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UNION WELCOMES NEW TEACHERS

The Union School District, under the direction of Dr. Wesley Jarman and the Board of Education, has always prescribed the highest standards for the education of students. The classroom teacher is the key to excellence in education and we value the competency and professionalism exhibited in the performance of their job. Let's all welcome and encourage the newly hired teachers, listed below, to reach for the excellence that has become the "Union Tradition!"

HIGH SCHOOL

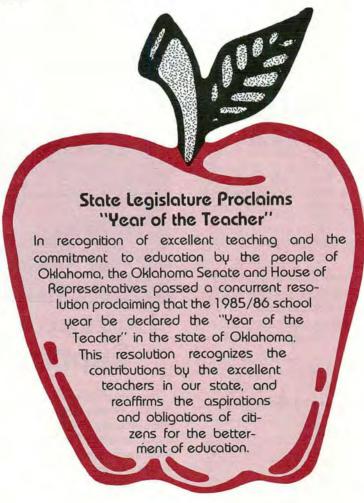
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ANDERSEN

Pamela Cacy Cathy Bertelli Cynthia Vanderpool Marla Lewis Marion Callahan

BRIARGLEN

Tammy Risner Alma Staufenberg



7TH GRADE CENTER

CLARK

Jacqueline Rosenfeld Innettia lisenbee Susan Hickman

Kelly Marsaln

Patsy Terry Linda Aycock Larry Lippard **Eddie Hunter**

PETERS

Leslie North Lois Barfield Leslie Edwards

JUNIOR HIGH

Lisa Cole Kule Risenhoover David Campbell (Alice) Dale Sellers Sandy Franklin D'Anna Vogt Joy Roath Leslie Keeler Terry Celeste Randy Underwood Donna Niemi

DARNABY

Kim Castle Julie Warren Cherul Reeves Suzanne Frost Janice House Carol Daly

BOEVERS

Patricia Urban

GROVE

Michele Baird Tammy McDaris Cheryl Mauldin Angela Stephens Carole Javes Carol Cowan

From The Superintendent's Desk

We are off to a really fine beginning of school. August's weather was a real treat and then came September - thank goodness for our air conditioners! On September 5 our enrollment count was 504 more students than were enrolled on May 23rd. That's a bunch of students. The count by school is as follows:



Dr. Wesley Jarman

Andersen .												411
Boevers												714
Briarglen.					+							643
Clark						,			•			573
Darnaby												697
Grove												805
Peters												642
7th Grade	(2	9	n	it	e	r				,	618
8th Grade												
9th Grade												
10th Grad	e					+				,		695
11th Grad	e			+			+	,				575
12th Grad												

Total 8176

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Boevers Elementary - The remodeling in the existing building is completed and being used. The new construction is progressing nicely and we are down to ceiling installation, lighting and painting. Hopefully we can occupy the new portion by November 1st.

Andersen Elementary - The walls on the eight classroom addition are up and ready for roof installation. The landscaping is 90% finished and the playground area is experiencing some good growth on the bermuda that was planted.

Stadium Turf - Installation is complete and being used. A few cleanup items are all that remain.

High School Phase IV - Work is progressing on all three sides of the present high school. The new wings are slow because of all the foundation work but hopefully will be ready for fall 1986.

We ask your continued support of the school system. Thanks to you - it's working.

Thesey James

Do You Know of a HANDICAPPED Child (from birth to 21 years of age) in your neighborhood who may require special services for an education? Call 252-3561 Union Public Schools



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Educator/Employee September 1985

September's Educator of the Month is Betty Bonham (left above photo), a second grade teacher at Briarglen Elementary. Mrs. Bonham has 14 years experience within our system. Described by her principal as "conspicuously dedicated, superbly organized, bright, intellectually curious, and caring of her students," he adds that "Mrs. Bonham's classroom discipline is firm but fair." Betty was also a finalist for the 1985 Oklahoma State Teacher of the Year.

The Employee of the Month for September is Marie Jones, an employee of 6 years who is currently secretary to the principal at Roy Clark. Possessing excellent clerical skills, she is "one of the most highly self-motivated and positive persons at Roy Clark." Dependable and effecient, Marie is a key factor in the smooth transition of daily activities. "Her loyalty to Union Schools, plus her ability to be confidential while using sound judgement, are indicative of her many assets as a secretary."

Peters Faculty Honored with Luncheon



Pictured above, from left to right is Joe Eidson, Margaret Goodwin, Jana Kennedy, Jeannie Buck, Jan Bruns, Diane Morton, Paula Krusemark, Carolyn Taylor, and Dr. Wesley Jarman.

On August 20, the staff at Peters Elementary School was honored with a luncheon provided by the 1985-1986 Peters PTA Board. The luncheon was coordinated by Mrs. Barbara Davis, Hospitality Chairman.

