

SUMMER 2004 BULLETIN

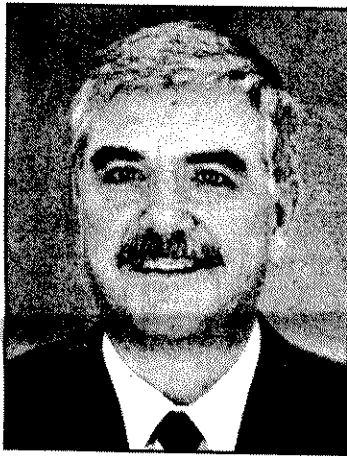
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A Farewell From Our Chairman

Two years as Chairman of the Board of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Santa Monica has flown by. Before I look at the experience in the rear view mirror I want to share some thoughts. Foremost is the constant and continuous feeling of what an honor and privilege it has been to be permitted to serve. In my opinion, and experience, no charitable organization with which I worked has had the degree of positive impact as does the Boys and Girls Clubs of Santa Monica. Everything about the organization **and its activities is positive.**

The Board of Governors is a widely diverse group, giving of time and resources, and dedicated to the idea that every child should have a chance, and that everyone can succeed, given that chance. It is not often that one looks forward with anticipation to a monthly Board Meeting, but each and every meeting was an uplifting experience, with incredible attendance, an agenda filled with stories of success and achievement by the boys and girls we serve, and reports of the ongoing success of the organization, locally and nationally. There is a reason why the NBA

and Major League Baseball both made the Boys and Girls Clubs their "designated" charitable partners, and I have gotten to see those reasons on a constant and



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ongoing basis for two years.

The heart and soul of this organization is fourfold: the Board, the Staff, the volunteers and the boys and girls themselves. At the Staff Retreat last year in Phoenix, I witnessed firsthand why there is so much success in all aspects of the Club—the Branches, the tech centers, arts

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A word from our President & CEO ALLAN YOUNG



The Boys & Girls Clubs of Santa Monica is looking forward to a fun-filled summer. I hope you will enjoy reading about the daily activities, special events, weekly field trips and upcoming projects that we have planned.

I would like to update you on one of our most exciting endeavors, the new club we are building at John Adams Middle School (JAMS).

We are in the final stages of planning our new site at JAMS. The new site is being built in partnership with the Santa Monica Rotary Club and the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD). The JAMS Club will be open to the students at John Adams, Will Rogers Elementary and the surrounding schools before school from 7:30-8:45 am, at lunch time and after school until 7:00 pm. The new club will include a state of the art technology center, an education room, a social/recreation room, intramural sports, dance, theater, and music. This site will be open to members ages 7-13. We plan to break ground this June and should be open six months later. I would like to thank John Deasy, superintendent of the SMMUSD, and Dee Menzies, Loren Bloch and Wade Killefer for their time and dedication to

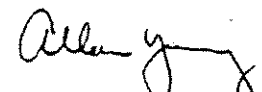
this much needed project.

In this issue of the newsletter, you will learn about what a great year 2004 is for our organization. We sent basketball players to San Diego, Phoenix and Hawaii to compete against other Boys & Girls Clubs teams clenching two first place finishes. I traveled with the team to Hawaii, and it was a pleasure to have such a diverse group of young men who had such a strong sense of camaraderie. Four of our teenagers are traveling to Britain with the Spirit of Youth Foundation in June. At our Youth of the Year Banquet in February we gave out more than one hundred awards and six scholarships. We gave the prestigious honor of Youth of the Year to both Danny Moore and Jason Hurd. Both young men were such strong candidates that we had to award both of them. I would like to pay special recognition to Faye Riley, Learning Center Director, for the work she has done in the Learning Center and to Aaron Young, Technology Director, for his achievements in the Technology Center.

All of the activities we offer our members would not be possible without the help of our club supporters. I would like to thank each and every one of you for enabling us to make positive things happen for more than 4,000 children from our community.

Thank you to John Jakle for all his work.

With warm regards,


Allan C. Young

Danny Moore & Jason Hurd Named 2003 Co-Youths of the Year