

## SHELTON

# 'Wizard of Oz' goes to upper school's stage

## SUBMITTED STORY

Shelton Upper School's Theatre Arts Department is performing *The Wizard of Oz* musical Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Shelton. Under the direction of Anne Hughes, head of Shelton's Theatre Arts Department, the cast prepared for the production with a weekend acting workshop in early February with Rod Caspers.

Caspers, well known for his directing at the University of Texas at Austin, University of Wisconsin, Southwestern University and numerous theaters in New York City, conducted the workshop with an emphasis on staging and character development techniques.

Principals include: Dorothy — Caroline Bowman; Aunt Em/Glinda the Good Witch — Gracie Breitenfeld; Uncle Henry — Jack Podvin; Scarecrow — Anders Vaughan; Tin Man — Tommy

Cutler; Cowardly Lion — Kyle Mershon, Wicked Witch of the West — Alyse Rosenblatt; Wizard of Oz — Taylor Gordon.

Other credits include: Blair King — music director; Clay Houston — technical director; Beth Riggs — choreographer; Ken Utz and Jerry Bishop — orchestra; Rebekah Reaves — production stage manager.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and at 2 p.m. Sunday in the commons at the school, 15720 Hillcrest Road in Dallas.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students (through grade 12). Reservations may be made with Debbie McCabe at [dmccabe@shelton.org](mailto:dmccabe@shelton.org) or 972-774-1772, ext. 2272, or online at [www.shelton.org/wizardofoz](http://www.shelton.org/wizardofoz).

*Anne Hendrick-Thomas submitted this story on behalf of the Shelton School.*



Photo submitted by ANNE HENDRICK-THOMAS

**Caroline Bowman** who plays Dorothy (center) rehearses with the rest of the cast for this weekend's *Wizard of Oz* production at the Shelton School.

## MARY IMMACULATE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

# Principal honored as distinguished alumni

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Matthew Krause, principal of Mary Immaculate Catholic School in Farmers Branch, was recently honored with a Distinguished Alumni award from Holy Family of Nazareth Catholic School in Irving.

Each year during National Catholic Schools Week, Holy Family recognizes an alumnus or alumna who has made a significant contribution to the community. The award recognizes the achievements of an outstanding alumnus whose personal life, professional accomplishments and community service best exemplifies the mission of Holy Family school.

Krause was presented with the award at Holy Family's school Mass by Holy Family Principal Dennis Poyant.

"Matt is an excellent example of the ideals and lessons learned as a student at Holy Family of Nazareth School and in how he now challenges his own students

at Mary Immaculate to seek excellence," Poyant said.

Following his 1986 graduation from Holy Family, Krause attended Eules Trinity High School before earning his bachelor of science from Angelo State University and his master's in educational administration from the University of North Texas.

"I appreciate this recognition from Holy Family of Nazareth School, and their role in providing me with a strong foundation," Krause said. "Catholic schools have not only given me the faith formation and the quality education that has served me well as a husband, father and educator; but have also provided me with the ability to find balance between all three aspects of my life."

*Rosemary Martinez submitted information for this story and contributes to neighborsgo on behalf of Mary Immaculate Catholic School.*



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**Mary Immaculate Principal Matthew Krause** (right) shows his award alongside Dennis Poyner, principal of Holy Family of Nazareth School.