Additions to the Peters staff for the new school year are Mrs. Mildred "Sissy" Phillips, Principal, Mrs. Leslie North, first grade, Mrs. Leslie Edwards, transitional teacher and Mrs. Lois Barfield, fourth grade.

Mrs. Paula Krusemark, PTA President, introduced special guests, Dr. Wesley Jarman, Superintendent of Union Schools and Mr. Joe Eidson, Director of Community Relations.

Previous volunteer experience in community:



In special recognition of their achievement, the following students are recognized:

HIGH SCHOOL

Thad Bibb - selected for special recognition in the International Youth Year Awards program.

Alison Chin - National Merit Semifinalist

Kara Leonard - National Merit Semifinalist

Andy Short - National Merit Semifinalist

Kristen Elsberry - Union Highstepper of the Week (9/6/85) 7TH GRADE CENTER

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7th Grade Red Team -1st Football victory on new turf PETERS

Matt Dawson - selected to represent the State of Oklahoma in the National School Bus Safety Poster Contest

BRIARGLEN

Briarglen Braves - City Champs, unbeaten in city baseball tournament

DISTRICT

Honeybees - (3rd & 4th grade girls from Andersen, Briarglen, Darnaby, Grove, and Peters) - won Oklahoma State Soccer Championship

BOARD COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

The Board of Education is soliciting volunteers to fill the vacancies on the following board committees:

District Planning Committee	Elementary Curriculum Committee	Secondary Curriculum Committee
In addition to these committees, the Board	is considering forming a committee on finar	nce and budget. If you are interested in serving our
community by being a member of one of the	above mentioned committees or serving in a	any other capacity, please complete the form below
and return to: Bryan Coats, President, B	oard of Education, Union Administrative	Center, 5656 South 129th East Avenue, Tulsa,
Oklahoma 74134		

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BOARD COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Name:	Phone:
Address:	Children attending Union Public Schools ☐ Yes ☐ No
Schools Attended:	Grade Level:
Committee Preference: Planning ☐ Finance & I	Budget □ Elementary Curriculum □ Secondary Curriculum □ Other
Special training and/or education that you ha	ave that may benefit the Union School District.

BOARD ACTION -- AUGUST



The Union Board of Education met in regular session August 12, 1985. A quorum being present, the Board President called the meeting to order and the following actions were taken:

(1) **Motion:** to approve meeting minutes of 6/29/85, 7/1/85 and 7/25/85 as presented; to approve a resolution allowing the school district treasurer to deposit all idle funds into interest bearing accounts at the highest rate available; and to approve bond fund claims #8-16 in the amount of \$1,381,433.17.

Approved: 4-0

(2) Motion: to appoint Mrs. Sharon Bentley as a member of the Board of Education filling the vacancy of Zone 4.

Approved: 4-0

(3) Motion: to approve Fund Raising Policies #1010, 1011, and 1012 with some revisions.

Approved: 4-0

(4) Motion: to approve a revision of Policy #2020 on Board Organization.

Approved: 4-0

(5) Motion: to accept resignations of Sandi Anderson, Jimmy Bradshaw, Bob Buck, Don Davidson, Jacki Dobbins, Elizabeth Raymond, Debi Spencer, Elaine Teague, Diane Thorne and Carol Trompeter.

Approved: 4-0

(6) Motion: to hire Lois Anderson, Linda Aycock, Michele Baird, Cathy Bertelli, Margaret Brannon, Kimberly Castle, Saundra Cook, Sandi Franklin, Suzanne Frost, Pamela Cacy, Leslie Keeler, Thomas Lingenfelter, Tammy McDaris, Linda Massey, Cheryl Reeves, Joy Roath, Lisa Rolfe, Teresa Thompson, Michelle Tull, Patricia Urban, D'Anna Vogt and Julie Warren.

Approved: 4-0

(7) **Motion:** to approve a utility easement at the Administrative Center.

Approved: 4-0

(8) Motion: to pass a resolution allowing the District to participate in the Advanced Funding Program.

Approved: 4-0

(9) Motion: to deny the insurance claim submitted by Shawn Lankford which will enable the school district's tort liability to proceed.

Approved: 4-0

(10) **Motion:** to approve the Operation Aware contract for the 1985/86 school year in the amount of \$7,650.00.

Approved: 4-0

The Union Board of Education met in special session on August 26, 1985. The meeting was called to order, a quorum being present. The following actions were taken:

(1) **Motion:** to adjourn to executive session for a pre-termination hearing on Mr. Michael Payne. Following the session, a motion was made to immediately dismiss Mr. Payne from his employment with the school district on the grounds of willful neglect of duty, incompetency, immorality and reasons involving moral turpitide.

