Union Teacher of the Year Is Exceptional!

McAuliffe Elementary reading specialist Evelyn Roberts has been named the 1992 District Teacher of the Year. She was selected by the Staff Development Committee from among the district's 12 Building Teacher of the Year award recipients. Education and experience, personal accomplishments, goals, and education philosophy played key roles in the selection process.

Mrs. Roberts decided to become a teacher when she was in fifth grade and her enthusiasm has never wavered. "Each day presents the opportunity to see that special look on a child's face as he attempts new task and finds success," she says. "Every year has brought new problems which demand to be solved in creative ways. The challenge of accepting teaching as a way of life holds great possibilities for those of us who start each day thankful for having chosen this path."

One of Mrs. Roberts second grade students says, "She's fun and she makes me feel smart." Donna Brawner, principal of McAuliffe, says, "Mrs. Roberts never hesitates to encourage others. She has the rare talent to see potential in others when they can't see it themselves. She is one of the most capable and accomplished people I know. She is one of the most patient and humble people I know. Exceptional people do things others aren't willing to do. Evelyn Roberts is an exceptional person."

According to Mrs. Roberts, there are two approaches to stating one's important philosophy of teaching is that which is molded and shaped through years of working with students, their parents, and with other teachers. This way of thinking changes and grows with every new experience. Mrs. Roberts feels that teachers, students, and their parents are up a very special family with each person playing a part in the well-being of the other. Children spend an important part of their lives at school - they aren't simply preparing for some distant future. Teachers and parents also aren't finished with their learning and growing process. Each member of the "family" respects the others by recognizing that education is a lifelong process shared by all.

One learning project Mrs. Roberts initiated was the "Reading is Fun" program. Local businesses donated funds for the school library to purchase sets of books. Employees of the businesses were given release time to go to school for short periods over several weeks to read the books to small groups of children. Owners and members of management also arranged time to attend school and read aloud. After each book was thoroughly enjoyed, it was officially donated to the school. Students were amazed and delighted at the adults coming from outside school simply to share the joy of reading and to leave books for them.

Mrs. Roberts has been with Union for seventeen years as a teacher at the middle school and as reading specialist at Roy Clark and McAuliffe elementaries. She was honored as Roy Clark's Teacher of the Year in 1985 and Union Public Schools' Teacher of the Month in March 1985.

Mrs. Roberts represents the district in the state Teacher of the Year competition organized by the State Department of Education. Eleven other Union teachers were honored this spring by being selected Building Teacher of the Year.


Panhellenic Scholastic Achievement: Quan-Chi Duong, Krispy Freyaldenhoven, Ashley Gainesy, Kim Graves, Mandy Mahan, and Jennifer Taylor

Patty Devaul Memorial Scholarship: Jennifer Taylor

Presidential Classroom/Chevron: Krispy Freyaldenhoven

Presidential Scholars Semifinalist: Ashley Gainesy and Teresa Paire

Princeton Club Book Award: July Ashurt, Bobby Elks, David Long, and Elizabeth Nygren

Principal's Leadership Award: Kim Graves

PTSA Scholarships: Kim Andrews, Beeky Col, Cole Krista, Krispy Freyaldenhoven, and Kristen Woodall

Rotary Club Service Award: Mandy Mahan and Shawn Wild

Shell Century 35: Andrew Noel

Soccer Booster Club Scholarships: Michael Fritts and Terri Kirkwood

SONS of the AMERICAN REVOLUTION GOOD CITIZENSHIP: Laura Wheeler

State Superintendent Awards for Arts Excellence: Jeff Gallen and Scott Nygren

Tandy Technology Scholar: Outstanding Student - Tran Nguyen, Top 2% - Quan-Chi Duong, Ryan Eshelman, Krispy Freyaldenhoven, Ashley Gainesy, Kim Graves, Mandy Mahan, Tyler Melton, Teresa Paine, Jennifer Taylor, Dale Thompson, Chris Walton, and Shawn Wild

