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From the Counselor's Desk

Financial Aid seminar set for February

By HAVEN ISCLAW

AHS Counselor

Rachel Anderson, a financial aid advisor from Texas A&M University, will be at Alvarado High School at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9.

She will be helping senior students and their parents complete their FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) for financial aid for the 2009-2010 college school year.

Parents and students can visit www.fafsa.ed.gov to apply for a PIN number now (this lets students and parents sign the FAFSA electronically and quickly speeds up the process).

They will also be able to get a list of items that they need to bring with them for this workshop.

One of the most crucial items is for parents and students to bring their completed 2008 tax returns (they do not need to actually be filed with the IRS yet).

The FAFSA is only available online now; paper applications have been discontinued.

However, a worksheet with be provided that night for parents to fill out and use to go online at a later time to actually complete the application.

Letters will go home in January to parents as a reminder.



Inclement decisions not taken lightly

By DR. CHESTER JUROSKA AISD Superintendent

hen the first few snowflakes begin to fall, many people hit the panic button and demand that school be cancelled.

Although having students in class is very important, their safety is our first priority. However, there are many things to consider before the plug is pulled.

One important concern is that when we transport children home early, many of them, quite young, will be there unattended while their parents are at work. School is important and if they can be in attendance safely, then they should be.

Parents need not fear that we will hold students in class in spite of severe weather, but at the same time any decision made to cancel classes early or close school altogether must be made using facts and logic rather than emotion.

The following is some of what we do to gather accurate information when inclement weather threatens, rather than relying on a distraught parent demanding that school be cancelled: constantly monitor all television stations; remain in constant contact with local



Photo by Tommy Brown/ Indian Insider

Alvarado ISD
Superintendent,
Dr. Chester Juroska
consults with
several district and
county officials
before making
decisions about
inclement weather.

police, Johnson County Sheriff's Department, County Precinct Commissioners, DPS, Texas Department of Transportation, and city officials; Alvarado ISD personnel drive around all parts of the district; and stay in contact with area school district officials.

So, when someone calls and tells us they are already snowed or iced in, or that a neighboring school district is already closing, we pretty much know if that statement is accurate or not.

Personnel are constantly driving roads and crossing bridges throughout the entire district, reporting their findings.

If we believe students can be transported safely to school, classes will be held. If there is reasonable doubt, we won't. And still, a parent has every right to make his/her own determination and that decision will be respected. I will always err on the side or caution because no matter what the decision is — open or closed — criticism falls

My choice is to be criticized if the sun comes up rather than if someone is injured. I do not take the decision lightly.

Two arrests made in technology theft

By TOMMY BROWN

AISD Public Information Officer

Nathaniel Troy Lewis and Michael Shane Burrows, have been arrested and face charges relating to recent burglaries of the Alvarado Independent School District's technology department.

Alvarado ISD Superintendent Chester Juroska was glad to hear of the arrests and hopes most of the items can be recovered.



Alvarado Police Department Captain, Josh Vincent, said the two men have been arrested as a result of the ongoing investigation conducted by detectives from the Alvarado Police Department and the Johnson County Sheriff's Department and that additional arrests are expected.

Lewis, 19, was arrested on

Dec. 4 and booked into the Johnson Country jail for burglary. Another suspect, Burrows, 18, was arrested on Dec. 10 and charged with burglary.

"Several items taken during the burglary have been recovered as a result of a search warrant and the investigative efforts of the two combined agencies," Vincent said. Juroska had high praise for the police and sheriff's departments and is grateful to see the arrests happen so quickly.

If anyone has any information about the burglaries they are encouraged to contact Detective Brad Anderson or Captain Josh Vincent of the Alvarado Police Department at (817) 783-3344. They can also contact Detective Dusty Ford or Detective Marshall Whitlock at the Johnson County Sheriff's Department at (817) 556-6035.

District receives Gold Star Ratings from TEA

By TOMMY BROWN

AISD Public Information Officer

lvarado ISD principals informed the district's Board of Trustees of their schools' Gold Star Ratings at the November Board meeting. Five of the six campuses received at least one Gold Star Rating while one received three.

"This is a way of acknowledg-

ing those schools that performed at a commended level in a particular area," Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, Ellen Cooper, said. "At least 25 percent of

the students



Cooper

have to pass at the commended rate to receive a Gold Star."

Alvarado Elementary South received three honors — one for being commended in writing, and one each for comparable improvement in reading and comparable improvement in math.

Alvarado Elementary North received a Gold Star for being com-

Photo by Tommy Brown/ Indian Insider

At its November meeting, the Alvarado ISD Board of Trustees also heard about possible investment opportunities from representatives from First Financial Bank

mended in writing, Lillian Elementary was commended in math, Alvarado Intermediate was commended in reading and Alvarado Junior High was commended in social studies.

"The thing I'm really excited about is that we don't usually do well in comparable improvement, but we were strong in that area this time," Cooper said. "Across the board, we were commended in everything except science.

"It shows that there is quality

instruction going on in our classrooms; now we just need to start having our campuses share their information with each other."

Texas Education Agency has been keeping track of Gold Star Ratings since 2000 and the school district has had at least one campus earn a Gold Star Rating each year.

The Board also approved the 2007-2008 financial audit that was conducted by Randy Howard of Pingleton, Howard & Company.

The audit examined all evidence supporting the accounts, assenting the accounting principals, and evaluation of the overall financial activities.

"I am very pleased with the exemplary job that Larry McGough and his staff does in handling the district's finances," Superintendent Chester Juroska said. "We are very blessed to have them working for the students of AISD as they also look out for the taxpayers."

High School FFA students visit South, North

By TOMMY BROWN

AISD Public Information Officer

A lvarado High School FFA students used the final day before their Thanksgiving break as a day for teaching elementary students about the importance of agriculture.

The Alvarado FFA officer team and several members of the chapter traveled to Alvarado Elementary North and Alvarado Elementary South to show students the different aspects of agriculture.

From farming to wildlife and pet care, elementary students were able to see everything from live animals to John Deere tractors. The Alvarado FFA Chapter will continue to have its annual FFA Day once a year to help students understand and get to see the importance of agriculture. During the spring semester, the chapter will have their FFA Day at the Intermediate and Junior High Schools.



Photo by Tommy Brown/Indian Insider

Alvarado Elementary North students enjoyed petting animals such as sheep, pigs and cows at the district's first FFA Day.

Lady Indians grab six all-district honors

By TOMMY BROWN

AISD Public Information Officer

fter going winless in district last year, Alvarado's volleyball team made great strides this season as the Lady Indians finished with a 4-6 record in 12-3A play and fell just short of a playoff berth.

District 12-3A's coaches took notice and selected six Lady Indians to the All-District team.

"I am so proud of all the accomplishments my girls had this year," first-year head coach Jill Barkey said. "They worked hard and did everything I asked of them. It was so rewarding to watch them succeed."