Approved: 5-0

- (2) **Motion:** to adjourn to executive session for a professional negotiation update given by Mr. Vernon Harmon.
- (3) Motion: to approve the contract with the Band Parents Club for the purpose of operating the high school stadium concession stand during football season.

Approved: 5-0

The preceding information is a **summary** of board actions taken in August, 1985. The official recorded minutes are kept on file at the Administrative Center.

Board Adopts Policy on Tobacco Usage

At its regularly scheduled meeting on September 9, 1985, the Union Board of Education adopted the following policy regarding the usage of tobacco on school premises:

The Board of Education understands the concern expressed by parents, educators, students and other community members regarding the adverse effects of tobacco on the individual. Further, the Board is aware of Oklahoma law that prohibits the possession of tobacco by minors. Therefore, the Board establishes the following policy:

In accordance with Oklahoma law and the wishes of parents, educators and students, tobacco in any form, or tobacco products of any kind, will not be used by students while on school premises. Tobacco should not be possessed or used by students attending any school-sponsored event outside school premises, or while in transport to or from such an event in school authorized vehicles.

The school administration will prepare rules and regulations which support this policy.

* ATTENTION *

The publisher of Real Estate Weekly has donated a onequarter page space each week to Union School District. We will feature news and information about our schools, our students and our school district in this space. The publication is distributed weekly to each home in Union. GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN UNION PUBLIC SCHOOLS! Be sure to look for news about your school every week. In compliance with the agreement made between Union Public Schools and the EPA, the following articles are printed for your information.

Tampering With Automobile Emission Controls

Most cars and many trucks have pollution control devices on them. An emission control system consists of such basic components as the carburetor, an EGR (exhaust gas recirculation) valve, a PCV (positive crankcase ventilation) valve, and a catalytic converter.

Tampering with emission controls includes removing, disconnecting, damaging, or rendering ineffective any emission controls device on a car or truck. Many motor vehicle owners and mechanics mistakenly believe that tampering increases gas mileage and improves engine performance. Actually, however, tampering with pollution controls may lower gas mileage, reduce the resale value of your vehicle, and void the warranty on your vehicle's emission contol system. As an example, EPA researchers turned over a number of new and used cars to several garages that advertised that they could improve performance by modifying the emission control systems. But when the cars came back from the garages, two out of three cars had lower gas mileage.

In addition, tampering can severely effect air pollution nationwide. The emission control systems on vehicles sold in the United States are designed to reduce the amount of pollutants such as carbon monoxide, hydrocarbons, and nitrogen oxides. Removing emission controls may increase the emission of pollutants more than eight times. Breathing air that contains high levels of these pollutants can cause health problems including mental dullness, lung problems, heart strain, fatigue and poor vision.

So, do your car a favor and do something good for the environment. Keep your car's pollution control devices properly maintained.

Straight Facts About Unleaded Gas

A study by a Leading Refiner Shows UNLEADED Gas Saves Money and Reduces Air Pollution.

Save Money: Many people see the price difference on the gas pump and assume that leaded gas is cheaper to use than unleaded. Surprisingly, the opposite may be true. A study conducted by a major refiner on fleets of cars operating under actual road conditions showed that cars using leaded gas had higher maintenance costs. Leaded gas fouled spark plugs and carburetors and corroded exhaust systems at a significantly higher rate than unleaded. So while unleaded gas may be a few cents more at the pumps, using unleaded reduces maintenance costs over the long haul.

Breathe Easier: Most new cars since 1975 model year have been equipped with catalytic converters. Converters can reduce pollution from cars by about 90 percent. But burning leaded gas will destroy a converter's effectiveness. That means that nearly all of the pollution created by your car is going into the air we breathe. But by using unleaded gas, we can all do our part to clean up the air.

For lower maintenance costs and cleaner air, use unleaded gas.

USE UNLEADED GAS --- IT MAKES CENT\$



Mrs. Sharon Bentley

BOARD APPOINTS MEMBER

After hearing 6 candidates address the Board of Education at their regular monthly meeting on August 12, 1985, the Board voted unanimously in favor of Mrs. Sharon Bentley to fill the Zone 4 vacancy created by the resignation of Alison Moore.

Mrs. Bentley has been involved in Union activities since 1981, serving the Union PTA Council as council delegate from Grove that year. In the past, she has served Grove as President, Vice-President, Jr. Great Books Leader, Jr. Great Books Coordinator, parliamentarian, classroom volunteer, and a leader of the Parent and Family Life seminar. She has also been a member of various Board of Education committees including the district committee on Staff Development, the Planning Committee, and the Curriculum Committee. In the current school year, Sharon will serve Grove PTA as a Great Books Leader and will assume chairmanship of the 7th Grade Center PTA school education committee.

