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A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

In 1976 we started a slogan of "Union Moving UP." Now is the time for all patrons to keep Union Moving UP.

On April 22nd we will go to the polls to vote on a 12 million dollar bond issue. Eight million of the bond issue will be for continued construction of the Intermediate High. This facility is desperately needed to relieve the overcrowding at the Junior High. For now, this facility will house our 8th and 9th graders. But more importantly, it will be ready for use as a 9th and 10th grade facility, at some point in the future, when the High School is no longer able to hold three grades.

Another three million dollars of the bond issue is earmarked for construction and equipping the first two phases of a new elementary school. This school will be located on the south ten acres of the current Jr. High site. The central part of our district is growing in population rapidly. This facility is needed to relieve the overcrowding at Grove and Boevers Elementaries. The site was chosen because we already own the land and could reduce the cost by not having to purchase more land.

Six-hundred thousand dollars will be used for construction of art rooms and the enclosing of the media centers at Clark, Peters and Darnaby Elementaries. By completing these projects we will then have all our elementary schools on an equal level.

The remaining \$400,000 will be used to equip the High School expansion now under construction. Part of the expansion will be completed in the Fall-1986 and funds

will be necessary to pay for Business, Art and Science equipment.

Let me say just a word about our bond issue funding. In the fall of 1984, the patrons of Union overwhelmingly approved a 10 million dollar bond issue. We were told by bond council that a 10 million dollar issue would not raise our taxes. Shortly after approval of the bond issue, our district evaluation was dropped by some 32 million dollars. This action, by the state, caused our taxes then to go up to cover the bond issue. Had our evaluation not been lowered, our taxes would not have increased because of the bond issue.

Once again our Board is striving to hold the line on taxes. Union's current evaluation would have allowed a 14.5 million dollar bond issue. We chose to ask for 12 million so that our taxes would not increase. We are also looking at only selling a portion of the Bonds before June 30, 1986. This would once again lower the amount of bonds on the tax rolls and hold the line on taxes. Remember, Union Board of Education members are Union School taxpayers too.

At a time when our schools are suffering from cutbacks at the state level, we all need to show our Union Pride. It will be impossible to maintain quality education if we do not have adequate facilities to house our students. Let's all keep Union Moving UP. VOTE ON APRIL 22nd!

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Harold Reed
President,
Union Board of Education

SUMMER SCHOOL PLANNED

The Union School District is pleased to announce that Summer School will be offered to students in both elementary and secondary schools interested in enrichment and remedial classes as well as make-up classes for credit deficiencies due to subject failure. All summer classes will be held at Union Junior High from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

Elementary Summer School will be available to students who have completed 4th, 5th, or 6th grade. Remedial reading and remedial math classes will be offered at no cost to Union students who scored at least one grade level below their present grade level on standardized reading and math tests. Enrichment classes, which include Study Skills and Computer Training (Logo) have a tuition of \$45.00 for each class. Summer classes for elementary grades are 6 weeks in length beginning Monday, June 9th and ending Friday, July 18th with no classes on Friday, July 4. Registration deadline is April 28th.

The Secondary Summer program is designed primarily for students to make up credit deficiencies due to failure during the regular school year. A tuition of \$55.00 will be required for each student for each class in which he/she enrolls. Secondary summer classes are four weeks in length with the first session beginning Monday, June 9th and ending Thursday, July 3rd. The second session begins Monday, July 7th and ends Friday, July 31st. Enrollment deadline for the first session is May 5th. Class offerings are: English 7-12; Social Studies 7-8; American History 9, US History 10, Oklahoma History, Science 7-8; Science HS; Math 7-8; Pre-Algebra, Math HS, Geometry, Typing and Driver Education.

Enrollment forms as well as additional information will be available through each Union school or by contacting the Administrative Center at 252-3561, Ext. 218. **Courses with less than 16 students enrolled are subject to cancellation.**

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

The fact that the state budget is in a real down cycle is not really news to most of you. Just how it affects Union Schools is probably news too - not good news - but news as such.

The state, at the present time, is seeking to cut 487 million dollars from the state budget - education is being cut 86 million dollars. Instead of a 16% budget cut the 86 million dollars represents about a 10% cut.



Dr. Wesley Jarman

Dr. John Folks, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has devised a plan to cut state aid to the 620 districts in Oklahoma. There are two kinds of cuts illustrated below. The 16% reduction is in state aid that would generally be appropriated to schools through the **formula** or in our case the **hold harmless** provision. The other cuts are in **line item** appropriations. The \$1,167,283.18 loss is the loss projected for the coming school year and most observers feel the loss will be greater because of oil is below \$18.00 per barrel and revenues were projected on \$18.00 per barrel prices. I am of the opinion that we must cut \$1.5 million from next years budget in order to anticipate further cuts. Our staff is working in trying to make these cuts. I am requesting your cooperation, understanding and concern that we make these reductions as painless as possible.

