to gain skills that will help them throughout their lives.

"It helps you to prepare for real-life scenarios," added Samuel Moreno adding that he has developed strong communication skills and learned the importance of staying on task.

The virtual product the Mace Case company came up with is a variety of cases to hold pepper spray containers on cell phones. Although there is not an actual prototype, the team shared designs in their business plan. They also had to include financials, a marketing plan, industry analysis, organization chart, safety and liability information and much more. The idea for the product came from discussions about safety concerns stemming from people focused on their phones and not paying attention to their surroundings.

NATION

What's in the news

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Editor

Juice WRLD dies

On Dec. 8, Rapper Juice WRLD (legal name Jarad A. Higgins), who launched his career on SoundCloud died after a "medical emergency" at Chicago's Midway International Airport. At the time of his death, officials said the rapper had experienced cardiac arrest and was transported from the airport's private plane hangar to a hospital, where he was pronounced dead. Juice WRLD was 21.



Rocker Dies

Neil Peart, rock group Rush's legendary drummer and lyricist died after a years-long battle with brain cancer on Jan. 7. He was 67. Peart received numerous awards for his musical performances, including an induction into the Modern Drummer Readers Poll Hall of Fame in 1983, making him the youngest person ever so honored.

Golden Globes

The 77th annual Golden Globe Awards took place on Jan. 5 at the Beverly Hilton in Los Angeles. Ricky Gervais hosted for the third time. Tom Hanks received the honorary Cecil B. DeMille Award, while Ellen DeGeneres picked up the Carol Burnett Award. The film *Once Upon a Time in Hollywood*, directed and written by Quentin Tarantino, won three of the five awards for which it was nominated. *The Farewell* star Awkwafina became the first actress of Asian descent ever to win Best Actress in a Musical or Comedy. Joaquin Phoenix won Best Actor in a Motion Picture-Drama for *Joker*.



Duke and Duchess of Sussex

On Jan. 8, Duke and Duchess of Sussex announced they are stepping back as "senior" royals and will work towards becoming financially independent. On Jan. 18, they announced that they will surrender their "royal highness" titles and repay the funds spent on renovating their home near Windsor Castle. They also said they plan to split their time between the UK and North America. Just before the coronavirus hit, they relocated to LA to be closer to her work and her mother.



Delta Under Investigation

On Jan. 15, Delta Airlines dumped over 15,000 gallons of jet fuel during its flight to LAX. A Delta spokesperson said only that the pilots were forced to dump fuel over an urban area to reduce the plane's weight before the return landing. The fuel was dropped near schools, causing 60 students elementary to high school, to be taken to the hospital.



Mary Higgins Clark

The best-selling suspense novelist died of natural causes in Naples, Florida, on Jan. 31 at the age of 92. Clark wrote more than 40 books

during her long career, selling more than 100 million copies in the U.S. alone. In 2000, the mother of five signed a \$64 million contract for her next five books, making her the highest-paid female author in the world at the time.

Math genius dies

Katherine Johnson, the famed mathematician, who was among the trailblazing black women to help pave the way for the United States' space travel, passed away at age 101 on Feb. 24. Johnson was the inspiration behind the 2016 film *Hidden Figures*, in which Taraji P. Henson starred. She received the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2015, the highest civilian honor the US gives. During her 35-year career at NASA and its predecessor, she earned a reputation for mastering complex manual calculations and helped pioneer the use of computers to perform the tasks.



62nd Grammy Awards

The 62nd annual Grammy Awards ceremony was held on Jan. 26, at the Staples Center in Los Angeles and was hosted by Alicia Keys. Performers at the Staples Center took the stage below the retired jerseys of Kobe Bryant, who was killed in a helicopter crash earlier that day. The night also included triumphs for first-time Grammy winners like Lizzo, who kicked off the show with a jubilant performance, and Billie Eilish, who swept the big four categories for the first time since Christopher Cross in 1981.

Superbowl

On Feb. 2, the 54th annual Super Bowl took place at Hard Rock Stadium in Miami Gardens, FL. The halftime show was headlined by Jennifer Lopez and Shakira. The Kansas City Chiefs took the win against the San Francisco 49ers, 31-20. This was the Chiefs' first victory in 50 years. Quarterback Patrick Mahomes was named the MVP.



