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**AWARDS  
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During Second Annual Awards Banquet

# OUTSTANDING PARTICIPANTS IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION HONORED

The Texas Council on Vocational Education recognized outstanding secondary and postsecondary vocational education students and exemplary education/private sector involvement during an awards banquet held February 2 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Austin.

The winners and finalists in the six categories, selected from nominations from public school districts, community colleges, and technical institutes throughout Texas, were honored for their achievements in vocational education by approximately 220 attendants at the banquet.

Student winners and finalists were selected for excellence exhibited in classroom and on-the-job performance, involvement in school and community service activities and leadership abilities. The Business/Labor and Advisory Commit-

tee nominees were judged on their assistance to schools in planning and implementing programs, curriculum, and instruction, modernizing equipment and facilities, and providing career guidance, training, internships, and job placement.

The program began with a slide/audio show which introduced the awards recipients to the audience. Each of the winners and finalists received a framed certificate of award and a personal letter of congratulations from Texas Governor William P. Clements. Also, the winners and finalists were presented official copies of House Resolution Number 47, sponsored by State

Representative Robert Earley of Portland, recognizing the awards program. A Senate Resolution was sponsored by Senator Bill Sims of San Angelo. Many

state legislators provided letters of congratulations for the winners and finalists from their district.

In addition, the five student winners were presented with a letter of congratulations from the President of the United States, George Bush.

Media personality Cactus Pryor served as Master of Ceremonies for the event. Chairman of the State Board of Education Monte Hasie and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Vice Chairman Cipriano Guerra brought greetings from their respective boards.


During the ceremony, State Representative Bill Carter and Bobby Weathers, President of the Vocational-Technical Education Development Foundation, assisted Council members in presenting the awards for the evening.

The awards program was established to publicly recognize those individuals who have responded to the call for excellence in the classroom to meet the growing and changing demands of the Texas marketplace. ###



*Janet Zinsmeyer (l), wife of TICOVE Chairman Bill Zinsmeyer (c), greets Mitzi Clark (r), of San Jacinto College upon Clark's arrival at the 1989 Awards Banquet.*

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# 1989 Student Award Winners

## Outstanding Student in Vocational Education (Secondary)



Susan M'Liss Flick

Susan is a Marketing Education and Agriculture senior at Bellville High School in Bellville. She receives on-the-job training in banking services each afternoon at Austin County State Bank. Despite her busy schedule, Susan ranks first in her class academically, giving her the position of Valedictorian. Susan is a member of the National Honor Society, "Outstanding High School Students of America," "Who's Who Among American High School Students," and was named Bellville High School's "Student of the Month." She has held numerous offices in various clubs, including President of the local DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America) chapter; President, Secretary and Reporter of FFA (Future Farmers of America); President and Secretary of her 4-H chapter; Student Council Vice-President, Secretary and Class Representative; and Senior Class Vice President. Included in her awards and achievements are "Top Salesperson" for her DECA chapter; Horse Production Award; FFA District Sweetheart Contest Winner; and Grand Champion Market Swine for the Austin County Fair. Presenting the award is Bobby Weathers.

## Outstanding Student in Vocational Education (Postsecondary)

Peggy recently completed an Associate Degree in nursing at Lee College in Baytown and is currently enrolled in the Lee College Pre-Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing Courses, preparing to enter the University of Texas School of Nursing at Galveston. While in school, Peggy has worked at Humana Hospital Baytown in the medical unit, intensive care unit, and emergency room, among other units. Her skills and interest in nursing have earned her a position teaching part-time at Lee College in continuing education, conducting an I. V. Therapy Course for licensed vocational nurses. A natural leader, Peggy has served as President of the Texas Student Nurses Association (TSNA) for Lee College, TSNA Representative to the Lee College Student Congress, and Program and Projects Director for the State of Texas for TSNA. Peggy is also involved with the Red Cross, and has acted as the Red Cross Student Representative for Lee College. She has received numerous awards, including "Outstanding Community Nurse Award," "National Collegiate Minority Leadership Award," "Scholastic All-American Award," and was named to the "Hall of Fame" and "Minority Student Talent Roster" for Lee College.