Proposed cuts for FY 86-87 Legislative Projection Report 145B

State Aid	Reduction/State Aid	Loss	Percentage
\$6,224,551.	\$5,231,435.00	(993,116)	-.16
Additional Losses	Loss	Percentage	
Purchase of Textbooks	(63,664.10)	-35.2208%	
Staff Development	(2,149.70)	-14%	
Teacher Consultant Stipend	(1,260.00)	-14%	
Library Resources	(4,982.60)	-49.8260%	
Supplementary Textbooks & Materials	(19,553.00)	-100%	
Transportation Grant	(41,670.00)	-100%	
Homebound Education	(3,097.78)	-14%	
School Lunch Programs	(37,800.00)	-14%	
	(174,177.18)		
Total State Aid Loss	993,116.00		
Total Program Loss	174,177.18		
Total Loss	(1,167,293.18)		

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APRIL EDUCATOR/ EMPLOYEE NAMED

There are many adjectives to describe this Educator of the Month --- DEDICATED, EFFICIENT, INTERESTING, and CREATIVE. This teacher performs the tasks required in the classroom and outside the classroom for the total and best interests of his students. He has high goals and expectations and requires that students perform to their highest level of excellence.

He is always in search of new ideas for the improvement of the curriculum at the junior high. This teacher is none other than Union Junior High School English teacher Richard Storm.



Richard Storm

The faculty, staff, and students proudly congratulate Mr. Storm for this honor as the Union Educator of the Month. Mr. Storm has taught at the junior high for nine years in the English department and has been the department chairman for five years. Besides his classroom duties, he has had the newspaper staff, the yearbook staff, has taught creative writing, and has been a "building block" to the total curriculum. The teachers in his department say his attributes for being the department chairman are that he listens to the problems and concerns of department teachers and he is willing to offer suggestions, ideas, and solutions. First and foremost, he shares!

Richard Storm is a "teacher among teachers." Union Junior High School salutes this teacher of the month. He accentuates the teaching at Union Junior High School.



Robert Orosco, building engineer at Union High School has been named Employee of the Month for April, 1986.

Robert has been employed at Union for five years. His first assignment was night supervisor working with the night custodians in their job assignments. His present assignment at the High School has been for 3½ years. Robert says "it's an honor to receive this award, but you are only as good as your crew".



Robert Orosco

Mr. Kennedy, Director of Maintenance, says, "he takes his job seriously working with students and faculty in making the school run smoothly". The staff and students appreciate his willing attitude.

Congratulations, Richard and Robert!!!!

DISTRICT SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS



Winners in the Biological division were, left to right, Miranda Morris, Jeff Baker, and Kim Wright.



Physical division winners included, left to right, Stephanie Henderson, Whitney Benedetti, and Krista Erikson. Krista Erikson also won Best of Show.



Winners in the Earth Science division were, left to right, Amanda Hale, David Fitzgerald, and Gina Sewell.



Mathematics division winners included, left to right, Caitlin McArthur-Sauntner, David White, and Kelly Szofer.



Winners in the Behavioral division were, left to right, Senta Roberts, Trinn Speicher, and John Moore.



Environmental division winners included, left to right, Anne Reed, Jimmy Larese, and David Hedden.



Seventh Grade Science Fair winner include, left to right, Stan Lewis, Becky Clubb, Chris Evans, Amy Hale, Matt Thummel, Jason Zahn, and David Renard.



Winners of the Junior High Science Fair include, left to right, Steve Larese, Cassandra Seals, Mike Clancy, Samer Abufadil, Kristi Hime, Chris Allen, and Kristen Sumner.

BOARD ACTION

SPECIAL MEETING

The Union Board of Education met in special session on the 3rd day of March, 1986. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum present. The following action was taken:

(1) A resolution was introduced authorizing the calling and holding of a bond election held on April 22, 1986, for the purpose of submitting to the registered, qualified electors of Union School District a bond issue proposal of \$12,000,000.

REGULAR MEETING

The Union Board of Education met in regular session on the 3rd day of March, 1986. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present. The following actions were taken:

(1) Motion: to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda consisted of approving the minutes of February 2nd, 3rd, 6th and 17th, 1986 as presented, approving a resolution "allowing the school district treasurer to deposit all idle funds into interest bearing accounts at the highest rate available", approving the monthly payroll and operating expenses and approving bond fund claims #67-72 in the amount of \$392,275.48.

Approved: 5-0

(2) Following comments from the floor, Dr. Jarman gave the construction update. Motion: to approve Change Order #5 at the High School on Phase IV in the amount of \$72,017.00.