Tulsa Area Home Economics Scholar: Carla Camp

Tulsa Scottish Rite: Keith Allen

U.S. Army Reserve Outstanding Athlete: Ryan Eshelman and Jennifer McPeters

U.S. Marine Corps Outstanding Athlete: Laura Nelson and John Nichols

U.S. Marine Corps Outstanding Musician: Chris O'Donnell

Valley Forge Freedom Foundation: Erna Grundman and Andy Zelles

Voice of Democracy: Ashley Gainesy

Wal-Mart Foundation: Scott Gallen

Xerox Scholarships: Lucy Bowling

Senior's Receive National DECA Awards

Two Union seniors, Bill Meade and Marianne Stanfield, received awards of excellence in the 1992 DECA Career Development Conference in Anaheim, California. Bill's competition was in Vehicle and Petroleum Marketing, and Marianne's competitive event was in Hospitality and Tourism Management. They were required to take an exam as well as taking part in two role-playing situations where their marketing and management skills were put to practice.

DECA wishes to extend thanks to Heartland Federal Bank, Marriott Hotels, and Lexington Hotels. Their financial support made the dream of a national competition possible, with 10,000 students from across the United States a reality for Bill and Marianne.

A number of local companies have also shown their support by hiring Union's DECA students throughout the school year. Thanks to those companies who participated in the 1992-93 DECA Career Development Conference in Anaheim, California.
The following Union High School students were recipients of the special awards as indicated.

**DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS**

**BUSINESS:** Outstanding Business Student (Female) - Cassie Salier, (Male) Michael Coenen; Outstanding BTI - Samantha Holcomb, Outstanding Marketing Student (Female) - Maritine Standfield, (Male) - Bill Meade

**MOCK TRIAL TEAM:** Outstanding Attorneys - Paul Harringa, Danny Edwards, Kurt Nishim, Ken Gough, Outstanding Witnesses - Bobby El, Dan Foster, Ken Gough, Bill Meade

**SCIENCE:** Outstanding Biology Student - David Nus; Outstanding Honors Chemistry Student - Curtis Cox, (Outstanding AP) Chemistry Student - Carol Street, Outstanding Physics Student - Tuan Nguyen

**MATHEMATICS:** Outstanding Math Students - Tuan Nguyen; ABT 15 Award - Beth Hard, Alicia Hillen, Michael Le, Lori Siewert, TEAM-S (Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics and Science) An-Ren Chien, Richard Eckert, Tuan Nguyen, Tim Steele, Dale Thompson, Eric Thompson

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE:** Outstanding Spanish Student - Jennifer Taylor; Outstanding French Student - Ashley Gainey, Outstanding German Student - Tuan Nguyen

**HUMANITIES:** Outstanding Home Economics Student - Corin Campbell and Heather Howell

**SPORTS:** Certificate of Workmanlike Vocational Training at OMC - David Sellars, Certificate of Workmanlike Vocational Training at BARC - Michael Nish

**SPECIAL AWARDS:**

**SCHOOL COUNCIL:** Outstanding Sophomore - Abyra Suggs, Outstanding Junior - Jyoni Brown, Outstanding Senior - Tuan Nguyen

**VOCAL MUSIC:** Outstanding Vocalist - Jennifer Taylor, Outstanding All-State Vocalist - Ashley Gainey, Outstanding All-State Vocalist - Kaity Lyska, Outstanding All-State Vocalist - Jennifer Taylor

**ENGLISH:** Outstanding Reader - Jennifer Taylor, Outstanding Reader - Ashley Gainey

**INDUSTRIAL ARTS:** Phil Tulle Wood Craftsman Award - Deon Donald; Outstanding Metal Student - Todd Garrett; Outstanding Drafting Student - Geron Emerson; Outstanding Architectural Student - John LaCourse; Outstanding Furniture Making Student - John Butler; Outstanding Furniture Making II Student - Craig Chuli

