



HIGHLAND PARK FINE ARTS

November 4, 2014

ACHIEVEMENTS/HONORS...

BAND HPHS:

- ◆ Congratulations to the HPHS Band for receiving first division ratings at UIL Region 20 Marching on October 18, which advanced them to UIL Area C Marching Competition on October 25 at Mesquite Memorial Stadium. At Area, the band advanced from prelims into the top ten finals, placing 8th overall!
- ◆ The HPHS Band placed 2nd in their classification at the DeSoto Classic Marching competition on October 11, receiving Best in Class in Colorguard, Drum Line, music, and marching. The band then advanced to finals, placing 3rd out of the ten competing bands. Congratulations!
- ◆ Good luck to the HPHS Drum Line as they compete at the Lone Star Drum Line contest on November 8 at Marcus HS in Flower Mound.
- ◆ Good luck to band members as they audition for TMEA Region Orchestra (winds/percussion) on November 13 at Duncanville HS. Those who make Region Orchestra will perform on November 22 at Molina HS, Dallas.
- ◆ HPHS Jazz Band concert is November 20 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Cafeteria.
- ◆ TMEA Region Jazz concert is December 6 at Waxahachie HS. The concert is free and open to the public.
- ◆ HPHS Band winter concert is December 9 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium.
- ◆ Good luck to band members as they audition for TMEA Region 20 Band on December 12-13 at Duncanville HS. Students who advance move on to Pre-Area at Duncanville HS on December 15.

HPMS/MIS:

- ◆ HPMS 7/8 Bands Veterans Concert is November 11 at 7:00 pm in the MIS/HPMS Auditorium.
- ◆ Good luck to the HPHS 7/8 Band members as they audition for TMEA Middle School Region 20 Band on November 14-15 at Kennemer MS in Duncanville. The TMEA MS Region 20 Band concert is December 6 at Duncanville HS.
- ◆ MIS 6th Grade Band presents a winter concert on December 2 at 7:00 pm in the MIS/HPMS Auditorium.
- ◆ HPMS Bands Winter Concert is December 4 at 7:00 pm in the MIS/HPMS Auditorium.

CHOIR HPHS:

- ◆ TMEA Region 20 Choir auditions were held on October 25 at Coppell HS. The following 8 HP students made the top All-Region Choir and are advancing to Pre-Area auditions on November 18, which will be hosted at HPHS. Congratulations to: **Soprano 1** – Sarah Hatch; **Soprano 2** - Lizzy Seay-1st chair; **Alto 1** – Kathryn Davidson-2nd chair; Alison Sloan-alternate to Pre-Area; **Alto 2** – Avery Davis; **Tenor 1** – Bennett Robinson-1st chair; and **Tenor 2** – Gus Hodges, John Cowden-alternate to Pre-Area. Best of luck!
- The following 17 students made the Region 9/10 Treble Choir. Congratulations to: **Soprano 1** – Sarah DeFrancisco-1st chair; Sofia Lara, Megan Liu, Mira Martin, Elizabeth Meggysesy, Riley Stafford; **Soprano 2** – Emma Beasley, Brinkley Roever, Callie Turrentine; **Alto 1** – Regina Cabrera, Sarah Caffey, Tori Klein, Katie Krasovec-2nd chair; Olivia Mitchell, Campbell Rolfe, Faye Steele, Bahvana Thota.
- These 5 students made the Region 9/10 Tenor-Bass Choir. Congratulations to: **Tenor 1** – Ryan Rapuzzi; **Tenor 2** – Jacob Besser, Preston Lane, Jace Tucker; and **Bass** – Preston Gossett.
- And congratulations to these 21 students who made All-District Choir on September 27: **Soprano 1** – Laney Blake, Gabby Crank, Athena Davidson, McKenna Farley, Halle Ferguson, Margaret McGovern, Lily Wu; **Soprano 2** – Margaret Hall, Cailin Jordan, Wallis Key, Madison Stuart; **Alto 1** – Lainey Gonzales, Cammy Thornton; **Alto 2** – Annie Grote, Annie Martin, Lauren Milner; **Tenor 2** – Thomas Stephenson; **Bass 1** – Justin Fanning, Trey Willis; **Bass 2** – Rees LeMay, Bill Rogers.
- All 51 students listed above perform in the TMEA All-Region Choir Concert on November 15 at Cedar Hill HS in Cedar Hill. The concert, which is free and open to the public, begins at 4:30 pm.
- ◆ HPHS hosts the TMEA Pre-Area auditions on November 18. Students who advance to TMEA Area compete January 10 in Waco in the final auditions for All-State. Best of luck!