Approved: 5-0

(3) Mr. Stockstill introduced Emagene Howell, a custodian at Clark Elementary as Employee of the Month. Mr. Harmon introduced Delores Arrowood, American Literature teacher at the High School as Educator of the Month.

(4) Motion: to strike paragraph 2 from Policy 4025 - Student-Staff Relations.

Approved: 4-1

(5) Motion: to approve Board Policy 4025-Student-Staff Relations as amended.

Approved: 4-1

(6) Motion: to approve a proclamation honoring the nation's teachers and more specifically to honor Union's teachers on March 4, 1986.

Approved: 5-0

(7) Motion: to accept the resignation of Mary Peden, effective immediately and the resignation of Kelly Clarke, effective at the end of the school year.

Approved: 5-0

(8) Motion: to approve Proposal #4 as the school calendar. The discussion that the majority of the teachers did not favor this proposal. The calendar corresponds with the Tulsa and Broken Arrow calendars. School would start on September 2 (after Labor Day) and end on June 3.

Approved: 3-2

(9) Mr. Coats announced that Clark Elementary had been selected as a finalist in the State Elementary School Recognition program. Mr. Coats announced that he has to leave and would not be present for the Executive Session.

(10) Motion: to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. to consider personnel matters relating to employment and hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining, or resignation of individual salaried public officers, employees, or teachers of Independent School District No. Nine of Tulsa County, Oklahoma with the Board returning to open session to vote.

Approved: 5-0

(11) Motion: to return to regular session at 9:21 p.m.

Approved: 4-0

(12) Motion: to re-hire 455 certified staff members.

Approved: 4-0

(13) Motion: to adjourn at 9:32 p.m. until the next regular meeting or any other meeting required for conducting school business.

SPECIAL MEETING

The Union Board of Education met in special session on the 10th day of March, 1986. The meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m. with a quorum present. The following actions were taken:

(1) A public forum was conducted to hear concerns and questions from Union patrons regarding the proposed redistricting plans.

(2) The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled meeting or any other meeting required for conducting school business.

RUMOR CONTROL

Rumors affect our daily lives and complicate work production. If you hear a rumor and want to check its truth, call Rumor Control - 252-3561

It's Working!



SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK PLANNED

The week of April 20-26 is the second Oklahoma School Lunch Week by proclamation of the Governor. It is scheduled to coordinate with educational activities of Land Rush Days.

Union will be celebrating Oklahoma School Lunch Week with special fun menus featuring native foods produced in the state. Some lucky students eating plate lunches will win a prize during this special week. Please help by

encouraging your children to participate in this historic week - **EAT LUNCH WITH US.**

School Food Service Programs make a significant contribution to Oklahoma's economy. In 1984-85 approximately 41 million dollars was spent for food and milk and 43 million dollars for wages for the 7500 Oklahoma School Food Service employees.

MONDAY

Pioneer Day

Chuck Wagon Burger
Spuds (tator tots)
Frontier Mixed Vegetables
Granny's Calico Cookie
Meadow Milk

TUESDAY

Settler's Day

Campfire Bean Chowder
Alfalfa Bill Salad
Porter Peach Tree Mix
Wagon Wheel Roll
Homestead Milk

WEDNESDAY

Dust Bowl Days

Church-House Cluckers
Tornado Spuds
Oasis Beans
Black Gold Birthday Cake
Squaw roll
Ice Box Quencher

THURSDAY

Okie-Agri Day

Sooner Pizza
Okie Okra
Golden Ears
Red Valley Wedges (apples)
Jersey Milk

FRIDAY

Oklahoma Native Citizen Day

Deer Creek Fillet (Fish)
Tomahawk Taters (Potato wedges)
Fresh Garden Salad/Dip
Mud Pie Pudding
Prairie Milk

TRANSFER RENEWAL FORMS DUE SOON

Students attending Union Elementary Schools on inside the district transfers will be receiving a renewal form from your child's school within the next few weeks. Parents, please complete the application if you wish to renew your child's/children's transfer and return to the school office. The guidelines are as follows:

- (1) Transfer requests are not automatically renewed and must be applied for each year.
- (2) Parents assume responsibility for student's transportation.
- (3) In any situation where a school is overcrowded, the request for transfers may be revoked.
- (4) In the event a school becomes overcrowded during the school year, any or all transfers may be revoked.
- (5) Transfer requests may be denied or revoked upon written request from the principal, subject to approval of the Director of Elementary Education.

It is our desire to work with parents in meeting special school needs. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call Ken Bibb, Director of Elementary Education, at 252-3561.

