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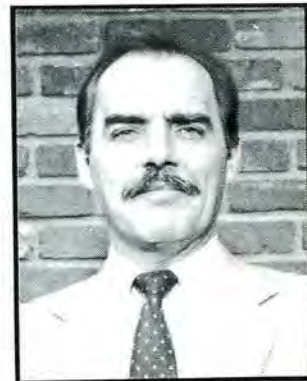
National Merit Finalists Announced

Nine Union High School students have qualified as National Merit Scholarship Finalists. They are David DeVries, Erica Grundmann, Michelle Hall, Benjamin Lok, David Long, Andrea Moeller, Emily Steele, Carol Street, and Andrew Zolner. "This speaks very highly of the aptitude and ability of the students and the strength of our staff," said high school principal Mike O'Hara. "We have a strong program that encourages students to excel."

To qualify as a finalist, students must have an outstanding academic record, be endorsed and recommended by their principal, confirm PSAT/NMSQT performance on the SAT test, and complete a detailed application that includes a self-description and information about scholastic accomplishments, school and community activities, educational plans and goals. Finalists are eligible to be considered for National Merit Scholarships to be announced in April and May.

New Board Member Elected

James B. Williams was elected to the Zone 3 seat on the Union Board of Education in the February 9 election. He is a graduate of Pryor



James B. Williams

High School and holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Oklahoma State University.

Williams is an independent insurance agent with Rosenheck &

Co., Inc. He and his wife Carol have two daughters who attend Briarglen, and he has been a member of the Briarglen PTA for six years.



Youngsters in the high school child development class playschool give Katrina McKire (left) and Natalie Hyatt their undivided attention during storytime. (Story on Page 3)

Board Adopts Student Assistance Policy

The Board of Education adopted a new Student Assistance Policy at the regular board meeting March 8, 1993. The policy deals with student possession, use and/or sale of alcohol, drugs, or other illegal or controlled substances on school property or at school-related functions and is scheduled to take effect with the '93-94 school year.

In keeping with the district's mission of providing a quality education, all students are encouraged to seek professional help for problems with substance abuse. A student who approaches the professional staff seeking help for a substance abuse problem will receive amnesty and will not be subject to suspension under the policy guidelines.

A student's first offense would result in a 45-day suspension which may be shortened if the student and parent/guardian consent to a drug and alcohol screening, attend counseling, and sign a behavior contract prior to the student's return to school. Any subsequent offense would result in suspension for the remainder of the current semester and the succeeding semester.

Questions about the Student Assistance Policy may be directed to the office of the Director of Athletics/Student Health Services at 254-8879.



High School principal Mike O'Hara presents senior Alison Andrus the award for being named KOTV Channel 6 "Athlete of the Week." Alison, a pitcher for the state championship softball team, pitched 20 shutout innings in the '92 state tournament and has a career record of 67-7.

