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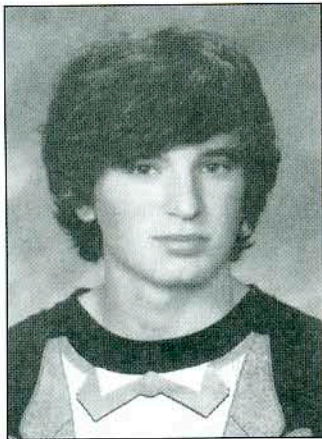
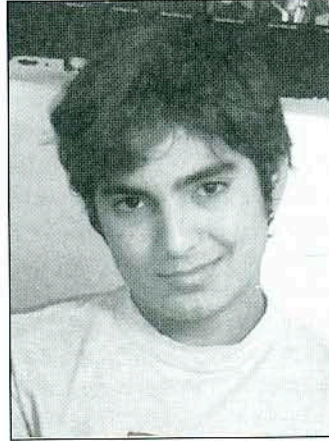
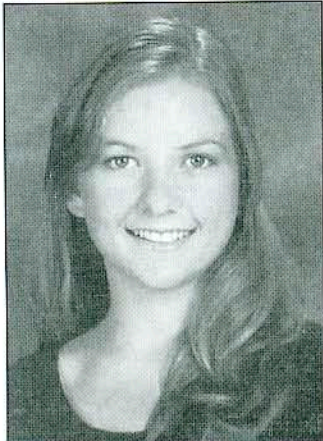


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*We Light Up Your Life!*

June, 2005

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## *The 2005 Local 728 Scholarship Winners*

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*The governor has made enemies of the teachers, nurses, police  
and firefighters unions ... who is next, Hollywood?*

# Special Election for What?

**By Norman Glasser**  
**Business Representative - Secretary**

On Monday, June 13, 2005 as most television news outlets were informing us Michael Jackson was acquitted, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger announced plans for a special state election this November in order to push his agenda for governmental and fiscal reform. The special election will cost taxpayers \$80 million dollars and is unnecessary considering the governor could wait until June 2006 when a primary is already scheduled.

By calling for this special election the governor has, in part, declared war on workers. One of the biggest initiatives on the proposed November ballot is benignly called the "Paycheck Protection Act." This legislation calls for public employee unions to get the consent of their members every year before using a portion of dues for political campaigns. You may say to yourself that this is a good idea. However, does big business ask its stockholders or employees before they contribute to candidates? And since big business already outspends labor on candidates who support their causes, big business will have an even larger advantage over labor and workers in general in getting legislation passed in favor of business over labor and worker's rights.

Governor Schwarzenegger has already made enemies of the teachers, nurses, police and firefighters' unions. Now he is after the public employee unions. Who is next; Hollywood's unions? I have mentioned in the past that other states have passed tax incentives to encourage production in their states (New York, New Mexico, Florida, Louisiana) however Governor Schwarzenegger has turned a deaf ear to Hollywood so far. I have personally written the governor three or four times asking for his help in crafting legislation to help keep work in the State of California. I have not received one response from him or his office.

I am beginning to think the governor has not responded to me because I represent a labor union. If you remember in his campaign during the recall election, Governor Schwarzenegger made it perfectly clear that he would not take donations from labor and the Indian Tribes, calling them "special interests." It is clear to me that Governor Schwarzenegger has no time to listen to "the people." The governor has even upset his own guild, SAG, by using non-union actors in one of his campaign ads!

The bottom line is that this election could spell disaster for the working families in California, especially through the reduction of a union's right to campaign on behalf of their members. Teachers, school groups, nurses, local governments and some public safety organizations all oppose the governor's agenda. I urge you to learn for yourself about the governor's initiatives and not listen to his rhetoric about rebuilding California without really understanding what this is all about.

## UPCOMING ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Please be aware that there will be Nominations for Election of Officers at the September Membership Meeting for the following offices:

1 - Business Representative

4 - Executive Board Members

5 - CLC Delegates

20 - IA & Convention Delegates

\* 1 - Vice President (Special Two-Year Term) \*

on Saturday, September 17, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.

Local 44, 12021 Riverside Drive, North Hollywood, CA

*With lots to say on a variety of subjects, your President writes a*

## **Bulletpoint Column**

**By Patric J. Abaravich,  
President/Editor**

This month's issue of The Bulletin is one of my favorites of the year because it underscores the true foundation of belonging to a union – being able to help our brothers and sisters, and their families, outside of the studio gates. This year, we are pleased to recognize seven outstanding Local 728 children. Each of these deserving students has not only excelled academically, they also possess a true giving spirit and have shared their talents and time in their communities. It is with great pride that we honor and award each of these 2005 graduating seniors with a Local 728 Scholarship. Best of luck to each of you as you embark on college life.