Senior Abby Hardee earned the team's only superlative award as she was named the district's Server of the Year. Hardee led the team with 30 aces and 151 assists,



Photo by Tommy Brown/Indian Insider
Brittnee Toomer (left) and Kayla
Berry were named Academic
All-State.

and also accumulated 21 digs and three blocks.

Another senior, Brittnee Toomer, received first team recognition with a team-high 61 kills and 10 blocks. She also tallied 41 digs and nine aces.

Mackensie Pyle , the Lady Indians' defensive specialist, re-



Photo by Tommy Brown/Indian Insider

From left to right: Mackensie Pyle, Brenna Hale, Abby Hardee, Brittnee Toomer, Bailee Briggs and Kayla Berry.

ceived second-team honors for her 37 digs.

Also garnering recognition were Kayla Berry (23 digs), Bailee Briggs (29 digs) and Brenna Hale (41 kills, three blocks) as they were honorable mention selections.

Berry and Toomer were also named Academic All-State for carrying at least a 95 average through high school.

Indians tally 20 all-district selections

By TOMMY BROWN

AISD Public Information Officer

Por the first time in three years, the Alvarado Indians reached the state football playoffs and the success also helped the Indians land several players on the all-district team.

First team selections were defensive tackle Brett Bridgewater, defensive end Daniel Johnston, inside linebacker Nathan Stauffer, outside linebacker Justin Bonham, quarterback Thomas Head, running back Broam Hart, receiver Jerome Brown and receiver Trent Ingram.

Making the second team were defensive back Eric Peteet, offensive tackle Brett Bridgewater and offensive guard Nathan Donovan.

Honorable Mention selections were defensive back and receiver Tristian Fuentes, outside linebacker Kevin Handy, place kicker Rydge West, tight end Travis Pruitt, defensive back Ernesto Alcala, linebacker Ethan Abney, offensive lineman Lucas Hampton, offensive lineman Dustin Johnson, and punter Adam Coffey.

FIRST TEAM

Brett Bridgewater – Defensive Tackle Daniel Johnston – Defensive End Nathan Stauffer – Inside Linebacker Justin Bonham – Outside Linebacker Thomas Head – Quarterback Broam Hart – Running Back Jerome Brown – Receiver Trent Ingram - Receiver

SECOND TEAM

Eric Peteet – Defensive Back Brett Bridgewater – Offensive Tackle Nathan Donovan – Offensive Guard

HONORABLE MENTION

Tristian Fuentes – Def. Back and Receiver Kevin Handy – Outside Linebacker Rydge West – Place Kicker Travis Pruitt – Tight End Ernesto Alcala – Defensive Back Ethan Abney – Linebacker Lucas Hampton – Offensive Line Dustin Johnson – Offensive Line Adam Coffey - Punter



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Board approves purchase of Library books

By TOMMY BROWN

AISD Public Information Officer

n the same night the Board of Trustees took a guided tour of the new intermediate campus, the Board approved one of the final pieces of the construction process ... the library's book collection.

After hearing from Alvarado ISD head librarian, Susan Mauldin, and Alvarado Intermediate School assistant principal LouAnne Stevens, the Board approved the purchase of an Opening Day Collection of 10,000 titles from Baker & Taylor Publishing Company for up to \$150,000.

"The library is the heart of a campus," Superintendent Chester Juroska said. "Schools, including universities, are judged by the quality and quantity of their library. It is important that since we have built a state of the art facility, we provide the library with a first rate collection."

By going with Baker & Taylor, Mauldin said the school will receive between 7,000-8,000 books between Jan. 5-9 – the first week the school is open. The remaining books will arrive within 60 days of the first shipment.

Baker & Taylor was also the lowest bid, allowing the school to acquire 300 more books than it would have with the next best bid. One other selling point for Baker & Taylor was the binding guarantee.



Photo by Tommy Brown/ Indian Insider

Alvarado ISD head librarian, Susan Mauldin, presents her proposal for Alvarado Intermediate School's library at Monday's meeting.

"It's going to take a while to fill all the shelves, but this is going to be a great start," Mauldin said. "Binding is very important because that determines how long your book will last. We have a guarantee from Baker & Taylor that the books we receive will have the best available binding."

Mauldin and Stevens also discussed eBooks for classroom use with the Board. Although the district currently does not have any eBooks, Mauldin and Stevens would like to see five percent of the new campus' collection comprised of eBooks.

The Board requested to hear more about the purchase of eBooks at the January meeting.

In other business the Board:

*Heard a presentation about tourism from Alvarado Mayor Tom Durrington

*Heard an update on the State Board of Education from Vicki McCoy

*Approved a budget change for the Daycare after its \$3,000 fundraiser

*Approved several gifts and donations

*Approved playground equipment for Alvarado Elementary North

*Approved the search for vendors for Food Service Management bid

*Adopted the plan for the 403(b) program



Photo by Tommy Brown/Indian Insider Mayor Tom Durrington talked to the Board about a recent tourism expert that visited the city.

*Approved changes recommended by TASB to the Localized Policy Manual – Update 84



Photo by Tommy Brown/ Indian Insider

The Board, along with other district officials, toured the new intermediate campus before the December meeting.

No Child Left Bored

Alvarado teachers using unconventional techniques

By TOMMY BROWN

AISD Public Information Officer

magine a classroom where students can get on the internet to do research, read a book on a computer or add graphics to something they wrote.

Now imagine the students being able to do all of this from their own desk - not a student computer tucked way in the corner of the classroom.

Finally, imagine the student sitting if front of the computer is only eight year's old.

In 2007, each of Alvarado ISD's three elementary schools received four laptops for every fourth

grade

classroom. This year, the district's The laptops are HP 2133 models with a nine-inch LCD screen, technology movement made its 120-gig hard drives, 1-gig ram, inway to lower grades as two laptops are now in every second and tegrated wireless capability, intethird grade classroom. grated camera and a six cell batter "Technology in the hands of for extended life.

our students is a top priority for

AISD technology," Executive Di-

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rector of Technology, Kyle

Berger, said. "With our new

intermediate school being

completely one-to-one,

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The computers are loaded with several educational software applications as

well as having the ability to get online, watch streaming video and much more.

"Many teachers have been surprised about how quickly the students pick up these devices in the classroom."

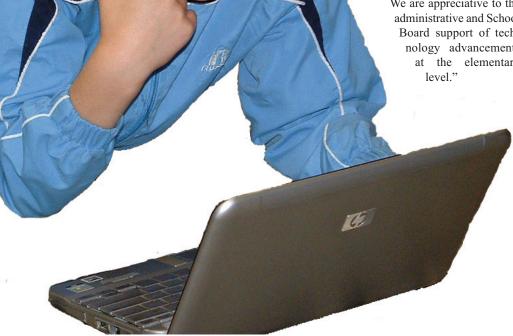
Teachers have taken advantage of the laptops as students have done everything from read books to use educational software and write poems and stories on the computers.

