

# ***Tolland High School Weekly Bulletin***

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## **TOLLAND HIGH SCHOOL RELAY FOR LIFE**

It is with great pleasure and pride that we announce an exciting and meaningful partnership between Tolland High School DECA and the American Cancer Society. On Friday May 26, THS students and staff will come together as a community to remember loved ones lost, honor survivors of all cancer, and raise money to help the American Cancer Society's fight against cancer.

This school-wide event will be orchestrated by Tolland DECA students and will benefit and assist the goals of the American Cancer Society. Students in the club have volunteered their time and effort because they believe there is an overwhelming need to take action against cancer. As Relay For Life is the signature fundraiser for the American Cancer Society, the goal is to raise at least \$10,000.

Please consider supporting this initiative with a donation. Donation checks can either be mailed to Tolland High School at 1 Eagle Hill, Tolland, CT 06084 or dropped off in the main office. Online donations can also be made through the Tolland High School Relay for Life website at [THS Relay for Life](#) or the link provided on the main page of our Tolland High School website at [www.ths.tolland.k12.ct.us](http://www.ths.tolland.k12.ct.us). Since the fundraiser will be held during the school day, **Honor Ribbons** will be sold online to celebrate every life touched by cancer rather than the luminarias often seen at night. You can dedicate them to a loved one lost, someone currently battling, or anyone who's overcome it. If you desire to attend the Tolland High School Relay for Life event, you'll see the Honor Ribbons decorated with names and messages to the people they're dedicated to. Relay participants share an emotional moment when each Honor Ribbon is posted in remembrance of a life touched by cancer. Together, we will take a moment of silence to remember the loved ones they're dedicated to. When you make a donation for a Honor Ribbon it helps fund the American Cancer Society and Tolland High School's mission to help save precious lives. The Honor Ribbons by scrolling down to the bottom of the [THS Relay for Life](#) website and clicking on the purple ribbon entitled, "Dedicate an Honor Ribbon" under the event announcements. Fundraising will continue until Friday, May 26.

## **DECA ACHIEVES SUCCESS AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL**

During the 2016-17 school year, approximately 120,000 of DECA's 225,000 student members take part in the organization's competitive events program, allowing them to compete for international awards and scholarships as emerging leaders and entrepreneurs. The competitions are designed to simulate business case scenarios and test students' academic understanding and skills development. The top state and provincial winners put their talents to the test during the program's final round of competition in Anaheim, CA. The DECA International Career Development Conference (ICDC) was the pinnacle of competition where over 12,000 students vied for international honors. In addition nearly \$500,000 in scholarships and awards were presented to students and teachers for their achievements.

The following Tolland High School DECA members earned the organization's highest honors at DECA's 71<sup>st</sup> annual International Career Development Conference in Anaheim, California this past April 26-29, 2017:

<b>Name of Student</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Place/Honor</b>
Sarah Lateer (Junior)	Hotel and Lodging Management Series	International Medalist*
Rob Ormiston (Senior)	Principles of Finance	Certificate of Excellence**
Emily Bliss (Freshman) and Allyse Ernest (Sophomore)	Marketing Management Team Decision Making Event	Certificate of Excellence**
Kevin Fiddler and Owen Raccagni (seniors)	Sports and Entertainment Marketing Team Decision Making Event	Certificate of Excellence**
Tom Landolina (Senior)	Leadership Conference Attendee	

\*An **International Medalist** is considered a Top Performer in the competitive category presentation. They received the highest score in their section.

\*\*A **Certificate of Excellence** is awarded to those students who have a combined score of 70 or better on their comprehensive exam and presentation in their competitive category.

In addition, **Kevin Fiddler** rose to the top of 14,000 applicants to receive one of DECA Inc.'s coveted scholarships based on DECA involvement, leadership ability, community service, and academic excellence.