86-87 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Teacher Orientation August 27, 1986
Teacher Report/Staff Development . . . August 28, 1986
Staff Development Day August 29, 1986
Labor Day September 1, 1986
First Day of School September 2, 1986
State Teacher Meeting October 16 & 17, 1986
End First Quarter October 31, 1986
Begin Second Quarter November 13, 1986
Thanksgiving Holidays November 27 & 28, 1986
Winter Vacation December 22-January 2, 1987
End Second Quarter/1st Semester . . . January 16, 1987
Teacher Work Day January 19, 1987
Begin Third Quarter/2nd Semester . . . January 20, 1987
Staff Development Day/President's Day . . Feb. 16, 1987
End Third Quarter March 20, 1987
Spring Vacation March 23-27, 1987
Begin Fourth Quarter March 30, 1987
Memorial Day May 25, 1987
End Fourth Quarter/2nd Semester June 3, 1987
Teacher Work Day June 4, 1987

KINDERGARTEN PRE-ENROLLMENT PLANNED MAY 6

Kindergarten pre-enrollment will be held at each Union Elementary School for future kindergarteners who will be five years of age on or before the first day of September, 1986.

Parents may enroll their children on May 6, 1986 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Birth certificate and immunization record are required for enrollment.

ANDERSEN FIRST SEMESTER HONOR ROLL



Jennifer Aldrich, David Anderson, Patricia Arri, Mike Barnes, Wendy Batts, Chrissi Bissonnette, Heather Brown, Kyle Burchart, Alex Chandler, Robert Carnoske, Alex Caroselli, Christine Caroselli, Jessica Clemmer, Brenda Craig, Sarah Dawson, Tiffany Evenstad, Mindy Fry, Tina Fujikawa, Jeff Gaffen, Scott Gaffen, Sheree Germana, Dawn Grove, Nicole Hefner, Jami Hill, Melissa Jones, Skip Joy, Susan Kline, Christopher Lipasek, David Long, Jason MacZura, Aminah Makhdoom, Marnee Meyer, Cord Moorehead, Kelly Morrow, Joey Orvis, Jenny Patton, Ashleigh Raney, Heather Richardson, Lisa Roberts, Randy Sparks, Shannon Wall, Amy Williams, Jennifer Willis, Kenny Woodruff, and Heather Wyatt.

These students, through outstanding classroom performance, have been named to the Andersen Elementary School's Honor Roll. This recognition is based on academic achievement for the first semester, 1985/86.

ANDERSEN SAFETY PATROL



Back, right to left, Luis Arri, Dan Zuschlag, John Dill, Trier Davenport, Gina Sewell, Libby Sumner, Shannon Wall, Gina Pavelka, Millie Ables, Michelle Pope, Jana Drake. Middle, right to left, Amy Williams, Natalie Fujikawa, Carolyn Mercer, Ashely Berry, Amy Williams, Brandy Snyder, Blake Hendricks, Robbie Ballard. Front, right to left, Matt Montgomery, Ryan Hackler, David Long, Delphine Renard, Jennifer Sloan, Jennifer Gibson, Lori Brady, Chris Noley.



Left to right, 1st row, Matt Mellage, 4th-Cord Moorhead, 5th-Marisa Johnson, 5th-Carolyn Mercer. 2nd row, Greg Kelly, 6th-Susan Kline, and 5th-Traci Nelson. 3rd row, Krista Erickson, Grand Champion 6th-Gina Sewell, 6th-Jennifer Madden, 6th-Trier Davenport, 6th-Natalie Fujikawa.

SCIENCE FAIR WINNER

The 2nd Annual Andersen Science Fair was held February 20, 1986. There were thirty-six projects in 4th, 5th, and 6th grades. We were very pleased with the quality of the projects this year. We have five district winners from Andersen this year. They were: 6th grade, Trier Davenport (3rd in Mathematics), Gina Sewell (1st in Earth Science), and Krista Erickson, (1st in Physical Science). 5th grader, Cord Moorehead, (2nd in Mathematics) and 4th grader, Caitlan McArthur-Saunter (1st in Mathematics). The "Best of the Show" in the District Fair was also from Andersen. Our congratulations go to this year's Union District Grand Champion Elementary Science Fair Winner - **Krista Erickson**. Krista will be participating in the Tulsa County Science Fair on March 19, 1986 at the EXPO Square. Good Luck, Krista!

BRIARGLEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Briarglen Elementary holds the distinction of being the first neighborhood elementary school that the district constructed and the only elementary school which derives its name from the neighborhood. With a student enrollment of 630-640, Briarglen is "Big enough to serve. . . Small enough to care".

Briarglen was build in four phases beginning in 1970 and ending in 1984 with a major renovation eliminating all

portable classrooms. All 56,573 feet are fully air conditioned and heated helping create an optimum educational environment.

At Briarglen, our philosophy is based on the belief that there are three groups of people who guarantee the mental health and intelligence of future generations: students, teachers, and parents. The potential influence and power of these three groups is awesome.

BRAVE PRIDE - OUR STUDENTS!



