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The United Family® Honors Hobbs Team Member at 11th Annual Leadership Awards Dinner

(LUBBOCK, Texas) – [The United Family®](#), which operates Albertsons Market in New Mexico, recently honored Waynett Lester as an outstanding team member at the company's 11th annual Leadership Awards dinner. Lester serves as the administrative coordinator for the Albertsons Market at 2404 North Grimes in Hobbs.

Lester received the Team Member of the Year award from the New Mexico Region, which recognizes an outstanding employee devoted to The United Family mission. Lester is also a member of Beta Sigma Phi, the treasurer for the Hobbs Lady Eagle Booster Club, and was Women of the Year in Hobbs in 2011.

“Waynett is a trusted part of her store family and shares the company's passion for giving back to the community through her involvement with a variety of organizations and volunteer opportunities,” said John Jameson, regional vice president for The United Family. “She has been an outstanding and loyal team member for many years, and we're proud to acknowledge her as the Team Member of the Year in New Mexico.”

United has honored deserving team members with Leadership Awards each year since 2006. Recipients receive a one-of-a-kind statue designed by the company and crafted by R.S. Owens Co., maker of the Academy Awards, to reflect the spirit of a servant's heart.

For The United Family, 2016 marks a historic year, as United Supermarkets celebrates the store's 100th anniversary. What began as United Cash Store in Sayre, Oklahoma in 1916 has grown into a multi-banner, Texas-based grocery chain with 66 stores in 36 communities. Today, The United Family operates United Supermarkets, Market Street, Albertsons Market and Amigos grocery locations, as well as United Express fuel and convenience stores, throughout West Texas, Dallas-Fort Worth and Eastern New Mexico.

About The United Family®

In its 100th year of operation, United Supermarkets, LLC – d.b.a. [The United Family®](#) – is a Texas-based grocery chain with stores in 36 communities in West Texas, Dallas-Fort Worth and

New Mexico. A self-distributing company with headquarters in Lubbock and distribution centers in Lubbock and Roanoke, The United Family currently operates 66 stores under five unique banners: [United Supermarkets](#), [Market Street](#), [Amigos](#), [Albertsons Market](#) and United Express, along with ancillary operations R.C. Taylor Distributing, Praters and Llano Logistics. The company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Albertson's LLC. For more information, please visit www.unitedtexas.com.

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