Peggy Castilow-Haskins

## Outstanding Secondary Special Populations Student (Co-winner)



Lena Trammer

Lena Trammer, a senior at the Barbara Jordan High School For Careers, is a third year VEH Office Duplication Program student. She is a highly motivated individual who approaches each task with enthusiasm. She has consistently maintained high grades and is an outstanding student in her program. In 1988, Lena received an award for Outstanding Student in Office Duplication. She serves as an office aide at her school. In addition to her school activities, Lena is very active in her church and serves as the President of the Sunshine Band. She sings in the Junior Choir and helps with the training of the pre-school age group.



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## Outstanding Secondary Special Populations Student (Co-winner)



**Priscilla Freeman**

Priscilla, a sophomore at Career Center High School in Beaumont, is enrolled in a Production, Management, and Services program in which she learns cake decorating, catering, food preparation and commercial serving. Having overcome many personal obstacles, she has the determination and positive outlook to succeed in life. Priscilla has been a Student Council representative for two years and served as President of the local chapter of Future Homemakers of America (FHA). She has been a guide for the Career Center Open House and an office aide. She also organized and participated in a food drive. In 1988, Priscilla won the "Outstanding Student Award in Food Service" from Market Basket Food Stores. Presenting the award is Bobby Weathers.

## Outstanding Postsecondary Special Populations Student

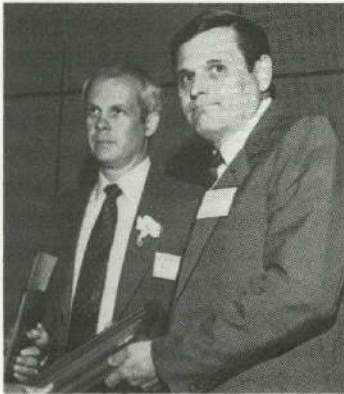
After escaping a physically abusive relationship with her ex-husband, Christine began course work at Austin Community College (ACC) in the fall of 1987 as a single parent with little money and no training. Today as a sophomore, Christine is earning her Associate of Applied Science Degree in Human Services and maintains a 3.8 GPA. She has been an enthusiastic and committed volunteer in a number of settings. Christine has helped with the ACC Women's Center, assisting other returning women students. In a television program for the Center, she was interviewed as an example of a woman student who has achieved success in her college and professional goals. Also, Christine has been a legal volunteer for the Austin Battered Women's Center, accompanying women to court who are seeking protective restraining orders or divorces. Because of her strong commitment, the Battered Women's Center selected her to attend the Texas Council on Family Violence Conference. As part of an internship, Christine served as a volunteer at the Pebble Project, a child abuse prevention center, where she gave classroom presentations on sexual assault to children at the K-12 level. She has been very active in her daughter's education and was given the "Parent's Volunteer Award" by her daughter's school.



**Christine Rodriguez**



## 1989 Exemplary Business/Labor Involvement



Bill Szelag (l) and  
Mike Deanovich (r)

The General Motors Training Center (GMTC)-Dallas received the "Exemplary Business/Labor Involvement Award" for its commitment to developing a model industry/education partnership in automotive training with Brookhaven College in Dallas, San Jacinto College in Pasadena, St. Philip's College in San Antonio, and numerous school districts throughout Texas. The Training Center offers these institutions the General Motors Automotive Service Educational Program, which prepares students to become entry-level technicians in General Motors dealerships throughout the State. General Motors dealerships sponsor all students accepted into the program from their point of entry into college until graduation when they are employed as full-time technicians. Aside from offering many instructional opportunities for students, GMTC-Dallas has assimilated a cooperative work experience into the program. Paired with dealer technicians, students are able to work for four ten-week periods, alternating with class instruction. The General Motors Training Center-Dallas sponsors various orientation sessions, and provides late-model vehicles for instructional use, special tools needed for instructional training support, all technical service bulletins and other General Motors publications involving GM service information, and "carte blanche" access to the Training Center for their automotive instructor update training. Accepting the award, on behalf of GMTC, is Bill Szelag and Mike Deanovich.

