



# HIGHLAND PARK FINE ARTS

January 25, 2017

## *Achievements/Activities...*

### **BAND** **HPHS**

- Area band auditions were held on January 7 at Duncanville HS. Congratulations to the 7 HP band members who made the **TMEA All-State Band**: Peter Davies (10)-oboe, Grace Zhao (10)-oboe, Madison Triplett (10)-bassoon, Abby Justine (12)-clarinet, Aaron Pathak (11)-bass clarinet, Jackson Smith (11)-trumpet, and Charlie Conner (10)-euphonium! This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year for Peter to make All-State! All seven will participate in the All-State rehearsals at the Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA) convention in the San Antonio Convention Center on February 8-11, performing on Saturday, February 11 in the Lila Cockrell Theater.
- TMEA High School All-Region Band auditions were held on December 9-10 at Duncanville HS. Congratulations to the following 59 members for achieving one of the three region bands, and 18 of these advanced to Area.  
**Making Area and Region Band:** Flutes- Sophia Brinkman, Sarah Hong; Oboes- Peter Davies, Grace Zhao; Clarinets- Jonathan Davies, Abby Justine, Maisey Martinez; Bass clarinet- Yash Pathak; Bassoon- Madison Triplett; Sax- Jinghan Yuan; Trumpets- Jackson Smith, Allison Walters; French Horn- Gillian Owsley; Trombone- Benjamin Olness; Euphonium- Charlie Conner; Tuba- Sydney McDuffie; Percussion- Michael Cochran, Cameron Coffey.  
**Making Region Band:** Flute- Abigail DeWeese, Sophie Jejurikar, Caroline Kibby, Abigail Lindwall, Kaitlyn Rowland, Katie Reenan-piccolo; Ava Sims, Kayleen Thomas, Elena Wang; Clarinets- Noah Busbee, Nathan Denman, Cameron Miller, Khori Moreland, Krishan Patel, Yash Pathak, Megan Rodgers, Randy Scarborough, Dylan Wolford; Bass clarinets- Emma Brunk, Victor Francisco; Bassoon- Madison Applewhite; Saxes- Adam Davidson, PJ Egenes, Julie Herrick, Robby Triplett; Trumpets- Cassidy Camp, Bobby Lyle, Matthew Mathison, Cameron Poe, Conner Swift; French Horn- Abby Law, Derek Leonard, Max Pietruszewski; Trombones- William Cerny, Andrew Lupton; Tuba- Ryan Gordon; Percussion- Lauren GhiGhi, Mason Greer, Michael Schmitz, Zach Shawver, Reed Smoot. The Region Band concert was January 20 in Duncanville.
- Highlander Band's HS Band 101 is Feb. 1 with the HPMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade band members in the HPHS Band Hall and Cafeteria.

### **HPMS/MIS:**

- MIS 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band 101 was January 24 in the MIS/HPMS Auditorium and Gym.
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade band members attend High School Band 101 on February 1 in the HPHS Band Hall and HPHS Cafeteria.
- HPMS holds a Solo/Ensemble Festival for its 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band students at HPMS on February 4.

### **CHOIR** **HPHS:**

- Area choir auditions were held on January 7 at Midway HS in Waco. Congratulations to the 4 HP Choir members who made the **TMEA All-State Choir**: Cailin Jordan (11)-Soprano 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> chair; Gracie Nunneley (11)-Soprano 2, 2<sup>nd</sup> chair; Avery Davis (12)-Alto 2, 2<sup>nd</sup> chair; and Sarah Grace Zandstra (12)-Alto 2, 3<sup>rd</sup> chair! This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year for Cailin to make All-State! These four will participate in the All-State rehearsals at the Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA) convention on February 8-11, performing in the All-State Mixed Choir concert at noon on Saturday, February 11 in the San Antonio Convention Center Stars at Night Ballroom. Congratulations also to Lily Wu (11) for receiving the Soprano I alternate position.



Left to right: Jackson Smith, Peter Davies, Abby Justine, Madison Triplett; Back row: Reagan Brumley - HPHS Band Director, Aaron Pathak, Grace Zhao, and Charlie Conner



Left to right: Gracie Nunneley, Avery Davis, Natalie Walker - HPHS Choral Director, Sarah Grace Zandstra, and Cailin Jordan

## CHOIR

### HPHS, continued:

- Lads and Lassies and Women's Select choir members traveled to Chicago on January 13-16, participating in a Pre-UIL workshop with Dr. Robert Sinclair at Vandercook College of Music. They also toured Millennium Park, the Art Institute, the Museum of Science and Industry, the Shedd Aquarium, and attended a Blue Man Group performance.
- UIL High School Choir Solo/Ensemble is February 4 at Townview HS. Good luck!

### HPMS/MIS:

- Congratulations to the following eight students for achieving the TMEA Region 20 Middle School Choir! Students auditioned on January 13-14 at YWLA Arnold MS. 8<sup>th</sup> grade – Catherine Collins, Leila Gottlieb, Lilyann Hames, Elie Harmon, Dharma Kikkeri; 7<sup>th</sup> grade – Callie Seabolt; 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Lillian Glassmoyer, Abby O'Rourke. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade students had to prepare two songs and the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade prepared four complete songs. All of these students perform at the TMEA Middle School All-Region Choir concert on January 28 at Nimitz High School at 5:00 pm.