Youtharts! '93

Sunday, April 25, 1993

2:00 P.M. - High School Vocal Concert - UPAC Main Stage

Monday, April 26, 1993

4:00-9:00 P.M. - District Visual Arts Exhibition, UPAC Lobby & Annex

6:15 P.M. - 7th Grade Drama Production - UPAC Lobby

Jr. High/High School Jazz Bands - UPAC Lobby Stage

7:00 P.M. - District Band Concert - UPAC Main Stage

Competitive Speech & Debate - UPAC Lobby Stage

7:30 P.M. - High School Drama Production - UPAC Studio Theater

Tuesday, April 27, 1993

3:30-9:30 P.M. - District Visual Arts Exhibition, UPAC Lobby & Annex

6:30 P.M. - Arts Ltd. Quickdraw Demonstration - UPAC Lobby Stage area

6:30-8:00 P.M. - Arts Ltd. Exhibition - UPAC Lobby Stage area

6:15 P.M. - Jr. High/High School String Quartets - UPAC Lobby Stage

7:00 P.M. - District Orchestra Concert - UPAC Main Stage

7:30 P.M. - High School Drama Production - UPAC Studio Theater

Wednesday, April 28, 1993

3:30-6:30 P.M. - District Visual Arts Exhibition, UPAC Lobby & Annex

Thursday, April 29, 1993

3:30-9:30 P.M. - District Visual Arts Exhibition, UPAC Lobby & Annex

6:30 P.M. - Grove Elementary Vocal Ensembles - UPAC Lobby Stage

7:00 P.M. - District Vocal Concert - UPAC Main Stage

Junior High Drama Production - UPAC Lobby Stage

7:30 P.M. - High School Drama Production - UPAC Studio Theater

Friday, April 30, 1993

3:30-8:00 P.M. - District Visual Arts Exhibition, UPAC Lobby & Annex

6:30 & 6:50 P.M. - Briarglen Elementary Production - UPAC Main Stage

7:30 P.M. - "The Art of Dance" - UPAC Main Stage

7:30 P.M. - High School Drama Production - UPAC Studio Theater

UNION PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1993-94

First Day of School - Aug. 16, 1993

Labor Day - Sept. 6, 1993

End 1st Quarter - Oct. 13, 1993

State Teachers Mtg. - Oct. 14-15, 1993

Begin 2nd Quarter - Oct. 18, 1993

Thanksgiving Holidays - Nov. 25-26, 1993

End 2nd Quarter - Dec. 21, 1993

WINTER VACATION

DECEMBER 22-DECEMBER 31, 1993

Begin 3rd Quarter/2nd Sem. - Jan. 3, 1994

Staff Development Day - Jan. 17, 1994

Staff Development Day - Feb. 21, 1994

End Third Quarter - March 4, 1994

Begin Fourth Quarter - March 7, 1994

SPRING BREAK

MARCH 21-MARCH 25, 1994

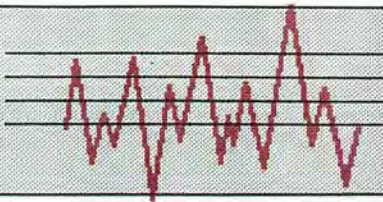
Staff Development Day - April 18, 1994

Last Day of School - May 16, 1994

Current Issues

Grades 7-12 To See Changes Soon

by Dr. Timothy R. Jenney, Superintendent



The long-awaited reorganization of Union's secondary schools is nearly upon us. When the school doors open next fall, some student grade levels will be located in different buildings. The eleventh and twelfth grades will be at the high school on Mingo, and the ninth and tenth grades will be at the intermediate high on Garnett. Current seventh grade students will return to the same building on Garnett between 61st and 71st streets, only this time a little older and wiser as eighth graders. Students in Level 7 will occupy the new structure currently under construction on East 61st Street near Highway 169.

Because of Union's rapid growth, the decision to address the most critical need -- overcrowding at the high school -- was initiated nearly two years ago. A broad-based task force tackled the issue which was ultimately confirmed by the Board of Education and the community. The 1991 bond election was a direct result of the decision to reconfigure the secondary delivery system, and community support was overwhelming with nearly 72 percent voting "yes" for the new seventh/sixth grade centers.

Occupying a new building, moving more than 150 staff members, and changing over many

curriculum issues will make for a busy summer. As the teaching and support staffs begin forming a new environment in their schools, we will all seek to make the "new assignment" exciting for the students.



Fine Arts Awards

In District Orchestra Competition Feb. 23-24, the high school orchestra and the junior high 8th and 9th grade orchestras received superior ratings in Concert Performance and excellent ratings in Sight Reading. The 8th grade orchestra received excellent ratings in both Concert and Sight Reading.

In District Solo and Ensemble Competition Feb. 20, 14 high school vocalists received superior ratings and qualified for State. Seven high school orchestra soloists and ensemble members qualified for State, and nine soloists and 14 ensembles from the high school band will advance to State.

The seventh grade Concert Chorus, the eighth and ninth grade Concert Chorus, and Sweet Harmony competed at **District Vocal Music Contest** in February. Students earned 34 superior ratings and 25 excellent ratings on solos and ensembles.

In the Gilcrease Art Exhibition March 3, senior Emily Steele was awarded 1st place for her drawing, "Violin"; junior Tim Feist was awarded honorable mention for his watercolor; and Amy Jones, also a junior, received honorable mention for her oil painting.

The **Union Speech-Debate Team** concluded a successful season with the Regional Tournament March 12-13. Qualifying for State competition April 8-10 at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater were Jeremy Watson - Domestic Extemporaneous Speaking, Pat Graves - Humorous Interpretation, and Danny Linehan - Standard Oratory and Prose. Alternates are Zak Kuhlmann and Kevin Davis -

Hard Work Pays Off for Drill Team

Union's 5th grade Competitive Drill Team traveled to Fort Smith, Arkansas, in February for the National Cheerleading Association Superstar Arkansas-Oklahoma Dance Festival. The team, comprised of 22 young ladies from six of Union's elementary schools, was the youngest group performing in the competition. That fact didn't keep them from winning two Gold Medallion trophies, two Circle of Champion ribbons, a Perfect Performance plaque, and a Choreography Award. They received 1st Place recognition in two of three performances, and the officers received 1st Place ratings on all three performances.

Cross Examination Debate, Carol Elk - Poetry, Pat Graves - Prose, Travis Wilson - Domestic Extemporaneous Speaking, and Danny Linehan - Original Oratory.

Enrollment Underway for Title V Program for Indian Students

Union Public Schools is enrolling Indian students for the Title V program which will provide direct services to Indian students in the areas of individual tutoring and cultural awareness. To enroll your child in this program, contact your school for a Title V-506 Form to be completed by the parent.

The Johnson-O'Malley and Title V programs are under the direction of Jackie Chaffin, Director of Ancillary Education Services. Enrollment will continue throughout the year in both the Johnson-O'Malley and Title V programs.

PUBLIC NOTICE

If you have or know of a child (infancy up to age 21), who has significant disabilities which adversely affect his/her educational performance, and who is not already enrolled in a special program, or who has not completed a secondary education program, please call Dr. Jim Fluegel, Assistant Director of Student Services, 252-3561.

This notice is a Child Find project to make patrons aware of the availability of special education programs in the Union School District.

Disability areas include programs for students with specific learning disabilities, hearing impairments, visual impairments, physical impairments, serious emotional problems, mental retardation, multiple disabilities, speech/language impairments, autism, traumatic brain injury, and other health impairments.