**ART:** Outstanding Art Student - Rick East, Outstanding Photography Student - John Madl; Outstanding Ceramic Student - Sarah Isbell; Outstanding Citizenship/Art Award - Melissa Knight

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**Students at the Gatorade Oklahoma Soccer Player of the Year Award:** Americas Brian Hooper, center halfback, has 9 goals and 6 assists to his credit this year and has signed with Missouri Valley College to play both soccer and basketball. Brian was a point guard for the Union basketball team this season. The two-year starter in the state boys' basketball team and two years ago and received Honorable Mention All-Conference.

**What's in a name? Sometimes super effort and achievement:** Rosalba Flores, co-captain of the girls' volleyball team, has really made a name for herself in the sport. An exceptional player, Rosalba has been named Lady Redman Player of the Year. The second-year starter in the state volleyball team, has scored 700 points this season.

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The Union Lady Redkites’ basketball team was led by three outstanding seniors, one of whom offense and defense. Trier Davenport was chosen for membership in the Oklahoma Music Educators Association Secondary School Orchestra. At the Six Flags Invitational Music Festival, the orchestra received the Best in Class Award and Superior ratings in both the regional and national categories. Our School Orchestra qualified for the third time to compete in the National Adjudicators’ Competition in Washington, D.C.

Trier Davenport

Congratulations to these outstanding seniors for their accomplishments!
The following Union High School students were recipients of the special awards as indicated.

DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

BUSINESS: Outstanding Business Student (Female) - Cassie Salver, (Male) Michael Coenen; Outstanding BTI - Samantha Holcomb; Outstanding Marketing Student (Female) - Marianne Strandfield, (Male) - Bill Meade

MOC TRIAL TEAM: Outstanding Athlete - Paul Homegins, Danny Edwards, Jared Nubal, Tom Gough, Outstanding Woman - Ruby, Kathy, Dawn Foster, Kim Gough, Bill Meade

SCIENCE: Outstanding Biological Student - David Nuu; Outstanding Honors Chemistry Student - Curtis Cox; Outstanding AP Chemistry Student - Carol Street; Outstanding Physics Student - Tuan Nguyen

MATHEMATICS: Outstanding Math Student - Tuan Nguyen; ABT 1st Award - Beth Han, Alicia Hilton, Michael Le, Lori Schwind

TEAM-S (Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics and Science) An-Ren Chien, Richard Edlen, Tuan Nguyen, Tom Steven, Dale Thompson, Eric Thompson

FOREIGN LANGUAGE: Outstanding Spanish Student - Jennifer Taylor; Outstanding French Student - Ashley Gaining, Outstanding German Student - Kim Graves

ENGLISH: Outstanding Sophomore American Literature - Jay Eshelman and Shelley Kent; Outstanding Junior World Literature - David Long; Outstanding Senior English Literature - Teri Pena

VOCAL MUSIC: Top Vocal Student (Female) - Melody Suga, (Male) - James Meggs and Shawn Wells, Tri-M Music Society (Mariana Musicians) - Bucki Carl, Jeff Gaffen, Scott Gaffen, Paul Johnson, Melody Suga, Angie Underhill, Shawn Wells

DRAMA: Outstanding Drama Student - Jeff Gaffen, Scott Gaffen, India McDonald, Outstanding Technical Theater Student - Chris Leach

SPEECH: Debate I - Steve Alden, Kevin David, Each Kuhlmann, Mark Wright; Creative Competitive - Alan Burnett, Keith Kalsahan, Carol Elke, Jason Erwin, Katie Gamble, Katy Lyle, Carrie McIlvian, Chris Wright

Samantha Tuan

ZIP

The following Gatorade Outstanding Oklahoma Soccer Player of the Year Award recipient Brian Hooper, center halfback, has 9 goals and 6 assists to his credit this year and has signed with Missouri Valley College to play both soccer and basketball. Brian was a point guard for the Union basketball team — a two-year starter who played in the state tourney both years and received Honorable Mention All-Conference.