## 1989 Exemplary Vocational Education Advisory Committee

The Corrosion Technology Advisory Committee for Kilgore College in Kilgore received the "Exemplary Vocational Education Advisory Committee Award" for designing, implementing, and continuously fine tuning the first Corrosion Technology Associate Degree in the country. The Committee has worked to develop a four year degree program in which the two years of the Corrosion Technology program at Kilgore College are teamed in a "2 + 2" articulation structure with courses at the University of Texas at Tyler. In support of the program at Kilgore, the Committee has helped design curriculum, develop laboratories for instruction, and has been instrumental in getting needed equipment and supplies. It has established a scholarship fund for students majoring in Corrosion Technology and has played an active role in placement of students, in both summer internships and permanent employment. To inform high school students of the educational opportunities in corrosion technology at Kilgore, the Committee developed a student outreach campaign. Accepting the award is Nahum Tate, Committee Chairman.



Nahum Tate



# 1989 Awards Finalists



**Emily Suzanne Fulton**  
 Outstanding Secondary Student  
 Denton High School  
 Denton I.S.D.  
 Presenter - Dr. Ted Martinez



**Wendy M. Hudson**  
 Outstanding Secondary Student  
 Memorial High School  
 Spring Branch I.S.D.



**Margaret Martinez**  
 Outstanding Secondary Student  
 Barbara Jordan High School  
 Houston I.S.D.  
 Presenter - Dr. Ted Martinez



**Gracie Chapa**  
 Outstanding Postsecondary Student  
 Bee County College  
 Alice Off-Campus Program  
 Presenter - Dr. Ted Martinez



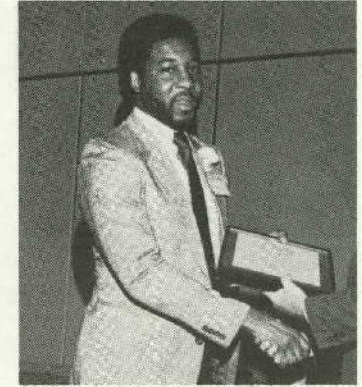
**Mary Patricia Slape**  
 Outstanding Postsecondary Student  
 Howard College  
 Big Spring



**Mary Wisnoski**  
 Outstanding Postsecondary Student  
 San Jacinto College - South  
 Houston  
 Presenter - Dr. Ted Martinez



**James Edward Hanson**  
 Outstanding Postsecondary Special  
 Populations Student  
 Tyler Junior College  
 Presenter - Dr. Joe Pentony



**Lester Moffett**  
 Outstanding Postsecondary Special  
 Populations Student  
 Kahn Training Center  
 Dallas County Com. Col. Dist.



**Connie S. Powers**  
 Outstanding Postsecondary Special  
 Populations Student  
 San Antonio College  
 San Antonio  
 Presenter - Dr. Joe Pentony



**Auto Zone, Inc.**  
 San Antonio  
 Exemplary Business/Labor  
 Involvement  
 Accepting the Award  
 Kay Russell-Ford



**Dow Chemical,**  
 Texas Operations-Freeport  
 Exemplary Business/Labor  
 Involvement  
 Accepting the Award  
 Ron Dipprey  
 Presenter - Kerry Horn



**Fairchild Aircraft Corporation**  
 San Antonio  
 Exemplary Business/Labor  
 Involvement  
 Accepting the Award  
 William Cavanaugh (l) &  
 Bruce Fitzgerald (r)  
 Presenter - Kerry Horn



## 1989 Finalists (Continued)



**Business Advisory Council**  
**El Centro College**  
**Dallas**  
Exemplary Vocational Education  
Advisory Committee  
**Leslie Sklbell**  
*Accepting the Award \**



**Marketing Education Advisory**  
**Committee**  
**Houston I.S.D.**  
Exemplary Vocational Education  
Advisory Committee  
**James A. Hudson**  
*Accepting the Award \**



**Advisory Board for Occupational/**  
**Technical Education**  
**Spring Branch I.S.D.**  
Exemplary Vocational Education  
Advisory Committee  
**Sandra Farley**  
*Accepting the Award \**

*\* Presenting these awards is Rep. Bill Carter*

## Legislative Congratulatory Resolution

By: **Earley**  
By: **Sims**



**H.R. No. 47**  
**S.R. No. 69**

**WHEREAS,** The Texas House of Representatives/Senate is proud to recognize those students and organizations who are being honored by the Texas Council on Vocational Education for their noteworthy achievements in vocational education; and

**WHEREAS,** The Texas Council on Vocational Education created the Texas Vocational Educational Awards program in 1987 in order to acknowledge outstanding accomplishments of students, both secondary and postsecondary, who meet and exceed expectations in acquiring an education and vocational training; and

