

COLLEGE EDUCATION, *continued from page 1*

Alisha Adams (Aliso Niguel H.S.) shared a vision: "Since I was younger, I have always wanted to aspire to be something great, do something no one has done and make a big difference in society." She also observed: "Sir Francis Bacon once said, 'Knowledge is Power.' This is so true, especially at this competitive day and age. Education is the door to many great things; it is something that you have to work hard for, but the reward is better than any material possessions. Educated people show no ignorance and are open-minded which helps make the world a better place." New member Gary Spencer

is Alisha's mentor.

Dolores Lopez (Aliso Niguel H.S.) was described by an instructor: "Over the past four years, Dolores has grown considerably—academically, socially and personally—morphing from the original meek and timid freshman of the first day of ninth grade, into a confident and capable leader ready to enter the university scene and capable of conquering the challenges that face her." Dolores wants to become a teacher. Scholarship Committee chair Bonnie Myers is Dolores' mentor.

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MAKE-UP LOCATIONS

(See our website for additional locations)

TUES 7:10 a.m. Mission Viejo:
 Casa Del Sol Golf Club House

7:15 a.m. San Clemente Sunrise:
 Talega Country Club Heritage Grill

7:30 a.m. Newport Sunrise:
 Five Crowns, PCH

12:00 noon Laguna Niguel:
 St. Regis Hotel & Spa

7:00 p.m. Coto De Caza/RSM:
 Tijeras Creek Golf Club

WEDS 6:15 p.m. Newport-Balboa:
 Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club

12:00 noon Saddleback Valley:
 Bakers Square, Lake Forest

6:15 p.m. San Juan Capistrano:
 Sarducci's Capistrano Depot

THURS 12:00 noon Newport-Irvine:
 Radisson Hotel, Newport Beach

12:00 noon San Clemente:
 Pacific Golf Club

FRI 12:00 noon Laguna Beach:
 Hotel Laguna

SAVE THE DATE!

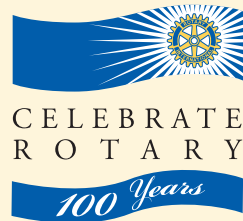
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
 Laguna Culinary Arts Wine &
 Cheese Tasting \$15
 5:30-7:00pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5
 Art in Motif at the St. Regis
 5:30-6:30pm

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31
 Golf Tournament Fundraiser
 at Marbella Country Club
 9:00am Shotgun Start

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20
 Laguna Playhouse Matinee
 & Dinner

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16
 Holiday Party at Club 19



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 Is it the **truth**?
 Is it **fair** to all concerned?
 Will it build **goodwill** and **friendships**?
 Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?



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A DECADE-LONG COMMITMENT TO COLLEGE EDUCATION!

by Bonnie Myers

For each of the past ten years, members of Monarch Beach Sunrise Rotary have provided financial assistance to deserving high school graduates through our Community College Scholarship Program. Recipients are reimbursed costs of tuition, text books, class supplies, and parking fees for two years at a local college. They are "mentored" by a Rotarian member of our club, who assists with financial arrangements and coordinates their periodic participation in club meetings and service projects.

Many collegiate scholarship programs seek out the brightest high school seniors with the highest grade point averages and most illustrious record of extracurricular activities. Our scholarship program is designed for a different type of student: the individual who has achieved good grades—not necessarily great grades—and has done so through determination and hard work.

Our scholarship recipients typically are students who have experienced adversity in one form or another—loss of a parent through death or divorce, physical impairment or health issues, or perhaps even language barriers. All of them evidence economic need—perhaps a parent is unemployed, or there are numerous siblings in the family. It is not unusual for the applicant to be the first person in his or her family to aspire to a college education.

Every year, it is a tough job to screen the scholarship

applicants who are referred to us by the academic advisors from Dana Hills and Aliso Niguel High Schools. Every student has a compelling story to tell about his or her career goals and dreams for the future. What makes our awardees exceptional is the way in which they demonstrate determination to overcome such impediments, to become the best they can be, to make the most of their talents. Their determination, their "true grit", their character, distinguishes them as individuals who deserve a "hand up".

Serving on this year's selection committee were Cyndi Elders, Jayne Powell, Paul Lehrich, Ron Lackey, Mary Jeffries, Neil Burns and Bonnie Myers. Four students were chosen to receive a scholarship, out of twelve applicants. (One of these four has subsequently notified the club of her intent to enter a nursing program in New York State, thus nullifying the terms of the award.) The remaining three students are being introduced at club meetings during the fall.