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The Union School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, qualified handicap or disability in any of its policies, practices, or procedures. This provision includes, but is not limited to, admissions, employment, and educational services, in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws.

Toddlers Teach High School Students

The pitter-patter of little feet was heard in the halls of Union High School in late February. Students in Charlotte Bachman's child development classes played host to 20 four year olds while completing a study unit designed to enhance their skills with small children.

In preparation for the playschool, classes made folders filled with games and activities designed to appeal to the youngsters. The tots participated in games, crafts, musical activities, and snack time under the guidance of the



Jason Volz and Derrick Clayton help playschool participants with a building block project.

high school students. "This gives the students a first-hand view of what four year olds are like," said Mrs. Bachman. "It helps prepare them for parenthood and for working with children."

Bachman noted an unusual aspect of the child development classes this year -- six male students are enrolled. One of the young men, Jason Volz, has turned his love for children into a part-time job. Through Mrs. Bachman, he heard about an opportunity to help in the district's Extended Day Program at Briarglen. Jason now spends his time after school each day with 40-50 elementary students.

Briarglen's Extended Day supervisor Pat McDonald thinks Jason is a definite asset to the program. "He has energy!" said Mrs. McDonald. "After a long day at school, he can still play games with the kids and help work off some of their excess energy." In addition to games, planned activities, and snacks, Jason helps with homework time. "I just love kids," said Jason. "I guess I have a knack with them. Sometimes I like talking to kids better than older people. They just want to have a good time, they'll tell you how they feel, and they don't lie about anything."

PTA Announces Reflections Winners

Interest was high in the 1993 Reflections contest with nearly 2000 entries. Judges selected 148 first, second, and third place winners who proceed to State competition the first week of April. First place winners in each category were:

Visual Arts - Andersen: K-3 - Brett Myers, 4-6 - Carol Lee; Boevers: K-3 - Chase McCoy, 4-6 - Lauren Griffith; Briarglen: K-3 - Jesse East, 4-6 - Jessica Frost; Clark: 4-6 - Gina O'Brien; Darnaby: K-3 - Andrew Bouse, 4-6 - Calley Crews; Grove: K-3 - Anne Marie Dozier, 4-6 - Dev Ghose; Jarman: K-3 - Matthew Norton, 4-

6 - Christopher White; McAuliffe: K-3 - Ashley Giles, 4-6 - Tim Stoots; Peters: K-3 - Roxie Woolery, 4-6 - Kelly Angelicchio; Junior High: Chuong Nguyen.

Literature - Andersen: K-3 - Steve Young, 4-6 - Kelly Compton; Boevers: K-3 - Mitchell Haftek, 4-6 - Krystal Myers; Briarglen: K-3 - Matthew Spikes, 4-6 - D. J. Hall; Clark: K-3 - Michaela Roth, 4-6 - John Coatney; Darnaby: K-3 - Laura Dewey, 4-6 - Natalie Albert; Grove: K-3 - Meray Boustani, 4-6 - Dev Ghose; Jarman: K-3 - Nikita Shah, 4-6 - Johnna McMahan; McAuliffe: K-3 - Aaron Hamby, 4-6 - Deanna Chaput; Peters: K-3 - Mindi Moses, 4-6 - Kelly Angelicchio; Junior High: Milvet Guardiola; Senior High: Josh Grasso.

Photography - Andersen: 4-6 - Scott Vines; Darnaby: 4-6 - Sheyenne Hampton; Grove: K-3 - Beau Evans, 4-6 - Amber Blythe; Jarman: 4-6 - Gwen Buchanan; McAuliffe: 4-6 - Sheila Perez; Peters: K-3 - Lindsay Wood, 4-6 - Bradford Herzog; Junior High: Brandon Anderson; Senior High: Regina Simon.

Music - Andersen: K-3 - Joseph Ross; Boevers: 4-6 - Ellen Tillery; Briarglen: 4-6 - Josh Fuller; Darnaby: K-3 - Daniel Rader, 4-6 - Lindsay Grabowski; Grove: K-3 - Meray Boustani, 4-6 - Andrew Lahti; Jarman: 4-6 - Elizabeth Hiera; Peters: K-3 - Chuck Becker, 4-6 - Fauna Kerns.

Bus Drivers Get a PTA Pat on the Back

The Union PTA Council demonstrated their appreciation to Union bus drivers by hosting the Third Annual Bus Drivers Appreciation Day Reception in January. Principals, administrators, and PTA representatives turned out to honor the bus drivers and transportation employees. Door prizes were donated by Tulsa area vendors, and the PTA distributed small gifts to all transportation employees.

The idea was instituted three years ago by Carol Kendall, PTA Council Bus Safety Chairperson, who wanted to recognize the drivers for the tremendous responsibility they have in getting the students to and from school safely and on time. She felt that drivers were often taken for granted and, if teachers could have an appreciation day, then bus drivers should too. "Not only does it show our appreciation to the bus drivers, but it also helps create a greater public awareness of bus drive, and helps promote bus safety," said Mr. Kendall. "It begins with the PTA, and I hope it spreads to the parents and patrons of the district."

