

Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley



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OF HUNTINGTON VALLEY

So Kids Can Be Kids

Kingston Technology Sponsors 25th Annual Benefit Dinner & Show

Kingston Technology was the first to announce their intent to be a \$25,000 Event Sponsor to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley **25th Annual Benefit Dinner & Show**, "So Kids Can Be Kids." Kingston Technology, a longtime supporter of the Boys & Girls Club, was a major contributor to the campaign to build the Club's Fountain Valley site named the Kingston Branch.



The Benefit Dinner & Show will be held on September 26, 2003 at the new Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa. Our goal for the *Silver Anniversary* event is to

raise \$330,000 to help provide a safe and loving environment for kids to grow, a place where all kids are encouraged to find their potential, a place where kids can be kids. As a community, it's our job to give young people what may well be the greatest gift of all— their own childhood. The chance to experience it comes but once in a lifetime. At the Boys & Girls Club, proven programs and activities give kids a chance to just be themselves, while at the same time enhancing their sense of self, building

their skills and character, and preparing them for the world of tomorrow. Because when young people enjoy themselves in a positive place something wondrous happens – life lessons are learned.

Now, more than ever, our kids need your support. Our Boys & Girls Club makes a difference for more than 5,500 "at-risk" youth, and so can you! Table sales, items to be included in our silent and voice auctions, and sponsorships are needed if we are to meet our goals. To find out how you can help, please call 531-2582 or visit our website, www.bgchv.org.

And your local 2003 Youths of the Year are.....

Youth of the Year is a nationwide event held each year to celebrate the outstanding members of Boys & Girls Clubs. Our organization creates a community and culture of caring that reflects a positive code of character in the way administrators, staff, volunteers and members integrate the practice of positive ethics and character in their language, actions and relationships.

These future leaders represent the finest qualities possessed by Club members; qualities which will serve them and others throughout their lives. The following youth were selected as Youth of the Year by our

organization because they have consistently shown exemplary caring, trustworthiness, responsibility, fairness, and citizenship. We would like to congratulate this year's outstanding winners. These winners enjoyed a celebration dinner and show honoring all selected youth in our Orange County region. The ceremony included awards and a special slide show highlighting each individual child.

Congratulations to our Youth of the Year Winners!!

Kid Connection: David Ingram
Kingston Branch: Daniel Partida
Huntington Beach: Benjamin Gonzalez and Kristen McCrory



David Ingram & Daniel Partida



Benjamin Gonzalez & Kristen McCrory



Boys' Club Federation International

May 1925

New Haven, Connecticut. It is the late 1800's - there is unemployment, poverty and misery. The war has passed and the streets swarm with boys from 7 to 17 years of age.

Most of these are war orphans, while others have been deserted by mothers who could not care for them. Three ladies of the United Workers decided to open a coffee shop and reading room for men, in an effort to keep them from the saloons. When the shop opened, in marched a group of street boys to solicit advice from a group of men. A sign was hung on the doorway - "Boys Club."

Boy's Clubs began opening in other cities. Local businessmen eager to get boys off the streets and out of their shops began supporting clubs. 14 Boy's Clubs met in 1906 to form the Federated Boys Club, Inc., in Massachusetts. The organization became the Boys Club of America, Inc. in 1931. On September 12, 1990, Boys Clubs of America officially became Boys & Girls Clubs of America.

•Development - Ever wonder what kind of activities kids enjoyed during the turn of the century? From most to least popular: Woodworking, Radio, Printing, Art, Dramatic Production, Toy Making, Shoemaking, Basketry, Office Practice, Electricity, Poultry Raising, Hammock Making, Barbering, Auto Mechanics, and Leather Work.

•Mentoring - "The very atmosphere of the club, combined with the personality of the Superintendent and his workers, many of whom are voluntary, has a moral influence upon the boy which cannot be underestimated."

•Opportunity - The dues are so small - ten cents per year - that no boy is excluded for financial reasons, and it is significant to note that when a club outgrows its quarters, and a new building with the finest and fullest equipment is erected, the membership fee does not increase."

•Health - "Here he can run and romp and revel to his heart's content, gaining health and strength as he plays."



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May 2003

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley, founded in 1967, has been committed to improving the lives and futures of “at-risk” youth by providing opportunities to participate in positive, high quality programs. We provide programs that address today’s most pressing youth issues and teach young people the skills they need to succeed in life. Programs are available in the areas of education, the environment, health, the arts, careers, alcohol/drug and pregnancy prevention, gang prevention, leadership development and athletics.

•Development - Nine youth from our Kid Connection and Huntington Beach Branches have the opportunity to attend the National Keystone Conference in Atlanta, GA. They were selected to attend the event by the Keystone Council for their outstanding service and dedication to the program. The conference is a specialized leadership forum that encourages youth to socialize with peers, explore social issues, and develop skills to support and enhance their Keystone Club.



•Mentoring - The Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley continues to remember our main reason for being – to inspire and enable our members to become responsible and caring citizens. More than 120 employees work with our members every day, acting as their mentors and confidants.

•Opportunity - Although our buildings are state of the art, equipped with safe, reliable equipment and run by trained professional staff, we charge only \$15 per year for membership. Transportation and extracurricular programs are offered at discounted rates to low-income families, allowing us to continue the “open door” tradition that makes our organization unique.

•Health - Our 2003 theme, “So Kids Can Be Kids”, was inspired by our members. Our clubs give them the opportunity to explore their imaginations, develop self-awareness and self-esteem, and spend time running, giggling and playing – important activities in the healthy development of youth. The club recently received the City of Huntington Beach Youth Sports Grant, allowing our existing Roller Hockey Arena to be converted into an Outdoor Soccer Arena. This will allow expansion of our impacted soccer program. We expect to serve more than 200 additional youth in our opening season this summer.



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8th Annual Benefit Golf Tournament



JMG Security Systems will once again express their support of our organization by hosting the 8th Annual JMG Benefit Golf Tournament on May 21, 2003 at the Mile Square Golf Course. Last year's event raised more than \$40,000 to support our organization and

the many programs we provide for the "at-risk" youth in our community.

You don't want to miss out in competing in 4 Hole-in-One giveaways with valuable prizes including: a Harley Davidson Motorcycle (Ken Massrey & Associates), 2003 Dodge Truck (Huntington Beach Dodge - Clay James), \$10,000 in Cash (New York Life - Bob St. John), 2003 Sport Utility Vehicle (Connell Chevrolet - John Fitzgerald). Your participation includes tee prizes, green fees, shared cart, range balls, use of three beverage stations, BBQ lunch, dinner and entertainment!

The goal for the 2003 Golf Tournament is to raise \$45,000 for club programs, bringing JMG's corporate contribution to the Boys and Girls Clubs to \$225,000. You can still get involved! Please call 714-531-2582 for an event brochure.



Men warming up at the driving range for the tournament



Ken Jacobs (president of JMG) presenting Tanya Hoxsie (CEO of BGCHV) sponsor check for golf tournament.