## HPHS DANCE

- After a rigorous tryout process led by third-party independent judges, 28 new team members were added to the 2017-18 Highland Belles drill team on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Their first team performance will be featured in late spring. Congratulations to:

**Front row:** Olivia Jolas, Olivia Pettijohn, Sophie Folts, Rebecca Greaves, Kaki Kennedy, Lily Meneghetti, Campbell Willis, Libby Kugler, Olivia McFall. **Middle row:** Elisabeth Wiebe, Riley Cheek, Caroline Conway, Addy Short, Sophia Lindley, Carmen Sarfatis, Mary Kate Addison, Margaret Groves, Ellie McFarland, Arden Rasmussen. **Back row:** Mary Francis McElroy, Malena Maese, Brinkley Brown, Margaret Kemp, Natalie Ward, Kristen Wander, Sabrina Zevallos, Charlotte Glieber, Jamie Wander.



- Congratulations to the 2017-2018 Highland Belles Lieutenants! They are (left to right) Jillian Ellis, Catherine Magee, Grace Dodd, Talle Olsen and Claire Lake. They will take the field in their white fringe for the first time in August at a Scots football game.
- You're invited to the Highland Belles Competition Showcase on February 8 at 6:00 pm in the HPHS Main Gym. Performances include team routines, small ensembles, solo dances, and Belle "New Girl" tryout routines.

## HPHS DEBATE

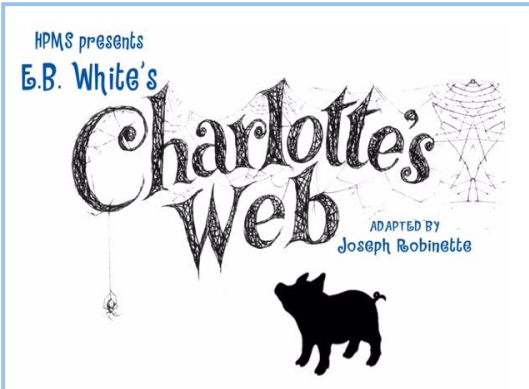
- Congratulations to the HPHS Debate Team for sweeping 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> at the UIL District 15-5A CX Debate competition on January 18 at Lovejoy HS: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Enayat Kapadia (10) and Mark Lam (9); 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Alexis Mungiolli (11) and Jenny Feng (10); 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Deven Parmar (10) and Kenan Gursel (10)! Deven Parmar was awarded top speaker of the meet. The first and second place teams now advance to the UIL State 5A CX Debate meet on March 17-18 – best of luck!
- Upcoming possible debate tournaments: Flower Mound HS – January 27-28; Colleyville-Heritage HS – February 3-4; Jesuit College Prep – February 10-11.

## HPHS ORCHESTRA

- The Highlander Strings present an informal Chamber Music "Coffee House" concert on January 31 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Cafeteria with refreshments served. Students perform in preparation for UIL Orchestra Solo/Ensemble contest on February 4 at Conrad HS – best of luck!

**THEATRE**  
**HPHS**

- HPHS Senior Play is ***The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood***, a comedy by Mary Lynn Dobson, on February 2-4 at 7:00 pm and February 5 at 2:00 pm in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 general admission, on sale in the HPHS Titus Box Office 30 minutes before each performance.
- Congratulations to senior Sarah Grace Zandstra, who will represent HPHS at the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Dallas Branch of the English-Speaking Union's Shakespeare Competition on February 25 in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium contest.



**HPMS**

- HPMS presents ***Charlotte's Web*** on February 9 & 11 at 7:00 pm, February 10 at 4:00 pm, and February 12 at 2:00 pm, all in the HPMS Auditorium. The cast and crew consists of forty-seven 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade students under the direction of theatre teacher Allie McKenna. Charlotte the spider is played by Katrina Csaky (8) and Wilbur the pig is performed by Anabelle Sartain (7). Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased one hour before each performance or daily during the week of the production in the HPMS school cafeteria.



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***A QUICK GLANCE AT UPCOMING FINE ARTS EVENTS***

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

***Concerts/Performances***

**January 28**

TMEA Middle School Region Choir concert – Nimitz HS, 5:00 pm

**January 31**

HPHS Highlander Strings Chamber Music "Coffee House" concert – HPHS Cafeteria, 7:00 pm

**February 2-5**

HPHS Senior Play ***The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood*** – HPHS Palmer Auditorium.  
Feb. 2-4 @ 7:00 pm. Feb. 5 @ 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$5 general admission.

**February 8**

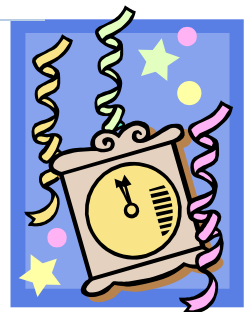
HPHS Highland Belles Competition Showcase – HPHS Main Gym, 6:00 pm

**February 9-12**

HPMS presents ***Charlotte's Web*** – HPMS Auditorium. Feb. 9 & 11 @ 7:00 pm; Feb. 10 @ 4:00 pm; and Feb. 12 @ 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$5.

**February 11**

TMEA High School All-State concerts – San Antonio Convention Center.  
5A Symphonic Band - 12:30 pm in Lila Cockrell Theatre; Mixed Choir - Noon in the Stars at Night Ballroom.



## *Competitions/Other Events*

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### January 27-28

HPHS Debate – Flower Mound HS tournament

### February 3-4

HPHS Debate – Colleyville Heritage HS tournament

### February 4

UIL HS Choir Solo/Ensemble contest – Townview HS

UIL HS Orchestra Solo/Ensemble contest – Conrad HS

HPMS/MIS Band Solo/Ensemble Festival – HPMS

### February 10-11

HPHS Debate – Jesuit College Prep tournament