What’s in a name? Sometimes super effort and achievement. Rosaliz Flores, co-captain of the girls volleyball team, has really made a name for herself in the sport. An exceptional player, Rosaliz has been named Lady Redskins Player of the Year. Unite Artist Named her Player of the Game against Broken Arrow. You'll find her name in Who's Who Among American High School Students and her name will always be in the record books as a 1st Team All-Frontier Conference Player and an Honorable Mention All-State.

All of our seniors in all our sports are special and unforgettable. We hope they are always proud to say they were Union Redskins. We will surely always be proud of them. Thanks, seniors, for the memories!

Area businesses help make After-Prom Breakfast event successful

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McAliffie Elementary reading specialist Evelyn Roberts has been named the 1992 District Teacher of the Year. She was selected by the Staff Development Committee from among the district's 12 Building Teachers of the Year award recipients. Education and experience, personal accomplishments, goals, and education philosophy played key roles in the selection process.

Mrs. Roberts decided to become a teacher when she was in fifth grade and her enthusiasm has never wavered. "Each day presents the opportunity to see that special look on a child's face as he attempts to read the books to small groups of children. Owners and members of management also arranged time to attend school and read aloud. After each book was thoroughly enjoyed, it was officially donated to the school. Students were amazed and delighted that the adults came from outside school simply to share the joy of reading and to leave books for them.

One of Mrs. Roberts' second grade students says, "Mrs. Roberts initiated the 'Reading is Fun' program. Local businesses donated funds for the school library to purchase sets of books. Employees of the businesses were given release time to go to school for short periods over several weeks to read the books to small groups of children. Owners and members of management also arranged time to attend school and read aloud. After each book was thoroughly enjoyed, it was officially donated to the school. Students were amazed and delighted that the adults came from outside school simply to share the joy of reading and to leave books for them."

Mrs. Roberts has been with Union for seventeen years as a teacher at the middle school and as reading specialist at Roy Clark and McAuliffie elementary schools.

Mrs. Roberts was honored as Roy Clark's Teacher of the Year in 1985 and Union Public Schools' Teacher of the Month in March 1985.

She is satisfying her own love for learning by continuing her education at the University of Tulsa where she is currently a Ph.D. candidate planning to finish her dissertation this summer. Mrs. Roberts has maintained a 4.0 GPA during 115 graduate hours at T.U. As Union's Teacher of the Year, Mrs. Roberts will represent the district in the state Teacher of the Year competition organized by the State Department of Education.

Ten other Union teachers were honored this spring by being selected Building Teacher of the Year. Nancy Morgan - Anderson Elementary, Janice Lucas - Bowers Elementary, Betty Mitchell - Bitterglen Elementary, Peggy Brady - Clark Elementary, Beth Kern - Daniel Elementary, Leslie Edwards - Grove Elementary, Denise Thomas - Jarman Elementary, Robin Brown - Patry Elementary, Helen Jarman - Seventh Grade Center, Belinda Nikkel - Union Junior High, and David Stauffer - Union High School.

TULSA SCOTTISH RITE: Keith Allen
U.S. ARMY RESERVE OUTSTANDING ATHLETE: Ryan Ehshelman and Jennifer McPeters
U.S. MARINE CORPS OUTSTANDING ATHLETE: Laura Nelson and John Nichol
U.S. MARINE CORPS OUTSTANDING MUSICIAN: Chris O'Donnell
VALLEY FORGE FREEDOM FOUNDATION: Erica Grunen and Andy Zerdo
VOICE OF DEMOCRACY: Ashley Gainey
WAL-MART FOUNDATION: Scott Gellon
XEROX AWARD: Lucy Bowling