Obtaining a B.S. degree in home economics and elementary education from Oklahoma State University in 1967, Mrs. Bentley was employed as a kindergarten teacher and has since earned 16 hours graduate credit in Early Childhood Development. Her two children, John, 12, and Jennifer, 7, attend the 7th Grade Center and Grove Elementary respectively.

As an appointee, Sharon Bentley will serve on Union's Board of Education until the school board election in January. The successful candidate in the annual election will serve the remaining three years of the Zone 4 term.



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SRA Test Results Illustrate

Knowledge is as important as is the ability to use it. The SRA Test results for 1984-85 imply that no matter how you look at it, Union students, educators and parents can be proud of student academic accomplishments. The results of the District Achievement testing last Spring bears this out. In general, the typical Union student scores higher than 70% of other students across the nation taking the same test during standardization.

Figure 1 illustrates the comparision between Union students and other students taking the same test. The national average, or NATIONAL NORM, is the white vertical bar at each grade level. The other bars are named in the legend in order of representation.

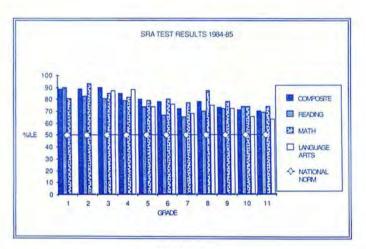


FIGURE 1

The COMPOSITE scores are determined by selected test items from the READING, MATH and LANGUAGE ARTS sections of the test. The COMPOSITE scores are a general index of educational development. The COMPOSITE PERCENTILE, the darkest bar on the above graph, represents student achievement in the major skills important for success in every school curriculum. These scores range from a low of 70 to a high of 90. Of importance is that 60% of the Union students scored well above the national average and 40% scored very well above the national average. In summary, Union students should be and are successful when compared to other school districts.

The other scores depicited in Figure 1 are READING, MATH and LANGUAGE ARTS. These scores are well above the NATIONAL NORM. The pattern these three scores make implies a balanced curriculum and student achievement. It is obvious, however, that there is greater academic success in MATH than the other two subjects.

Union students are also tested in the curricular areas of Science, Social Studies, and Reference Skills. These test results are shown in Figure 2. Again it can be noted from the pattern of the scores, a balanced curriculum and good student achievement are vital parts of the Union District educational program.

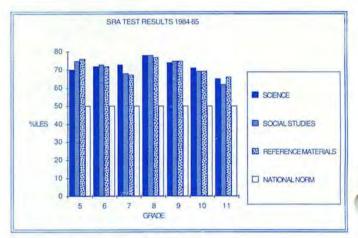


FIGURE 2

Since 1958 and Sputnik, Science has been emphasized for all students in public schools. The SCIENCE scores, being predominantly at or above the 70 %ile indicates Union has a good science curriculum and students are responding favorably to it. The SCIENCE scores measure a student's ability to read and interpret science material and understand facts, principles, applications and generalizations drawn from biological, physical, and earth sciences. Science is usually an elective and students typically select courses in one of the science areas. It is logical to see a drop in SCIENCE PERCENTILE scores at the Secondary level. This is not the case at Union High School.

Knowing how to find appropriate information to solve problems is a valuable skill in today's world. The REFERENCE MATERIALS test results illustrate Union students have achieved these skills very well. Figure 2 points out this success.

SOCIAL STUDIES is an important curriculum in assisting youth of today in being fully participating citizens in a fastly narrowing world. Here again we find the students of Union schools doing very well. The range of percentiles being from a low of 62 to a high of 79 implies a typical Union student scores better than 70% of all other students taking the same test.

NG GREAT AND GETTING BETTER!

High Student Achievement

WHAT DO THE TEST RESULTS MEAN?

"Excellence in education" has been a goal of Union schools for many years. Though there are many concepts regarding what excellence is, academic achievement has always been considered a vital component. Achievement implies a goal or standard has been set and a comparison is made between what has been accomplished and the standard. Thus, the standard establishes the meaningfulness of achievement scores.

Reporting achievement scores as percentiles often leads to misunderstanding the meaning of the scores. The standard to be measured against becomes a score which divides those taking the test into two groups equal in number. This dividing line is always the $50\,\%$ ile and half the scores are below it. How many right or wrong has very little to do with the meaning of a percentile score.

For example, Figure 3 depicts the number of items on a given test, number of students getting a given number of items correct, the percentage correct and percentile of that right/wrong score. One hundred students took the test and 20 answered all items correct. Their percentage was 100 yet the percentile is 99. Not bad. We read the percentile score as meaning that 99% of the students scored less than 50 correct.