Hollywood icon dies

Kirk Douglas, the Hollywood icon died on Feb. 5. He was 103. The *Spartacus* acting legend, who had suffered a stroke in 1996 but managed to go back to acting despite a distinct slur to his speech, is survived by his wife of 65 years, Anne. Douglas also has a famous acting son, Michael Douglas. The elder Douglas was known for his charitable works, including donating millions of dollars to improving playgrounds in public schools around the LA area.



The 92nd Academy Awards

On Feb. 9 The 92nd Academy Awards ceremony, presented by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, honored the best films of 2019 and took place at the Dolby Theatre in Hollywood, Los Angeles, California. *Parasite* was the breakout star of this year's Oscars by breaking barriers: the film became the first non-English movie to win best picture. Billie Eilish performed the Beatles' *Yesterday* for the in memoriam, which honored those who died in the film industry in the last year. Brad Pitt won his first Oscar for acting, picking up the best supporting actor Academy Award for his work in Quentin Tarantino's film, *Once Upon a Time... in Hollywood*.



SPORTS

GOAL-Y THEY DID IT

Arayancy Gallegos
Staff Writer

The girls soccer team's season was full of excitement as they fought to win another league title. And it wasn't easy... From injuries to sickness, the girls faced many challenges as they tried to defend their title as the reigning Sunkist league champs. It was a battle at times, but the Bruins still came out on top at the end of the year. Not only did they win their fifth league championship, they can now add CIF champions as well.

Although the Lady Bruins went undefeated, there were some close games during the season. While it wasn't easy, the team prevailed and finished



the league with a grand total of zero losses and only five goals against them in ten games.

Captain Jaidyn Jacobs said, "The team's performance this year definitely had its ups and downs, but it was always filled with effort and heart that all the girls had for the game, which is the reason why we won league in a deserving way."

It came close, but, in the end, no one was able to dethrone the Bruins. The Lady Bruins won league for the eighth time in the last 11 years with their electric 6-1 win over Summit in the last game of the season.

"We dominated the entire game, which gave many girls the opportunity to score. The game showed how we play at our best and manage to have fun while doing so," said Jaidyn.

It was not only a special win but a special night in general since it was the last league game at home
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The team celebrates after their CIF win against Torrance, 2-0 by showing off their CIF patches. "I think the last game went well, We definitely pushed through until the end and didn't stop fighting and trying our best. Overall the season went very well, we had our ups and downs as a team but in the end we accomplished exactly what we said we would which was to come in first place in our league and win CIF," said Natalie Muro.

Basketball sets 20 year record

Zoe Del Manzano
Staff writer

Twelve boys have something to cheer about. This is the first time the team has won league since 1991. They tied with Kaiser and Summit to share the title.

To settle the three way tie, a coin was tossed and with the luck of the Bruin, their first playoff game against Arlington was home.

They were on a winning streak of 8-0 before they lost the first game, against Kaiser.

"I felt great, I felt confident against Kaiser. I wasn't nervous. I know we didn't win and even though

we were down points, I was still confident that we were going to win," said Hamdan Awad.

After the buzzer went off the team had a let down and their winning streak was broken, by two points. The team continued to stay strong and knew what they could have improved.

Their second loss was to Summit on the very last game of the regular season...again by two points.

"I felt like we were too big headed. We had beaten Summit before and thought we could win
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Hobie Winner Cerrato

Evelyn Harbor, Lesley Tapia
Staff writers

Hobbies are a good way to pass the time, but HOBY is a way for sophomores to gain leadership skills. HOBY is the abbreviated term for the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Organization.

"HOBY is aimed at sophomores with the top GPA's who have leadership skills or have the potential to be good leaders and just need a little push. We ask teachers to give us a list of students who they believe have these qualities and this year we had around 50 students that qualified," said Counselor Ms. Heather Butterworth

Students who were interested in this opportunity were asked to write an essay. From here, Ms. Butterworth and two people from the Colton's Woman's Club would read over them and call them back for an interview and would decide who had the most potential to be a leader.

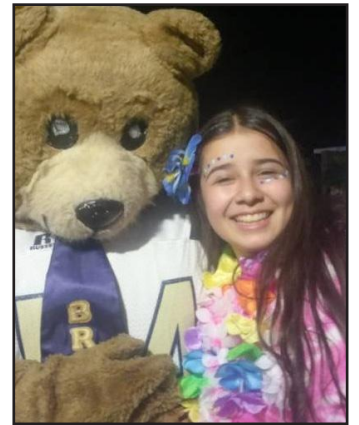
This year's winner was Cynthia Cerrato. Who will get the chance to go to Cal State Fullerton June 19-June 21, 2020.