*DECA students at the International Career and Development Competition in Anaheim, California.  
Pictured in the photo from left to right are: Top Row: Kevin Fiddler, Owen Raccagni, Thomas Landolina, and Robert Ormiston; Bottom Row: Sarah Lateer, Emily Bliss, and Allyse Ernest*

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- May 9 – NHS Induction 7:00 p.m. THS Auditorium
- May 9 – Progress Reports
- May 15 – Booster Club 7:00 p.m. THS Main Office
- May 16 – Senior Class Day Permission Slips are due
- May 18 – Deadline to order Graduation Banners
- May 19 – Prom 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Hartford Marriott
- May 29 – No School – Memorial Day
- June 2 – Senior Class Night – Glastonbury Hills Country Club
- June 5 – Senior Class Day – Holiday Hill, Cheshire

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### **BOOSTER CLUB**

The last meeting for this school year will be held on May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the THS main office conference room. Any questions, please contact Co-Presidents Diane Clokey at [dbclokey@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dbclokey@sbcglobal.net) or Jenn Dineen at [jneccidineen@yahoo.com](mailto:jneccidineen@yahoo.com).

### **THS JUNIOR/SENIOR PROM**

The Prom will be held on Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at the Hartford Marriott. Remember that the prom is an official school function and that all school rules apply. Students and guests are expected to be in school for the entire day on the day of the prom. Students should have adequate time after 1:45 for appointments. Please do not do anything which creates a problem on this night. Any use or evidence of alcohol or illegal substances will result in serious consequences. We will be conducting a breathalyzer test for alcohol at the entry to the prom site this year. Any students or guests who test positive for the presence of alcohol on their breath will not be admitted to the prom. We are taking this added step of precaution to assure that all students will have a safe, healthy and happy prom. The prom will begin at 6:00 P.M. No one will be admitted after 6:45 P.M., unless prior arrangements have been approved by the school administrators. Please be careful after the prom whether it be driving home, spending the next day at the beach, or meeting with friends. We hope you all have an enjoyable experience.

### **THE BANNER PROJECT**

The THS Booster Club will once again be celebrating our senior class by participating in the Banner Project fundraiser. Personally designed banners will be displayed along the high school driveway before the commencement ceremony and will be returned to the student at Project Graduation. Information was given to all seniors on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. You can download a form off of the THS website.

### **PROJECT GRADUATION**

To learn more about Tolland Project Graduation and how you can help with our fundraising efforts for a safe graduation celebration for our graduates each year:

<https://www.facebook.com/Tolland-Project-Graduation-156774334371925/about/>

### **MEMORIAL DAY CONTEST**

Tolland's Permanent Celebration Committee (PCC) is preparing for this year's Memorial Day Essay and Multimedia contest which is open to Tolland students. To learn more about the



contest, please see the flyer below.

Tolland Permanent Celebration Committee

## Memorial Day Essay and Multimedia Contest and Coloring Pages



Tolland students can show their patriotism by taking part in the town's 2017 Memorial Day essay and multimedia contest.

This year's Theme is **Honoring our Heroes; "Why Fallen Members of the Military are Your Heroes"**

Winners will be honored at a ceremony following Tolland's 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Day Parade, which begins at 1 p.m. in the center of town on Sunday, May 28. Prizes will be awarded for grades 3 - 5 and 6 - 8 and 9 to 12.

The contest is open to all Tolland students. Entries must be written in the form of an essay. They must be typed, double-spaced in 12-point font and be no longer than one page. They must include the student's name, address, phone number and grade.

This year, students in grades 6 to 8 and 9 to 12 have the option of submitting a multimedia entry on this year's topic in the form of a Prezi presentation, a PowerPoint presentation or a video. Prezi and PowerPoint presentations should be no longer than six slides and can include text, photos and embedded videos. Videos should be from one to three minutes long. All entries need to be uploaded to [TollandPCC@gmail.com](mailto:TollandPCC@gmail.com).

The deadline for all submissions is May 10.

**Winners** will be notified before the parade and will each receive a **\$25 Barnes and Noble gift card**.

Send to: Deb Wagner, Tolland Permanent Celebration Committee  
527 Old Post Road  
Tolland 06084  
or e-mail to: [TollandPCC@gmail.com](mailto:TollandPCC@gmail.com)

**TOLLAND CHILDREN** can also take part in the festivities by coloring a Memorial Day page provided by the committee.

The pages will be available at the Tolland Public Library in the weeks before the parade and will be sent home through the public schools. Children who bring their completed artwork to the library will receive a **prize**.

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