TULSA AREA HOME ECONOMICS: Cara Camp


PANELLENCIC SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT: Quin-Chi Duong, Krisy Freyaldenhoven, Ashley Gainey, Kim Graves, Mandy Maiah, and Jennifer Taylor

PATTY DEVALL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: Jennifer Taylor

PRESIDENTIAL CAMPUS/CHEVRON: Krisy Freyaldenhoven

PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS SEMIFINALISTS: Ashley Gainey and Terri Paine

PRINCETON CLUB BOOK AWARD: Kelly Ahsert, Bobbi Elks, David Lone, and Elizabeth Nixmen

PRINCIPAL'S LEADERSHIP AWARD: Kim Graves

PTSA SCHOLARSHIPS: Kim Andrews, Becki Cie, Colen Kors, Krisy Freyaldenhoven, and Kristen Woodall

ROTARY CLUB SERVICE AWARD: Mandy Maiah and Shawn Willk

SHELL CENTURY BL: Andrea Nolan

SOCCER BOOSTER CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS: Michael Fritts and Terri Kirkwood

SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION GOOD CITIZNENSHIP: Lauren Wheeler

STATE SUPERINTENDENT AWARDS FOR ARTS EXCELLENCE: Jeff Gellon and Scott Gittman

TANDY TECHNOLOGY SCHOLAR: Outstanding Student - Tian Nguyen, Top 2% - Quin-Chi Duong, Ryan Ehshelman, Krisy Freyaldenhoven, Ashley Gainey, Kim Graves, Mandy Maiah, Tyler Melton, Teresa Parie, Jennifer Taylor, Dale Thompson, Chris Walton, and Shawn West

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Physical Examinations to be Offered

Senior's Receive National DECA Awards

Two Union seniors, Bill Meade and Marianne Stanfield, received awards of excellence in the 1992 DECA Career Development Conference in Anaheim, California. Bill's competition was in Vehicle and Petroleum Marketing, and Marianne's competitive events were in Hospitality and Tourism Management. They were required to take an exam as well as taking part in two role-playing situations where their marketing and management skills were put to practice.

DECA wishes to extend thanks to Heartland Federation Bank, Marriott Hotels, and Lexington Hotels. Their financial support made the dream of a national competition a reality with 10,000 students from across the United States a reality for Bill and Marianne.

A number of local companies have also shown their support by hiring Union's DECA students throughout the school year. Thanks to those companies who participated in 1991-92: Brent Hotel Corporation, Hardman Cleaners, Business Products & Systems, Dr. Ray Ball, Case & Associates, Taco Buebo, Hot Dog on a Stick, Arby's, E1, Xerox, Wal-Mart, State Bank, Arby's, El Paso Barbeque, Albertsons, Mr. Kenneth & Co., Fitness For Her, Midway-Conway Island, The Apple Tree, County Seat, Albert's Foot, Green Union Retirement, Hardman Cleaners, Business Products & Systems, Dr. Ray Ball, Case & Associates, Taco Bueso, Hot Dog on a Stick, Ramco Oil, Brent & Mindy Blackstock, Gold World, Subway, Dan Sullivan, Grady's, and Sutherland Lumber.

Any companies or businesses interested in hiring students for the 1992-93 school year should call the Marketing Education Coordinator, Teresa Williams, at 252-2581.
The school Andersen Elementary had a successful year with a new design for the classrooms. Monies raised by the Jog-a-thon below the building of a jogging track on the school grounds. The 1991-92 school year started with a new design for the classrooms. Monies raised by the Jog-a-thon below the building of a jogging track on the school grounds. The year has been a successful year for the incoming seventh graders. How fast the year has gone and, with the help of a terrific staff and principal, we're now ready for our next step—Union Junior High.

Peters (Continued)

I have thoroughly enjoyed my tenure as PTA President and feel as though I've learned and benefited so much from the experience. I've enjoyed working with all of our wonderful teachers, board members, and the parents of Peters Elementary. I thank you for your support and the opportunity to serve you. I hope to see you next year during all the school and district activities.