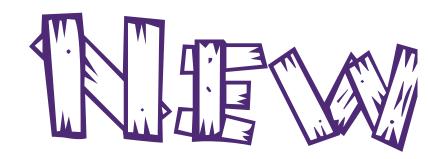
At Alvarado Elementary South, students have added "creative flair" to their writing.

"The students at AES are very excited about the new laptops in the classrooms," principal Dandy Earley said. "One example is students are using technology to publish their writing.

> "Using the laptop for publishing allows students to add creative flair to their final drafts. They are able to add clip art or use various fonts on their work pieces. We are appreciative to the administrative and School

Board support of technology advancements at the elementary





New school calls for changes

By TOMMY BROWN

AISD Public Information Officer

fter nearly two years of preparation, the doors to Alvarado ISD's newest campus are set to open for school use on Jan. 5, 2009.

When intermediate students return to school after the Holiday break, they will report to the new, 119,188-square foot building that will house fifth and sixth graders in the spring and incorporate fourth graders beginning next fall.

With the doors opening for class on Jan. 5, school district officials wanted to give students, parents and community members an opportunity to become acquainted with the new campus before school begins.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place at 2 p.m. on Jan. 4 and for the next two hours the public will have a chance to walk through the campus in an 'open house' atmosphere.

Students have been helping the teachers move, but principal Chris Everett thought it was important for parents to have an opportunity to view the campus before the school opens as well.

"I want to continue to reinforce that we desperately want our parents to be involved in the education of their children," Everett said. "We planned this grand opening, not only to allow our students another opportunity to tour the building, but also to allow any and all parents and guardians to come and see what a magnificent place their student will enter every morning.

"We also want to invite any third and fourth grade student with their parents to the event. It won't be long until we are all there together."

One-to-One

The scenery is not the only change to take place at the new intermediate school.

Of the many changes, the biggest is the fact that each student will have their own laptop computer.

"This is an amazing moment for AISD as a whole," Berger said. "Through the support of the community and our board we are able to take this step towards one-toone when our new facility opens in January."

District officials put aside \$1.5 million for technology in the new intermediate campus.

The initial plan was to put 10 laptop computers for student use in each classroom, but when bids came in significantly under budget, Berger moved ahead with his plan for one-to-one computing.

With the computers, phones, networking and all other technology that was approved at Monday's meeting, Berger was still over \$300,000 under budget in integrating the new school.

"Few schools have a one-toone ratio, so we are very proud of this accomplishment," Alvarado ISD Superintendent Chester Juroska said. "Our thanks goes to Kyle who is tenacious watchdog, constantly monitoring this vital area of education."

In its simplest form, one-to-one computing means putting a computer – be it a PC, laptop, handheld or tablet PC – into the hands of every student.

Berger's vision for the district

started with five thoughts in mind. One-to-One computing increases student engagement, complements project-based learning classrooms, broadens learning beyond the classroom, takes advantage of the teachable moment and prepares for tomorrow's workplace.

"Preparing our students for the world of tomorrow is a great challenge in education," Berger said. "Our hopes with the one-to-one initiative are that we can help bridge the gap between the way our students live and the way they learn thus preparing them for the future."

No Gum

The change that may disappoint students the most is that gum will not be allowed. Everett, who is in his first year as principal at AIS, said the new building will be treated like a new building and that gum has the potential to cause problems.

"The building we are entering is absolutely spectacular and everything in it is brand new, so I believe not having gum in the building is a small sacrifice to make in order to ensure that the building remains spectacular," he said. "There may be an adjustment period, but we know that our students will make that transition."

Traffic Flow

While the picking up and dropping off of students at the new school will take time to develop, Everett has announced that changes will be made to how students are picked up in the afternoon.

One of the biggest challenges Everett and his staff face is traffic flow in the mornings and afternoons.

Car riders will need to enter the car rider loop from County Road 109.

There is not entry for cars off of FM 1807 – only buses may enter from that side of the school. Also, because CR 109 is one lane in each direction, no one will be allowed to park on the road.

Cars will line up in the car rider loop and students will be released as their ride arrives in the loop and not before.

There is only room for 35 cars in the loop so it will take time for all students to be picked up safely.

Parents must stay in the loop as students will not be released to cars waiting in the visitor parking lot unless the parent parks and comes into the school.

Each car will have a card with their child's name in the window as to alert the staff of which students need to be ready to go.

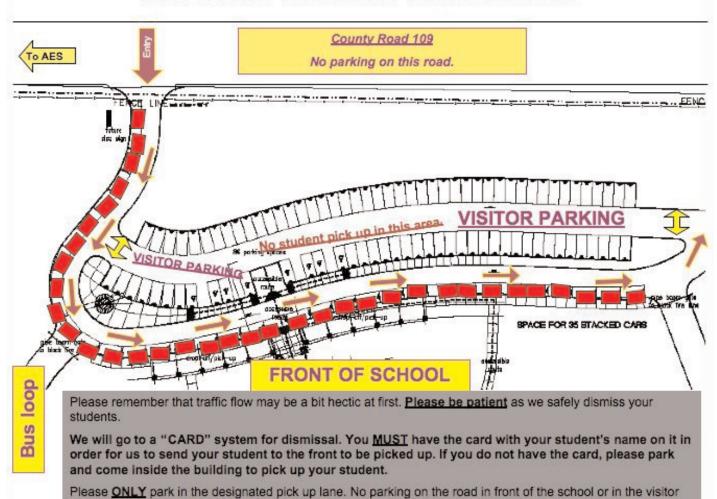
If there is no name, the parent must park in the visitor parking lot and come into the school, with their driver's license, to pick up their student.

Student name cards for the car window will be issued before the end of the current semester.

"We are really asking all of our parents to be patient as we all adjust to the new traffic control issues," Everett said. "I want to encourage everyone to read the material being sent out detailing the new car rider protocols.

"I know it sounds like a lot of changes, but they are all necessary for the safe release of each of our students. We appreciate so much everyone's willingness to follow the new procedures."

TRAFFIC FLOW PROTOCOL FOR NEW BUILDING



New Intermediate School Facts

parking area. Students will only be released to cars in the car pick up lane.

Total square footage – 119,118

Yards of concrete used – approx. 6144

Number of bricks – 307,546

Number of blocks – 26,031

Number of windows – 170

Number of classrooms – 36 Number of computer labs – 4 Number of science rooms – 9 Number of Choir/Music rooms – 8

Students compete in academic UIL

By TOMMY BROWN

AISD Public Information Officer

lvarado ISD was represented by 117 students and 21 coaches at this year's UIL Elementary Meet in Crandall.

Alvarado's students took second, third or fourth in all five grade levels with second and sixth graders receiving the highest marks as they finished second.

Other schools that participated were Crandall, Mabank and Venus.