● Now that the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday is behind us and studio hiatus' are coming to a close, most television shows and productions will be starting back up. If you want to work, make sure you let us know. Also, a gentle reminder to the many of you who have not completed your Safety Pass Program classes: Take this opportunity to complete your classes before you are told that you can't work.

● Members recently received (via snail mail) opt out forms for the Membership Directory. Please remember, if you **do not** want to be in the directory, you must complete this form and return it to the Local as quickly as possible. For those of you who wish to be in the directory, the form can also be used to include additional information, such as other qualifications, that you want the membership to know about you. There is plenty of space (both on the form and in the directory) for us to include any and all pertinent info.

● In early May, union members lost one of the most respected and powerful labor leaders in the area with the untimely passing of Miguel Contreras, Secretary-Treasurer of the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO. Contreras was the leader of the umbrella organization that represents 345 local unions. Coming from humble beginnings, Contreras was called a genius with great courage and intelligence. It will be interesting to see who will be named to replace those very large, and hard to fill, shoes.

● Many thanks to all of you who supported the striking hotel workers by boycotting the seven Los Angeles luxury hotels involved in the labor dispute. In mid-June, 98% of the workers ratified a new agreement. Interesting fact: Pro-labor mayor-elect Antonio Villaraigosa helped mediate the contract; a deal was reached five minutes before a scheduled lock-out.

● Last bullet point but certainly not the least: A huge welcome to our new Master Instructor Alan M. Rowe. In addition to Alan's talents and teaching skills, he's also penning a monthly safety article beginning in this edition. I highly encourage all members to read his premiere article on Page 7 to learn what our new Master Instructor has planned. He's also supplied us with some valuable equipment information with his New Product Spotlight.

### **ON THE COVER**

*Featured on this month's cover are the 2005 Local 728 Scholarship winners. The recipients include, top row, left to right: Heather McIlvaine, Joseph Alvarado and Brianna Bishop; bottom row, left to right: Lucas Mathis, Laura Greenberg and Ryan Norwall. Not pictured is recipient Kate English.*

## **Call Steward INFORMATION**

Any Local 728 member representing the producer in filling calls or needing assistance, please contact this local during business hours. The local office operating hours are 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you need to hire prior to 8 a.m., after 6 p.m., or over the weekend, please phone the Call Steward at 818-207-3094.

Members seeking weekend work should call the Steward at the Local on Friday to put your name on the weekend availability list.

Anyone who hires off roster or hires any member who is not current with their dues without first calling the Call Steward, shall have charges filed against them and shall be subject to the assessments levied by the Trial Board if found guilty.

Our present contract work week consists of any five (5) consecutive days out of seven (7) consecutive days.

**Don't Get Left Behind!**

**Exciting things  
are happening at  
your union!  
Don't miss the  
next regular  
General  
Membership  
Meeting  
Saturday,  
July 30, 2005**

**9:00 a.m.**

**at**

**IATSE Local 44  
12021 Riverside Drive  
North Hollywood**

***Be sure to bring  
your union card!***

## Deceased

Brother Wynn "Buddy" Bowles, 76 years old, passed away April 7, 2005.

Brother John W. McLean, 57 years old, passed away on June 13, 2005.

## First Notice

**New applicants for membership are:** Nelson Castillo, Jeff Cole, Benjamin Dermand, Lee E. Essner, Joseph Fithian, Mark J. Goodwin, Derek Miller, Joseph P. Moran, Chris J. Nicsinger, David Russell, John Savedra, Richard Thomas and Mary Wynn.

## Second Notice

**New applicants for membership are:** Gary A. Beckel, Wilson Brock, Mitch G. Byerly, Daniel Lewis, John A. Locke, Rudy Martinez, Steve Martinez, James McCusken, Michael McDougall, Cameron Michael, Norbert Quiban, Walton D. Rowell, Shawn Shemanski, Charles Sparks and Todd Anthony Wimett.

## New Members

The following members were sworn into Local 728 on May 20, 2005: Edward Mark Carlile and Timothy Gillis. The following member was sworn into Local 728 on May 23, 2005: Wesley Mark Haynes

The following members were sworn into Local 728 on June 6, 2005: Ffilip J. Bolton and Trevor Houghton.

The following member was sworn into Local 728 on June 13, 2005: Timothy Molina.

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# LOCAL 728'S

*Local 728 is both pleased and honored to announce the winners of the 7th Annual Scholarship Awards. These outstanding students, and their parents, deserve a standing ovation! This year, each student received either a \$4,000 university award, or \$2,000 if they are attending a vocational school. Congratulations to each of these exceptional children.*

**Heather McIlvaine, the daughter of Susan and Paul McIlvaine,** graduated June 22 from Torrance High School with an amazing 4.5 GPA, ranking her in the top 10 in her class of over 500. Heather will be attending Boston College and will major in English. Her long-term plans include a career in Journalism or creative writing exploring different avenues including play and screenwriting.