Lyn Borders, PTA President

Seventh Grade Center

The Seventh Grade Center lived up to its reputation as "Seventh Heaven" again with PTA helping make the transition from elementary to secondary level easier for everyone. Our Ways & Means committee organized a book cover sale. A Howdy Dance was held the first week of school, and three other dances were sponsored throughout the year. PTA membership exceeded 100% and our telephone directories were a hit thanks to the hard work of those committee workers. Red Ribbon Week was also a success with several all-school activities.

Our Hospitality workers were busy with a back-to-school luncheon, Christmas treats, Teacher Appreciation Day, and special help and treats for the North Central Evaluation team. Hundreds of volunteer hours were donated both on a regular weekly basis and for special projects and testing. The Reflections theme of "New Beginnings" drew over 200 entries with one going on to state.

One extra project was added this year when we joined the Junior High PTA to provide concessions for the Tulsa Engineering Challenge. The profits went to the science departments of both schools. The PTA year closed with the Open House and Get-Acquainted dance for the incoming seventh graders.

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Judy Kitchen, PTA President

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Briglani (Continued):

Arts & Crafts, Fun Night, and Candygrams were just a few of the fund raisers that enabled us to purchase some wonderful items for the students, teachers, and school.

Briglani received the award from Council for highest growth in PTA membership from the 1990-91 to 1991-92 school year. We would like to say "thank you" to Mrs. Janie for five great years as principal of Briglani. We will all miss you. Thank you for making Briglani "the best place to be!"

Leola Smith, PTA President

Clark Elementary

We started the year with a welcome-back breakfast for our new principal, nine new teachers, and our returning teachers and staff. During the week school started, we sold over 200 bags of school supplies, a number that increases every year. Our membership drive with PTSA "Parents as Partners", complete with a Spanish translation for our Spanish-speaking students and parents. A special thanks was given to the class with the highest membership.

During Red Ribbon Week in October we sold Red Ribbon Wishes, candygrams with a wish for you to remain "Drug Free." November's candygrams were Thankful Grams, sent to someone you were thankful for. Our annual Thanksgiving Carnival provided a fun and social time for one and all. This year we were especially happy to lend our support to the students' recycling efforts and to cheer our students on in the Special Olympics.

We finished the year with Teacher Appreciation Week, discussions of how our financial support can best benefit the students, and looking forward to next year. We're so proud to be able to provide our children with programs such as Junior Great Books and Operation AWARE, to serve as a liaison between the Union Administration and patrons, and to provide volunteer hours to assist in the building of our children's education, careers. Our membership is involved and supportive, a fact that helped us win the Union Traveling Membership Award for the fourth year in a row. We thank each and every student, parent, teacher, and staff member for making Briglani a great place to go to school!

Donna Root, PTA President

Darnaby Elementary

The Darnaby PTA began its productive year with the annual school supplies and Ticket Sale, a kick off for our membership drive, and a welcome-back breakfast for our wonderful staff. Students participated in the Jog-a-thon, which raised funds for our goal, and Red Ribbon Week activities. December brought the Darnaby Arts & Crafts Show. We appreciate the wonderful support received from the community for this project.

With the new year came the Reflections contest with a record number of talented entries from Darnaby. Our annual Reflections Social provided a fun and social time for one and all. This year we were especially happy to lend our support to the students' recycling efforts and to cheer our students on in the Special Olympics.

Jeanne Andrews, PTA President

Darnaby Elementary

Grove Elementary

Grove PTA began the year selling school supplies and T-shirts, kicking off the membership drive, helping with field trips, and welcoming the teachers with a back-to-school luncheon.

Grove students participated in our annual Jog-a-thon, Red Ribbon week, Reflections, Science Fair, Invention Convention, Junior Great Books program, and Tutus' Food for Families. Our carnival and Popcorn Fridays were very successful. Bingo night was thoroughly enjoyed.