From Alvarado Elementary North, Stephen Chang placed first in Music Memory, Noah Daniels placed second in Creative Writing, Preston Luigs finished fourth in Oral Reading and Halie Rodgers was fifth in Spelling.

Alvarado Elementary South had three students place as Kylie Zevecke was third in Ready Writing, Brealee Toomer was third in Oral Reading and Kindle Spivey was fifth in Storytelling.

From Lillian Elementary, Ashley Seely was first in Creative Writing, Delaney Mackey was first in Ready Writing, Carmen Seely placed first in Number Sense, Bryan Milburn finished third in Spelling, Lindsey Tenery was fourth in third grade Ready Writing, Adrian Carroll was fourth in fourth grade Ready Writing, Sydney Summers was fourth in Art and Ryan Roberts placed sixth in Spelling.

At Alvarado Intermediate School, Natalie Stephens placed first in Spelling, Aaron Estes was first in Social Studies, Cres Land was second in Number Sense, Bethany Presley was second in Maps, Sam Herring was second in Social Studies, Cole Rodgers was third in Social Studies, Jessica Rose was third in Oral Reading, Kristen Raby was third in Music Memory, Austin Morriel was fourth in Oral Reading, Jessica Peak was fourth in Music Mem-

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Alvarado Elementary South winners



Junior High Participants



Intermediate School Participants

AJH student chosen for contest

By TOMMY BROWN

AISD Public Information Officer

lvarado Junior High student, Priscilla Rodriguez, was chosen as the winner in a poster contest sponsored by the Alvarado chapter of Lions Club International.

The 'Peace Begins With Me' contest is an international contest for junior high students who design a poster depicting peace.

The winner gets \$2,500, a plaque and the winner, along with two people, will travel to New York in March 2009 to an awards ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations.

Rodriguez's poster was picked out of four finalists at the junior high. Her poster shows two hands (one white, one black) forming the universal symbol for peace and love.

"I looked at some of the posters and some had the peace sign, but no one had the sign for love," Rodriguez said. "I thought it needed to be there too."

Photo by Tommy Brown/Indian Insider (from left to right) LeeAnne Byrd, contest judge; Jerry Pritchard, Lion's Club member; Melodye Brooks, AJH principal; Priscilla Rodriguez; and Chester Juroska, AISD Superintendent.



UIL

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ory, Amber Underwood was fourth in Mathematics, Johnny

Smith was fourth in Dictionary Skills, Gabby Byer was fourth in Listening Skills, Andrew Curry was fourth in Maps, Bethany Presley was fourth in Ready Writing, Josey Camp was fourth in Oral Reading, T.J. Nolen was fifth in fifth grade Spelling, Kendal Nolen was fifth in sixth grade Spelling, Cody Luttrell was fifth in Dictionary Skills, Bailey Dennis was fifth in Social Studies, Gunner Morton was fifth in Calculators, Madison Ratliff was fifth in Ready Writing, Analyce Pugh was fifth in Oral Reading, Colten Bulin was sixth in Number Sense, Colton Gore was sixth in Mathematics, Kelsey Stimson was sixth in Dictionary Skills, Joshua Sullivan was sixth in Listening Skills, Mikaila Harms was sixth in fifth grade Maps, Jonathan Carroll was sixth in sixth grade Maps, Krista Wallace was

sixth in fifth grade Social Studies, Linda Kaup was sixth in sixth grade Social Studies and Elena Cargo was sixth in Calculators.

Alvarado Junior High students also competed in a UIL meet recently and took home several medals.

Tiffany Anderson, and Charley Samford took second place in Team Calculators, Jordan Eicke took third place in Spelling, Ashley Estes was second in Oral Reading, Angela Hall was fifth in Impromptu and sixth in Listening, Haven Hall was sixth in Dictionary Skills, Kylie Horton placed first in Oral Reading, Luke Gregory was third in Editorial, Brianna Monrose was sixth in Editorial, Devon Petty was fourth in Oral Reading and sixth in Calculators, Cassie Rice was fourth in Editorial, Sheldon Smith was fifth in Science, Keith Walker was third in Listening, second in Ready Writing and fifth in Impromptu, Mackenzie Wood was fifth in Oratory and Christopher Zevecke was fifth in Editorial.

For up to the minute news on Alvarado ISD visit

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Behind Bars ...



in AEN Jail during the school's Fall Carnival.

Photo by Tommy Brown/Indian Insider

Alvarado Elementary North principal, Lori Nunez, spends time

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Second Six Weeks Honor Roll

LILLIAN ELEMENTARY Third Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Abel, Matthew Rian Gilbert, Piper Susanna Kloft, Trenton John Mackey, Delaney Sage Padilla, Chloe Yzzet Trowbridge, Angela Marie

Third Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll Allen, James Zachary

Cruz, Santiago Dominguez, Damian Daniel Eicker, Brittany Mechelle Faulkner, Kyra Nicole Gallagher, Travis James Garcia, Luis Eduardo Gomez, Esequiel A Goodwin, Dylan Wray Gorman, Sabrina Leigh Lawrence, Zane Jacob Lewis, Casey Lynn Marchant, Maria Angeles Najera, Julianna Nicole Pelsang, Mackenzie Lee Reyes, Elias Gabriel Sanchez, Saul Martinez Scott, Austin Dwayne Slette, Lillian Rose Teich, Brianna Danielle Tenery, Lindsay Renee Van Winkle, Natalee Anne Weiser, Angelica

Fourth Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Briones, Jacob
Capuchino, Cheyenne Gabriella
Carroll, Adrian Olintheus
Edwards, Evlyn Jane
Finlay, Shayla Starr
Guerrero, Edgar
Hendrix, Kyle
Hodge, Christina Marie
Johnston, Sydney
Lopez, Amber
McBride, Gabriel
Seely, Carman Nicole
Wells, Aaron Michael
Worthington, Billy Jack

Fourth Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Carter, Austin Michael Cook, Danyal Cross, Amber Marie Elkins, Cheyenne Nicole Elqutob, Azmi Rashad Elqutob, Ma'an Rashad Finlay, Aldon Charles Gallagher, Trevor John Glass, Janell Nichole Huffman, Keelyn Anthony Law, Kaitlyn

Huffman, Keelyn Anthony Lechowicz, Kaleb Thomas McAuliff, Brooke Elizabeth Miller, Ashlynn Marie Moore, Javorus Daniel Murillo, Daizel Alexis Murphy, Edwin Glen Norman, Tyler Scott Roberts, Ryan S Rohm, Frances M Schulz, Rvan Dakota Vega, Marcelino Wallace, Lisa Marie Ware, Cody Andrew White, Alondra Josefina Winders, Paige Brice Wright, Allison Denise

Zimmer, Jonathan

ELEMENTARY NORTH Third Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Arrington, Patrick Michael Bowling, Drew Gavin Boyd, Blake Evan Harder, Kabrianna Janell Manous, Richard Eugene Moore, Cannon Bryce Ratcliff, Craig Allen Veltrop, Isabella Faith

