Denton Independent School District Board of Trustees Certificates of Recognition Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2010

GUYER HIGH

Career and technology counselor earns national recognition

Jeanie Bragg, a career and technology counselor for Guyer High and Denton Independent School District, has been named the National Guidance Professional of the Year by the Association for Career and Technical Education.

Mrs. Bragg is a graduate of Denton High School. She has worked for Denton ISD for 15 years, spending 10 years as the career counselor at her alma mater and the last five coming as the primary career and technology counselor at Guyer High School.

The ACTE recently recognized Bragg and her work during its annual convention in Nashville, Tenn. She previously was recognized as one of five ACTE regional winners and named the Career and Technology Association of Texas Guidance Educator of the Year.

Mrs. Bragg is a state board member for CTAT and the founder of the association's statewide guidance mentoring program, which she helped implement in 2007. She has presented at local, state and national conferences on numerous topics detailing career education and the inclusion of technology into academic curriculums.

RYAN HIGH

Teacher named state's Dance Educator of the Year

Roxanne Muncy, a dance teacher at Ryan High School, has been named the 2009 Dance Educator of the Year by the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

Mrs. Muncy has been a dance teacher for more than 25 years at dance studios as well as public and private schools. She has been teaching at Ryan the past five years and also serves as the school's dance club sponsor.

A former professional dancer, Muncy received a bachelor of science in dance education from Texas Woman's University while touring with the International Tap and International Folk Dance Companies.

Mrs. Muncy recently was honored by TAHPERD at its 86th annual convention in Arlington, Texas. The TAHPERD representatives stated that Mrs. Muncy earned the award for demonstrating leadership skills and achieving excellence while being an outstanding representative of the teaching profession.

GUYER HIGH

English teacher honored by state organization

Shanna Stovall, an English Language Arts teacher at Guyer High School, has been named the Outstanding High School English Teacher of the Year by the Texas Council of Teachers of English/Language Arts.

Stovall has been a teacher at Guyer High School since the school opened in 2005 and currently serves as the English Language Arts Department Chair. She taught English for nine years at Brownwood High School before joining Denton ISD.

TCTELA recognized Stovall and her work during its annual convention in Austin last month. Nominees are evaluated on their commitment to excellence in the teaching of English and consistent support of the mission and purpose of TCTELA, with the winner receiving an award and one-year free membership to the council.

HOUSTON ELEMENTARY

Sherrill receives the Distinguished Fellow award by TAEA

Rhonda Sherrill, the visual arts teacher for Sam Houston Elementary School, was recently named a Distinguished Fellow of the Texas Art Education Association (TAEA).

Under this special program sponsored by the state art organization, the title "Fellow" is conferred on members who have made long-term distinguished contributions to the work of the art association and to the advancement of the art profession.

Mrs. Sherrill previously served as vice president for membership and has been recognized as the Elementary Art Teacher of the Year by the association.

DENTON PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION

Foundation awards scholarships, grants to staff

More than \$50,500 in scholarship and grant money has been awarded to Denton Independent School District teachers and staff members by the Denton Public Schools Foundation in partnership with the local district.

Denton ISD teachers and staff who received part of the \$50,581 in DPSF scholarships and grants and from other donations for the grants-to-teachers program include:

Ann Windle School for Young Children

Yazmin Vazquez, \$1,000 scholarship from Ann Windle Staff Scholarship.

Sylvia Munge, \$1,000 scholarship from Ann Windle Staff Scholarship.

Annex/Operations

Rachel Johnson, \$1,000 scholarship from John Nesbitt Support Staff Scholarship.

Denton ISD Bilingual/ESL Department

Melissa Alfaro, \$1,000 grant from CoServ 2006 and DPSF for "GOL! Guys Operating as Leaders" and For Girls Only Clubs.

Blanton Elementary

Victor Lozada, \$850 scholarship from DPSF

Jaime Parker, \$790 grant from DATCU Grant ATPE and DPSF for "Strong is the Force in Those Who are Green."

Borman Elementary

Susan Axtell, \$1,000 scholarship from DPSF.

Calhoun Middle School

Frances Dornan, \$800 grant from Wimberley-Shelton Grant and DPSF for "Sewing It ALL Together."

Crownover Middle School

Cynthia Brown, \$1,000 scholarship from Gregory Family Teacher Scholarship.

Carolyn Groce, \$385 grant from DPSF for "Interwrite MOBI Teacher Wireless Tablet." **Denton High School**

Christopher Khoury, \$1,000 scholarship from DHS PTSA Staff Scholarship.

Fred Mueller, \$1,000 grant from DHS PTSA Staff Grant for "Motivating Mathematics: A Musical Performance."

Beth Hughes, \$750 grant from David Glass Memorial Grant for DHS Student Council.

Mark Baker, \$250 grant from McEwen-Deck Program Grant for DHS Choir.

Scott Heffley, \$250 grant from McEwen-Deck Program Grant for DHS Boys' Soccer.

Ginnings Elementary

Kay Adamson, \$325 grant from Cheryl Phillips Memorial Grant for "A Slab Roller is an Art Teacher's Friend."

Jonny Ramsey, \$350 grant from DPSF Groundhog Gala 2005 Grant for "The Sound of Music."