Teacher Appreciation was held in May and we presented our teachers with T-shirts made especially for them. Our annual luncheon was given to show our appreciation for the love and time they give our students.

We also say farewell to Mr. Bates as he left for his new position with Catoco, Public Schools and welcomed our new principal, Mrs. Belinda Nikkel. Our parents did an outstanding job in volunteering many hours to the classrooms, work room, library, and science lab. I want to thank a hard-working PTA board and staff for making Grove a great place to be!

Diana Carpenter, PTA President

High School

The year started off very busy! We spent many volunteer hours helping with schedule pick up, processing ID cards, and enrolling new students. Prior to the first day of school, we provided a back-to-school breakfast for the teachers.

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Our Arts & Crafts Fair also provided money to help cover the costs for the After-Prom Breakfast, an activity to keep students safe in a drug and alcohol free environment. Students paid $1 for the full breakfast buffet, and the remainder of the cost was covered by PTSA and Union High School. Thanks to Toni O'Malley for his help in providing the necessary funds. We gave away over $2,000 in donated door prizes including a dorm refrigerator, microwave, CD player, answering machine, and telephones.

We donated many volunteer hours counting ballots for Homecoming. Volunteers served as monitors for testing in February and April and helped preserve the ballot boxes.

Renee Anderson, PTA President

Jarmen Elementary

It has been such a positive experience to open a new school. Everyone is so enthusiastic and committed to making Jarmen all it can be. PTA started the year by welcoming our teachers with a back-to-school breakfast. To help everyone become better acquainted we had a spaghetti Social in October, sold commemorative T-shirts, and observed Red Ribbon Week. We also held our first Jog-a-thon with emphasis on physical fitness. Jarmen PTA helped bring motivational speaker Roger Dalfond to the district in November. We welcomed our membership goal and celebrated with cookie parties. In December we encouraged the children to experience the true joy of the season by participating not only in the Salvation Army Food Drive, but by foregoing a gift exchange and having each class adopt an angel from the Angel Tree. We also distributed Little Golden Books for children in Estonia and Russia and began recycling to help Al Beck in his efforts to feed the homeless.

In January we had 587 entries in our Senior Great Books contest with several going on to the state. The response to Junior Great Books was terrific. We also held parent coffees the first and third Tuesdays of each month. In April we had our first carnival - a fun day for everyone. May brought our building dedication and Teacher Appreciation Day luncheon.

We are very fortunate to have such supportive teachers, staff, and principal. Thank you to our parents and students for all their support. Watching Jarmen develop and grow has been a truly rewarding experience.

Judy Wiley, PTA President

Junior High

The 1991-92 school year was a most productive one for the Union Junior High School PTA. We accomplished our goals of open communication between staff, administration, and students, as well as volunteering many hours for the school.

Our students were tops in many programs. Many thanks to all who helped with the PTA projects this year. The joint effort of all concerned helped the PTA and our parents working together for the sake of the students is why we're here. Let's continue to do many things as a PTA and meet some of our yearly goals well in advance of the end of the year. We were able to glorify our public address system and provide new seating in three outdoor classrooms. With the PTA's help the Junior High school is looking better and easier to see.

Carla Livingston, PTA President

Our PTA decided to break with tradition and, instead of having a back to school welcome with a "smooth sailing" attitude, we decided to continue in this direction by making Union High School a happy and positive place to be.

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Peters Elementary

I had the impression that last year was my "learning" year; however, I've found that my "learning" period continues to last a lot and the experience was very rewarding.

We started the year off with our annual Pancake Supper. Our next major event was our fall fundraiser—the Peters Arts & Crafts Fair. It was a bigger success than in the past and helped PTSA meet some of our yearly goals well in advance of the end of the year. We were able to purchase a new public address system, an overhaul and purchasing a child-sized CPR dummy for our school nurse.