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Seventh Grader Takes to the Stage

Following two difficult nights of auditions, Allison Mazza's talent and hard work paid off when she was selected to play the part of Helen Keller in American Theater Company's production of



Allison Mazza

"The Miracle Worker." Although she only said four words throughout the entire play, the complicated task of portraying a deaf, mute, and blind girl took a great deal of rehearsal. Allison donned knee and elbow pads to prevent injury to herself and her co-stars while working on the scenes involving food fights and physical struggles.

The talented seventh grader was in a number of school musicals while a student at McAuliffe and appeared in the seventh grade musical production of "Freedom Bound." Allison was joined in "The Miracle Worker" by her brother Patrick, a fourth grade student at McAuliffe, who portrayed Anne Sullivan's little brother. No stranger to the stage, Patrick played the part of Tiny Tim in the 1992 production of "A Christmas Carol."

Kindergarten Pre-Enrollment

Tuesday, May 4, 1993

9 A.M. - 3 P.M.

Who should pre-enroll?

All children who will be five years of age on or before September 1, 1993.

What documents are required?

Child's birth certificate, immunization records, and proof of residency in the Union district.

Where do I pre-enroll?

At the elementary school in your neighborhood.

Immunization Round-Up sponsored by Rotary Club and Junior League

Tuesday, April 20, 1993

11 A.M. - 3 P.M.

Union Board Room
5656 S. 129 E. Ave.

For more information, call 252-3561.

Pre-school children must be accompanied by parent or legal guardian.

Special Olympics '93

Sixty seventh grade art students volunteered to design a T-shirt logo for Union's Special Olympics team. The students visited Cindy Manley's class and received an overview of Special Olympics. Special Olympic coaches and staff members judged the logos and chose a design by Carolyn Goralczyk as the winner. The T-shirts will be sold as a fund raiser for Union's Special Olympics team.

ART CONTEST

Eight Union High School students received awards in the Oklahoma Special Olympics Art Competition in a ceremony held at the State Capitol on March 3. Vanessa Barnes received 1st and 2nd place ribbons and a trophy for Best of Category in ceramics. Other winners included Mary McGuire - 1st place in ceramics,



© Carolyn Goralczyk

1st place in collage, Gail Bales - 2nd place in watercolor, Isaiah Pearson - 2nd place in drawing, Kelly Somers - 2nd place in watercolor, Aaron Valenzuela - 2nd place in drawing, Stephanie Blades - 4th place in 3-



Students in Cindy Manley's class at the Seventh Grade Center and art student Carolyn Goralczyk (center) display the winning logo design for Union's Special Olympics T-shirts.

Jackie Siegfried - 1st place for 3-dimensional art, Natkei Yar - 1st and 5th place in sand painting, Karen Edwards - 3rd place in drawing, Joey Ray - 3rd and 6th place in ceramics, Thomas Conrad - 4th place in ceramics, and Matthew Baird - 8th place in ceramics.

Chamoco Tart received the Best of Show trophy for the Sports Art category in elementary competition. Other state winners were Jaymie Barlow - 1st place in watercolor, Carly Diamond - 1st place in drawing, Mary Ferguson - 1st place in watercolor, Michael Wilson - 1st place in watercolor, Mindy Wilson -

dimensional, Whitney McCollum - 4th place in 3-dimensional, and E. J. Hopkins - 6th place in watercolor. Area winners included Howard Woodard - 4th place in watercolor, and Amanda Barnett - 4th place in 3-dimensional.

GYMNASTICS MEET

Seventh grader Anne Caton participated in the Special Olympics gymnastics competition at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah and received 1st place ribbons in the vault, balance beam, uneven bars, floor exercise, and all-around competition. Anne is coached by Miss Caroline from the Tulsa World of Gymnastics.

From the El

English as a Second Language Underway at Clark Elementary

Two new instructors, Ms. Rachelle Nash (pictured) and Ms. Blanca Roman, are working with students at Clark Elementary whose native language may be Asian, Middle Eastern, or Spanish. Older students are learning conversational English while increasing their reading skills, and younger students are working on recognizing English letters of the alphabet, colors, and sight words. A program is planned for adults wishing to learn English skills.



El inglés como segundo idioma empieza a Clark Elementary

Dos maestras nuevas, la Sra. Rachelle Nash (en la foto) y la Sra. Blanca Roman trabajan con los estudiantes de Clark Elementary cuya lengua sea asiática, de Oriente Medio, o español. Los estudiantes mayores aprenden el inglés común, mientras aumentan las destrezas de leer y los menores tratan de conocer las letras del alfabeto inglés, los colores y las palabras por vista. Se planea un programa para los adultos que quieren aprender inglés.

Darnaby and McAuliffe Form Student Councils

Darnaby and McAuliffe elementaries recently joined the American Student Council Association (ASCA), a new national service to help students form councils in their schools.

Under the leadership of Darnaby principal Linda Carr, students in grades 2-6 launched their student council in January by electing officers and class representatives from each homeroom. Luke Phillips was elected president, Cody Andrus is vice president, treasurer will be Deborah Willingham, Jessica McCue will serve as secretary, and Becky Hamm will be historian. Sponsors are Lynda Lovegrove, Michael-Anne VanHorn, Margie Learned, and Donna Root. The newly-elected officers are planning a number of school and community projects, and recently attended a high school student council meeting to help prepare them to conduct their own meetings.

