Denton Independent School District Board of Trustees Certificates of Recognition Tuesday, May 13, 2014

HARPOOL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Choir to perform at American Choral Directors convention

Harpool Middle School's Kantorei Mixed Choir was selected as an Honor Choir by the American Choral Directors Association to perform at the ACDA Southwest Divisional Convention in Little Rock.

Harpool was one of only two middle schools selected from a blind-audition process to perform at the Robinson Center Music Hall in March.

The Choir includes 57 seventh- and eighth-graders:

Soprano: Delaney Apt, Katie Beijan, Liet Bourbon, Allison Burch, Ariana Butler, Alynna Castro, Alyssa Delloro, Payton Duesing, Madi Grams, Madison Hubert, Hannah Johnson, Serena Khatri-Chhetri, Mia Knight, Rachel Lee, Sarah Miller, Macy Mullins, Olivia Stusick, Abby Teeter;

Alto: Kacie Bailleu, Claire Collins, Eden Ernest, Sydney Hosler, Grace Korak, Caroline Orozco, Christina Paz, Mallory Pittman, Darby Scogin, Carissa Snow, Ocean Westbrook;

Tenor: Tanner Garmon, Noah Gattenby, Caleb Gill, Nathan Graham, Koency Hord, Avery Johnson, Adam Knight, Max Lewis, Dakota Linnabary, Andrew Meiwes, Bennett Moffit, Blake Reyna, Landon Rosckes, Zach Ross, Christian Serna, Jake Simonelli, Gregg Willis;

Bass: Dylan Alexander, Garrett Barnes, Kenneth Dunson, Ben Duren, Ian Estrada, John Lanz, Branden Laredo, Keith Marshall, Jason Metzler, Jed Thorne, Nick Torres, Rajan Vyas.

Nathan Dame is the choir director at Harpool. He is assisted by Ashley Delaney.

RYAN HIGH

Orchestra student places on TMEA All-State Orchestra

Harry Dearman, sophomore at Ryan High, recently represented Denton ISD and Ryan High on the Texas Music Educators Association All-State Orchestra.

Harry, who plays double bass, was selected to the TMEA all-state philharmonic orchestra. His selection marks the sixth consecutive year that Denton ISD has had at least one student on the TMEA all-state orchestra.

The Ryan High orchestra director is Tami Peterson.

VISUALARTS

Ginnings, Stephens students' artwork displayed at State Capitol

Young artists from Ginnings Elementary and Stephens Elementary had their artwork displayed at the State Capitol and Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum in Austin. They were part of the Texas Art Education Association's Youth Art Month Capitol Celebration. **Ginnings Elementary:** Fifth-graders Madison Cofer and Magdalena Perez. Madison Cofer's artwork was chosen as part of the Governor's Top Ten selections. She will have her picture of a bluebonnet displayed in the Governor's office during the first year of the next term.

Kay Adamson is the art teacher at Ginnings Elementary.

Stephens Elementary: Third-grader Amarea Flores and fourth-grader Anthony Xiao Megan Trammell is the art teacher at Stephens Elementary.

DENTON ISD

District students claim state title, shine at state forensics contest

Students from Guyer High and Ryan High recently competed at the Texas Forensic Association's state competition in El Paso.

Guyer High: Seniors Drake Lawson and Andrew Hansen won the state championship in duet acting. The state title helped Guyer High earn a spot in the Top 10 overall team standings at the TFA state competition.

The other state qualifiers from Guyer included: Davina Aguwa, sophomore; Lauren Champion, junior; Elyse Guilstorf; Michael Hansen, senior; Tanile Limb, senior; Riley Steward, freshman, and Tiffany Wang, sophomore.

Karen Gossett and Josh Hamilton are coaches at Guyer High.

Ryan High: The Raiders again had a state-qualifying pair with juniors Kirsten Anderson and Josh Soderstrom, who ranked among the state's best.

The coach at Ryan High is Jeannene Abney.