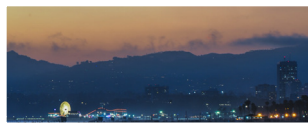


FALLING for PHOTOS

Tyler Wong ('24) finds his love for photography.



(left) **WHILE WALKING ON** the streets of LA, Tyler Wong was introduced to photography through a stranger. "He has a great knowledge about the business of photography and I still go to him on advice about the photography industry," Wong said. (right) **TAKING IN THE** views of Venice Beach, Wong snaps a photo of the sunset. "I went to LA originally to visit colleges, but started doing photography while I was there," Wong said. Photos courtesy of Tyler Wong

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SUMMER IN THE mac



(left) **AFTER THEIR SKIT**, campers rally around counselors to ask questions about their characters. (right) **DURING A CONFERENCE** held in the MAC, rising 8th and 9th graders ask questions to the counselors on stage.

Journalism hosts rising 8th and 9th graders for a week in the MAC.

Every summer, journalism students host a week long mini beginning journalism session for rising 8th and 9th graders in the Bay Area. This summer was the second in person camp since the pandemic, so students were eager to participate.

Senior Asa Deggeller who is on InFocus was selected along with five other journalism students to spend over 100 hours planning the camp.

"I really liked being in InFocus and thought that it would be fun to spend my summer in a way that most people don't," Deggeller explained. "It was cool working with incoming freshman and trying to influence them to join Journalism at Paly," Deggeller said.

Senior Melody Xu applied to become a Camp MAC counselor for the week and was accepted

along with 30 other journalism students.

"I enjoy working with kids and I love teaching journalism while supporting the MAC boosters," Xu said.

Each summer, the camp brings in money

to keep the program going.

Students receive volunteer hours to lead mini publications with seven students.

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ASA DEGGELLER ('23)

"I think camp went really well; all of my campers seemed really into it and everyone seemed like

they were having a good time," Xu explained.

The campers felt the same. Freshman Chloe Huang went to the camp and is now at Paly.

"It was organized really well and the activities were really fun and the counselors were really nice and an overall good preview for the Paly journalism program" Huang said.

During the camp, leadership organized fun

activities for the campers including a panel with Pete Davidson, Kanye West, and Elon Musk to write about a breaking news story. At the end of the week the campers competed in a Spikeball tournament so that they could do a sports report to put into the final magazine.

Deggeller was a part of the final two against two campers.

"The Spikeball tournament was my favorite part of the week since a lot of kids got involved and it was a great team bonding activity," Deggeller said.



4TH DOWN south

Story by Meredith Glasson

Junior Alena Lotterer visits former diving teammates in Dana Point for 4th of July.

Junior Alena Lotterer has become a local down at Dana Point California. When Covid hit, Lotterer moved down to Southern California for online school to focus on her diving career. While she was there, she became family with her teammates. She visits every open weekend she has and 4th of July was the perfect opportunity.

"Everywhere we went was super crowded with people," Lotterer said. Lotterer and her friends stayed away from the crowds and went to the beach every day.

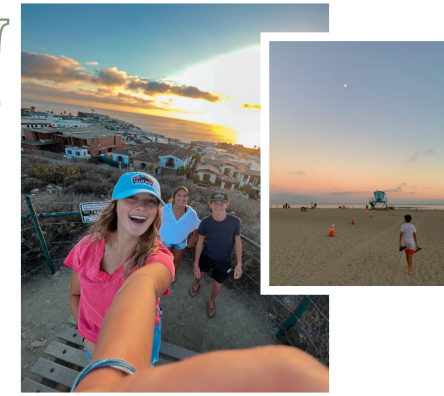
Between beach days, Lotterer and her teammates

traveled to other beach towns to do some shopping.

Before the fireworks, Lotterer spent the night at a local block party to spend quality time with all of the people she misses while being at home.

Although it was busy, Lotterer was able to find a peaceful spot to watch the fireworks at the end of the night.

"We were able to drive to the top of a cliff in Dana Point where we could see fireworks from Laguna Beach, San Juan Hills, San Clemente and Dana Points," Lotterer said.



(left) **SPENDING TIME WITH** friends, Lotterer snaps a 0.5 selfie with her former diving teammate on a cliff in Dana Point. (right) **WATCHING THE SUNSET** on the beach of Dana Point, junior Alena Lotterer captures the warm colors surrounding the ocean. Photos courtesy of Alena Lotter

SZA in san francisco



(left) **WALKING TO THE** venue, Mateo Diaz continues to get excited. (right) **UP ON STAGE**, sza sings her heart out to her fans, encapsulating the audience for hours on end. Photos courtesy of Mateo Diaz

"Seeing sza was the best live performance I've ever seen. Everyone was really getting into it and singing along to some of their favorite songs."
MATEO DIAZ ('23)

HAVING Senior Ryan Hudacek works with the Childhood Development Program's summer art camp.



HAVING A BLAST at art camp, each morning campers got to free draw on letters, starting with B and ending with T, each day trying to figure out what was being spelled out. Photos courtesy of Hilary McDaniel

Q Did you have a favorite memory from the week?

A When I was leading an activity, one camper went up and asked if we could play a game where everyone works together.

Q Would you recommend the CD pathway?

A Definitely, seeing the kids always makes my day and it's just a break from traditional class. It is very hands on experience where you truly apply what you learn from the textbook to real life

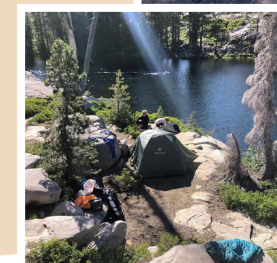
Q What is a typical day like at camp?

A In the morning we do a guided art project. We finish projects from earlier days after snack and before lunch. After lunch we have free play either in dance studio or free drawing.



HELPING OUT A camper, Ryan Hudacek ('23) leads an art project where campers painted lillies that are inspired by the Monet painting. Campers then shaped frogs out of clay to place on top.

in THE WILD Junior Brian Stewart goes three days in Desolation Tahoe.



1 **ON DAY ONE** Brian and his family started off his backpacking trip with a five mile hike into the camping site. "We wanted to start with an easier trip since we were with family," Stewart said.

3 **ON DAY THREE** Brian and his family wake up early to spend some more time in the area before hiking back the five miles home. "We got to stop at some water holes and cliff jump and swim around," Stewart said.

2 **ON DAY TWO** Brian and his family trekked through a six mile loop around the camp site to get a feel for the area.

(above) **CAPTURING THE WILDERNESS** on the six mile loop in Desolation, Brian Stewart ('24) takes a picture of the trail. (below) **AT THE CAMPSITE**, Stewart ('24) snaps a photo of his set up. Stewart stayed two nights camping right on a lake. Photos courtesy of Brian Stewart.