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Dysart students win multiple awards

DYSART SCHOOLS — Dysart District students have recently been honored, winning awards in various venues. Students recently awarded through organizations include:

Dysart District Poetry Winners – Winners of the recent Dysart Poetry Contest are:

- 6th grade – Rylee Halla / Dysart Elementary / Title of Poem – Snowflakes
- 7th grade – Brittney Taylor / Cimarron Springs / Title of Poem – Hero
- 8th grade – Amanda Woodruff / Rancho Gabriela / Title of Poem – Epilogue
- 9th grade – Connor Trotter / Willow Canyon / Title of Poem – Midnight, in Sleep
- 10th grade – Ronald Hirsch / Valley Vista / Title of Poem – Power
- 11th grade – Kayla Succurci / Valley Vista / Title of Poem – An Insomniac’s Dream
- 12th grade – KC Ume / Willow Canyon / Title of Poem – Your Family Picture

History Fair Winners – The Dysart School District, in partnership with the Sun City West and Surprise Kiwanis Clubs, recently held the second annual History Fair. Overall winners include:

Junior Division

- 1st place – Terra Smith / Sonoran Heights
- 2nd place - Maria San Andres, Kayla Syverson, Erika Roggelin / Sonoran Heights
- 3rd place – Samantha Shannonhouse / Cimarron Springs

Senior Division

- Sarah Chesner / Dysart High School

Valley Vista High School – DECA - Valley Vista High School was represented by 10 students at the DECA State Competition. Sophomore, Michael Pesa won three awards. He was awarded the Bronze Medal for an assessment as well as one for his presentation. This led to him placing 3rd overall in his area of Retail Merchandising. By placing in the top five he is able to go to National’s in Louisville, Kentucky to further represent Valley. Also, medaling were Joshua Bukowiecki and Aaron Seifert in the Sports and Entertainment Team Event.

Culinary Arts - On Saturday, March 13th, Shelby Lake and Courtney Sowers competed at the Arizona Culinary Institute in Scottsdale for the C-CAP Finals culinary competition.

C-CAPS (Careers through Culinary Arts Programs) is an organization that supports dedicated culinary students throughout the country with scholarship based competitions.

Due to their dedication, hard work and many hours of practice, these two young ladies were awarded the following scholarships:

Shelby Lake - \$14,000 to Arizona Culinary Institute

Courtney Sowers - \$2,000 C-CAP Education Scholarship