Raquel Sheffner (Dana Hills H.S.) wrote in her essay: "Both my mother and father have not completed more than one year of college, as well as my grandmother and grandfather and generations beforehand. I will be the first in my family to succeed in college if I go to Saddleback and then earn my master's degree at a university." Raquel is interested in a career in the medical arena. Raquel's mentor is Past President Cyndi Elders.

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Raquel Sheffner (left) with Past President and mentor, Cyndi Elders



Neil Burns and Paul Lehrich welcome Fred Ghavami (ctr.) as a new member!



New inductees Mark Montgomery and Doug Chotkevys are pictured with sponsors l-r: Paul Lehrich, Mark Montgomery, Mark Cruz, Mary Jeffries, & Doug Chotkevys

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - PAUL LEHRICH



August is usually a month of vacations for many Rotarians but it has been busy for those who remained to keep the home fires burning for Monarch Beach Sunrise Rotary.

Earlier this month, we were visited by our District Governor Bill Peloquin. He was impressed with our plans for the upcoming year and most impressed by our ongoing year-to-year projects.

The Vocational Committee hosted a past scholarship recipient's visit to the club. Mark Herrema, a recent Princeton graduate, now works in the environmental area. Learning about the contributions that our scholarship winners are making to society affirms the importance of the program.

Spreading the word is also important and the recently created Public Relations Committee is just the group to do that. After quietly serving the community for many years, the Public Relations Committee is busy talking to the press and telling them about the many important contributions Monarch Beach Sunrise Rotary makes to our community. Our hats are off to Jane Powell and her committee. We are hopeful that the increased publicity will help foster a greater awareness of and participation in Rotary.

Thanks to many generous donations, we have sent scores of young baseball enthusiasts to L.A. Angels of Anaheim games on several occasions this month. It was a pleasure watching the kids from the Boys & Girls Club of Capistrano Valley enjoy hot dogs, get souvenirs and have an all around great time compliments of the Monarch Beach Sunrise Rotary.

Our Social Committee is actively planning for the remainder of the year. The "Night at the Mission" event held recently was a fantastic evening. We look forward with great anticipation to many other social events coming up in the months ahead.

Our Membership Committee inducted three new members last month. We look forward to the participation of new and old projects with our new Rotarians. Bring a prospective guest to our next meeting—membership month is every month!

The Interact group starts school this month. We look forward to their active participation in many school projects as well as the community. Our future in Rotary is "Youth of Today".

And finally, our annual golf fundraiser is being planned for the end of October. Barbara Merriman, Don Gonnevill, Rod Eide and their committee are arranging a great day, so polish up the irons and prepare to hit them long and straight!

Monarch Beach Sunrise Rotary, keep up the good work and keep busy with the many projects planned for the year—"Service Above Self".

USE OF THE INTERNET FOR ROTARY PURPOSES

by Terry Rifkin

President Paul reports, "At the recent 2005-2006 Rotary International Convention incoming President Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar was very vocal about the role of emails on the Internet. Although a major influence on the wave of the future, Rotarians have to be sensitive to scams targeting Rotarians from imposters posing as account administrators. Local Rotary Club members are encouraged not to use email letters as chat rooms. Rotary International has additional information on this subject on the RI Site under "Newsroom". Monarch Beach Rotarians please abide by these strict Rotary guidelines."

As this all may relate to Monarch Beach Sunrise Rotary Club, it is the general feeling that the use of the Internet has been tremendously significant to further the good works of club services. Group emailing has facilitated committee meetings, social events, fundraising endeavors, and informs members about important Club business and fellowship news. It is extremely important that members not give the

Club email list to others outside of the Club, use group email for business or political mailings, or use email as a vehicle for communicating personal feelings about Club issues. The Board of Directors meeting and smaller committee meetings are still the best arena to voice concerns about Club policies or activities.

Great care should also be given when forwarding any email with respect to the possibility of passing on viruses and also inadvertently sharing the MBSR mailing list with others outside of the Club membership.

Let's continue to utilize the Internet to facilitate Club business and information with this phenomenal tool of the 21st century. Please give consideration to the guidelines set out by Rotary International and good Rotary etiquette. Email minimizes effort and maximizes impact for our worthy endeavors. Let's not forget that we can also pick up the telephone. There is nothing like a personal connection!