Students at McAuliffe chose Leigh Ann Hauser as president of their student council, and Troy Bauhaus will serve as vice president. Secretary will be John Hartman, Robby Hay is treasurer, and Ben Weaver will perform historian duties. Third grade teacher Stephanie Hollands is the group's sponsor. The new council has already finished its first community project by collecting over 1,000 cans of food to assist the efforts of the Tulsa Community Food Bank.

Andersen PTA Seeking Best Recipes

Andersen PTA is collecting recipes for a 10th anniversary cookbook to be sold in the fall. Unio. faculty members, district patrons, and especially those who have been involved with Andersen are invited to contribute recipes. Print or type recipes on a half sheet of 8 1/2 x 11 paper and include your name and your "Andersen connection". Please include your phone number in case there are any questions regarding the recipe (phone numbers will not be published). Recipes should be sent by April 30 to: Andersen Cookbook, 1200 S. Willow, Broken Arrow OK 74012.



Entertainer Roy Clark was presented with a Clark Elementary T-shirt after he joined students on stage at his namesake during the school's own "Hee-Haw" production. The show was staged for use in a video biography of Mr. Clark.

Elementaries

Andersen Kids' Workshop is Big Business

Most second graders have no idea what an "entrepreneur" is. But Lucy Kehmeier's students at Andersen have gone one step beyond learning the definition by becoming entrepreneurs thanks to an idea by parent Mark Flath, coordinating manager of TGIFriday's restaurant in Tulsa.

Mr. Flath contracted with the class to make centerpieces for TGIFriday's in return for a small fee. Valentine plants, tennis ball cans in Uncle Sam guise, shamrocks, and decorated potatoes have been featured in over 150 centerpieces produced so far. Beginning with a small loan from Mrs. Kehmeier, the students have repaid her with 1% interest and are saving their profits to reinvest in production.

The centerpieces at TGIFriday's caught the eye of restaurant customer Mr. Colin Hageney, assistant manager of Luby's Cafeteria at 31st and Garnett. Mr. Hageney contacted the school to request centerpieces for Luby's, and the class has since tripled production.

"I'm pleased to see these children applying their skills to this real-life situation," said Andersen principal Darrell Wood. "This opportunity lets them practice higher levels of thinking." In



Yvonne Pham and Danielle Chandler concentrate on making decorations for the Kids' Workshop Easter-egg trees.

addition to the typical second grade lessons on counting money, the students have gained an understanding of supply and demand, the connection between production and pay, keeping a ledger, writing receipts, and balancing a checkbook.

Planning Begins for Summer Day Camp

Union Public Schools announces its second annual Summer Day Camp for all elementary-age children in the Union district. Camp activities will include arts and crafts, organized

sports, field trips, and other structured activities. The camp will be at McAuliffe Elementary and is scheduled to open Monday, May 24. Camp hours are 7 A.M. to 6 P.M. Monday through Friday, and the cost will be \$60 per week. Enrollment information is available at each elementary school or call 252-3561.

Mission Accomplished!

Third graders in Melissa Winkle's class at Jarman recently returned from an exciting cosmic adventure in outer space. The junior astronauts journeyed to other planets and explored the sun, the moon, and stars. Experiments were conducted in the Space Lab to perceive what it would be like to work on board a spaceship. Students packed their own "personal astronaut kits" for their trip into space. They enjoyed a space meal which included pudding snacks, fruit rolls, granola bars, and Tang.



Jarman third graders in Melissa Winkle's class worked to defy the law of gravity by designing egg-drop devices.

As part of their mission assignments, class members designed special "egg drop" containers for a contest to determine which raw eggs would survive a fall from various heights. Several eggs survived a drop from the top of the school building -- a definite indicator of superb engineering skills.



Boevers Students Aid Rainforest Preservation

An Amazon rainforest was recently constructed in Sharon Michenfelder's first grade class at Boevers. It was built by the students as they studied the plant and animal life, consequences of destruction, and the uses of the rainforest. Art teacher Pam DePetris worked with the children to make the animals for the project.

The class recycles aluminum cans to assist with the purchase of private inholdings and add to the reserve that already exists in the Lagamar Valley of Brazil.

UHS Students Gain Experience and Earn Honors

Junior **Andrew Lee** participated in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine March 9-14 in Washington, D.C. Selected for his high academic achievement and his desire for a career in medicine, Andrew was among 350 outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across America attending the program.

Chris Nalley attended the National Youth Leadership Forum on Security and Defense February 2-7 in Washington, D.C. A junior, Chris was chosen as one of 350 participants for his academic standing, school activities, and his participation in Civil Air Patrol.

The Union High School Academic Team participated in the ninth annual OSU-Texaco Star Academic Challenge on the campus of Oklahoma State University. For the third consecutive year, Union reached the televised quarter-final round and will receive a \$750 scholarship to be awarded to a graduating senior. Academic team members are **David Long** (captain), **David DeVries**, **Benjamin Lok**, **Chris Tubbs**, and **Andy Zolner**.

