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Centennial and West Meet
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South High School
Sunny, 68°F

"Today will be a real test of our abilities. Centennial and West are very tough schools to compete against," sophomore William Woolen said at the Centennial and West Meet on April 19. Nevertheless, South High performed marvelously, surpassing all expectations. Sophomore Amara Ugwu said, "I'm very proud of all our achievements today, and I hope that the season ends on a strong note." Vis-à-vis the athletes' sentiments, many were particularly anxious, as class council elections were being held on the same day of the meet. Sophomore Andrew Kim was anxious to win the Fine Arts and Historian position for his class, and he said, "The meet today and the election are really stressing me out!" However, he was wild with triumph when the results showed that he won the position after an arduous weeklong campaign. And Reporter Andrew, campaign manager for a good friend in the junior class vice presidential race, was ebullient with satisfaction when he discovered that his friend won. He said, "Now I won't go down in the annals of history as a failed campaign manager!"

Of the runners, freshman Frank Captanis performed outstandingly in the 400-meter race, finishing in 1:07. And junior Zach Davis made considerable progress when he finished the 1600-meter run in 5:07. Freshman Emmaly Sanchez, in the 1600-meter race, ended excellently with a 6:20. Sophomore Téa Takaoka ran the 800-meter race in 3:29. In the girls' freshman/sophomore 4×100-meter relay, the runners finished in 56.2 seconds.

South High's hurdle team made great strides in their abilities that day. Freshman Isaac Chon finished the 300-meter hurdle course in 51.7 seconds. Junior Clara Chan finished that race in 50.2 seconds. Sophomore Claire Masuda completed the 100-meter hurdle course in 20.6 seconds.

The pole vaulters succeeded at the Centennial and West Meet. Senior Matt Burt cleared an impressive 12' 3". And senior Reid Sauter cleared 8' 9". Senior Paige Hernandez vaulted a 6' 3". Sophomore Ivan Lee finished with a 9' 3".

For the shot putters and discus throwers, the day was also filled with success. Sophomore Kelly Chung threw a 55' 10" in discus. Chung, being in journalism, will publish an article about the Track & Field team's successes this season in the May issue of *Sword and Shield*, the school newspaper, published later this week. Sophomores Gabby Patterson and Cassidy Blevins threw 52' 5" and 66' 10" in discus, performing superbly. Junior Mark Chung threw a 27' 2" in shot put. He said, "I'm really happy! I PR-ed!"

The jumpers also made considerable strides in their abilities that day. Sophomore Bodhi Yee-Cannon jumped 4' 8" in the high jump event. Freshman Hannah Hueth completed that event with a 4' 2". Senior Olivia Hanson, in the long jump event, jumped 14' 1". Sophomore Tiffany Lee, in that same event, finished with 11' 0".

The Track & Field team's next event will be the League Prelims at Torrance High School on Saturday, April 28. As the 2018 Track season approaches its dénouement with the League Prelims and Finals, all are anticipative of achievements and successes.

- Reporter Andrew Leung
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