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Upcoming Events

- 4/1- Student / Parent Volunteer Day
- 4/1- HFAA Prom 7:00 @ Will Rogers Theatre Special Event Venue
- 4/4- HFAA Day at S & B's Burger Joint on 9th Street
- 4/6 - 4/8- Speech & Debate State Competition
- 4/8- WKF Tournament - Dallas (HFAA Martial Arts)
- 4/12- National Honor Society Induction; 6:00 in the auditorium
- 4/14- No School
- 4/18- Leadership in Arts & Education Award Dinner; 6:00 @ The Petroleum Club
- 4/19- OSSAA State Instrumental Solo and Ensemble Competitions
- 4/21- HFAA Spring Musical "Schoolhouse Rock"; 7:00 in the auditorium
- 4/22- HFAA Spring Musical "Schoolhouse Rock"; 7:00 in the auditorium
- 4/24- HFAA Choir/Show Choir Spring Concert; 7:00 in the auditorium
- 4/25- HFAA Instrumental Music Concert; 7:00 in the auditorium
- 4/27 - 4/30- Austin Guitar Festival 
- 4/28- No School (Professional Development)
- 4/29- OKA Tournament - HFAA Martial Arts

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Community Member to be Honored by Harding Fine Arts Academy

Community leader Nancy Payne Ellis will be presented The John and Joy Reed Belt Leadership in Arts and Education Award by Harding Fine Arts Academy at their annual dinner on Tuesday April 18 at 6:00 pm at the OKC Petroleum Club. The award was initiated in 2013 by the HFAA Board with the purpose to increase overall public awareness of the school, honor community leaders for their inspiring and dedicated leadership and increase sustained financial support for academic and arts programming at Harding Fine Arts Academy. Nancy is being recognized for her ongoing outstanding leadership in furthering arts and education in Oklahoma. The late John Belt and his wife Joy Reed Belt were both instrumental in starting Harding Fine Arts Academy. Joy is still an HFAA board member.

Leadership
in Arts &
Education
The John & Joy Reed Belt Award

Nancy is a 1959 graduate of Harding High School. She is Past Chairman and Lifetime Trustee of the OKC Museum of Art. Nancy is a founding member of The Payne Education Center which trains teachers to teach children with learning disabilities. She was the first female chairman of the Oklahoma State University Foundation Board of Governors and was inducted into the OSU Alumni Hall of Fame in 2004 and into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame in 2005.

A lively evening is planned with James Pickel serving as emcee and HFAA Guitar, Drama and Dance students will be performing during the event.

Reservations for the dinner are \$125 and can be made by calling (405) 702-4322 or through the web page hardingfinearts.org/lae.

Important Note: Parents/Guardians of HFAA students are encouraged to attend! Special HFAA Parent pricing has been set for \$50 per guest. It's important that the community and donors in attendance hear from HFAA parents and how the school has positively affected their student! Contact Linda Lightner at 405.702.4322 or lighthner@hfaaokc.org for tickets!

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HFAA NHS Conducts Food Drive and Inducts New Members

Congratulations to the HFAA National Honor Society students. They recently held a food drive and collected 491 pounds of canned food, which equals about 409 meals. Thank you to everyone who donated! New NHS members will be inducted at a ceremony on Wednesday, April 12th at 6:00 pm in the auditorium. The new Inductees for 2017 are:

9th Grade

Ivy Archer
Gwyneth Atkinson
Elana Banks
Trynen Brooks
Jacob Bussey
Sabrina Fanshier
Bronte Harris
Layla Johnson
Kya Millirons
Faith Money
Isabel Perez Huarte
Kayla Pham
Junior Phomsouvanh
Destini Pittman
Charlize Roper
Sophia Smith
Victoria Ward-Boyd
Ian Wehrenberg
Thomas Hardy Williams

10th Grade

LeAija Dean
Isaac Garcia
Caleb Gilmer

10th Grade Con't

Tuyen Huynh
Isabel Perez
Noah Marsala
Caroline Sloan
Mario Torres
Harley Woods

11th Grade

Elena Figueroa
Liliana Gordon
Haley Nicole Lollar
Evelyn Mendez
Autumn Sutton

12th Grade

Madison Aelmore
Haley Couture
Denazia Jeffers
Madison Page
Briana Smith
Sean Smith
Abigail Thant

S&B's Burger Joint to Support HFAA- April 4th!