Barnhouse, Jack Tanner

Third Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Basye, Sara Nicole Bethmann, Jacob Ryan Brown, Knake Luis Alan Coleman, Jett Lee Covarrubias, Victoria Nicole Crooks, Brandon Leo Deatherage, Bailey Faye Dillard, John William Estrada, Jorge Flores, Luz Elena Gideon Jacob Charles Goolsby, Denton Hollis Grantham, Brianna Danielle Hadley, Jaci Leigh Hefley, Kaylee Desiree' Hernandez, Cynthia Carbajal Hutchinson, Adriana Lee Hutson, Avery Briana Hyatt, Todd Burdett King, Caleb Klare, Grant Shelton Marbut, Kerri Elizabeth Mendez, Dakota Lane

Mitchell, Angel Lorelynn
Moore, Kyle Daylon
Moreno-Rivera, Roberto
Murrell, McKenzie Choyce
Newton, Shelby Rene
Owens, Itziri Shyanne
Parrott, Steven Clifford
Parucki, Hayley Danielle-Marie
Pena, Jason Jay
Petty, Veronica Michelle
Ramirez, Jasmine Rose
Stevens, Morgan Marissa
Svetlecic, Aaron Michael
Svrus, Jacob Daniel

Warren, Christian Bailey Fourth Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Chang, Stephen Hankyoul Dennis, Bryce Garrison Garcia, Nathan Russell Hall, Devyn Lynne Hutchinson, Mariah Marie Rodgers, Halie Nicole

Fourth Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Boulton, Bradley Dalton
Brewer, Ashlea Nicole
Butler, Sean Michael
Ceniseros, Xavier Arturo
Cutshaw, Zane Thomas
Eakin, Tristan Andrew
Jones, Christian J
Luigs, Preston Bryant
Moak, Seth Emerson
Murray, Elexis Cambrishae
Odhner, David James
Oneal, Zachary Dylan
Parrott, Jordan Leeann
Ramsey, Brayden Lee
Sandoval, Ismael Isac

Smith, Mayson Anderson Whitmire, Lily McKenzie

Branham, Jacob Michael

ELEMENTARY SOUTH Third Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Chapman, Garrett Donnell Lee Cole, La'Kayla D Fullerton, Michael T Garcia, Arian M Hicks, Shane Ryan Kaup, Tonya Denise Nielsen, Eric Peter Ouille, Edward Joseph Reyes, Kayte Lee Smith, Trinity Lynn Womack, David Eric

Third Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Aguilar, Angel
Beale, Barbara J
Borman, Ivan Todd
Brumbalow, Trey Devan
Burkett, Kelsey Elise
Cardona, Angel M
Cole, Michaela Dalynn
Crowder, Emily Madeline
Feria, Diana Yazmin
Flores, Marissa Adelaida
Garcia, Francisco
Hardy, Abbie Jerryka
Henderson, Blake A
Hilton, Jacob P

Hilton, Mercedes Cheyenne Howell, Emilee Alton Johnson, Austin Allan Lafountain, Lain Allen Riley Layne, Koby Ryan Martin, Slayter Cozett Ortiz, Jessie Andrea Ramby, Raine A Ramirez, Nicholas Seery, Aaron Thomas Shockley, Jacob Edwin Spencer, Brandon Gage Thames, Katelyn Sierra Throckmorton, Jessica L Urbina. Jesse

Fourth Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Bailey, Courtney Hannah
Cargo, Isbella
Cook, Grant A
Hutson, Jakob Anthony
Lovette, Samuel Isaac
Matthews, Zachary Spencer
Moore, Faith Madeline
Moore, Jackson T
Reed, Joseph Luther
Toomer, Brealee Elise
Watson, Kelsey Cheyenne
Wetherby, Kaitlyn E
Whitehead, Brandie Alexis

Fourth Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Acevedo, Roberto Bennett, Michael Dylan Bernal, Drake Cristian Berry, Dillon Blake Brown, Katrina Ko'lore Cason, John Earl Coleman, Callie Rebecca Cross, Joseph N Dennis, Joseph D Donald, Racey Layne Espinoza, Jasmin Flores, Jaia D'Kole Flores, Wendy

Fuentes, Eden G Fuller Traelon Jeremiah Garcia, April Glendenning, Brittany Goff, Mackenzie J Gonzalez, Natalie Guadalupe Gurrola, Monica Hilton, Chayne Christian Kappel, Jacob Matthew Kimberling, Julia N Lamb, Dakota Lee Marquez, Christian David Mata, Yazmin McKinney, Shannon Paige McNabb, Noah Bradley Mitchell, Jonakand Lee Morales, Kenneth R Murphy, Derrick Lee Osuna, Azalea Raby, Taylor N Ransom, Tyler S Renfro, Alexis Michelle Reyes, Oscar Brian Rines, Aurora Spring Rivera, Camron Amos Robinson, Justin W Schreiber, Cameron Thomas, Tate M Torres, Mirian Jaqueline Turman, Charles Wayne Valles, Victoria Elena Weatherman, Christian B Zevecke, Kylie Grace

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL Fifth Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Coleman, Mason Kyle Cornell, Tommi Nicole Douglass, Kylee Kinnear, John Michael Ray McCarver, Kyle Garrett McKenzie, Andruw Molina, Aimee Selena Morriel, Austin Allen Morris, Jessica Shianne Newman Connor Lee Patterson, Haley E Pugh, Analyce Jo Ratliff Madison Faith Salinas, Stephanie Tobias Sharp, Harold M Standerfer, James Ryan Swaim, Raigan Lou Tedford, Penny Jean Timpf, Cal Edward Wright, Faylene Joyce Zamora, Valerie Alexandra

Attaway, Christina Jasmine

Bennett, Cody Alexander

Fifth Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Banda, Paola Marie
Barton, Olivia
Boone, Jakob Mikel
Bowman, Kalena Paige
Brandon, Stormie L
Briggs, Joseph Marshall
Brooks, Melissa Jane
Bulin, Colten L
Burkett, Kaitlyn
Byars, Kye Wayne
Calvillo, Gelimber
Chandler, Karlea Brooke
Cherry, Grace Ann
Collins, Alyssa
Collins, Carlie Anna

Second Six Weeks Honor Roll

Cornell, Connor B Costa, Nikki Lynn Dobson, Haley Marie Flores, Johnathon Fuller, Braxton Lee Fulton, Bradyn Michael Gallegos, Esmeralda Garcia, Carolyn Rose Garcia, Juan Antonio Garcia-Espino, Abigail Gibson, Haley Haydn Gowdy, Hannah Alysia Hall. Shamara Nicole Harms, Mikaila Leanne Hefley, Sierra Horton, Dalton Colby