"My essay was on me being a representative at my school, and ways I've helped people in my

church and in my neighborhood. The women from the interview told me I had a really high chance of being chosen because of all of my past experiences," said Cynthia Cerrato.

After being chosen, Cynthia, along with the winner from Colton High School, got the chance to go to the Colton's Woman's Club and read their essays out loud to a room of board members, including the superintendent, and even the Mayor. They were even treated to a lunch. After both of the winner's have read their piece, the Club presented them with a check of around \$250 to pay for the HOBY

"I think what I'm most looking forward to is the leadership experience I will gain from this trip. I want to see what my daily life would be like in the university and I'm also looking forward to the chance to meet new people." said Cerrato



Girls soccer makes history

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for the nine graduating seniors. One of the best moments of the year came when everyone in the stadium was informed that they officially won the title during the senior night celebration.

The program may be losing some graduating seniors this year, but there are also plenty of capable freshmen to pass the torch down to once they're gone. The coaches feel confident in the group of girls that will be left to carry the program.

"In 2016, we lost 16 seniors and the following year the program won league and made it to the CIF semifinals... I believe the program will continue to

look for ways to grow the program, develop student athletes, and sustain success," said Coach Lupe.

Leap year proved to be lucky for the team. With packed stands, the girls took on Torrance High on Feb. 29 for their final showdown. Jaidyn proved to be the hero of the night, scoring at minute 70 and minute 85 for the ultimate win.

"We made history. I'm glad that Lucy Garza (who fell sick and was out for the season) was able to come to our CIF game. We always played with her in our heart. We accomplished something big for Lucy, the

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Linked In

Friday Live

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Everyone knows that Link Crew works with freshmen and sponsors Synergy. What they don't know is that Link Crew is partnered with an Organization called Friday Night Live (FNL).

Friday Night Live mostly focuses on underage drinking and sobriety. Link Crew and FNL decided to put on an event on campus for other Link Crew schools and ASB classes.

Link Crew had 12 schools attend this event, including ten community partners. This event started off with Link Crew creating a fake car accident in the middle of the quad, they had Allstar towing come and drop off two wrecked cars and put red paint on it to make it look like there was blood on the cars. Link Crew wanted to have the scene make an impact on people so people can see how their night would be if they chose to drive under the influence of alcohol and drugs.

Inside the gym, there was a mini pep rally. Many community partners came, some of them were from the district and some were from companies that wanted to support students and the program. The vendors had tables around the gym and students were able to go up to them asking questions and even win prizes like t-shirts, sunglasses, etc. There were also a few games Link Crew set up to show students how drinking

under the influence would look; in all of the games you had to wear special goggles that clouded vision and simulated being drunk. Students had to try to pour a shot with water, ride a tricycle without hitting cones, and walk in a straight line.

As the event went on, BHS had a few guest speakers come and talk to the students about their past on drunk driving and try to open up the students' eyes and explain to them how drinking and driving can affect them.

There even some schools that came up with a skit to perform during the campaign. Towards the end of the event a lot of schools gave a lot of great feedback on how Bloomington High School's Link Crew had put a lot of time and effort into making sure the decor was looking great and that the event ran smoothly. All of the schools that attended expressed that they had a wonderful time coming to meet new people and see different points of views.



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Night of Worship

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It sounded like an interesting event and a great way to worship. I liked everyone, they were very nice and loving. The last two worship songs were my favorite songs. What I won from the raffle was a gift card to Pieology," said Rosaisela Cuellar.

The number of students from our school that attended the Inland Lighthouse Church event may have been in the double digits, but those that did attend found it moving. About 170 people attended the majority from Inland Lighthouse.

This event was scheduled by the church, with Beatriz Gonzalez acting as the go-between the Agape Club and the Lighthouse Church. The revival occurred on Feb. 18, at 7pm in the lunch room.

"I invited my church because it was my church holding the event, so they knew the Night of Worship was going to be at BHS. I liked everything about the event, especially being with church friends and school friends at the same time," said Beatriz Gonzalez.

The lunch room had turned into a room of worship, the audience was engaged in many uplifting songs, complimented with a passionate band, and not a single soul seemed excluded from clapping in rhythm with the songs.