Outstanding Business Students for January and February were **Pam Bachtell** and **Michael Bailey**. They were chosen by teachers in the business department for their outstanding attitude, cooperation, and academic achievement.

NSU Business Curriculum Contest winners were **Shawn East** - 1st in Business Law, **Melissa Goldesberry** - 1st in Marketing, **Joy Harness** - 1st in Typing II, **Jennifer White** - 2nd in Typing II, **Michelle Camp** - 2nd in Office Procedures, **Melanie McNabb**, 2nd in Job Interview, **Julie Mendez** - 3rd in Job Interview, and **Matt Thompson** - 3rd in Accounting II. Union was awarded more medals than any other competing school.

DECA Enterprise Square Marketing Competition winners were junior **Sam Stokely** and senior **Jeff Davis**. Sam placed 3rd in his role-playing event dealing with human relations, and Jeff placed 3rd in his role-play of personal selling. Both advanced to the DECA State Career Development Conference.

A Dream Come True

One Union High School student's dream became reality when she was invited to be a backstage guest at the Wynnnona Judd concert recently. Amy Blossch has been a devoted fan of The Judds for several years and has collected all their recordings and videos. When



Amy Blossch backstage with Wynnnona Judd and KVOO disc jockey Johnny Travis.

Amy's teacher, Cherie Andersen, found out about her devotion, she helped Amy write a letter to KVOO. "We always get lots of requests for concert tickets, but when I read Amy's letter, I could visualize her," said KVOO Program Director Andy Oatman. "And I thought if anybody deserves this, she does."



February was celebrated nationwide as Black History Month, and these junior high students coordinated a display in the school's showcase. Front row, left to right are Raven Alexander and Yolanda Lytle. Back row: Gloria Morrow, Latisha Edwards, Tiffany Carr, and Katherine Gibbs.

PRISM II Meeting

Dr. Pat Hollingsworth, Director of the TU University School, will address the PRISM II meeting Tuesday, April 13, 7 P.M. in the Union Junior High Media Center, 7616 S. Garnett. Dr. Hollingsworth will speak on

"Gifted Education and the Needs of Gifted Children." All district parents are invited to attend. For more information, contact Linda Snook, 250-2369.

Year-Round Schooling Opinion Survey

Please take a few moments to tear out and complete the following questionnaire. Check only one box for each question. Then just fold and drop in the mail. The survey will be tabulated along with others in the Union Public School District by an independent market research company. Your opinions will be held strictly confidential. Surveys received by Monday, May 3, 1993, will be tabulated.

DISTRICT EVALUATION

1. From what you know or have heard, how would you rate the overall quality of education provided by Union Public Schools?
☐ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Average ☐ Fair ☐ Poor
2. From what you know or have heard, would you say the Union Public School District as a whole has student enrollment that is:
☐ Growing rapidly ☐ Remaining about the same ☐ Do not know
☐ Growing moderately ☐ Decreasing

YEAR-ROUND SCHOOLING

The traditional 175-day school year consists of nine months in which children are in school, followed by three months of vacation in the summer. Year-round schooling reorganizes the 175-day school year by replacing the long summer break with shorter breaks throughout the year. Two kinds of year-round schooling will be evaluated in this survey: (1) Multi-Track, and (2) Single-Track, both at the elementary school level only.

MULTI-TRACK YEAR-ROUND SCHOOLING

Multi-Track year-round schooling is an alternative to cope with problems of overcrowded facilities. In this plan, the student body is divided into four groups. Their schedules are staggered such that there is always one group on break while the other three are in school. By doing so, the student capacity of the building can be increased by as much as 33%.

3. Would you support Multi-Track year-round schooling as an alternative to address overcrowding in Union Public Schools?
☐ Definitely ☐ Probably ☐ Probably not ☐ Definitely not ☐ Unsure
4. As a resident in the Union Public School District, which would you prefer in dealing with overcrowding in Union Public Schools?
☐ Multi-Track year-round schooling ☐ A bond issue to build new schools ☐ Other
5. Which of the following best describes your attitude toward having Multi-Track year-round schooling at Union's Andersen Elementary School?
☐ I oppose Multi-Track as an alternative to overcrowding at Andersen.
☐ I dislike the idea of Multi-Track, but would accept it at Andersen.
☐ I support Multi-Track as an alternative to overcrowding at Andersen.
☐ No opinion.

SINGLE-TRACK YEAR-ROUND SCHOOLING

Single-Track year-round schooling is an alternative used to improve the overall quality of education. In this plan, all students would be on the same schedule, attending school for three months, then taking a one-month vacation. This cycle would be repeated—three months in class, one month on break—throughout the year until students complete their required 175 days of instruction. By doing so, students are less likely to forget what they've learned, spend less class time in review, and can take advantage of extra courses offered during the shorter breaks, or "intersessions."

6. Would you support Single-Track year-round schooling as an alternative to improve the overall quality of education in Union Public Schools?