Howell, Autum Huddleston, Sydney Lasaun

Johnson, Dakota B Johnson, Shalanda Collette Nicol

Johnson, Tanner

Kendrick, MaKavla Jane

Kil, Isaac King, Cody Lane Land, Joshua Long, Brittany Renee Luttrell, Cody E Lyons, Michaela Elaine Marchbanks, Marissa Marie Marroquin, Jesse Lee Martin, Devin Alexander Martinez, Gracie Pearl McClelland, Dustin Lane Nicolls, Bryce Donald O'Donnell, Amber Nicole Olvera, Katlvn Nicole Pack, Jake Hunter Perez, Jose Uriel

Raby, Kirsten Victoria Ramirez, Emilia Raynes, Amelia Faith Redman, Dane William Rocha, Jasmine Seek, Chansitie N Shanks, Matthew Wyatt Shockley, Breanna LaDon Smith, Lawrence Douglas Stinson, Angel Abygail

Petty, Brian Colton

Stover, Meghan Leanne Swindell, Courtney Jaie Taylor, MiKayla Brooke

Triggs, Cara Lynn Turman, Ethan Glenn Turner, Branson Robert Vega, Marcela

Walker, Taylor B Wallace, Krista Camille Whaples, Kaitlyn Rose Wilker, Angel Star Williams, Kendall Gage

Wilson, Kalub Raymond Wright, Cassidy Nicole Yawn, Thaddeus

Zielinski, Courtney Lynn

Sixth Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Aarons, Nicole Renee Cargo, Elena Castilaw, Alexandra Marie Cutshaw, Maris Caitlyn Estes, Kenneth Aaron Garcia, Bethany Garcia-Espino, Pedro Halcomb, Chelsea Rae Hunt, John P

Isclaw, Jax G'Dellan Kaup, Linda Dawn Kitchens, Tara McBride, Dakota J Means, Sheyen Louise Moss, Ashleigh Peyton Pack, Darcy Marie Presley, Bethany Kay Rose, Jessica Dawn Sanchez, Rafael Martinez Schreiber, Collin Joseph Smith, Johnny Austin Lee Stell, Trenton Don Stephens, Natalie Marie Underwood, Amber Leigh Westerman, Chase Darius

Sixth Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Abel, Stormy Lynn Abshire, Dustin Wray Acevedo, Maria Del Carmen Aguirre, Yurixy Aguirre, Zackery Alexander Allen, Alyssia D Alvarado, Rubi

Balducci, Brielle V Bautista, Alexis Beach, Karlee Brae Beck, Nicholas Alan Cardenas, Yulisa Carroll, Jonathan Osyrus Caruthers, Madison Renay Cassidy, James Lawrence Cheatham, Tealan Marie Courtney, Karl Andrew

Curry, Andrew Bradley Deatherage, Dillon Earl Domangue, Brittany Madge Echols, Jordyn Dee Everitt, Adam Andrew Federico, Waverly Christine Fullerton, Amy Darlene Garcia, Ayanca

Garcia, Gerardo Handy, Samantha Nicole Headland, Kiana Marie Hernandez, Leonel Hernandez, Refugio Vargas Higginbotham, William Wyatt

Hoffmann, Breckyn Olivia

Hoskins, Nathan Alexander

Garcia, Felicia Nicole

Hodge, Amanda

Howard, Garrett Woodson Huckaba, Preston Lee Jackson, Cherakee Somer Johnson, Destiny JaeLynn Johnson, Elizabeth Pamela Joplin, Victoria Jane Kirkland, Audrey Mae Lamb, Summer Dawn Land, Cresencio Thomas

Leatherman, MaKayla Cheyenne Lesley, Shelbi Raelynn Littlejohn, Lexus Nicole

Lopez, Angel

Lovette, Abigail Naomi Margrave, Taylor Chyenne Mayrer, Stori Shalen Black McCauley, Jacob Dakota McIntosh, Logan John William Meers, Austin Lavne Mitchell, Daemon Lee Moreno, Jeneva Christine

Mthombeni, Theophilus Dumiso Mua, Demitria Pachia

Murray, Brayden Richard Newman, Tanner Craig Nuss, Mark Logan Oliver, Garrett Lee Pelsang, Scott Gregory Pena, Dallis

Porter, Jeffrey Dylan Price, Kory Logan Reed, Hannah Nicole Richburg, Timothy David

Rivera, Teresa Robinson, Jake Martin Rodgers, Cole Joseph Rohm, Robert A

Ruggles, Samantha Shanee-Louise

Rutter, Emily Anne Ruvalcaba, Juda Salas, Brianna Marie Schultz, Joshua Dwayne Sears, Nicholas Brett Seery, Kaelyn Renee Shelby, Summer Michelle Stewart, Shannon SS Stimson, Kelsey Marguerite Stone, Morgan Danielle Stout, Seth Lloyd Summers, Robert Edwin Dalton

Thomas, Daja Michelle Thompson, Allison Tippins, Marissa M Urban, Dannie Urbina, Deisy F Vaughn, Angel Marie Wasson, Elizabeth Anna Weatherman, Kelsey Diana Whaley, Angel Marie White, Bayleigh Morgan Wright, Brooke Michaela

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL Seventh Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Boganwright, Jessica Breanne Cannon, Madison Davis, Abigail Elizabeth Eicke, Jordan A Fuller, Brazos Stihl Garcia, Kendra I Garcia, Yomira Glass, Hannah Colleen Granados, Heidi Sabrina

Heard, John Michael Holder, Maddison Laine Holland, Jay T Hudson, Joseph D Johnson, Cyle Jordan Jones, Hannah R

Kuykendall, Jacob Andrew Monrose, Briana Nicole Pollock, Stephanie C Rambo, Courtney Megan Ramirez, Fabiola

Ratliff, Quintin Redman, Nicholas Barton

Rendon, Karina Sims, Shaun Lucas Swaim, Kailey Ann

Zevecke, Christopher Michael

Seventh Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Abney, Bailie K Adams, Brianna Jade Aguirre, Michael Javier Ariciaga, Benita Ana Baze Alahna Nicole Bentley, Jessica

Brandon, Brittnie Leeann Luella

Burnett, Carli Deann Butteris, Alyssa Ann Chandler, Katlyn L'nae Clark, Zachery Shane Contreras, Angel Eliseo Cornett, Nathan Cole Crowder, Keely Morgan Dexter, Courtney R Diaz, Giovanni

Dominguez, Julian Christian Dool, Lian Jewell Downing, Aron Alexander Edwards, Zachary Michael Feaster, Walker Clark Flores, Berenice Franco, Jesus Frazier, Shelby Kaye

Fullerton, Erin Lynn Fulton, Caleb Ray Gaskill, Natasha Nicole Gomez, Rosa Goodsite, Brandon T Guillen, Lauren Nicole Hall Jelicia Moesha Hanks, Macy Lynn Henderson, Brittany N Henderson, Matthew Dwayne Hendrick, Joshua Michael