Yuriko Hashimoto (right), Japanese student, who spent seven months at Briarglen, with her 5th grade teacher, Mrs. Carmichael. Yuriko returned to Japan in March.



Gena Shadrick receiving bronze medal for winning first place in Daughters of American Revolution essay contest for Tulsa 5th graders.



Miss Montgomery takes her 1st grade class to Williams Center for a Saturday treat.



Mrs. McClure's first grade class Thanksgiving Feast (left to right) Diedra Dunbar, Amanda Pierce, Emily Thomas, and Christopher Ashworth.



Fifth and sixth grade talent show.



Volunteer working with 1st grade student.



Career Education visitor, 2nd grade.



Sixth grade tether-ball tournament.



Anne Reed District 4th grade 1st place Environmental-Science Fair winner.

EMPLOYEES RECEIVE SERVICE PIN AWARD

A total of 98 service pins were awarded to Union employees on Friday, March 7, 1986 at Union High School Performing Arts Center.

20 Years

Sandy Mann, Darnaby

15 Years

Patrick Bell, High School; Jan Bruns, Peters; Geraldine Daylor, Clark; Carol Lavendusky, High School; Kathy Montgomery, Darnaby; Betty Oatout, Boevers

10 Years

Pat Archer-Lester, Boevers; Julia Banks, Boevers; Victoria Briggs, 7th Grade Center; Jacci Brown, Peters; Deborah Carosielli, Grove; Michael Carosielli, Jr. High; Mary Dalton, Briarglen; Becky Denson, Jr. High; Joe Elder, High School; Dale Givens, Warehouse Director; Barbara Graybill, Briarglen; Anamarie Hurt, Grove; Richard Maule, Jr. High; Steven Miller, High School; Dianne Moore, Grove; Jenny Rampey, Jr. High; Joan Ratliff, Andersen, Andersen; J.L. Roach, Jr. High; Janet Shaffer, Jr. High; Jean Sims, Peters; Ed Tackett, Director of Fine Arts; Neoma Waller, Boevers; Mary Wheeler, Peters; Frances Wolfe, Clark; Lana Yates, High School.

5 Years

Edith Allen, Grove; Jane Anderson, Darnaby; Terry

GET A HEAD START AT UNION'S MEDIA CENTERS

Union students, staff, and parents are able to "Get a Head Start" on learning by utilizing our media centers this month. April is National School Library Media Month and our schools are joining in the celebration with a number of special events. They began on April 1 with a Nation-wide Read-In. At 10:30, all students and staff Dropped Everything and Read for 30 minutes to officially begin the celebration.

A display at the State Capitol Rotunda featured paper chains decorated with favorite books and media center activities. This display, created by students from Union and other schools across the state was presented to Governor Nigh on April 1 by students from Clark Elementary. The chains symbolically link our state's library media centers to the state legislature and will remind our representatives of the importance of libraries and learning.

Local activities include programs at Tom. W. Peters and the Junior High presented by author Robert Newton Peck. He will talk with the students about creative writing and will relate some of his experiences in writing his highly successful novels.

Each school has a variety of activities planned from bookmark contests to special storytelling sessions. Check with your media center this month and **Get a Head Start on Learning!**



Sandy Mann, second from left, received a 20 year service pin from Dr. Wesley Jarman, left, also shown are Joe Eidson, second from right, Community Relations Director, and Jerald Williams, Assistant Superintendent of Personnel.

Austin, High School; Ted Auwen, Jr. High; Karon Bills, High School; Vicki Borum, Andersen; Mary Buck, Andersen; Cynthia Burnett, Boevers; Melvin Butler, Maintenance; Joyce Cawood, Ad. Center; Edna Cooper, Boevers; Joe Eidson, Director of Community Relations; Kenille Elmore, High School; Linda Elsberry, Ad. Center; Ann Ewing, Briarglen; Jane Finley, High School; Joe Gill, Director of Transportation; Moreen Gourdie, 7th Grade Center; Donna Graybill, Ad. Center; Kathy Griffey, Grove; Judy Haines, High School; Rowena Hall, Darnaby; Carolyn Handy, Briarglen; Reba Harjo, Boevers; Darla Harris, High School; Jenny Hays, Briarglen; Judy Hays, Darnaby; Betty Hensley, Jr. High; Jo Hillman, Ad. Center; Jody Hobson, Boevers; David Hudson, High School; Timothy Johnson, High School; Nancy Kavanaugh, Grove; Kelly Kennedy, Transportation; Chris Knight, Boevers; Sue Kirk, Clark; Helen Klasing, 7th Grade Center; Fran Lazzara, Peters; Janice Luce, Boevers; Kay Lybarger, Jr. High; Jeannie McClure, Boevers; Suzanne McDonnell, Darnaby; Lavena McGraw, Boevers; Carole Miller, Andersen; Connie Miller, Clark; Rose Morse, Jr. High; Art Naylor, High School; Rus Nordean, Director of EDP Services; Kay Nunneley, 7th Grade Center; Tom O'Malley, Jr. High; Robert Orosco, High School; Jim Perry, Service Center; Jennifer Randal, Clark; Stan Rinehart, Service Center; Curt Risner, High School; Mark Rogers, Andersen; Linda Smith, Darnaby; Julie Sumner, Andersen; Patricia VanTriest, Boevers; Linda Walker, Briarglen; Matt Walker, Service Center; Pam Wallace, High School; Shirley Waner, Andersen; Cheryl Ward, Clark; Scheary York, Boevers; Pat Young, Clark.