**WHEREAS,** Many students across the state are involved in vocational education programs and the competition for these awards is great; on February 2, 1989, the winners and finalists will be honored at the second annual Texas Vocational Education Awards banquet in Austin; and

**WHEREAS,** Through participation in vocational education programs, students learn specific skills from "hands on" training in laboratories as well as actual work places, and as a result develop competencies that qualify them for immediate entry into the working world; and

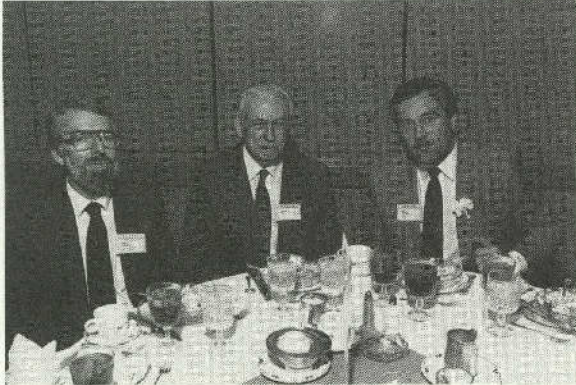
**WHEREAS,** The Texas Council on Vocational Education believed that there was a need for broadened partnerships between the private and public sectors as a result of Texas' educational reforms, and they wanted to acknowledge exemplary voluntary private sector involvements that enhance the delivery of vocational education and training in Texas; and

**WHEREAS,** Through hard work and dedication, these students, businesses, and other organizations have attained admirable goals and are indeed deserving of legislative recognition; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the House of Representatives/Senate of the State of Texas, 71st Legislature, hereby commend and congratulate the following people on receiving Texas Vocational Education Awards for 1988-89: (*Resolution then lists the winners and finalists by category*)



# Banquet Scenes



*(l-r) Dr. Dale Campbell, Assistant Commissioner, Coordinating Board; Mr. Alton Ice, former Executive Director, TICOVE; and, Mr. Ron Dipprey, Manager of Governmental and Public Affairs for Dow Chemical-Freeport, Award Finalist.*



*(l-r) Dr. Ted Martinez, Vice President of Instruction, Cedar Valley College and TICOVE member; Connie Powers, San Antonio College Sophomore and Award Finalist; and, Steve Powers, Connie's husband.*



*Wendy Hudson (r), Award Finalist from Spring Branch-Memorial High School is shown with her mother, Betsey Hudson (l).*

*Family  
&  
Supporters  
Enjoying  
The  
Evening*



*Mary "Trish" Slape (l), Award Finalist from Howard College in Big Spring, shown with Trish is Dewey Slape (r).*



*Priscilla Freeman (c) Sophomore VEH student Beaumont I.S.D., Award Co-Winner, shown with her parents (l-r) Donna and Jerry Freeman.*

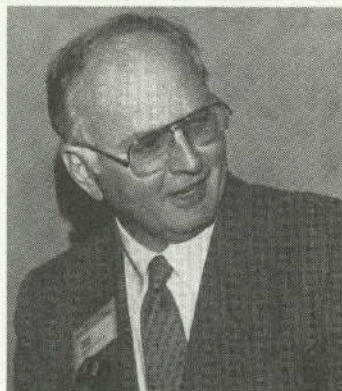


*Peggy Castilow-Haskins (r), Lee College, Baytown, Award Winner and her husband Al Haskins (l).*





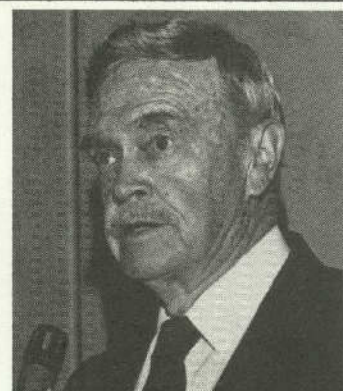
*Helen Soto Knaggs*  
*Texas Council on Vocational*  
*Education*  
*1989 Awards Program Chair*



*Monte Hasie*  
*State Board of Education*  
*Chairman*



*Cipriano Guerra*  
*Texas Higher Education*  
*Coordinating Board*  
*Vice Chairman*



*Cactus Pryor*  
*Master of Ceremonies*

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