☐ Definitely ☐ Probably ☐ Probably not ☐ Definitely not ☐ Unsure

7. Assuming the following statements about Single-Track year-round schooling could be proven to your satisfaction, which would be most meaningful to you (check one or more boxes):

- ☐ Shorter breaks mean students are less likely to forget what they learn.
☐ Shorter breaks mean less time is spent in class review.
☐ More frequent breaks reduce student/teacher burnout and absenteeism.
☐ Extra courses offered during breaks help students increase learning.
☐ Not sure/no opinion.
☐ None of the above.

8. Would you support the Single-Track year-round concept at a magnet elementary school where Union District families could choose to participate?

☐ Definitely ☐ Probably ☐ Probably not ☐ Definitely not ☐ Unsure

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Please complete the following questions for classification purposes only.

9. Do you have children currently enrolled in a Union Public School?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not currently, but will in the future

10. Is your age:

☐ Under 18 ☐ 18-24 ☐ 25-34 ☐ 35-44 ☐ 45-54 ☐ 55-64 ☐ 65 or older

11. To your knowledge, in which of the following elementary school areas do you live:

☐ Andersen ☐ Clark ☐ Jarman ☐ Not sure/do not know
☐ Boevers ☐ Darnaby ☐ McAuliffe
☐ Briarglen ☐ Grove ☐ Peters

12. Do you or does anyone in your family work for the Union Public School District, either as a member of the faculty, administration, support staff, on the board of education, or as a supplier to the school district?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Thank you very much for your time and cooperation.

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APRIL, 1993**APRIL 12-16***Career Educ. Week & Kindergarten Testing***APRIL 12**

Grove - Family Skate Night, Skateworld, 6-8 p.m.

McAuliffe - 3rd Gr. Science Exhib., 4th Gr. Dental Health Unit

Union School Board Mtg., 7:00 p.m., E.S.C.

APRIL 13

PTA Council, ESC, 9:30 a.m.

Andersen - PTA Mtg, 7:30 pm

Briarglen - PTA Skate, Skateworld

Jarman - 6th Gr. Olympics, 9-11 a.m.

McAuliffe - 7th Gr. Ctr. Parent Meeting/Orientation, 7 p.m., 4th Gr. Dental Health Unit

7th Gr. - 6th Gr. Orientation, 7 p.m.

APRIL 14

Jarman - PTA Board Meeting, 1:00 p.m.

McAuliffe - Dental Health, 4th Grade

Peters - 4th Gr. Speaker-Fred Shivers, 1:30 p.m.

APRIL 15

Boevers - Skating Party, 6-8 pm, Skateworld

Grove - PTA Board, 1:00 p.m.

Jarman - 5th Gr. Olympics, 9-11 a.m.

McAuliffe - Parent Viewing 3rd Grade Science

7th Gr. - Ropes Course, SFA

APRIL 16

Boevers - 3rd Gr. Story Book Character Day

Darnaby - PTA Board, 1:00 p.m.

Jarman - President Lincoln visiting 5th Grade, 1-3:00 p.m.

McAuliffe - Popcorn Day, 5th Gr. Growth & Development, 1:30 p.m. Field Trip to the Zoo

APRIL 19-23*National Library Week***APRIL 19***No School - Staff Dev. Day*

McAuliffe - PTA Board, 7 p.m.

APRIL 20

Jarman - 4th Gr. Olympics, 9-11:00 a.m., PTA Unit Meeting, 7 p.m.

McAuliffe - PTA Mtg., 2nd Grade Program

7th Gr. - PTA Board, Drill Team Tryouts

April 20-26 - Darnaby Book Fair

APRIL 21

7th Gr. - Drill Team Tryouts, 3:30-5:00 p.m.

APRIL 22

Jarman - VanFossen's class education excursion

McAuliffe - Student Council Mtg., 3:20 p.m.

7th Gr. - Drill Team Tryouts, 3:30-5:00 p.m.

APRIL 23

Darnaby - 6th Grade Trip to Omniplex, OKC

Peters - 4th Gr. Music Program and Hoedown

7th Gr. - Drill Team Tryouts, 3:30-5:00 p.m.

APRIL 24

Jarman - PTA School Carnival, 1-4:00 p.m.

APRIL 26

Boevers - Council PTA Installation Dinner, 6:30 p.m., Marriott Hotel

Grove - PTA Unit Mtg. & Book Fair, 7 p.m.

7th Gr. - Cheerleader Parent Mtg.

April 26-30 - Kindergarten Metropolitan Testing Week / Darnaby Career Week / Youtharts Week!!

APRIL 27

Darnaby - PTA Unit Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Jarman - Jump Rope Club Demonstration, 2:00 p.m., Kdg.,

APRIL 27 (cont.)

1st & Transitional

7th Gr. - Cheer Clinic, 3:30-7:30

APRIL 28

Darnaby - 1st Gr., Transitional & Mrs. Barton Classes Field Trip

Jarman - 1st & 3rd grades to Mabey Ctr. to see Wizard of Oz, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

McAuliffe - 5th Gr. Field Trip to Wizard of Oz Musical

APRIL 29

Briarglen - Popcorn Day

Jarman - Jump Rope Club Demonstration, 1:05 p.m., 2nd & 3rd Grades

7th Gr. - Cheer Clinic, 3:30-7:00

APRIL 30

Boevers - Popcorn/Spirit Day

Grove - Popcorn Day

Jarman - Popcorn Day

McAuliffe - Spirit Assembly

Peters - 4th Gr. Field Trip to State Capitol, 2nd Gr. Field Trip to Tulsa Zoo

7th Gr. - Cheer Clinic, 3:30-6:00

Plans Set For Class Reunions

The **Class of 1973** has scheduled a 20-year reunion the weekend of June 25-27. Activities will include a prayer breakfast at the Harvest Buffet (37th & Memorial) Saturday at 8:30 A.M.; a barbecue dinner and program at the High School Studio Theater Saturday at 6:30 P.M.; and a family picnic Sunday at 2 P.M.