UNION STUDENTS DISPLAY ART

Several Union High School students were honored in the Young Talent in Oklahoma 26th annual competition for 1986.

Missy Koskey - Merit (Commercial Award), cash award and gift certificate. Exhibited: Missie Smith, Grace Kong, Leon Shepard, Holly Willard, and Dawn Van Hoose.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM GOOD FOR UNION

In light of the budget crunch facing all the schools across our city, state, and nation we are faced with quite a dilemma. The school systems are asked to cut back in an age when a quality education is a vital need both individually for the learner and collectively for the benefit of the whole state.

It is now more important than ever for the community to play an active roll in our schools. We can start right here, where we are, in our own local schools sharing our time, expertise, creativity and material support.

Even businesses are becoming aware of their eminent roll in the education of the community around them. Business partnerships are of immeasurable worth to our children both in immediate physical needs to be met and also in

career awareness. Improved education promotes business growth in a community and businesses are beginning to realize that they are helping to develop their own future resources.

Union Public Schools is not sitting back and waiting to see what happens. In just short of one year the School Volunteer Program has already engaged community support from the Marriott, Public Service Company of Oklahoma and Amoco's Physics Enrichment Lab. These generous companies have provided many opportunities for Union students this year and more in depth programs are continuing to be developed for the future.

Community volunteers including parents, senior citizens, students and interested organizations have contributed over 5,000 hours already this school year which is worth \$35,000 of goods and services to Union Schools. It is easy to see that Union patrons are very proud of Union Public Schools. Union Pride is alive! Call the Union Volunteer Office 252-3561 for more information.



Volunteer efforts at Grove are really spectacular. Jackie Brisco and Karen Lewis have developed a computer lab in which ten parent volunteers direct children in grades 2-6 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday each week. Our hats are off to Jackie Brisco, Betty Burnett, Linda Forbes, Cindy Jones, Karen Lewis, Maxine McKay, Kit Nagy, Pat Nielson, Michele Smith and Sandy Snyder for a job well done.



At Peters, Carol Jackson, Carla Livingston, and Nancy Franklin are busy volunteering while the office staff is in computer training. We couldn't do it without you! Thank you!, Thank you!



Three Union students served as pages in the Oklahoma House of Representatives during the week of February 10-13 as guests of Representative Jim Willaimson, District 76. Pictured are, left to right, Laurie Mercer, 7th grade, Amy Rimmer, 8th grade, Representative Jim Williamson, District 76, Curtis Pinkerton, student from Tulsa, and Scott Jackson, 9th grade.

UNION STUDENT TOP SPELLER

Brian Ess, a 13-year-old eight grader from Union Junior High School, spelled heinous correctly to win the 48th Annual Tulsa Tribune City Spelling Bee on March 1, 1986.

Brian, the son of Bill and Shirley Ess, defeated Sarah Evans, an eight-grader at Marquette School, for the title.

Brian and Sarah faced off after the 13th round when Chris Tucker, a fifth-grader from Southpark Christian School, misspelled mistique.



Brian Ess



UNION HIGHSTEPPERS TAKE TOP HONORS

The Union Highsteppers competed in the Arkansas-Oklahoma Regional Competition on February 22 and the Oklahoma State Competition on March 7 and 8.

At the Arkansas-Oklahoma Competition held in Fort Smith, Arkansas, the team received Division I awards in Novelty, Jazz, and Highkick and also took home a Sweepstakes Trophy for receiving a Division I in three routines.

In the individual contest, Marissa Lebleu and Kim Harris were selected as two of the six finalists. Miss Kim Harris won the title of Miss Arkansas-Oklahoma Halftime.

In the officer category, the Union officers won a Division I Trophy for their Jazz Routine.

There were approximately 20 teams from Arkansas and Oklahoma competing in the Arkansas-Oklahoma Competition.

At the Oklahoma State Competition held in Jenks, Oklahoma, the Highsteppers once again received top honors winning the Sweepstakes trophy for the third year in a row.

In the team competition, the Highsteppers won the Jazz and Novelty categories and took third in Highkick.