Through its "Pay It Forward" program, **S & B's Burger Joint** will be donating to the HFAA drama program. Dine at their N.W. 9th street location **the first Tuesday of every month** and HFAA will receive 20% of receipts. This offer is valid between the hours of 11:00 a and 10:00 p and includes dine-in or carry-out. Thank you S & B for your ongoing support of our students and school!



HFAA Spring Performances

Mark your calendars for the following HFAA student performances:

April 21st & 22nd Spring Musical "Schoolhouse Rock" (Admission is \$10 for Adults, \$5 for Senior Citizens & Military and \$3 for students and children.)
April 24th- Choir/Show Choir Spring Concert
April 25th- Instrumental Music Concert
May 3rd- Dance Performance
May 4th- Guitar and Piano Combined Performance

All performances are 7:00 pm in the auditorium.



HFAA Sauced on Paseo

Huge thanks to Sauced on Paseo for supporting the Harding Fine Arts and NW Classen guitar programs! HFAA performed at Sauced on Friday March 24th. Sauced presented our class with a check to help us go to Austin later this April. Thank you Sauced for supporting music in school! You guys rock!



HFAA Speech and Debate Competes in Regional Tournament

The HFAA Speech and Debate team competed in the regional tournament in Alva, Oklahoma March 24th and 25th.

HFAA Speech and Debate Regional Competition Results (4A):

- Regional Champion in Original Oratory, Whitney Clear. Alternate to State, Clare Schmelzenbach
- Regional Champion in Standard Oratory, Hardy Williams
- Regional Champion in Monologue, Jady Powell
- Regional Champion in Poetry, Tony Burke
- Regional Champion in Foreign Extemporaneous Speaking, Mady Smith, 3rd Place Hardy Williams
- Regional Champion, Dramatic Interpretation, Tony Burke, 2nd Place Sean Smith, 3rd Place Aaron Traylor, 4th Place Clare Schmelzenbach
- 2nd Place Humorous Interpretation, Tony Burke. Alternate to State, Sophia Smith
- 3rd Place Domestic Extemporaneous Speaking, Whitney Clear, 4th Place Lexi Hurley
- 3rd Place Dramatic Duet, Aaron Traylor and Elaina Price
- Humorous Duet 4th Place, Lexi Hurley and Elaina Price

Team Sweepstakes, 2nd Place- HARDING FINE ARTS ACADEMY!

All students above will be competing at the State Competition in April at the University of Oklahoma.

Congratulations Mr. Gargas and Students!

Pie It Forward

Thursday, March 30th is HFAA at **Pie Junkie!** Pie Junkie, located in the Plaza District at 1711 NW 16th street, will be donating a percentage of their sales on this date. In addition, Pie Junkie is donating gift certificates to be given away at an upcoming Student / Parent Workday! Thank you Pie Junkie! We appreciate your support!



PTO Fundraiser- HFAA Water Bottles

The HFAA PTO recently raised funds to have a new filtered water fountain installed on the 4th floor. Thank you HFAA parent, Darrell Sapp, for your services in installing the unit. To help offset costs, the PTO is selling HFAA water bottles. They can be purchased in the main office for \$5 each or two for \$8. (Please submit a check to HFAA or exact change. The main office does not keep extra change.)



HFAA Students Strike a Pose

The HFAA Yoga Club has had an extremely active and successful year due in part to our guest instructors! HFAA would like to give a HUGE thank you to Lisa Woodard & Adi McCasland from This Land Yoga in Oklahoma City and Shane Cooley & Tiffani Shipman of 3rd Street Yoga in Edmond!



Attention Juniors and Seniors:

You have likely received an email, but as a reminder our Herff Jones rep Pam will be in the Roost next Friday, April 7th, from 11-4 to hand out rings and announcements that were ordered in the fall to seniors! She will also be able to take orders for 2018 class rings from junior class members who want to have their rings to wear next year.