

Shakespeare Festival

The excitement TVT juniors feel for *Othello* has spilled over into a week-long Shakespeare Festival involving grades 5-12. From visiting professional acting troupes in 8th grade English classes, an interactive Shakespearian walk-and-learn, sonnets performed by our seniors complete with Renaissance make-up and “make-overs” for sophomores, culminating today with a production of “*Othello*” by the

juniors themselves, TVT’s English department has been busy! Students worked in groups, learning nearly as much about teamwork as they did about theater and Shakespearean language – especially the junior class, which was responsible for their own set and costume designs, and building consensus for their creative vision within the core team of performers. Even TVT Today was caught up in the spirit -- watch their rendition of “*Othello* in 30 Seconds” online: www.tvttoday.com. Video of the *Othello* performance will be available online in News & Views.

Homecoming: A TVT Family Reunion

Nearly fifty TVT graduates spanning the Classes of 2001-2010 convened on campus for Homecoming 2010. The sun was out and spirits were high as Alumni pulled a 51—38 victory over the Varsity Boys’ team in basketball. Coach Pezzner served as referee while Mrs. Linda Cooper held court at the scorekeeper’s table. TVT Seniors Adam Cohen and Ryan Kasoff handled announcements. TVT’s new cheerleading squad kept the crowd engaged and made a big splash. The Alumni victory in basketball was short-lived, however, as the Lions dominated the indoor soccer match for a final score of 4-3. We look forward to seeing everyone again next year! More photos available online and through the Tarbut Alumni Association page of Facebook.

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

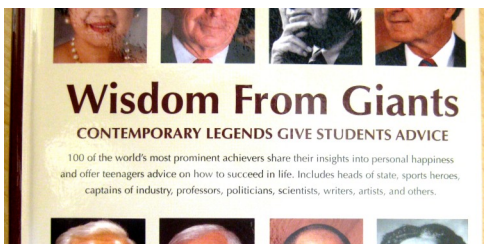
Classes Resume	M	1/3
Grades K-12		
MS Parents Visit US Class	TH	1/6
Winter Dance Recital	TH	1/13
New Date! Lecture Hall		6:30 PM
US Reading Day	F	1/14
No Classes Grades 9-12		
Shir Appeal Performs	F	1/14
K-8 Kabbalat Shabbat, LS MPR		8:00 AM
MLK, Jr. Day	M	1/17
No classes		
Re-Enrollments Due	M	1/24





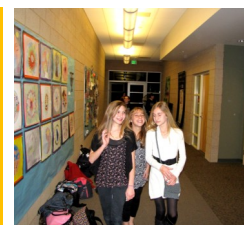
TVT Artists Honored

This summer at the Laguna Festival of Art, two TVT students received medals through PIMCO Corporation for excellent art work: Jacob Boyer, who is entering 1st grade this year, picked up the Silver Metal for 3D art K-6 and Joshua Ahdout, entering 6th grade, picked up a Bronze Metal. In the same category Jake Shofron, Joshua Ahdout, Jacob Boyer and Laine Diep were also featured among the 275 pieces selected from 3,500 entries for inclusion in the Junior Art Gallery. Congratulations!



TVT Faculty in the News
Two Upper School English Faculty were recently published: **Mrs. Michelle Smallwood** in Wisdom From Giants, which she helped edit, and **Ms. Leighann Pennington** in Parenting Gifted Children, as a contributing author. Both books will soon be available in the TVT library. Also, **Mrs. Linda Oaks**, the Lower School Technology Teacher, has been selected to present before the International Society for Technology in Education as well as the state conference for Computer Using Educators in Palm Springs. Mrs. Oaks was the 2007 recipient of the CUE Gold Disk Award for achievement in Educational Technology and is a regular columnist for OnCUE Magazine.

If you missed Peek-into -Middle School, contact **Mrs. Wendy Leberman** for a personalized tour of TVT's Middle School program and campus: **509-9500 x 1102.**



Class of 2018

JEWISH A CAPPELLA TAKES OC BY STORM

As school resumes the TVT community will welcome two renowned a cappella groups! **Magavet**, a Jewish troupe from **Yale University**, will perform on Tuesday, January 4th. **Shir Appeal**, a similar group from **Tufts University**, will perform as part of TVT's Kabbalat Shabbat service on Friday, January 14th, 8:00 AM.



Good & Welfare

Mazel Tov to **Ms. Sue Batstone**, Kindergarten Teacher, on her recent engagement!

Yasher Koach and congratulations to **Sophia Newman**, **Lauren Lobel** and **Chynna Linkon** who celebrated their recent birthdays by asking the entire 3rd grade class to make donations to The UCI Diabetes Center or The Fountain Valley Boys and Girls club in lieu of bringing gifts. Together TVT's third grade raised approximately \$300!

Class of 2011

Early-Decision College Admissions:

- Arizona State University
- Cal State Fullerton
- Cal State Dominguez Hills
- Drexel University
- Georgia Tech University
- Johns Hopkins University
- Michigan State University
- Northeastern University
- Stanford University
- Tulane University
- Washington University St. Louis
- University of Arizona
- University of Indiana
- University of Michigan—Ann Arbor
- University of Oregon



Winter Music Showcase Hanukkah Hoopla & Winterfest

The Winter Music Recital showcasing grades 6-12 featured many musicians who then also performed at Hanukkah Hoopla. The recital hall was packed for the showcase and over 350 attended the Hoopla! Many thanks to the PTSO for making Hoopla possible, and to the tribe leaders for their creative and entertaining activity booths. More photos online on the News & Views page.

SPORTS CORNER

Varsity Girls' Basketball celebrates the "biggest upset in the history of girls basketball!" after beating CIF finalist Calvary Baptist 35-29. Girls' Soccer triumphed 2-1 over Brethren Christian.



Varsity Boys' Basketball	TH	12/30
At Oxford Academy		6:00 PM
Varsity Girls' Basketball	T	1/4
versus Connelly (H)		4:00 PM
Varsity Boys Soccer	W	1/5
At Avalon		4:00 PM
Varsity Girls' Soccer	W	1/5
Versus St. Mary's (H)		3:15 PM
Varsity Boys' Basketball	W	1/5
At Orangewood		6:30 PM
MS Girls' Basketball	TH	1/6
Versus Edgewood (H)		3:00 PM
MS Boys' Basketball	TH	1/6
Versus Edgewood (H)		4:00 PM
Varsity Girls' Basketball	TH	1/5
At Liberty Christian		6:00 PM
Varsity Boys' Basketball	TH	1/5
At Liberty Christian		7:30 PM