Red Ribbon week was observed with a full program of activities, and our number of entries in the Reflections Art Contest was the highest number of which were finalists in the district. Our annual school carnival in March was our biggest family event of the year and our best fund raiser.

We observed Teacher Appreciation Week with a luncheon and a brunch.

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Darnaby Elementary

The Darnaby PTA began its new successful year with the annual school supplies and T-shirt sale, kick off our new position with Catolic, Public Schools and welcomed our new principal, Mrs. Bonita Nicolel. We started the year with an outstanding job this was our volunteer many hours to the classrooms, work room, library, and science lab. We want to thank a hard-working PTA board and staff for making Darnaby a great place to be!

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Diana Carpenter, PTA President

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High School

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Regina Christopher, PTA President

Jarman Elementary

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Carla Livingston, PTA President

Peters Elementary

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We started the year off with our annual craft show. Our next major event was our fall fund raiser—the Arts & Crafts Fair. It was a bigger success than in the past and helped us meet some of our yearly goals well in advance of the end of the year. We were able to give our public address system an overhaul and purchase a child-sized CPR dummy for our school nurse.

Red Ribbon week was observed with a number of activities, and our new students were welcomed. On November 15, PTA held the annual fall carnival in March was our biggest family event of the year and our best fund raiser.

We observed Teacher Appreciation Week with a luncheon and a brunch.

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The "Council Communiqué" is being mailed in conjunction with this special issue of The Communicator as a service to the Union PTA Council.

President's Comments

The 1991-92 school year has been a fulfilling year made rewarding by the willingness of so many to give of their time and talents. A few examples of the projects and activities Council has undertaken this year are: Officer Training for every unit; Klothes Kloset, a clothing recycling center for Union families in need; Reflections, a Fine Arts competition sponsored by the National PTA for all children, grades K-12; Bus Driver Appreciation Day; keeping informed on legislative and educational issues; elementary track meet concession stand which affords us the opportunity to award scholarships to Union seniors; and the School Board Forum.

Union PTAs are hosting the annual Oklahoma PTA Convention in November. We are very pleased we were able to get the convention scheduled at the Marriott Hotel so businesses will benefit from the influx of people. We are counting on all PTAs to make this a success and volunteer to help.

Council is always looking for opportunities to serve and make a difference in the lives of the children in our district.

Gale Oznert, 1991-92 Council President

Andersen Elementary

The PTA has enjoyed an active and successful school year. With the opening of Jarman Elementary, many active participants were no longer at Andersen. Fortunately, a number of capable and enthusiastic parents and teachers came forward to make the accomplishments listed below a reality.

The year started with a new design for the Andersen T-shirt and a back-to-school luncheon for the teachers. A book drive was held November 20-22 netting 3,554 books to put into the classrooms. Monies raised by the Jog-a-thon for the teachers. A book drive was held the first week of school and other dances were sponsored throughout the year. PTAs membership exceeded 100% and our telephone directories were a hit thanks to the hard work of those committee workers. Red Ribbon Week was also a success with several all-school activities.

Our Hospitality workers were busy with a back-to-school luncheon, Christmas treats, Teacher Appreciation Day, and special help and treats for the North Central Evaluation team. Hundreds of volunteer hours were donated both on a regular weekly basis and for special projects and testing. The Reflections theme of "New Beginnings" drew over 200 entries with one going on to state.

One extra project was added this year when we joined the Junior High PTA to provide concessions for the Tulsa Engineering Challenge. The profits went to the science departments of both schools. The PTAs year closed with the Open House and Get-Acquainted dance for the incoming seventh graders.

How fast the year has gone and, with the help of a terrific staff and principal, we're now ready for our next step—Union Junior High.

Judy Kitchen, PTA President

Briarglen Elementary

Thanks to all our great parents, students and faculty! We at Briarglen had a very successful year.

Judy Kitchen, PTA President