However, it came as a surprise to some of the non-regulars of the Inland Lighthouse Church who thought the event was to be more Bible-based, when attendees were not asked to pull out their Bible.

"Personally, one thing I wish they did was allow the power of God's work to speak for itself

through the reading of God's Word. Romans 10:17 says, 'So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God,'" said Herbert Vega. The reason why direct Bible reading wasn't done was simply a lack of time.

There were three raffle tickets that were picked out after the songs, with two of the tickets pulled out belonging to the students of our school: Ashley Lloyd and Rosaisela Cuellar. These raffle tickets were offered for free to those who walked in through the entrance of the cafeteria, though the person would have to write their names on the raffle ticket first.

"I got \$10 in the gift card and I haven't used it yet," said Ashley Lloyd.

After the raffle there was another round of singing, and after the energizing song was over, a guest pastor, the muscular-voiced Reverend Ari Prado, started telling a story.

The charismatic preacher moved the audience with his words and testimony. He easily propelled a wave of roaring spirit in the audience, and he continued to sweep in even more as he continued his testimony on how a couple spoke in tongues through Christ. This tidal wave of spiritual fervor peaked when the preacher, with bellowing voice, called upon the audience to feel the hand of God and to let others they know as well. The fire that was set in the people's hearts was especially seen at the end of the event, where as many as 100 gathered to pray near the stage, with some crying as they prayed.

"Personally, I didn't feel too passionate, not enough to cry, but I was grateful for the church holding the event at the school. It was an eye-opening experience seeing the passion, and I hope that we have more members for Agape so that they can experience the joy of these events," said Eli Sebastian.

On Feb. 18, Agape sponsored a worship service at 7:30 pm hosted by Inland Lighthouse Church. "The girl next to me was Lexie," said Ashley Lloyd. "I went because I was invited through Agape. I thought going would be a nice opportunity to worship. I was moved by the positive energy of the people in the room and by seeing how God moved everyone."



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Cook-off

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in store.

Mr. Torres said, "This was a good opportunity for kids to get involved and do something different that isn't related to school. We all think school is all about academics and, it's true, academics are important but we also know that there's another side to students and teachers that not everyone can see. It's good that we bring those qualities to light as well.

At the end of the day, the event was a success and plans are already in place to host again next year.

Ms. Horta, one of The Cooking Club's advisors and host of the event said, "The kids did a great job with their dishes, teachers participated, and the kids got to see their teachers outside the classroom. Overall it was a great experience and I am looking forward to having a cook-off for Cinco De Mayo."

Mrs. Emily Gallardo, another one of The Cooking Club's advisors, said, "We wanted to thank the teachers because they don't always get the thank you they want or deserve. The event was to serve as a thank you for their service by making lunch on us."

Mrs. Rosa Aguirre's Pineapple Pie Recipe

Ingredients

1 pastry shell for a 9-inch double crust pie

Or buy 1 Pillsbury pie crust and thaw out while you prepare the filling

½ C. white sugar

3 Tbsp. cornstarch

1 (20 oz) can crushed pineapple with juice (Mrs. Aguirre recommends 2 for more filling)

2 Tbsp. Lemon juice (Fresh or Bottled)

1 Tbsp. Milk

1 Tbsp. White Sugar

Directions

*If you use 2 cans of pineapple, buy one crushed and one chunky and one dice to get some bigger bits. Mrs. Aguirre usually cuts it into 4 parts. Follow the recipe below.

Preheat the oven to 425 degree F (220 degrees C)

In a medium saucepan combine sugar, cornstarch, pineapple with juice, and lemon juice, and lemon juice. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly until thickened, then allow to boil for 1 minute.

Cool slightly and pour mixture into pastry-lined pie pan. Cover with top crust and seal. Make a few steam vents in preheated oven and bake for 35 minutes.

Served chilled or at room temperature.

Tri-M Triumphs

Ronda Hunt
Staff writer

The sound of applause is satisfying enough for most musicians, but not for members of Tri-M. Being inducted into the Tri-M Music Honors Society is one of the greatest privileges a student musician can receive. Members of this club are not only great musicians, but they are substantial scholars.

In order to be accepted into Tri-M they have to maintain at least a 2.5 GPA, have no lower than a B in all music classes, submit an essay as to why they would like to be accepted into this program, and perform an audition or give a presentation on a topic of music. The audition/presentation is not only in front of the club advisor, Mr. Ryan Duckworth, but in front of the entire batch of auditioning students.