In the individual contest, four Highsteppers were selected out of seven finalists. The finalists were Valerie Becknell, Karann Brandt, Kim Harris, and Suzy Huffman. At the finals, Karann Brandt was selected as Miss Oklahoma Drill and Kim Harris took third place.

Approximately 15 Drill Team squads competed in the Oklahoma State Competition.

★ATTENTION★

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

BOND ELECTION

Polling places:

- (1) Briarglen Elementary
3303 S. 121st E. Ave.
Tulsa, Oklahoma
- (2) Darnaby Elementary
7625 E. 87th St. S.
Tulsa, Oklahoma
- (3) Peters Elementary
2900 W. College
Broken Arrow, Oklahoma
- (4) Union Junior High
1601 S. Garnett
(66th & S. Garnett, Tulsa)
Broken Arrow, Oklahoma

Polls open from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

WINNER

Keri Baxter has a trophy in the main office that she won in the free-throw contest for arthritis. She won 1st place in her division and was presented with the trophy at the Missouri Valley Conference game Wednesday night.



Keri Baxter

✓ MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 1-30

National School Library Media Month

April 14-18Boevers - Teacher Appreciation Week
Junior High - ARC Teacher of the Week Contest**April 14-17**

Junior High - Cheerleading Clinic (Wrestling)

April 15Clark - Philharmonic Presentation (5th grade) 9:30-10:20 a.m.
Darnaby - Rangers & Company Band & Orchestra Concert
PAC - Woody Herman concert sponsored by Union Band Parents
\$7.00 advance tickets; \$9.00 at the door
High School - Vocal Solo & Ensemble Concert 7:00 p.m. Studio Theater
Golf - Mohawk #1 Owasso, Janks, Edison**April 15-18**

Baseball (J.V.) Bixby Tournament

April 16Darnaby - 6th grade field trip to Omniplex
7th Grade Center - Walk for Mankind Assembly (2nd hr.)
Tennis - Union vs. Bartlesville (there)
Golf - Union, Indian Springs, Broken Arrow, Sapulpa, & Sand Springs**April 17-19**

Junior High - Musical UPAC

April 17Clark - Sixth grade musical program
Peters - Philharmonic Slide Presentation (5th grade) 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Peters - PTA Skating 4-6:00 p.m.
Tennis - Union vs. Cascia Hall (there)
Tennis - Union vs. Monte Casino (here)**April 18 & 19**

Tennis - Jr. Open at Holland Hall

April 18Clark - Progress Reports
Darnaby - Park Terrace Nursing home visitors to 2nd grade classes
Junior High - Cheerleading Tryouts (Wrestling)
Boevers - "Story Book Character Day" 3rd grade
Boevers - Blood Bank Drive
Baseball - Union vs. Sand Springs there 3:30 p.m.
Track - Meet at Broken Arrow
Tennis - Bartlesville Tournament**April 19**Gymnastics - Class 4 Sectionals
Baseball - Union vs. Noosha, MD. (there 1:00 p.m.)
High School - Student Congress at Janks sponsored by National Forensic League**April 20-26**

Oklahoma School Lunch Week

April 20

UPAC - Gracemont Baptist Church Performance 4:00 & 7:00 p.m.

April 21

High School College & Careers night 7-9 p.m.

April 21-25

Gates-MacGinitie Testing (Grades 1-5) All elementaries

April 21-26

YOUTHARTS 86! District Arts Festival UPAC & STUDIO THEATRE

April 21Baseball - Union vs. Stillwater there 4:00 p.m.
Tennis - Regionals (girls)**April 22****BOND ELECTION**
Tennis - Junior High vs. Broken Arrow at Indian Springs**April 24 & 25**

Grove - 3rd grade visits Casa Bonita

April 23Peters - Author Robert Peck (4-6th grades)
Baseball - Union vs. Hale here 3:30 p.m.
Golf - Regionals girls**April 24**PTA Spring Banquet UHS
Junior High - Robert Newton Peck, author program
Baseball - Union vs. Owasso here 3:30 p.m.
Tennis - Regionals (boys)**April 24-27**

High School - DECA Nationals - Atlanta, Georgia

April 25Clark - 5th grade field trip Gilcrease 9:00 p.m.
Darnaby - Park Terrace Nursing Home visitors to 3rd & 4th grade classes
Peters - 4th grade field trip
Track - Frontier Conference meet at Sand Springs**April 26**

Gymnastics - Class 3 Sectionals

April 27

UPAC - TJC Community Band & Orchestra Concert 3:00 p.m.

