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NMABE 33rd Conference Native American Literacy Festival is a Hit

NMABE's Fourth Annual Native American Literacy Festival drew more students and proud parents than any of the previous festivals held during the conference. Dolores Gonzales Elementary School was the official festival site.

Participation was high, and seating at a premium for each of the event's extensive activities. Elementary, middle and high school students competed in the following categories: Group Singing, Duet Singing, Solo Singing, Spelling, Reading. Both Navajo and Zuni students participated this year.

NMABE thanks board members Tina Deschenie and Cecilia Silentman Carr for their hard work in making this year's festival such a wonderful success for students, teachers, and parents. As evidenced by increased numbers of participants this year, this festival is a winning event for the Native American students in bilingual education programs in New Mexico.

Congratulations to each of the winners and to Newcomb High School of Central Consolidated Schools, the overall winner in all events!

Native American Literary Festival Winners

Spelling Bee Winners – Dine Language

K-8

1st place, *Tse Hootsoh Dine Bi'Olta'*: Darren McCray

2nd place, *Tse Hootsoh Dine Bi'Olta'*: Alondra Kee

High School

1st place, *Newcomb High School*: Jonathan Wilson

2nd place, *Newcomb High School*: Tyrell Jim

Group Singing – Dine Language

K-8

1st place, *Ojo Amarillo Elementary School*: Latoya Teller, Dallas Bitsue, Valerie Nez

2nd place, *Tse Hootsoh Dine Bi'Olta'*: Naataanii Todea, Shaunte Davidson, Alan Wallace, Joantina Begay, Gabriel Bizardi, Crystal Stewart, Santino Harvey, Brittney, Joe, Darren MacRae, Jess Oldham, Karl Peshlakai, Derrick Silversmith, Shandiin Yazzie

High School

1st place, *Newcomb High School*: Tyrell Jim, Tavish Brown, Cassandra Jim, Rochelle Bryant, Maranda Yazzie, Shantell Willie

2nd place, *Newcomb High School*: Alfrenando Gould, Lionel Yazzie, Derrick Smiley, Dursen Dez, Chancilor Keeto, Casey Morris, Wayne Yazzie

Group Singing – Zuni Language

K-8

Best Group Singing & Dancing, *Aishiwi Elementary School*: Nalique Bowekaty, Zander Cellicion, David Charlie, Anthony Cheeku, Brittney Edaakie, Christopher Hughte, Channon Johnson, Shental Lasiloo, Lorenda Mahkee, Shana Martinez, Adrian Othole, Timothy Peywa, Ashley Riley, Lathen Tsalate, Kristi Waatsa, Shaun Zunie

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Duet Singing – Dine Language

K-8

1st place, *Tse Hootsoh Dine Bi'Olta'*:
Jacob Emerson, Maukenzie Moore
2nd place, *Tse Hootsoh Dine
Bi'Olta'*: Keshawn Williams, Frank
Lujan

High School

1st place, *Newcomb High School*:
Miranda Yazzie, Cassandra Jim
2nd place, *Newcomb High School*:
Tavish Brown, Shantell Willie
3rd place, *Middle School*: Kendra
Brown, Monique Iron Shell

Solo Singing – Dine Language

K-8

1st place, *Tse Hootsoh Dine
Bi'Olta'*: Joantina Begay
2nd place, *Tse Hootsoh Dine
Bi'Olta'*: Santino Harvey

High School

1st place, *Newcomb High School*:
Tavish Brown
2nd place, *Newcomb High School*:
Shantell Willie

Speaking Dine Language

K-8

1st place, *Tse Hootsoh Dine
Bi'Olta'*: Darren MacRae
2nd place, *Tse Hootsoh Dine
Bi'Olta'*: Alondra Kee

High School

1st place, *Newcomb High School*:
Tyrell Jim
2nd place, *Navajo Preparatory
High School*: Gregory Begay

Zuni Language

K-8

1st place, *Zuni Middle School*:
Rylan Lastyano
2nd place, *Zuni Middle School*:
Wilfred Eustace

Reading Dine Language

K-8

1st place, *Tse Hootsoh Dine
Bi'Olta'*: Crystal Stewart
2nd place, *Tse Hootsoh Dine
Bi'Olta'*: Gabriel Bizardi

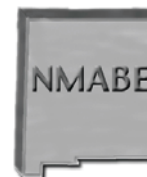
High School

1st place, *Newcomb High School*:
DeAnna Yazzie
2nd place, *Newcomb High School*:
Cassandra Jim
3rd place, *Newcomb High School*:
Tyrell Jim

Zuni Language

K-8

Best Reader, *Zuni Middle School*:
Warren Bowannie



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TRAGIC LOSS IN ESPAÑOLA

Teachers, students and parents are feeling the tragic loss of Helen G. Valdez. She had been with Hernández Elementary School for many years. Rosellen Sinaloa, Bilingual Education teacher at Hernández said: "She worked in my classroom last year and was such a loving person. The students, as well as the staff loved her dearly and it has been such a loss to our school. She was also a part of the Senior Citizen Olympics and almost won every race. She was a very active person. " She had been missing from her home since December, 2004.