"I gave a presentation to the class on beatboxing. I've been beatboxing for quite awhile now and I made a very personal connection to the information I was presenting. The class seemed engaged the whole time and I was proud of myself for all of the hard work I put in," said Jared Espinosa.

After auditions, the students eagerly awaited their acceptance letters. The letters were delivered in person by club president, Hannah Garcia, along with a stunning red rose.

"I can say I was excited to welcome new members, as it's been really just five of us since August. It's also slowly improving when it comes to the involvement of both music

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Past and new members of Tri-M after their official induction on Feb. 26. Back row: Jared Espinosa, Ronda Hunt, Brettina Burdette, Kathleen Christensen, Herbert Vega, James Krejci. Middle row: Cynthia Hernandez, Gabriela Aranda, Carolina Loera, Mark Madrid, Mr. Israel Fuentes. Front row: Dr. Frank Miranda, Mrs. Patt Haro, Aimee-Valencia Morales, Aerica Agda, Ms. Ruby Navarro.



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Basketball's over Tri-M inducts...

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again. I was disappointed because we could have gotten first by ourselves but we still came out as league champions," said Angel Gonzalez.

If the team had beaten Summit, they would not have shared first place.

But a coin toss was good enough, and the boys played Arlington in the first round on Feb. 12.

David Black, a junior, said "I feel great about this game because it's our first playoff game and it's a home."

The march to CIF began on Feb. 12 against Arlington. It was an easy win 67-50. The boys never got behind throughout the game.

Their next opponent was a different game. Valentine's Day wasn't very sweet. The team lost in the second round to Montclair 37-76.

"The adrenaline rush was good for Montclair; it hyped everyone up before the game. When we lost it was disappointing because we had a goal to win the championship," said Jacob Barajas.



Mohammad Awad shoots a free throw against Summit. "I've been in basketball all four years of high school. We had a 3-way tie for first at league, which hasn't happened in 29 years. My position is forward. My favorite game is when we played Kaiser because it was senior night and my family came."

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programs. Our goal is to have band and choir collaborating together. I feel that as a musical performing arts group, we are forming closer ties with each other," said Hannah. When it comes to music, these students accept no less than their best and are constantly looking to improve their already finely polished skill.

"When I had found out I made it into the Tri-M Music Honors Society, I was ecstatic, truly. I felt accomplished and empowered as a musician and a performer. It was one of the most exciting moments in my life, and one that I will never forget," said new member Brettina Burdette.

Girls soccer...

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school, and our seniors, including my sister Sarai (Montoya)," said Xochitl Montoya.

One of the most amazing feats was from freshman goalie Isabel Maldonado. All during playoffs and state, she had seven clean sheets (no one scored off her during the game.)

I feel like this season was a tough season, but we had a good defensive group that made it tough for other teams to score. It wasn't just me," said Isabel.

"It was a dream come true. It was an unbelievable moment and definitely one for the books. It Made me feel amazing being a part of a team that made history," said Cecilia Cardenas about the team making it to state for the first time in school's history.

Varsity Girls Soccer 2019-2020 Record

11/26 Eisenhower 2-1; 12/3 Miller 3-0; 12/6 Citrus Valley 0-0; 12/10 Nuvview Bridge 1-0 W; 12/13 Beaumont 2-0; 12/16 Shadow Hills 2-0; 12/18 Granite Hills 3-0 W; 12/20 Norte Viste 0-0; 12/20 Corona 5-0 W; 12/21 Roosevelt 0-1 L; 1/8 Grand Terrace 3-1; 1/10 Colton 0-0; 1/15 Fontana 7-0 W; 1/17 Kaiser 3-1 W; 1/22 Summit 6-1 W; 1/24 GT 1-1; 1/29 Colton 0-0; 1/31 Fontana 17-0; 2/3 Kaiser 0-0; 2/5 Summit 6-1

Playoffs:

2/13 Ontario 2-1 W
2/15 Lompoc 3-0 W
2/19 Arcadia 1-0 W
2/22 Sierra Canyon 1-0 W (Semi-finals)
2/29 Torrance 2-0 W CIF Champions

Regionals:

3/3 Bye first round
3/5 Rancho Buena Vista 2-0 W
3/7 (State finals) Torrance 0-0
Lost 3-4 in PK