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20	70		10.
100	60		1.
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FIGURE 3

This is a little dubious in that a quick glance shows actually about 80% scored less than those who made perfect scores. Normal thinking would probably equate both the 100% and 99 %ile as an A grade. More important, those students who answered 45 of the 50 items correct, got 90% right. Yet, 45 out of 50 items correct is a percentile score of 50 which tells you 50% of the students scored less than the students who answered 45 items correctly. Often this is thought of as not doing very well when reported as a percentile score but sometimes is an "A" grade when reported as a percentage score.

The point being made is that achievement scores reported as percentiles are not the same as percentages in relation to right/wrong answers. The standard, when reporting scores in percentiles, is a ranking of students, or the number of students scoring lower on the test, not the acquisition and use of knowledge.

What meaning do people want who read about Union schools? An alternative to percentile scores are percentage scores of the number right on a given test. Figure 4 is a graph illustrating the same information as Figure 1 without the COMPOSITE scores.

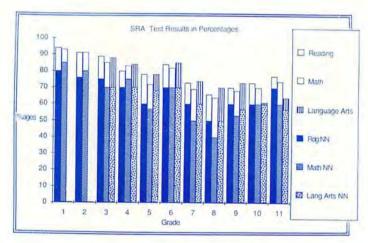


FIGURE 4

Comparison is still being made with the national average (NN). The differences between the national average and a typical Union student is shown as the less shaded areas, the MATH scores can still be seen as having the greatest difference. The meaning though has changed from the number of students who scored lower to the greater percentage of items answered correctly.

Despite the manner in which the test results are reported, it is evident that Union Schools are doing "great and getting better."



(The preceding information was researched and written by Dr. Bill Grahlman, Director of Staff Development and Research.)



COLORADO SCIENCE CAMP-SUMMER 1985

by Pam O'Halloran

For the fourth consecutive summer a group of 25 elementary students said goodbye to their familiar surroundings and set their course for a week of adventure in the Colorado Rocky Mountains. Accompanied by seven educators, these 5th and 6th graders braved the long bus ride to the Phillips University Colorado Campus in Alamosa Canyon - a glacial valley 8600 feet above sea level and flanked by 1400 foot cliffs to the north and south of the Alamosa River.

For eight years Pam and Tim O'Halloran have been taking students into the San Juan Mountains to help them understand their roles in their environment and their responsibilities in discovering themselves.

After settling into rustic mountain cabins, firing up the wood stoves and stowing their gear, the students tried to rest up for an action packed week of activities both in camp and on field trips.

The first challenge was a six-mile day hike over the 1100 foot high Comstock Trail. This walk through mountain forests and upland meadows helped to aquaint the group with the plants, animals, and climate of an alpine ecosystem.

Other field trips included climbing to the top of the Great Sand Dunes National Monument and a hike up Greyback Mountain near the Continental Divide. Field trip days alternated with days spent in camp studying geology, biology, ecology, photography, fun and fitness, mapping skills, and environmental role-playing. Evenings afforded the students opportunity to sit in on college lectures and campfire discussions.





Several students and Sue Irvin, Union High Counselor, were selected to play roles in a simulated mountain disaster and rescue operation. However, many found the Thursday night Talent Show to be more frightening.

Pam and Tim O'Halloran wish to thank the many Union students, parents, teachers, and families that support this annual adventure. The dedication to detail and countless hours spent in preparation are surely an investment in the quality of life for our leading citizens of the future.

Students attending were Kaycee Kiger and Dustin Combs (Grove); Stan Lewis, Lisa Blunk, Amy Cobb, Ray Fernalld, Angelina Lopez, Hayley Mount, Tucker Reed (Briarglen); Todd Wadman, K.C. Callahan, Craig Elliott, Jay Herbison, Ben Jackson, Trevar Langham, Garret Morris, Tom Walsh (Darnaby); Brandon Taylor (Andersen); Keith Taylor, Matthew Thummel (Peters). Union educators were Tim and Pam O'Halloran (with family), Sue Irvin, Carolyn Taylor, Diane Morton, Sharon Willhite, and Laurie Shea.



Parent/Teacher Conferences Scheduled

Parent-Teacher conferences have been scheduled for November 5-7. Each Union Elementary school will dismiss morning Kindergarten classes at 10:15 a.m. Afternoon kindergarten classes and grades 1-6 will be dismissed at 1:30 p.m. to allow parents to schedule conference appointments.

A parent-teacher conference is one of the many steps Union Public Schools are taking to work with parents to build their child's education program. It is an opportunity for a teacher to get together with a parent to discuss their child's progress in school and learn more about him or her.

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Rush Week Held At Union High School

In order to encourage students to "get involved" Union High School held its first annual Rush Week beginning September 1 st. Posters advertising the various student organizations and tables manned by student members were exhibited in the gym lobby. Before school and during lunch periods, non-members had the opportunity to have questions answered or enroll in the groups of their choice. By the close of the week, the students were rewarded for their efforts with each organization realizing an increase in membership. Some groups even came close to doubling their membership.