Higgins, Christopher Lavon Hobbs, Jonathan Kipling Howington, Bryant Justice Lee King, Jacob Michael Lopez, Jacqueline Y Lovette, Emily Claire Mann, Victoria Aaron

Mayfield, Lynsey Chyanne McCasland, Andrew Shawn Mireles, Corina Lynn Morris, Christy Lucille Mullins, Dustin William Murdock, Dillon Michael Nash, Matthew Jacob Oliver, Cassie L

Onderdonck, Robert Ervine Ortiz, Ashrya Lauren Peak, Aydan David Ramirez, Lionel Read, Christian Harley Reid-Cruz, Garret C Rojo Sarah Isamar Salinas, Jonathan Ambrocio Sawyer, Taylor Justine Scheffel, Benjamin Lane Sevener, Andrew Shane Shaw, Kailey Maddison Shelfer, Mckenzie Nicole Shively, Kayla Renee Smith, Ronald Chase

Spann, Dylan M Spoon, Cassidy Helena Nicole Stevenson, Tyler Michael Turner, Jayden Paul Vega, Melissa Dolores Walker, Keith T Wallace, Logan M Watson, Hayley Nicole Watts, Miranda

Weatherby, Marshall James Worthington, Taylor Anne Wright, Jeanene Marie Yeates, Jamescina Michelle Yeates, Jonathan Lee Zamora, Samuel Gregory

Eighth Grade 'A' Honor Roll Arrington, Christopher Ross

Second Six Weeks Honor Roll

Barnard, Dixie Madison Chatham Amber N Espinosa, Matias Hall, Haven Lanette Hartwig, Brittney Hunt, Dorothy C Johnson, Travis Gene Leyva, Micha Aubrey Luke, Gregory McCarver, Jared L Penner, Brianna Jeanne Pita, Itzayana

Rhoden, Grady Thomas Rice, Cassondra Nicole Sanchez, Alexis Sanchez, Jasmin M Sanders, Kaitlyn Morgan Stimson, Dominique Nicole Woodard, Paige Nicole

Eighth Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Alberts, Stephen Alvarado, Ignacio Barnett, Bradley M Barnett, Brandon C Bassinger, Cory Meade Beach, Kaitlynn Beltran, Viviana

Boganwright, Christopher Todd Chapman, Clayton D Chavez, Rosa Angelica Cummings, Rebecca Paige Davis, Austin Wade Dinkins, Kurt Thompson Dixon, Maggie May Donovan, Jaclyn N Dorton, Dylan Blake Douglass, Tyler Nicole Espinoza, Luis Estes, Ashlee Nicole Ferguson, Emily Paige Fitch, Sean James

Flippin, Samantha Rene Flores, Cecilia Flores, Chloe Renae Geeo, Jacob Goff, Rowdy Michael Graves, Hannah M Hall, Amy Kathleen Hall, Angela Kaye Hardy, Lee Michael Holder, Jessica Dawn Hooper, Gregory Richard Horton Kylie Faith Howard, Emily Jo Hubbard, William Leroi

Kelly, Junior Joseph Knight, Malory Marguitta Larson, Michaela Camille Law Laci A Long, Jordan Faith Manning, Samuel Aaron

Ingram, La'Christa

Jones, Jacob D

Marks, Timothy Lynn Martin, Morgan Michelle Matthews, Kelsey Elizabeth May, Dylan Glen McCauley, Caleb David McCormic, Richard Michael McNeil, Marcus ShaBraun Mua, Skye Ly Leigh Murillo, Diana

Nunez, Trenten Edward Oakman, Kellye Anne Odom, Bobbie M Olvera, Guillermo Perez, Aide G Petty, Devon Petty, Ronald Scott

Porter, Samuel Edward Powell, Charnesia M Ramirez Gabriela Rios, Valerie Robinson, Brett William Robinson, Felicia Rodriguez, Mercedes Alene Rodriguez, Priscilla Escarzaga Rogers, Whitney Renee Sanders, Austin Blake Smith, Sheldon Matthew Stevenson, Blake Aaron Tibbs, Shyler Christian Torres, Genoveva Sophia Townsend, Madison Elise Turner, Kayla Diane Valdez, Brandi Loren

Villarreal, Marcus Joel Walraven, Hayden Dale Warden, Bailey Jo Washington, Sandra Denea West, Kenneth Lynn Williams, Myka Shawnee Williamson, Anthony R Wood, Mackenzie T

ALVARADO HIGH SCHOOL Ninth Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Baldevenito Moreno, Cecilia Alejand Bell, Dylan Thomas Castillo, Anthony Joseph Chenoweth, Taylor Marie Graddy, Tanner Joe Johnson, Kaitlyn Ann Norman, Kavan Michael Price, Ryan Bennett Rodriguez, Aaron Lee Wagner, Sarah Elizabeth

Ninth Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Arredondo, Jeremy Manuel Barcuch, Bethany Nichole Barrow, Joshua Trent Bocanegra, Enrique L Brown, Scotty Taylor Butterfield, Carmen D Byars, Torrie Lyne Conger, Stevi Falon Conley, Justin D Daniels, Taira Lynne Dittmar, Ian Michael Ellinger, Austin Reid Escareno, Viviana Freeland, Tyler Louis Gentry, Alexander Miles Glasscock, Jake D Gonzales, Kaylon Rae Haddix, Nicole R Hansen, Keith Harris, Halley Mackenzie

Hodkinson, Bethany J Holbert, Xavier Marquese Hooper, Nicole Amber Johnson, Ruby Kelly, Jennifer Renee Kuykendall, Joseph Alan Law, Shi - Ann Lyndsay Linton, Tyler Ray Lopez, Aristen M Lopez, Juan Antonio Lucas, Lynzi S Mann, Kristen Elizabeth Manriquez, Abel Mayhew, Joshua Taylor McGriff, Kelsey Elise Milstead, Tylar Monroe, James A

Moran, Mario P Mosier, Rebekah Christine Neel, Johnny Dale Nicolls, Danialle

Palmer, Billie Rhea Rhea Penello, Heather Dianne Perkins Carlie Io Pinkerton, Daniel Ray Roberts-Sawyer, John Tom Rutter, Ethan Andrew Small, Jonathan James Thomas, Amanda R Todd, Crystal Lavada Torres, Andrew Ray Trice, Colby Tanner Tucker, Jack Henkels Vance, Taylor Dale Vance, Tyler Dean Whitson, Dillon R

Tenth Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Long, Madelyn Nicole Medina, Abner Jahaziel Nelson, Jarrett Thomas Ogg, Kelsey L Payne, Windy L Renfro, Christie M Williams, Alexis Breanne Williams, Austin Blake York, Nicholas James