Brent Adams receives a check for the Boy Scouts: (left to right) Martha Hoffmann, Brent Adams, Paul Lehrich, & Neil Burns



Last month, Rotarians enjoyed an evening of Swing dancing, dining, and fellowship under the stars at the Mission San Juan!

ROTARIAN HIGHLIGHT: KEN ROBINSON

by Neil Burns

Ken Robinson has two children, Graham 21, and Jennifer 17 (going on 37). His occupation is the development of major energy projects for Siemens Corp. His group specializes in large central energy facilities (heating, cooling, and electricity) for major customers such as hospitals, universities and entertainment complexes.

Ken enjoys golf, tennis, working out, reading (voraciously), writing (business and pleasure), hockey (the only true sport), sailing, history, economics, political theory and practice, science, business, leadership, philosophy (classic and modern). *(The thoroughly Renaissance man!-editorial comment!)*

As a Rotarian, Ken would like to be involved in things which would allow him to help (perhaps mentor?) kids and young adults. He'd also be happy to get involved in committees, event

organization, etc.

Fellowship and community attracted Ken to Rotary; the chance to make friends while giving something back to the community in which he lives. In addition, Rotary's code of conduct closely mirrors the type of person he tries hard to be.

He attended his first MBSR meeting just out of curiosity, but quickly loved the atmosphere and the people. He likes the incredible friendliness of everyone here. All the members have gone out of their way to make a lonely Canadian feel welcome.



MBSR sent kids from the Boys & Girls Club of Capistrano Valley to an Angels Game - each received an Angels cap and \$20 for food and souvenir



Pictured left to right is Darrell Cavanaugh and President Paul Lehrich with recent Princeton graduate Marcus Herrema, who was MBSR's 1999 Student of the Month. Mark came to speak at one of our meetings.

RAMBLINGS...

by Terry Rifkin

Each edition of the MBSR Bulletin, there will be a brief paragraph of little newsy tidbits. Should you have any dirt to include, please let me know so that I may include it in our Ramblings...

A visiting Rotarian in the district was overheard talking about PDG Rod Eide; he could be quoted as saying, "Rod is like annuity, and he keeps rolling over". What do you think he meant????... Speaking of Rod, did you hear that he kissed the back of Neil Burn's car with his front bumper in the valet circle at the Ritz? What was he thinking????... Mitch Jackson, bring a Starbucks for all of us... Penny DiCaro was seen hugging the technician in the Club Grille mistaking him as a visiting Rotarian... Don Gonnevill, thank you for the motivational invocation on August 3. The pledge was great too... Past President Anal Cyndi really let go and was seen taking a tumble on the waves when President-Elect Patty Vogan taught her and her niece and nephew how to surf. Maybe she should stick with the land, or maybe if she backed into the waves????... A Rotary Minute from Lisa "Jackson"????... Can see why James Littlejohn brought along help to collect that big check from MBSR... Ronda Oakes got backstage, but what did she do there and in the back of the band bus????... As we know, Rotary got started by Rotating in other member's place of business, but this Rotation thing has gone too far when we are rotating spouses, Cyndi Eide!!! Come on!!!!... Linda Knox-Hess was seen smiling arm-in-arm with her new friend Jeff. Perhaps more dirt about this later... Rod Eide was seen chasing Cherie Hinchliffe down the lobby trying to get her to pay a guest fee for each of her two new tea cup poodles visiting the Club... Guess which Rotarian was a beauty queen at Stanford? Answer in next month's Ramblings... Remember, Service Above Self makes "our consciousness whole, well and perfect!" Ohmmmm... More Ramblings next month...

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Oct 1	Mitch Jackson	Anniversary	Oct 21	George Rendon	Birthday
Oct 1	Lisa Wilson	Anniversary	Oct 24	Doug Chotkevys	Birthday
Oct 6	Sharon Hemighaus	Birthday	Oct 27	EllenTurnbull	Birthday
Oct 11	Mike Petersen	Anniversary	Oct 29	Frank Mogavero	Anniversary
Oct 16	Linda Knox-Hess	Birthday	Oct 30	Cyndi Elders	Birthday
Oct 20	Jayne Powell	Anniversary			