April 28Baseball - Union vs. Hale-Lafortune 7:30 p.m.
Golf - Regionals (boys)**April 28 & 29****Tennis - Girls State Tournament****April 29**Boevers - PTA Spring Banquet - Candlewood Club
Track - Junior High Arkansas Valley meet at Union**April 30**

Golf - State Tournament (girls)

May 1-3

Baseball - Regional Tournament

May 1Junior High - 7th Grade Orientation Commons, 7:30-9:00 p.m.
Anderson - 3rd grade musical "Goin' Buggy" 7:00 p.m.
High School - Gym meet Regionals (Dallas)**May 2 & 3**

UPAC - High School Play "The Act of Dining" 7:30 p.m.

May 2Boevers - Jog-A-Thon
Darnaby - Park Terrace Nursing Home visitors - 5th graders
Darnaby - 4th grade field trip to Oxley Nature Center**May 3**

High School - Track meet (regional)

May 4

UPAC - Tulsa Youth Symphony Concert 3:00 p.m.

May 5 & 6

High School - Tennis Boys State

May 5-9

Junior High - Freshman Week

May 5

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

May 6-9

Clark - Slide Presentation for 5th grade by Gilcrease

May 6Kindergarten Pre-enrollment (all elementaries) 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Adm. Center - PTA Council Board Meeting 10:00 a.m.
High School - Jazz Band Concert UPAC 7:30 p.m.
High School - Drill Team parents meeting 7:00 p.m. Conference Room A (south)**May 8-10**

Baseball State Tournament

May 8Junior High - Volunteer Recognition Dessert - 7:00 p.m. Commons
High School - Vocal Music Spring Concert UPAC 7:30 p.m.
High School - UCTA Meeting Room 2011 7:30 a.m.**May 9 & 10**

High School - State Track meet at Moore, Oklahoma

May 9Junior High - Awards assembly (1st hour)
Junior High - Freshman Dance Commons
Darnaby - Park Terrace Nursing Home visitors to Darnaby 6th grades
7th Grade Center - 6th grade PTA sponsored orientation & dance 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Grove - Field Trip to Woolaroc (6th grade)
High School - Band Banquet Commons Area 5:30-9:00 p.m.**May 10**High School - Mother-Daughter Senior Tea 2-4:00 p.m. UPAC
UPAC - Shari Lewis Dance Studio Performance 6:00 p.m.**May 12**

UPAC 7th grade Vocal Concert

May 13

TENTH ANNUAL ELEMENTARY TRACK MEET

May 13Adm. Center - PTA Council Meeting 9:30 a.m.
Clark - PTA Council Meeting
Junior High & 7th Grade Center - Orchestra Concert UPAC 7:30 p.m.
Junior High - Jay Storch 7:50 a.m. & 8:30 a.m.**May 14**Peters - PTA Popcorn Day
UPAC - Gymnastics Show 3:00 p.m.**May 15**Junior High - Vocal Concert UPAC 7:00 p.m.
Clark - Skating Party
Junior High - National Jr. Honor Society Induction 7:30 p.m. Commons
Peters - PTA Skating Day 4-6 p.m.

REDSKIN TALK

MAKING ENDS MEET

The Spring is a busy time as ten of our 20 sports are conducted in this season. On any given day we might have as many as 8 or 9 activities scheduled at many different locations.

One can only hope that this kind of program will continue at Union. As the state legislature gropes for way to make ends meet, the athletic departments will be looking at various solutions to our funding short fall. We must all work together in order to continue this quality program.

At this time we are not looking to drop any sport. Our travel and meal allowances will be reduced and in some cases the number of events may have to be reduced. Hopefully, we will not have to reduce the staff size so as to maintain a quality coaching level. Budgets will most certainly be reduced which will cause us to emphasize fund raising at all levels.

The key factor to making ends meet in athletics will be increasing gate receipts through increased attendance at all activities. At this point in time we do not anticipate any major ticket price increases. There will only be a slight increase overall. We are now planning promotions for each of our varsity home games or matches. Since gate receipts are 80% of our budget, it is imperative that we increase the attendance level or our games at all levels.



Gil Cloud
Director of Athletics

We are offering our season football ticket holder a discount ticket price for the 1986 season. Any current season ticket holder who renews their tickets before May 1st will save \$5.00 per ticket. This includes reserved seats only. After May 1st season tickets will be \$20.00 each. Our home football schedule will include Broken Arrow and Washington among others. This will be one of the best home schedules in many years.

The elementary physical education teachers are working very hard to produce the 10th Annual Elementary Track Meet. The date is May 13th. The meet this year promises to be the best ever.

-COMMENT-

As we face these difficult times financially, we can only hope that your continued support will help our kids keep their programs at a level at which we have all become accustomed. Now more than ever before, your attendance at games will be most important. I know, that as in the past you will respond to help our kids.

I want to urge you also to approve the upcoming bond issue on April 22nd. While nothing on the issue will directly affect the athletic program, all programs at Union benefit from a positive response from the community.



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