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## MagnetMatters' Highlights

Underwood Gifted & Talented Magnet Elementary Student Wins National Art Award

East Garner IB MYP Magnet Middle School French Teacher Wins Scholarship

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Enloe GT/IB Center for Humanities, Sciences & the Arts Magnet Student Wins Art Award

Broughton Magnet IB High School Students Connect with Guatemalan Children through Art



## Magnet Schools Student & Teacher Awards

### **Underwood Gifted & Talented Magnet Elementary**

5<sup>th</sup> grade student, Toni Nelson, won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the national Magnet Schools of America poster art contest. The theme for the contest was *Magnet Schools Promote Community Involvement*. Her drawing showed that magnet schools are a place where we are all united. From drawing this picture, she learned that magnet schools are not just a place to learn, but a place to go after your dreams.

Toni first became interested in art when she was five years old when her dad taught her how to draw a heart, flower and an elephant. For the last two years at Underwood GT Magnet with art specialist Debby Jacobs, she participated in Drawing and Painting and Creative Stitchery electives. In the Raleigh Girl's Club, Toni created a piece of art work that was submitted to an Art Show in Florida. Toni has also had artwork displayed at Memorial Auditorium for Gifts of Gold. This summer, Toni has a scholarship to continue to pursue her love of art at Artspace in downtown Raleigh.



Toni Nelson, 5<sup>th</sup> grade student at Underwood Gifted & Talented Magnet Elementary

### **East Garner International Baccalaureate MYP Magnet Middle**

French teacher, Nicole Swanson, was one of 10 recipients nationwide to win a scholarship through the America's Association Teacher's of French to study 3 weeks this summer in France. Every year, the French Government, through their Cultural Services in the U.S., offers grants to qualified primary and secondary school French teachers who would like to improve their language skills and enhance their knowledge of French culture. She will study French writing, music, and theatre. Félicitations, Nicole!



Nicole Swanson, EGMMS French Teacher

## **Carnage Gifted & Talented / AG Basics Magnet Middle Wins Music & Science Awards**

The Carnage Festival Band and Festival Chorus, with Directors, Elizabeth Taylor and Jan Steger Johnston, attended the "Music In The Parks" Festival Competition April 18-19 in Williamsburg, Virginia. The "Music In The Parks" Festival experience provides these young musicians with an incentive to strive for musical excellence while being adjudicated by some of the nation's finest musicians and music educators. The Carnage Festival Chorus received a rating of Excellent and 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Middle School Mixed Chorus Division. Carnage student, Jasmine Knight, was honored in receiving the Outstanding Vocalist award for the entire competition. Carnage's Festival Band received a rating of Good and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Middle School Concert Band Division. Congratulations!

Carnage's Varsity Science Olympiad team, under the direction of Coach, Mrs. Pat Weber, participated in the North Carolina Science Olympiad State Competition on April 5<sup>th</sup> at NCSU. The Carnage team competed with 50 regional winners from around the state and placed third. This is the best finish Carnage has ever had in the history of this competition.

### **MagnetMatters**

*This is the last issue of MagnetMatters for the 2007-08 school year.*

*The first issue for 2008-09 will begin in September.*

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## **Enloe Gifted & Talented/IB Center for Humanities, Sciences & The Arts Magnet Student Wins Prestigious Art Award**

Congressman Brad Miller announced Kathleen Petermann, an Enloe Magnet High School student, as the First Place Winner of the 13<sup>th</sup> District's Congressional Art Contest. Over 80 works of art from high school students across the 13<sup>th</sup> district were entered in the art competition, An Artistic Discovery. Ms. Petermann was honored at the Congressional Art Contest Show and Reception on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at the North Carolina Museum of Art. She will be flown to Washington, D.C. where she will participate in a national reception and her work will hang in the Cannon Tunnel as part of a special show for one year. Congratulations, Ms. Petermann!

## **The Memory Project Connects Broughton IB Magnet HS Students with Guatemalan Children**

Visual art students at Broughton International Baccalaureate Magnet HS created portraits for orphans in Guatemala under the direction of visual art instructor, Nancy Carty, in collaboration with *The Memory Project*. This project is an International Art and Service Opportunity.

Students at Broughton had the opportunity to travel to Guatemala, in November 2007 to deliver these portraits on-site at the orphanage, as part of the international service exchange, Proyecto Quetzal. In addition to completing the goals of *The Memory Project*, Broughton students volunteered at a local hospital, painted a mural at another orphanage, and participated in Spanish language studies. For more information on the Memory Project, visit <http://www.thememoryproject.org/>