Rush Week at Union High School was a successful endeavor which did, indeed, motivate students to get involved.



Director Joins Staff

The newest member of the Administration, Virginia Bays, has been enthusiastically seeking "extra hands" for Union teachers in her new capacity as Director of Volunteers.

Previously a 5th grade teacher at Darnaby Elementary, she described her first month as busy and exciting. "I have met many positive, energetic and willing people from our resourceful community ready to serve our schools and our children in any way that is needed," and she is looking forward to meeting more parents, staff and community members in the upcoming months.

Although Virginia obtained a B.A. in Elementary Education with a minor in Spanish and a M.A. in Adult Education, she admits her first love is music. Among her credits are "Maria" in The Sound of Music and "Anita" in West Side Story. Virginia is also an active member of Asbury United Methodist Church Chancel Choir. For the past two years she has sung solos in their production of the Messiah.

Virginia Bays believes Union is THE BEST! "Nothing can substitute for a child's experiential background. The expertise and talent of you, the parents and community, furnishes Union with an unlimited potential that need only be tapped!" Working together with "our most valuable resource - YOU," Virginia is positive that Union will become even better! Let's give her a warm welcome.

THE SKY IS THE LIMIT

In celebration of "Welcome Back to School" the students of Roy Clark filled the sky with over 600 balloons on September 6th. The School Spirit Committee, chaired by Bonnie Duff, sponsored the send-off with a theme of "The Sky is the Limit".



COMES TO UPAC Premiering October 19th. The Tulsa Philharmonic will pre-

Premiering October 19th, The Tulsa Philharmonic will present the first concert in its Southside Series at the Union Performing Arts Center. Never having had a concert series outside downtown, the Chairman of the Board comments, "The growth of south Tulsa has been phenomenal, and there was a need for us to be accessible to that large segment of the city's population. Being able to play at a wonderful hall like the Union Performing Arts Center made the Southside Series a natural."

The series will present three concerts plus a special performance. These four weekend concerts provide a sampler of the wide variety of music in the Tulsa Philharmonic repertoire. Music Director Bernard Rubenstein and pianist Leonard Pennario open the series October 19 with an encore performance of the Classic series programs including a piano solo (Schuman's Piano Concerto) by Mr. Pennario. The second concert will be presented January 17, 1986 and will feature Natalie Hinderas at the piano and Associate Director of TPO, Marc Gottlieb. The "Special", which is optional for subscribers, will be a re-creation of Paul Whitman's historic Aeolian Hall Concert featuring "Rhapsody in Blue." On February 15, 1986, the concert will be conducted by Maurice Peress with pianists Ivan Davis and Dick Hyman. For the season finale, Peter Nero and his Trio will be center stage on May 25, 1986. The program will be announced at a later date. Nero, Tulsa Philharmonic's Pops Conductor, never disappoints his audiences. No matter what music he composes, conducts, arranges, or plays it is rendered with the skill and flair of a master.

Subscriptions for the Southside Series are available through the Tulsa Philharmonic, 584-2533. Ticket prices range from \$20 to \$60 with up to 44% off single ticket prices. The Philharmonic describes UPAC in their Series brochure as "one of Oklahoma's most attractive and acoustically satisfying concert halls." The first three performances will begin at 8:00 p.m.; Peter Nero will be featured at 3:00 p.m. BE THERE - Introduce your family to the exciting experience of hearing a live symphony orchestra in our own UPAC.

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE NUMBERS

Parents who need to contact the high school regarding their student's absenteeism are asked to call the school between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Please use the attendance numbers listed below:

10th Grade - 252-3649 11th Grade - 252-4139 12th Grade - 252-2861

The main number - 252-2581 - should be called only if the attendance lines are busy.



The Union High School PTSA wishes to extend a big THANK YOU to Patty Holt and the food service department for helping prepare and serve the breakfast at the PTSA sponsored After Prom Party. Thanks also goes to Video Concepts in Woodland Hills Mall for lending the big screen TV used in one of the entertainment rooms.



To sign up for the Union PTA Bowling League (PTA membership not required) please call Lisa Keller, President, at 437-7151 or Vicki Eynon, Vice-President, at 481-5907. The League meets at Sheridan Lanes on Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. The cost is \$4.50 per week and a nursery is provided.

CONGRATULATIONS - Boevers PTA! Boevers Elementary has 100% teacher membership in the PTA for this school year.



Darnaby PTA funded their kindergarten and first grade teachers to participate in a 6 day workshop held in August to learn the MATH THEIR WAY methods. This program is being used by Darnaby this year to enhance the district math program. Math Their Way's basic goal is to develop understanding and insight of the pattern of mathematics through the use of concrete, handson materials. The use of real materials can engage the child's senses, increase motivation, and aid concept formation.