For more information contact Lynn (Carey) Michael at 341-0743.

The **Class of 1983** is planning a 10-year reunion, and the reunion committee is requesting that all 1983 graduates send their name, address, and phone number to: Union Alumni Association, c/o Nancy Strassner, PO Box 54068, Tulsa OK 74155-0068

Spring Fling '93

Get into the spring of things with three days of fun. Bell's Amusement Park and Golf World are offering Union students and their families special low prices during two weekends in April. A portion of each ticket sold will be donated to the Union Schools Education Foundation (USEF) to help fund enrichment programs and special projects. Since 1991, the USEF has awarded \$12,311 in grants to Union teachers.

Sunday, April 18 has been designated Union Day at Bell's. With the special coupon below,

a family can get into the park for \$7.50 per person (no charge for those 65 and older). Admission includes all rides plus miniature golf. Enter through the party gate just north of the main gate. For those who don't wish to ride, a \$1 gate admission will be charged. In case of rain, Union Day at Bell's will be postponed until Sunday, May 2.

April 24-25 is Union Weekend at Golf World, 81st and Garnett. Families may use

their coupon for a discounted admission of \$10 per person on either Saturday or Sunday. Included are three miniature golf courses, three go-kart tracks, water bumper boats, bankshot basketball, and most amusement rides. Certain attractions are not included in the admission price.

Union's Spring Fling

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BELL'S
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Admission \$7.50 per person only with this coupon

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Union's Spring Fling

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GOLF WORLD**Saturday, April 24, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.****Sunday, April 25, noon - 7 p.m.**

Admission of \$10 per person per day with this coupon
Includes miniature golf, go cart tracks and most amusement rides
*Certain attractions not included.

Golf World is located at 8101 S. Garnett.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Kindergarten Pre-Enrollment May 4, 1993					
3 Andersen - Kindergarten Roundup Jarmen - Parenting Meeting, 12-1:00 p.m., Room 133, 7th Gr. - ARC Ropes Course, All District Track Meet 4-6th Grades	4	5 National Teacher Appreciation Day	6 Boevers - PTA Board, 6:30 p.m. McAuliffe - Student Council Meeting, 3:20 p.m. Peters - Popcorn & Skate Day 7th Gr. - ARC Ropes Course, Spring Fling Vocal Concert, 7 p.m. Track Meet Rain Date	7 Darnaby - PTA Board Luncheon Peters - 3rd Gr. Lun., 1st Gr. Tulsa Transit Visit, 9:30-10:30 6th Gr. Dance at 7th Gr. Center	1 Walk for Mankind 7th Gr. - Cheer Tryouts, 7:30-12:30
May 3-7 - Teacher Appreciation Week / Andersen-Book Fair Week					
10 Grove - Family Skate Night, Skateworld, 6-8:00 p.m. McAuliffe - 4th Gr. Trip to Rose Hill	11 Briarglen - PTA Skate, Skateworld McAuliffe - Field Day, Gr. 4, 5, 6	12 McAuliffe - Field Day, Gr. 1, 2, 3	13 Boevers - PTA Unit Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Gym Grove - PTA Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Jarmen - Vanfossen's class education excursion	14 Andersen - Super Kids Day Boevers - Popcorn/Split Day Darnaby - 6th Gr. Picnic Grove - Popcorn Day Jarmen - Popcorn Day, Luigi's Good Citizens Pizza Party, 11-4:5 a.m., Grades Tr., 1st, 3rd, & 5th. McAuliffe - Popcorn Day, Leadership Assemblies Peters - 2nd Gr. Track & Field Day, 4th Gr. Picnic, 5th Gr. Rocket Day	15 High School Baccalaureate 2:00 p.m., UPAC
17 Darnaby - 6th Gr. Picnic Rain Date McAuliffe - 4th Gr. Trip to Rose Hill Peters - 2nd Gr. Track & Field Alternate Date	18 Briarglen - 6th Grade Honors Assembly, PTA Meeting, 7:00 p.m. McAuliffe - 4th Gr. Trip to Rose Hill Peters - 5th Gr. Picnic at County Air Park 7th Gr. - Finals	19 Briarglen - K-5 Honors Assembly McAuliffe - 4th Gr. Trip to Rose Hill Peters - 5th Gr. Read-a-thon 7th Gr. - Finals	20 Boevers - Skating Party, 6-8 p.m., Skateworld, 21st & Carnett McAuliffe - Honor Assemblies	21 Staff Development High School Graduation 7:30 p.m. ORU Mabec Center	22
24	25	26	27 Last Day of School!!!	28	29