CHOIR

HPHS, continued

- ◆ HPHS Choir Department has their annual Choir Pre-Game Fiesta Dinner on November 7 in the HPHS Cafeteria from 5-7 pm. Drive-thru take-out is from 4:30-5:30 pm in the teacher parking lot off Douglas. Food is from Cantina Laredo; tickets are \$10. Raffle tickets are available for an azzurro blue Primavera Vespa or a Louis Vuitton purse (\$25 each or 5 for \$100) as well as four great baskets (\$5 each or 6 for \$25), which include: *Girls Night Out* (items for the ladies); *Boys Around Here* (golf for 4 at Northwood, Yeti cooler, etc.); *Music of the Night* (date night items); *I'm Coming Home* (items for the home and landscaping).
- ◆ This is the busy performance season for L&L and Park Version, where they are asked to perform for various organizations and private events. For example, Park Version performs for HPHS PTA on November 5. Public performances include the following:
 - Nov. 23:** L&L – Snider Plaza Tree Lighting, performance time to be announced.
 - Dec. 4:** L&L – Armstrong Tree Lighting, performance time to be announced.
 - Dec. 5:** Park Version – NorthCourt at NorthPark-6:00 pm; Dillard's at NorthPark-6:30 pm
- ◆ HPHS Choirs holiday concert is December 11 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium.

HPMS/MIS:

- ◆ Best of luck to HPMS 7th and 8th grade choir members at the TMEA Region 20 Middle School Choir Solo and Ensemble contest on November 8 at Garcia MS in Dallas.
- ◆ HPMS Pop Choir has two performances: November 8 at 10 am for the Hyer Bazaar at Hyer Elementary and December 2 for the UP Tree Lighting at Elena's Children's Park, 6:30 pm.
- ◆ HPMS Choirs perform a holiday concert at NorthPark, Dillard's Court by the fountain, on December 12 at 11:45 am.



DEBATE, HPHS

- ◆ Congratulations to the team of seniors Rohit Thota and Reid Wyde for winning 1st place at the Plano West Sr. High School Invitational on October 24-25! Rohit was awarded top speaker of the tournament!
- ◆ Congratulations to HP Debate for their great performance at the Southlake Carroll Invitational Tournament on October 10-11. In the novice division, the team of Heath Pyle (10) and Enyat Kapadia (8) captured 1st place overall! Enyat was recognized as the top speaker in novice. In the varsity division, the team of juniors Matthew Emerson and Helen Zhang placed 2nd overall, with Matthew securing the 2nd speaker award in varsity. Congrats!
- ◆ Upcoming debate tournaments: Hockaday on Nov. 14-15; Creekview HS in Carrollton on Dec. 6; and Berkner HS on Dec. 12-13.

DRAMA, HPHS

- ◆ HPHS Classic Series presents the Greek tragedy *Trojan Women*, adapted by and under the direction of Christopher Eastland, on Thursday, November 6 and Saturday, November 8 at 7:00 pm and Sunday, November 9 at 2:00 pm, all in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 general admission, on sale 30 minutes before each performance at the HPHS Titus Box Office. A special presentation only for the senior AP English classes is Friday, November 7 during third period in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium.
- ◆ Mrs. Raya's Theatre Arts III class gave a special presentation through words, song and dance in honor of Red Ribbon Week, visiting each HPI SD elementary during the week of October 20. They will soon travel to various area pre-schools in early December to present short original holiday plays.
- ◆ Best of luck to senior theatre students Clare Donaldson, Yanela Hage, Margaret Hall, Chase Jaminet, Elizabeth Sockwell, Peter Sommers, Bailey Turfitt, Paige Weiss. They are attending the North Texas Drama Auditions at Collin College in Plano on November 20.