The Union Council of PTA's will host the 1985 Oklahoma PTA Convention to be held at the Sheraton Kensington on November 13-15. This will be a cooperative effort of all district PTA units. Any donations of money or time will be greatly appreciated. To volunteer or donate funds please contact Ann Volz, Convention Co-Ordinator at 664-9474 or Linda Hamilton, Council President, at 251-8954.

PTA COUNCIL AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP



Kaye Canfield (scholarship committee chairman) and Jan Brower (Council past-President - 1984/85) present Jay Dockweiler (center) with his scholarship award at the September Council meeting.

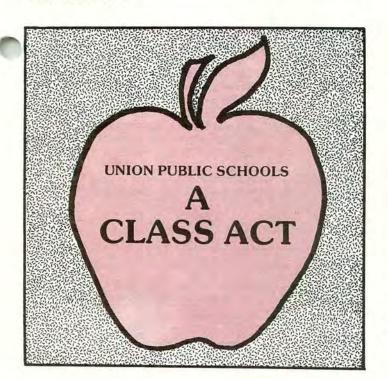
John Christopher (Jay) Dockweiler is the 1985 recipient of the annual Union Council of PTA's scholarship award in the amount of \$600.00. During his 2½ years at UHS, Jay involved himself in many activities while maintaining a high GPA (3.938) and ranking 5th in his graduating class. Although he had a full schedule of solid courses, Jay managed to find the time to hold many offices in student organizations which include National Honor Society (vice-president), Youth Alive (vice-president), Math Team (captain), PTSA Board member (student representative) and Operation Prom Committee (chairman). He also enjoyed athletics participating in basketball, baseball and track.

Jay was a nominee for the Princeton Book Club Award; received the Engineer for A Day Award; was listed as an OU Honor Scholar and an OSU Honor Scholar; was included in the Top Ten Students in Academic Achievement and the Top Ten English Students; and was listed in Who's Who in American High Schools for the years 1984 and 1985.

In addition to academics and athletics, Jay had membership in several organizations including Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Key Club, Big Family, Junior Achievement, Church Youth Group and Future Business Leaders of America.

Jay plans to pursue a degree in Industrial Engineering attending the Georgia Institute of Technology. The PTA Council was proud to award its 1985 scholarship to Jay Dockweiler, an outstanding example of student achievement at Union High School.

The Union Council of PTA's scholarship is a cooperative effort between all PTA units. Each unit donates \$50 to the scholarship fund every year. The Council contributes \$100. It is open to Union High School seniors who have a current (1985/86) membership in PTA. To apply contact your counselor for application forms.



IRVIN SAVES LIFE



Don Irvin, Director of Purchasing, was recently credited with saving the life of Martha O'Flinn, secretary to Gil Cloud, when he administered the Heimlich procedure on her during a lunch break. Observing Mrs. O'Flinn turning blue from food lodged in her throat, Don reacted quickly. Within seconds Martha's pallor improved. A day later Don received a plate of cookies with a note that read "Thank you for saving my life!" WELL DONE, DON!

Redskin Talk

Another school year is well under way and our teams are already experiencing success in the various areas of activity.

We opened Union Stadium on September 5th winning the 7th grade football game besting Sapulpa 6-0. This group of young men will have the distinction of being the first players in a school football program to play on Omniturf anywhere in the world in a school owned stadium. Also, that evening the 8th grade



Gil Cloud Director of Athletics

Redskins downed Owasso in an excellent ball game. The 9th grade Redskins were beaten by Owasso 16-13 in a game that was written up in the Tulsa World.

The varsity completed the first week in the stadium with an outstanding 29-0 victory over Muskogee. The Redskins executed all phases of the game with outstanding kickoff and punt returns by Mike Wise and Chris Cabbiness. Scott Harper played well behind an outstanding offensive line and was aided by the running of Henry Givens, Mike Cook and Mike Wise. The defensive unit turned in a superb performance in recording the shutout.

The next day in Norman, Oklahoma the girls softball team captured the University of Tulsa Girls Softball Tournament. The Lady Redskins bested 11 other teams in placing first. They defeated Norman 11-0, Ponca City North 13-0 and Sterling 7-2 on Friday. Saturday they defeated Kelley 14-4, Ponca City West 7-4 and Western Heights 14-1. Gina Tener, Lori Lyons and Kim

Cloud all added homeruns in the tournament with Cloud and Lyons posting grand slam trips. Wendy Vaughan had 12 hits during the tournament. Monica Johnson and Tracy Cashel combined for a no-hitter and Johnson fielded a one-hitter.

Our girls cross-country team captured the Sallisaw Invitational Cross-Country Meet in the first outing of the year. The boys and girls will be pointing to the conference meet in Ponca City on October 16th.