Kelli Wisenhunt, \$440 grant from DPSF for "Red H.O.T.S."

Dylan Thompson, \$325 grant from DPSF for "Predators from the Sky."

Carrie Layton, \$415 grant from DPSF for "Beneficial Bats."

Guyer High School

Heather Hattori, \$750 grant from Charter Builders 2009 Grant for "X Marks the Spot." **Daniel Clarke**, \$1,000 grant from DPSF Grounghog Gala 2003 and 2004 Grants for "The Future of Schools: An Indoor Living Ecosystem."

Bridget Revell, \$1,000 grant from Guyer Family Grant and DPSF for "Navigating Higher Math."

Harpool Middle School

Nathan Dame, \$953.12 scholarship from DPSF Scholarship.

Matthew Joice, \$925 grant from TD Industries Grant and DPSF for "Mindstorm Robotics Project."

Nathan Dame, \$975 grant from Robert Colon McSween Memorial Grant for "Man Sing" and a DPSF Scholarship.

Karen Crozier, \$375 grant from SHW 2008 Grant and DPSF for "Calming Combination"

Hodge Elementary

Sandi Schon, \$700 grant from LaGrone Family Grant and DPSF for "Scrabble: Double Points."

Houston Elementary

Tina Newberry, \$1,000 grant from Charter Builders 2006 Grant and DPSF for "Ears that Hear the Beauty of Books."

Melissa Gerdes, \$1,000 grant from VLK Architects 2005 Grant and DPSF for "Do You See What I See?"

Cynthia Goetz, \$1,000 grant from Margaret Clarke Grant and DPSF for "Reading to Learn is Exciting!"

McMath Middle School

Eric Johnk, \$1000 grant from LaGrone Family Grant and DPSF for "Wireless Math Teachers."

Merrie McCane, \$500 grant from Jostens Student Center Grant for "Orchestra Electronic Pick Ups."

McNair Elementary

Jodi Dallas, \$775 grant from Robert Colon McSween Memorial Grant for "Living Storybooks."

Jill Coulter, \$750 grant from Charter Builders 2008 Grant for "Planting ELA."

Chris McDonald, \$995 grant from VLK Architects 2007 and 2008 Grants for "Tools for ELA."

B.J. Hardesty, \$500 grant from PBK Architects 2007 for "Making ELA Environmentally Friendly."

Navo Middle School

Ronnie Roshto, \$250 grant from SHW 2008 Grant for "Holocaust Remembrance Day 2010."

Nelson Elementary

Brenda Hill, \$500 scholarship from DPSF Scholarship.

Katherine Brown, \$875 grant from CoServ 2008/09 and DPSF for "Living Letters."

Pecan Creek Elementary

Cathryn Hull, \$1,000 scholarship from Mike Gregory Teacher Scholarship.

Denise Evans, \$1000 scholarship from iTeach Texas and DPSF Scholarship.

Anne Perrone, \$690 grant from SHW Grant and DPSF for "Groups With Hands on Groovy Games."

Robin Brownell, \$1,000 grant from Ben E. Keith and DPSF for "Frog Family Fun Packs"

Providence Elementary

Jonathan David, \$890 grant from Devon Energy Grant and DPSF for "Great Observations."

Newton Rayzor Elementary

Lori Cadwallader, \$1,000 grant from Charter Builders 2007 Grant and DPSF for "Pathways to Peace: The Labyrinth Project"

Cheree Barnette, \$3,991 grant from DPSF School-Wide Initiative Grant

Rivera Elementary

Angie Feldman, \$925 grant from Alice Smith Memorial Grant and DPSF for "Learning Doesn't Stop at 3 p.m."

Ryan High School

Helen Hayes, \$960 grant from Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital and DPSF for "Health is Contagious."

David Cribbs, \$1,000 grant from Kristoferson Family Grant and DPSF for "Discovering Robotics."

Lacey Hailey, \$999 grant from CoServ 2007 and DPSF for "Austin or Bust."

Nicole May, \$537 grant from Dain Rauscher Grant for "Women of Promise."

Julie Tolle, \$500 grant from Ronny Crownover Memorial Grant for Secondary Teacher of the Year.

Robert Lee Smith, \$500 scholarship from DPSF Scholarship.

W.S. Ryan Elementary

Nancy Walkup, \$450 grant from Bill Utter Grant for "Green Bird: The Art of the Environmentally Friendly Birdhouse."

Savannah Elementary

Ashley Weibling, \$1,000 grant from Charter Builders 2005 Grant and DPSF for "Real Men Read."

Stephens Elementary

Bonnie Bynum, \$1,000 scholarship from DPSF Scholarship.

Laurie Forsyth, \$500 grant from First State Bank Grant for Elementary Teacher of the Year.

Wilson Elementary

Angela Gorton, \$740 grant from VLK Architects 2006 Grant and DPSF for "Steps to Respect: A Bullying Prevention Program."

Deborah Moseley, \$375 grant from Alice Smith Memorial Grant for "Mastering Measurement."

Amanda Nabors, \$995 grant from VLK Architects 2009 Grant and DPSF for "Preparing Student for the 21st Century."

Becky Gonzales, \$ 775 grant from DPSF Groundhog Gala 2005 and 2006 Grants for "We Do Robotics."