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**UNITED FEDERAL CREDIT UNION AWARDS
\$500 TO FOUR BERRIEN COUNTY SCHOOL ARTS PROGRAMS**

ST. JOSEPH, MICHIGAN (May 7, 2008) - United Federal Credit Union donated \$500 to four Berrien County (MI) elementary schools to help support their fine arts programs. These awards were given in a drawing of schools that sent students to the April 22nd Youth Concerts performed by the Southwest Michigan Symphony Orchestra. United served as the corporate sponsor for the concerts in addition to providing the donations for the schools.

“Our children are our future, and as a credit union it is our responsibility to contribute to the success of young people,” said Gary Easterling, President and Chief Executive Officer of United Federal Credit Union. “While our core business is providing safe and sound financial services, we also believe that the financial future of our children is directly tied to quality of life issues. The cultural arts play a significant role in elevating quality of life in any community. United is proud to be associated with this fine program.”

The winning schools were Washington Elementary School, Coloma (MI), Ring Lardner Middle School, Niles (MI), Ottawa Elementary School, Buchanan (MI), and Justice Gage Elementary School, Dowagiac (MI). Each school received a check for \$500 from United Federal Credit Union to be used for their Fine Arts program.

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