DRAMA, HPHS, continued

- ◆ Theatre Arts II class is hosting **Breakfast with Santa** on Saturday, December 6 in the HPHS Cafeteria at 10 am. Area elementary school children are invited to eat, see Santa, participate in fun holiday arts & crafts activities, and be entertained with a delightful children's play, all for only \$5 per person. *Please see the last page of this Newsletter for registration information.*

ELEMENTARY MUSIC

- ◆ **Armstrong** – The 3rd grade musical ***How Does Your Garden Grow?*** is in the Armstrong Auditorium on November 7 at 8:30 am. 1st grade performs ***Thanksgiving at Plymouth*** on November 21 at 8:30 am in the Armstrong Auditorium.
- ◆ **Bradfield** – Students perform for Great Friends Day on November 25 in the Bradfield Gym. 4th Grade presents a Winter Concert on December 16 at 7:00 pm in the Bradfield Auditorium.
- ◆ **Hyer** – 2nd Grade PTA Pilgrim Performance is November 25 at 9:00 am in the Hyer Auditorium. 3rd Grade music gives a holiday performance in the Hyer Auditorium on December 4 at 6:00 pm and 6:30 pm.
- ◆ **University Park** – 4th Grade Choir performs a Veterans Day Celebration on November 11 at 8:30 am and 9:30 am in the UP Music Room. The 3rd Grade musical ***How Does Your Garden Grow?*** is November 18 and November 20, both at 6:00 pm in the UP Music Room, to celebrate the new UP learning garden.



ORCHESTRA

HPHS:

- ◆ The TMEA All-Region Orchestra auditions were held for strings at South Grand Prairie HS on October 11. 7 students advanced to Area, taping for All-State Orchestra auditions on October 25! Congratulations to: **Violin** – Alyssa Chen (12), Xiaohan Gao (11), Jiamin Zhou (12); **Cello** – Ashley Batjer (11), William Cerny (9), Jessie Wang (11); **Piano** – Aileen Wang (12). 25 students were selected to one of the two Region Orchestras!

Honors All-Region Orchestra: **Violin I** – Claire Crofford, Xiaohan Gao, Robert Luo, David Wiegner, Jiamin Zhou; **Violin II** – Alyssa Chen-2nd chair, Adelle Crofford, Darong Qi, Allison Schultz, Julianna Szuwalski, Margaret Peterman-1st alternate; **Viola** – Hunter Batjer, George Du; **Cello** – Ashley Batjer, Will Cerny, Ben Gruber, Jessie Wang; **Bass** – Jarrett Murray; **Piano** – Aileen Wang.

Symphonic All-Region Orchestra: **Violin I** – Michael Tran; **Violin II** – Nathan Smith; **Viola** – Matteo Cordray; **Cello** – Caroline Hill-1st alternate; **Bass** – Michael Walsh, Issac Heatley-1st alternate.

These students perform at the TMEA Region 20 Orchestra concert on November 22 at Molina HS in Dallas, which is free and open to the public.

- ◆ A string quartet consisting of Ashley Batjer, Hunter Batjer, Mary Houle, and Allison Schultz performed for the National Merit Commendees/National Hispanic Scholars Breakfast on October 23 and for the National Merit Scholar Finalists Lunch on October 29.
- ◆ Highlander Strings holiday concert is Monday, December 8 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium.

HPMS/MIS:

- ◆ HPMS Orchestra students also attended the TMEA All-Region Orchestra auditions at South Grand Prairie HS on October 11. Congratulations to 17 students for making Middle School Region! They are Ella Carroll, Jeffrey Copeland, Joseph Copeland, Chloe Files, Benjamin Genender, Parker Lake, Matthew Lee, Justin Liang, Richard Luo, Ava Miranda, Shane Murray, Mariyam Siddiqui, Grace Teffaha, Henry Wang, Stacy Wang, Michele Yang, and Michael Zhan. These students perform at the TMEA Region 20 Orchestra Concert on November 22 at Molina HS in Dallas.

Newsletter by Susan Cruz

A QUICK GLANCE AT UPCOMING FINE ARTS EVENTS

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

Concerts/Performances

November 6, 8, 9

HPHS Classic Series *Trojan Women* – HPHS Palmer Aud. (6th & 8th – 7 pm; 9th – 2 pm) Tickets-\$5.

November 7

Armstrong 3rd Grade musical *How Does Your Garden Grow?* – Armstrong Auditorium, 8:30 am

November 11

UP 4th Grade Choir presents Veterans Day performance – UP Music Room, 8:30 am and 9:30 am

HPMS Band Veterans Day concert – MIS/HPMS Auditorium, 7:00 pm

November 15

High School TMEA Region 20 Choir concert – Cedar Hill HS

November 18

UP 3rd Grade musical *How Does Your Garden Grow?* – UP Music Room, 6:00 pm

November 20

UP 3rd Grade musical *How Does Your Garden Grow?* – UP Music Room, 6:00 pm

HPHS Jazz Band concert – HPHS Cafeteria, 7:00 pm

November 21

Armstrong 1st Grade *Thanksgiving at Plymouth* Program – Armstrong Auditorium, 8:30 am

November 22

High School/Middle School TMEA Region 20 Orchestra concert – Molina HS, Dallas

November 23

HPHS L&L Tree Lighting – Snider Plaza, time to be announced.