The first of our elementary programs is well under way as the flag football league is in its second year. The league, known as the U.F.F.L. (Union Flag Football League) has over 20 teams and 200 students involved. The games are played at Union Stadium on Saturday mornings.

Sign-up sheets for wrestling and basketball will be forthcoming. For more information on the wrestling program contact Coach Tim Johnson at 252-2581.

The basketball information can be obtained by calling Coach Mark Dobbins at 252-2581.

- COMMENT -

Our department is always ready to answer any questions you might have about the programs. I urge you, though, if you have a specific question about one of our programs in grades 7-12, to contact your students' coach first. He or she can probably answer your question quickly and solve any problems you might have.

As always, we want to thank all of those who support our kids by their attendance at games, meets and contests.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR....

September 30 - October 4 Clark-Fifth Grade Dental Health Week

October 1

Adm. Center - PTA Council Board Meeting 9:30 a.m.

October 2

Softball - Area Tournament

October 3

Boevers - PTA Executive Board Meeting 1 p.m. Jr. High - Victory Dance - Commons 8-10:30 p.m. Jr. High - Football, SS Boyd 8th & 9th Gr. here 8 p.m.

October 4

NO SCHOOL - Staff Development/Professional Day High School - Football, Union vs. Edison (there)

October 5

Fine Arts - Marching Bands of America Competition in Arkansas

October 7-11

Clark - Vision & Hearing Screening

October 7

Adm. Center - Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

October 8

Adm. Center - PTA Council Meeting 9:30 a.m. Clark - PTA Open House - 7 p.m.

Speaker Virginia Bays, Director of Volunteers

7th Grade Center - Safety Demo Police Department 1:35 p.m

October 9

Peters - PTA Popcorn Day

October 10

Darnaby - 6th Grade Operation Aware Field Trip

Fine Arts - Servant/Connie Scott Concert, UPAC Peters - PTA Skating Party 4 - 6 p.m.

High School - Powder Puff Football Game 7 p.m. -

Stadium

Jr. High - Pep Assembly (1st hour)

Jr. High - Football, Bixby 8th & 9th Grade there 6

October 10 & 11

Peters - PTA Jog-A-Thon

October 11

Clark - Indian Heritage Day - 5th Grade 2 to 3 p.m.

Clark - OSBI - Fingerprinting Program 1 p.m.

Andersen - PTA Board Meeting

Softball - State Tournament

High School - Football, Union vs. Jenks (here)

Jr. High - Career Day #1 (Science Department)

October 12

Fine Arts - Catoosa Band Competition

Briarglen - PTA Fun Night

October 15

Jr. High - Football, B. A. Sequoyah 8th Grade (there) 6 p.m.

Jr. High - Football, Bartlesville 9th Grade (there) 7 p.m.

October 17

Fine Arts - 7th Grade Vocal Music

Fall Concert UPAC

October 17 & 18

NO SCHOOL - State Teachers Meeting

October 18

High School - Football, Union vs. Stillwater (here)

October 18 & 19

Fine Arts - Debate/Speech Tournament

Sand Springs

October 19

Fine Arts - Tulsa Philharmonic featuring

Leonard Pennario 8 p.m. UPAC

October 21

Boevers - Skating Party 6 -8 p.m.

Jr. High - Football, Memorial 9th Grade here 7 p.m.

October 24

Jr. High - 9 Weeks tests (Even Hours)

October 24

Darnaby - Open House 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Fine Arts - High School Classic Orchestra Fall Concert

UPAC 7:30 p.m.

7th Grade Center - 9 Weeks tests (Even Hours)

Jr. High - Football, Jenks 8th & 9th Grade

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October 25

Darnaby - PTA Popcorn Sales

Clark - Tulsa Police Department Awareness Program (all grades)

Boevers - Staff Breakfast 8 a.m.

7th Grade Center - PTA Halloween Dance 7-9 p.m.

7th Grade Center - 9 weeks tests (odd hours)

High School - Football, Union vs. Sand Springs

Jr. High - 9 Weeks exam (odd hours)

October 26

Andersen - Arts & Crafts Show

Fine Arts - Renegade Review - Union Stadium

8 a.m. (preliminary) 7 p.m. (Finals)

Boevers - PTA Bingo & Spook House 6-9 p.m.

October 28-31

Jr. High - Spook-O-Gram Sales

(Special Services)

October 28

Darnaby - Operation Aware Field Trip

Jr. High - Football - Broken Arrow Childress 8th Grade

(here) 6 p.m.

October 29

Darnaby - 2nd Grade Halloween Program 7 p.m.

High School - Concert Choir UPAC 7 p.m.

October 30

Darnaby - Grade Cards

October 31

Jr. High - PTA sponsored Halloween Dance & Carnival 6-9:30 p.m.

Jr. High - Football, Sand Springs Central 8th Grade (there) 6 p.m.

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