



## HIGHLAND PARK FINE ARTS

November 4, 2008

### ACHIEVEMENTS/HONORS...

#### HPHS ART

- ◆ Sarabeth Smetzer's Art II Drawing classes recreated works of art on one side of large pumpkins. This project helped students learn how to mix and match colors. These pumpkin masterpieces are on display at Central Market on 5750 E. Lovers Lane.

#### BAND

##### HPHS:

- ◆ Congratulations to the HPHS Band for receiving first division superior ratings at UIL Region 20 Marching Competition on October 8 in Midlothian!
- ◆ Good luck to band members as they audition for Region Orchestra (winds and percussion) on November 6 at Duncanville HS. Those who make Region Orchestra will perform on November 15 at Nimitz HS.
- ◆ HS Region Band auditions will be held on December 5-6 at Duncanville HS.
- ◆ HPHS Band holiday concert will be on December 8 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Large Auditorium.
- ◆ Region Jazz concert will be on December 13 at Waxahachie HS, which is free and open to the public.

##### HPMS/MIS:

- ◆ Good luck to the HPHS 7/8 Band members as they audition for Middle School Region Band on November 7-8 at Reed MS in Duncanville.
- ◆ HPMS 7/8 Bands Veterans Concert will be held on November 11 at 7:00 pm in the HPMS Auditorium.
- ◆ The Raider Band has been busy every Tuesday during the month of October. The band has supported the HPMS athletic teams and raised school spirit by playing at pep rallies during the day and football games at Highlander Stadium in the evening.

#### CHOIR

##### HPHS:

- ◆ On October 18, HPHS hosted the Regional Choir auditions. Of the 43 auditioning from HP, the following 15 made the top All-Region Choir and are advancing to Pre-Area on November 11 in Duncanville!  
Congratulations to: Soprano I – Christine Smith; Soprano 2 - Emily Hagens-1<sup>st</sup> chair, Katie McDaniel, Meggie Lynn, Anne Marie Albachiara, Catherine Carlile; Alto I – Kristen Bankhead, Lauren Lengen; Alto 2 - Eleanor Aldous; Tenor 2 – Blake Kingsriter-1<sup>st</sup> chair; Tucker Bilodeau, Easton Sinclair, Pierce Davis; Bass I – Baird Gehring; and Bass 2 - Paul Bass. Best of luck at Pre-Area!  
Congratulations to those who made the 9<sup>th</sup> /10<sup>th</sup> Grade Treble Choir: Soprano I - Katherine Smith, Mary Ellen Pipkin, Claire Burdette, Maya Tripathy, Grace Montie; Soprano 2 – Laura Bedford-2<sup>nd</sup> chair, Claire Smitham, Kelsey Routh, Ann Ray, Caroline Hardin, Chandler Bright, Rachel Pickett; and Alto – Mary Hosch-1<sup>st</sup> chair, Laura Deen-2<sup>nd</sup> chair, Madeline White, Margot Linton.  
Congratulations to those who made the All-District Choir: Soprano I – Logan Herod, Laura Rooker; Soprano 2 – Maddie Dial; Alto I – Amy Weissler; Alto 2 – Cameron Strong; Tenor 2 – Bishop Laughlin-2<sup>nd</sup> chair, Turner Bilodeau; Bass I – Frank Pirok, Walter Spradley; and Bass 2 – Charles Burford, Chris Bass, Josh Volk. Congrats to all of these students! The Region Choir Concert is November 8 at Grand Prairie HS.
- ◆ The Sam Houston State University Chorale performed for L&L and as many of the other HPHS choir members that could attend during 3<sup>rd</sup> period on October 21.
- ◆ Upcoming Park Version performances: Nov. 10 at 10:30 am-Dallas Country Club Festival of Trees Luncheon; Nov. 11 at 11:30 am-Hyer Elementary 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grades; Dec. 10 at 11:15 am-Dallas Country Club Park Cities Republican Women; and on Dec. 12 – noon at the Dallas Country Club Dallas Summer Musicals Executive Board and 6 pm in Northpark Center at Northcourt/Dillard's.
- ◆ HPHS Voice Studio Recital will be presented on December 1 in the HPHS Choir Room at 7:00 pm.

## CHOIR

### HPHS, continued:

- ◆ L&L/Park Version will sing for the Armstrong Tree Lighting at 7:00 pm on December 4 and for the Bradfield Elementary Home Tour on December 5 at 10:15 am.
- ◆ HPHS Choirs holiday concert will be on December 11 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Large Auditorium. The '08 Parent/Alumni/Teacher Holiday Choir will join in the festivities with this year's guest conductor, Don Timberlake, Skyline HS choral director. Mr. Timberlake is a former HPHS choral director from 1965-69.

### HPMS/MIS:

- ◆ The choirs from 6/7/8 grades will give a fall concert on November 6 at 7 pm in the HPMS Auditorium.
- ◆ MS Choir Solo/Ensemble competition will be held on November 15 in Coppell. Good luck!
- ◆ HPHS Park Version gave a great performance at MIS on October 23.

