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Author's Note: Due to the inauspicious unavailability of statistics in an opportune manner, I was unable to compose a report expounding the happenings at the Zamperini Inviational. Thank you for your interest in my reports; the Peninsula Dual Meet is reported on below. - Andrew

Peninsula Dual Meet
March 1, 2018

South High School
Mostly Sunny, 61°F

In spite of the prosaic chilly weather at the Peninsula Dual Meet, it proved to be a successful endeavor for South High's athletes. Mrs. Paula Woodward, calculus teacher at South High, helped chaperone at the meet. She said, "Go South! I always like helping with Track meets because they're so energetic. Everyone's so excited!" Since the Spartan Intersquad Meet, many developments have taken place. Reporter Andrew made an unexampled offer to every athlete on the team to find the two grammatical errors in his Spartan Intersquad Meet race report for a "healthy snack". Unfortunately, none of the 170 athletes were able to find both the missing closing quotation mark and erroneous shift from simple past to past perfect progressive tense in his report. Nonetheless, many athletes put forth valiant efforts to find the errors. South High's Track & Field team, starting at the meet, obtained a new TA, junior Sebastian Gutierrez, who came from soccer. He stated, "I'm definitely excited to help the Track team out and make my free sixth period useful."

South High's runners performed tremendously excellently at the Peninsula Dual meet. Junior Quinn Kato ran a 5:09 in the boys' 1600-meter race. Thankfully, sophomore William Woolen recovered from his injuries by the time of the meet. He joyfully stated, "I'm so glad to finally be participating in my event now!" Junior Ayssel Aly, also injured previously, ran in the 100-meter race at the Peninsula Dual meet and said, "I really didn't know what to expect from the 100-meter run, because I've never done it before. But I'm proud of the time that I got, and I didn't get more injured!" Freshman Rania Gomaa said, "This was a great meet. I'm proud." Junior Haley Chung ran the 400-meter race in 57.5 seconds. He said of his performance, "I saw good effort from everyone, even from Peninsula also!" In the girls' 4x100-meter relay, sophomore Amara Ugwu and her fellow runners finished in 56.6 seconds. She said, "I'm proud of my relay teammates, and I'm happy with the progress we achieved."

The hurdlers also performed well at the meet. Freshman Zach Denman finished the 110-meter hurdle race in 20.5 seconds. Sophomore Will Brandt finished that same event in 21.0 seconds.

South High's pole vaulters also make major successes at the Peninsula Dual meet. Sophomore Ivan Lee cleared 9' 8". Unfortunately, senior Reid Sauter, who is the only member on the team who knew The Partridge Family, Reporter Andrew's favorite band, before any of their music was played at practices, was unable to participate in the meet.

For the shot putters and disc throwers, the day was also filled with success. Sophomores Andrew Kim and Daniel Skinner threw a 25' 5" and a 25' 3", respectively, in shot put. Junior Mark Chung threw a 23' 5" in that event. He said, "Today was a great day for me, and I think I did pretty well!"

The jumpers also made considerable strides in their abilities today. Long jumper and sophomore Hannah Kwon jumped 10.8 feet, and freshman Hannah Hueth jumped 11.95 feet. Senior Devine Hill finished with 9.1 feet, while junior Abby Egan jumped 13.9 feet. In the high jump event, senior Jason Min cleared 5.4 feet. Sophomore Madeline James cleared 4.2 feet.

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For South High's Track & Field athletes, the next event will be the Culver City Relays this Saturday, March 3. Only select athletes will partake in that event. On March 15, the Torrance Dual will take place, and that will be an event for all athletes. Regarding home meets, booster club president Ari Majamaki has stated that parent volunteerism is paramount for athletes' success; coaches will have more time to administer the meets. Regardless, athletes were extremely satisfied with their performance at the Peninsula Dual Meet.

*- Reporter Andrew Leung
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