Tenth Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Adams, Dustin Wade Aguilar, Marcela Alexander, Cody Brian Anders, Cody D Aranda, Omar Rodolfo Arrington, Daniel Paul Barrow, Jody Dwayne Beacom, Shyanne Laneigh Bocanegra, Ashley Jaazaniah Bradley, Shelbie Laura Bernice Brown, Shambreonia Y Burgard, Gregory Edward Butcher, Stratton Taylor Campbell, Erik E Carroll, Ryan Taylor Castillo, Sarah Kristen Cavazos, Paloma J Clark, Danielle Marie Davis, Levi Coy Dodson, Taylor P Duncan, Kylie Nichole Ferguson, Tyler Ben Fischer, Molly Franklin, Ashley Nichole Glenn, Gabrielle Hankins, Crista Leigh

Head, Sarah Lynn Hooper, Matthew Kenneth Icenogle, Taylor Shantel James, Trina M Johnson, Jeremy Dean Johnson, Lauren E Lopez, Jessica

Hanks, Brittany Alexis

Hanks Samantha Brooke

Mitchell Alyssa Samantha Moore, Cayla Michelle Morris, Brandi Le'Anna Mullins, Randall Tyler Oliver, Dale Ray Osburn, Courtney M Pate, Tiffany Ann Petty, Kelsey Lauren Pulliam, Hayley Suzanne Ramirez, Alex Gino Rauch, Brent Thomas Rendon, Javier Eduardo Richards, Avery Lynn Ripley, Zachary Davis Salonna, Oliver Sanchez, Whitney LeAnn Shelinbarger, Joe L

Short, Lavell

Small, Sydney Leigh

Smith, Mary E Stauffer, Nathan Lee Stewart Aubree Ann Thompson, Ryan Casey Vela, Abraham Jesus Wahlstrom, Tyler Jon Watson, Andrea Denise Wooldridge, Tiffany LeAnn Wright, Jennifer

Eleventh Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Briggs, Bailee L Cole, Natasha I Hilliard, Ashley Kayleen Pratt, Robert James Price, Joshua Gary Pruitt, Travis Steven Raby, Lauren Taylor Rankin, Jessica Faith Rodriguez, Estefania Stanford, Jerah LeShell Sullivan, Mathew Ray

Zamudio, Sirena R

Eleventh Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Alexander, Lexi Anne Allen, Marcey C Coffey, Adam James Curry, Felix E Denton, Jason Mabry Donovan, Nathan P Duckworth, Tyler C Flores, Armel A Griggs, Trevor Wayne Gutierrez, Lizbeth Hale Brenna L. Hart, Broam D Hoagland, Kristina Y Hoffmann, Taylor Mackenzie Hulsey, Zachary N Johnson, Takemma S

Kantner, James Edwin Kil. Daniel Land, Michael Robert Lane, Dondra Lila Loya, Samuel Mitchell, Leah F Perez, Nancy Danya Peteet, Christian Devon Roberson, Casey Joe Robinson, Jessica Faye Shores, Christina D Skelton, Heather L Smith, Caitlin A Suarez Vanessa

Johnston, Daniel Riane

Tidwell, Calli Arline Twelfth Grade 'A' Honor Roll

Barnett, Michelle D Berry, Kayla D Brown, Kelly Lynn Cannon, Emma Brooke Cherry, Jordan D Fuentes Tristian Michael Goodwin, William Z Handy, Lawrence Horton Hardee, Abigail Kay Ruth Head, Thomas Jerome Kohnen, Alexander Little, Camryn Rae Martin, Dustin John Morris, Kymberly Dawn Ogg, Tyler Evan Toomer, Brittnee Erin Walker, Kacee Renee

Twelfth Grade 'A-B' Honor Roll

Arteaga, Carlota Elisabet Brown, Jerome Deamont Burrow, Amanda Paige Byrd, Ashleigh Elyse Chase, Carisa Ann Chatham, Kevin W

Students selected for Opera Scholars Program

By TOMMY BROWN

AISD Public Information Officer

Por several years, the Dallas Opera has offered its prestigious Opera Scholars program to area high school students. Alvarado High School choir directors nominated five AHS students for the program and all five were selected as Dallas Opera Scholars for the 2008-2009 season.

Alvarado's group of Amanda Burrow, Sarah Herrera, Summer Ladd, Auston McIntosh and Matt Puccio make up a sizeable percentage of this year's Scholars as only 15-20 are selected from around the area.

"To have five students involved in this rather exclusive program is



a great tribute to our district and our school," Alvarado High School choral director, Edward Smith said. "Each of those students has had positive experiences in at least one of the excellent visual, dramatic, and musical art offerings on this campus.

"Combining those experiences with the solid academic foundations provided for them by our gifted and devoted faculty made their selection to the Opera Scholars a logical end result."

Through a series of class sessions, the program introduces adolescents to opera as an art form. The students receive a behind-thescenes look at the many aspects of bringing an opera production to the stage.

They study the season's operas in depth and attend performances or final dress rehearsals of the operas.

Opera Scholar candidates are nominated by their music teachers, and a music teacher may nominate no more than two candidates. Alvarado's five participants were nominated by one of the district's three music teachers — Smith, Fran Leddy or Johanna

Ray.

Over the next five months, they will learn about Dallas Opera productions, the history of opera, voice types and their ranges, careers in opera, the relationship that exists between opera roles and voice types, various opera composers and their styles, and the distinctions that separate operas from operettas and musical theater presentations.

They will get to attend Mainstage productions, final dress rehearsals, orchestra rehearsals, opera insights, opera overtures, and backstage tours.

Except for incidental transportation expenses, the entire program has been underwritten by The Dallas Opera and its patrons.

Second Six Weeks Honor Roll

Donawho, William Justin Espinosa, Melissa Michelle Frank, Chais Ray Garcia, Diego Olguin Godina, Elizabeth Solis Gunn, Mary Louise Haddix, Kylie R Hampton, Lucas Alan Henson, Casie E Hernandez, Jessica Herrera, Sarah E Hodge, Laura Faith Hoover, Kevin B Ingram, Kylee Marie Jacobs, Kelly Renee Jenkins Billy Joe Johnson, Billie Sue Johnson, Jonathan Christopher Ray Kirkland, Lucas Kyle Kohnen, Kristyann L Ladd, Summer Hope Marks, Michael Roen Martin, Justin Clinton Mills, Kristi Lynn Parker, Michael Loren Peteet, Eric C Philippi, Michael Anthony Pinkston, Brittany Breanne Prater, Justin Keith Pvle, Mackensie R Rivera, Cynthia Rubio, Amanda Lea Shelton, Ashley N Thibodeaux, David Howard Traylor, Aniyah Isaiah West, Rydge Duane Whaley, Heather Michele Williams, Michael

Woolsey, Nicole Danielle









Alvarado's Santa's Helpers raised money through its fajita dinner and auction in order to help over 300 children in the Alvarado area. Santa's Helpers provides clothing and gifts for children of economically disadvantaged families.

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