## COMBINED MIDDLE SCHOOL FINE ARTS

- ◆ The entire middle school Fine Arts Department (consisting of band, choir, drama, and orchestra) will combine to present a Shakespearean Feast on December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the HPMS Cafeteria.

## HPHS DEBATE/DRAMA

- ◆ Upcoming possible debate tournaments: UNT in Denton on Nov. 7-8; Hockaday on Nov. 14-15; Williams HS-Plano on Nov. 21-22; UT-Austin on Dec. 5-6; Creekview HS in Carrollton on Dec. 12-13.
- ◆ Debate Club is selling discount movie tickets as a fundraiser. Studio Movie Grill gift cards for 2 admissions are \$10; AMC, Angelika, & Landmark are \$7 each admission. The only restrictions are: AMC – 2-wk waiting period for new releases; Movie Grill expires 9/30/09 with a blackout period from Nov. 14 – Jan. 14. Email [DeeChar@aol.com](mailto:DeeChar@aol.com) to place an order; students may order in B127 Monday – Wednesday with pickup on Friday.
- ◆ HPHS Classic Series presents Richard III in the HPHS Large Auditorium. Original performance dates have changed due to the HPHS football play-off schedule. Performances are Saturday, Nov. 15-7:00 pm; Sunday, Nov. 16-2:00 pm; Monday, Nov. 17-7:00 pm; and Tuesday, Nov. 18-7:00 pm. Tickets are \$5.00 general admission, on sale one hour before each performance at the Fine Arts Box Office.
- ◆ Best of luck to Leahe Knott, Caleb Powell, Christine Smith, Tracy Smith, Ashley Thompson, Ellen Toland and Elizabeth Wasem. These HPHS senior drama/tech students will be attending the Northeast Texas Drama Auditions at Collin College on November 20. There will be almost 50 college representatives in attendance.
- ◆ Theatre Arts II class is hosting Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 6 in the HPHS Cafeteria at 10 am. Area school children are invited to eat, see Santa and be entertained with a delightful children's play, all for only \$5 per person. Flyers with more information will be going out soon to each HPISD elementary.

## ELEMENTARY MUSIC

- ◆ **Armstrong** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade music will present a musical entitled "Nuts!" on November 5 at 8:30 am for parents and 9:00 am for the school in the Armstrong auditorium. 1<sup>st</sup> Grade performs a music program on November 21 at 8:30 am for parents and 9:00 am for the school in the auditorium.
- ◆ **Bradfield** – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade will present a Winter Concert on December 16 at 7:00 pm in the Bradfield Auditorium.
- ◆ **Hyer** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade music performs for the PTA on November 18 at 9:30 am in the Hyer Auditorium. 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade will present a Holiday Spectacular on December 11 at 6:30 pm and 7:15 pm in the Hyer Auditorium. There will be outside caroling at Hyer on December 4 at 6:30 pm.
- ◆ **University Park** – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade music will honor Veterans with a patriotic performance on November 11 at 8:45 am and 9:45 am in the UP Auditorium. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Musical will have morning performances at 8:45 am and 9:45 am on December 3 and evening performances at 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm on December 4, all in the UP Auditorium.

## ORCHESTRA

### HPHS:

- ◆ On October 11 the All-Region Orchestra auditions were held for strings at Irving HS, and 22 HPHS students were selected! Six students advanced to Area and taped for All-State Orchestra on November 1! Congratulations to: Flora Hollifield (10)-Principal 2<sup>nd</sup> violin; Robert Schunder (12)-cello; Ian Simpkins (10)-bass; Peter Walsh (9)-Assistant Principal bass; Paul Wei (10)-violin; and Kevin Yan (10)-piano.

## ORCHESTRA

### HPHS, continued:

These six who taped for state along with the following 12 made the top Honor Orchestra: Violin-sophomores Da Huang, Sara Kendrick, Kelly Weckman; Viola – Zach Ballard (12), Michael DeMarco (11), Shannon Guthrie (10), Luna Vorster (11); Cello – sophomores Laura Deen-alternate, Celeste Fleming; and Bass – Dalton Brantley (11), Bill Smylie (10), Thomas Walter (9).

Congratulations also to the following freshmen for making the Symphonic Orchestra: Violin – Zoe Olavarri, Emily Orr, Lindsey Streepey; and Viola – Geoffrey Morris. All of these students will perform at the Region Orchestra concert on November 15 at Nimitz HS.

- ◆ The Highlander Strings will have a holiday concert on December 9 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Large Auditorium.

