

Former Principal Livingston catches record-breaking tuna

■ BIG FISH: Mike Livingston catches 405-pound yellowfin tuna off the Baja coast, makes national headlines.

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Former Glendale Principal Mike Livingston, 63, of Sunland set a world record by catching a 405.2-pound yellowfin tuna on Nov. 30, off the coast of San Diego,

According to published reports, he had spent 10 days on the 80-foot sport boat, Vagabond, without knowing that he would break the world record on catching the biggest tuna.

Livingston had spent two hours and 40 minutes trying to amuse more than 100 people crowding at Point Loma Sport Fishing with a rod and reel.

The rod Livingston was using to hunt for the tuna was custom made by him. Everybody surrounding the fish hook scale

was amazed at how humongous the tuna really was. The yellowfin tuna was measured to be 85 inches tall and 61 inches in width.

Dockhands wrestled with the fish until they got the tuna into a bin. People were taking photos of the big fish as it was being lifted up on the scale.

Livingston called his tuna "the fish of a lifetime."

The main thing that Livingston did was sit back, relax, and enjoy the moment.

The crowd that surrounded him was filled with joy and happiness. News of the catch made headlines around the nation.

As Livingston said, "It was my moment, my time." It is clear that Livingston has, and will always have, a natural talent for fishing, as well as educating.



Photo Courtesy of Jon Livingston

WHAT A CATCH!: Former GHS Principal Mike Livingston (right) proudly poses with his 405.2-pound yellowfin tuna on Nov. 30, breaking a world record for the biggest tuna caught.

Nitros celebrate at Victory Dance

■ PARTY HARD: The Homecoming dance, a memorable event for all of GHS, was truly spectacular.

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Homecoming was really a sight to behold. Everyone in attendance, with tickets in hand, eagerly expected to walk up the stairs to Level 3, an extraordinary club located on the third floor of the Hollywood/Highland Complex in Hollywood, California.

The Hollywood area gave a sense of extravagance and its lights and sounds gave the night the memorable feeling it deserved. The club itself has 2 dance floors, one of which is a stage.

One could feel the energy as everyone fist-pumped the night away. Many in attendance believed that the \$65 ticket was worth every penny, as they did not expect the event and location to be entertaining and memorable. James Mizuki and Caro-

line Aghajanian won the titles of Homecoming King and Queen. The DJ, who played music for the event throughout the evening, was DJ Vick One. Everyone was truly entertained throughout the entire night. To the surprise of the dancers, all the strobe lights suddenly turned on as foam and confetti fell from the ceiling. The exhilarating experience did not fail to entertain and amuse everyone. There was also a candy bar available during the dance, which appealed to those with a dominant sweet tooth.

Although everyone was having a good time, there was a scare of overcapacity on the dance floor. However, the problem was quickly corrected, and there was no need to stop the dancing in order to bring safety specialists. After the dance, there were many after-parties held, from which everyone left safely.



Photo Courtesy of Sony Music

RETURN: John Dolmayan, Daron Malakian, Serj Tankian, and Shavo Odadjian have ended their hiatus and will perform shows in June 2011.

SOAD reunites

■ REUNION: Former Glendale High student Daron Malakian will tour with the band again after long hiatus.

BY AUSTIN HUI
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After a four-year long hiatus, Armenian-American band System of a Down announced European tour dates. The Grammy Award-winning SoCal-rooted band returns to their loyal fans after some time of separation. After four albums Serj Tankian, Daron Malakian, Shavo Odadjian, and John Dolmayan announced that they were going to take a break from SOAD because of a lack of the feeling of a cohesive performance.

There were many online rumors that the band was going to start working together again. On November 29, the band officially announced their reunion as well

as tour dates.

They are set to play ten shows in eight different European countries. They are going to perform in festivals including U.K.'s *Download Festival*, Switzerland's *Greenfield Festival*, Germany's *Rock am Ring/Rock im Park*, Sweden's *Metaltown*, Austria's *Nova Rock Festival*, and Finland's *Provinssirock*.

Although they are now officially reunited, the future of the band still remains unknown. They have no set plan on what to do next and are only playing in the shows for the sake of their fans.

The lead guitarist and song writer Malakian attended Glendale High. He also had other musical acts such as *Scars on Broadway*.

NEWS IN BRIEF

- * The Class of 2008 is finishing up their beautification project, "Operation BARK." There is now red bark in the first tree planter on the east side of the main office building. The other two will be done over winter break.
- * Congratulations to Calvin Castro, who earned Second Place in the Latin Convention SCRAM on Saturday, November 20.
- * Marching band competed in its first State Championship Competition this year.
- * Women's self-defense classes are now being taught in P.E. for girls only. They are provided by the SCORE II Safety Grant.
- * The Holiday Choral Concert was held on Tuesday, December 14, and the Winter Instrumental Concert was held on Thursday, December 16.
- * The annual Winter Assembly was held on Friday, December 17. Both choir and instrumental music participated in the event.
- * Senior Grad Ads for yearbook are due by the end of January. Parents who wish to purchase space in the back of the yearbook for their graduate may do so by contacting Yearbook Advisor Patrick Lancaster at (818) 242-3161 ext. 6110. The cost of the space is: Full page- \$300, Half page- \$150, Quarter page- \$75.
- * Results of the Campus Characters voting are posted at www.glendalehigh.com.