November 25

Hyer 2nd Grade PTA Pilgrim performance – Hyer Auditorium, 9:00 am

Bradfield Great Friends Day – Bradfield Gym

December 2

HPMS Pop Choir performs for UP Tree Lighting – Elena's Children's Park, 6:30 pm

MIS 6th Grade Band winter concert – MIS/HPMS Auditorium, 7:00 pm

December 4

Hyer 3rd Grade Holiday performance – Hyer Auditorium, 6:00 pm and 6:30 pm

HPMS Bands winter concert – MIS/HPMS Auditorium, 7:00 pm

HPHS L&L Tree Lighting - Armstrong Tree, time to be announced.

December 5

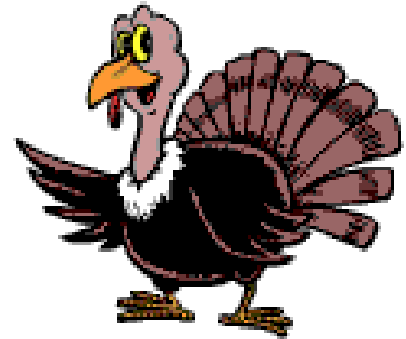
HPHS Park Version performs at NorthPark – 6:00 pm at NorthCourt; 6:30 pm at Dillard's

December 6

HPHS Theatre hosts **Breakfast with Santa** – HPHS Cafeteria, 10:00 am

High School TMEA Region 20 Jazz concert – Waxahachie HS Auditorium

Middle School TMEA Region 20 Band concert – Duncanville HS



Concerts/Performances, continued

December 8

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

December 9

HPHS Band winter concert – HPHS Palmer Auditorium, 7:00 pm

December 11

HPHS Choirs holiday concert – HPHS Palmer Auditorium, 7:00 pm

December 12

MIS/HPMS Choir concert – NorthPark Center in front of Dillard's, 11:45 am

December 16

Bradfield 4th Grade Winter Concert – Bradfield Auditorium, 7:00 pm

Competitions/Other Events

November 7

HPHS Choir Pre-Game Fiesta Dinner – HPHS Cafeteria, 5-7 pm; drive-thru service 4:30-5:30 pm

November 8

Middle School TMEA Region 20 Choir Solo/Ensemble - Garcia MS

HPHS Drum Line – Lone Star Drum Line contest at Marcus HS in Flower Mound

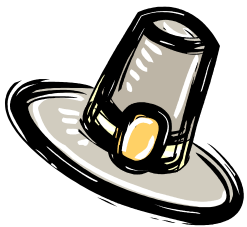
November 13

High School TMEA Region 20 Orchestra Winds/Percussion auditions – Duncanville HS

November 14-15

Middle School Region 20 Band Auditions - Kennemer MS, Duncanville

HPHS Debate – Hockaday tournament



November 18

High School TMEA Choir Pre-Area Auditions – HPHS

November 20

North Texas Drama auditions – Collin College

December 6

HPHS Debate – Creekview HS, Carrollton tournament

December 12-13

High School TMEA Region 20 Band auditions – Duncanville HS

HPHS Debate – Berkner HS, Richardson tournament

December 15

High School TMEA Pre-Area Band auditions – Duncanville HS



BREAKFAST with SANTA

All boys and girls are invited to see a delightful children's play
and to have breakfast with Santa Claus
along with holiday arts & crafts activities
at the **Highland Park HS Cafeteria**

on

Saturday, December 6
at 10:00 am

Bring your camera for quick photos with Santa!

Reservations only – no tickets distributed.

****Reservations will be valid only upon
receipt of payment.****

DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT IS DECEMBER 3RD



The cost for the play and breakfast is

five dollars per person.

Please make your check out to **HPHS Theater** and deliver it with the info below
by December 3 to G108 in HPHS (or leave with HPHS Receptionist),
or mail it to:



Highland Park High School
c/o Linda Raya
4220 Emerson
Dallas, Texas 75205

For further information, call Susan Cruz or Linda Raya at 214-780-3881

Please return portion below with CASH or CHECK by December 3rd to HPHS or send by mail

Name of Supervising Adult (this will be the name reservation is under):

_____ Your email address: _____

Number of students & adults attending _____ x \$5.00 = _____
(Total amount owed)

We look forward to seeing you December 6th. Thanks for your support!