### HPMS/MIS:

- ◆ HPMS/MIS Orchestra students also attended the All-Region Orchestra auditions in Irving on October 11. Congratulations to 22 students for making Region! 12 were selected for the Symphonic Orchestra. Congratulations to: Blake Burns, Leigh-Alice Clark, Sam Crofford, Trevor Drew, Andrew Hedges, Mark Houle, Elizabeth Keckeisen, Ji Won Kim, Coco Kubicki, Nimish Kumar, Preston Luthy, and Lindsey Wilhem-Assistant Principal.

Congratulations also to the following 10 students for making the Concert Orchestra: Taylor Byxbee, William Church, Meagan Horn, Kristi Kway-Assistant Principal, Lucas Lloyd-Principal, Lynsey McDaniel, Rodman Steele, Vinaik Sundaresan, Julianna Szuwalski, and Diana Wigginton-Assistant Principal. All of these students will perform at the Region Orchestra Concert on November 15 at Nimitz HS.

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## UPCOMING FINE ARTS EVENTS

(Red-HS events; Blue-MS/MIS events; Green-Elementary events)



### Concerts/Performances

November 5

Armstrong 3<sup>rd</sup> grade musical “Nuts!” – Armstrong Auditorium, 8:30 am-parents; 9:00 am-school

November 6

MIS/HPMS Choirs concert (6-8 gds) – HPMS Auditorium, 7:00 pm

November 8

9<sup>th</sup> Grade/HS Region Choir concert – Grand Prairie HS (Students who made Region Choir will perform)

November 10

Park Version performs for Festival of Trees Luncheon – Dallas Country Club, 10:30 am

November 11

UP 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir patriotic performance to honor Veterans – UP Auditorium, 8:45 am & 9:45 am

Park Version performs for Hyer 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Graders – Hyer, 11:30 am

HPMS Band Veterans concert – HPMS Auditorium, 7:00 pm

November 15-18

Classic Series Richard III – HPHS Large Auditorium, 15<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm; 16<sup>th</sup> – 2:00 pm; 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm

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## Concerts/Performances, continued



November 15

**HS/MS Region Orchestra concert – Nimitz HS (Students who made Region Orchestra will perform)**

November 18

**Hyer 2<sup>nd</sup> grade music performance for PTA – Hyer Auditorium, 9:30 am**

November 21

**Armstrong 1<sup>st</sup> grade music program – Armstrong Auditorium, 8:30 am-parents; 9:00 am-school**

December 1

**HPHS Choir Voice Recital – HPHS Choir Room, 7:00 pm**

December 3

**UP 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Musical – UP Auditorium, 8:45 am & 9:45 am**

December 4

**UP 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Musical – UP Auditorium, 6:30 pm & 7:30 pm**

**Hyer Outside Caroling – Hyer, 6:30 pm**

**Shakespearean Festival – HPMS Cafeteria, 7:00 pm**

**L&L/Park Version sing at Armstrong Tree Lighting – 7:00 pm**

December 5

**L&L sings in several homes – Bradfield Elementary Home Tour, 10:15 am**

**Shakespearean Festival – HPMS Cafeteria, 7:00 pm**

December 6

**Breakfast with Santa – HPHS Cafeteria, 10:00 am, then Theatre II performs in HPHS Large Auditorium**

**HPISD Elementary students are invited - \$5 per person**

December 8

**HPHS Band holiday concert – HPHS Large Auditorium, 7:00 pm**



December 9

**HPHS Highlander Strings holiday concert – HPHS Large Auditorium, 7:00 pm**

December 10

**Park Version performs for Park Cities Republican Women – Dallas Country Club, 11:15 am**

December 11

**Hyer 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade “Hyer Holiday Spectacular” – Hyer Auditorium, 6:30 pm & 7:15 pm**

**HPHS Choirs holiday concert – HPHS Large Auditorium, 7:00 pm**

December 12

**Park Version performs for Dallas Summer Musicals Executive Board – Dallas Country Club, Noon**

**Park Version holiday performance – Northpark Center in Northcourt/Dillard's area, 6:00 pm**

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(Red-HS events; Blue-MS/MIS events; Green-Elementary events)

## Concerts/Performances, continued

December 13

**HS Region Jazz concert – Waxahachie HS Aud. (Students who made Region Jazz will perform)**

December 16

**Bradfield 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Winter Concert – Bradfield Auditorium, 7:00 pm**

## Competitions/Other Events

November 6

**HS Region Orchestra Winds/Percussion auditions – Duncanville HS**

November 7-8

**MS Band Region Auditions – Reed MS, Duncanville**

**HPHS Debate – University of North Texas Tournament, Denton**

November 11

**Pre-Area HS Choir auditions – Duncanville**

November 14-15

**HPHS Debate – Hockaday Tournament**

November 15

**MS Choir Solo/Ensemble – Coppell**

November 21-22

**HPHS Debate – Williams HS Tournament, Plano**

December 5-6

**HS Band Region auditions – Duncanville HS**

**HPHS Debate – University of Texas Tournament, Austin**

December 12-13

**HPHS Debate – Creekview HS Tournament, Carrollton**