While in school, Brianna played soccer in her freshman and sophomore years, serving as team captain both years. She also won the Governor's Scholarship STAR Program her sophomore year, and was a member of the academic decathlon team in her junior and senior years. Brianna also belonged to the school service club Tartar Ladies all four years and served as vice president her senior year. A member of the National Honor Society, Brianna was a Spanish tutor, and went to Ecuador for a study abroad program.

Outside of school, she was involved with the Youth and Government program through the YMCA, and has volunteered at their Christmas tree lot for the past three years. She recently was certified as a water safety instructor through the American Red Cross and will teach swimming lessons this summer.

In addition to the Local 728 scholarship, Heather is the recipient of the Torrance Firefighters Association Scholarship, and the Las Hermanas YMCA Award.



**Lucas Mathis, the son of Steve and Lynette Mathis,** graduated June 23 from El Camino Real High School in Woodland Hills. Lucas will be attending UC-Santa Cruz and plans to focus his studies on either history or politics.

A member of the California Scholarship Federation all four years of high school, Lucas graduated with a 3.69 GPA. He was a member of the Enviro-Thon environmental decathlon his junior year when the team ranked 7<sup>th</sup> place in the state. During his freshman and sophomore years he tutored English and math at local elementary schools. In his junior year, he volunteered to maintain a local elementary school's garden, and also volunteered at a local dog shelter his senior year.

In addition to his academics, Lucas has excelled in the martial arts earning a Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do. He also worked at a music software company his senior year, and adds that skateboarding is his passion.



**Laura Greenberg, the daughter of Bill Greenberg and Laurie Hilland,** graduated June 1 from Canyon High School in Canyon City. Laura will attend San Diego State University and plans to major in business with an emphasis in marketing, and a minor in Psychology. She says she has many different interests and will likely further her studies with a graduate degree.

Graduating with an impressive 3.91 GPA, it is no surprise that Laura was on the Principal's Honor Roll and a member of the California Scholarship Federation all four years. In 2005, she was listed in the Who's Who Among American High School Students. Additionally, she was a member of the Student Government in 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade, serving as class treasurer her sophomore year.



# Shining Stars

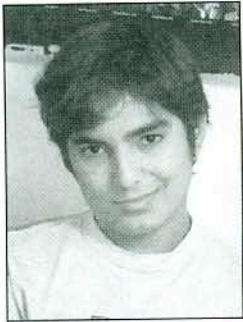
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While excelling in academics, Laura was also a cross country runner and member of the track team all four years, serving as team captain in her senior year. She amassed numerous cross country running awards throughout high school.

In her junior year, she volunteered at the Michael Hoeflin Foundation helping to raise funds for cancer patients. Laura also volunteered with Safe Ride, a confidential hotline that dispatches drivers for people under 21 who feel as though their driving may be impaired from drugs or alcohol use.

In addition to the Local's award, Laura is the recipient of the Santa Clarita School Food Services Agency Scholarship, the Cable and Telecommunications Scholarship through Time Warner, and the Ruth Hiebert Scholarship.

**Joseph Alvarado, the son of Joseph and Pamela Alvarado**, graduated June 10 from Harvard-Westlake in North Hollywood. Joseph will be attending Columbia University and plans to double major in Art History and Film Studies. Although his ultimate goal is to become a filmmaker, Joseph said receiving a well-rounded general education is very appealing to him.



Graduating with an outstanding 3.8 GPA, Joseph won the Latino Achievement Award recognizing his academic achievements in his senior year. He was also the recipient of the Latin Magna Cum Laude Award each year for the past three years, and won the Humanitas Award from Harvard Westlake in his freshman, sophomore and junior years that recognized his community service. Additionally, Joseph played football in the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade, Lacrosse all four years, and served on the school's Admissions Committee.

Involved with the school's video program, in his senior year Joseph chose independent study and spent eight months writing, directing, filming and editing a narrative feature film.

For the past eight years, Joseph has been involved with a variety of community service projects including beach clean-ups, the Revlon Cancer Walk, and helping to feed the homeless. In 2004, he volunteered at Tarzana Hospital and has volunteered at a local thrift store.

With a thirst for knowledge, Joseph says he likes to stay well informed, and loves to create things. He plays the guitar, bass and the piano, enjoys photography, including developing his photos, and enjoys the large array of creative mediums involved with filmmaking.

**Brianna Bishop, the daughter of Dennis and Rita Bishop**, graduated June 23 from El Camino Real High School in Woodland Hills. Brianna will be attending College of the Canyons where she will study biotechnology. She hopes to become a paramedic, with the ultimate goal of one day becoming a firefighter.

A member of the Key Club in her freshman and sophomore years, Brianna also excelled in sports. She played softball three years, and was a member of the wrestling team in her junior and senior years. In 2003, the team placed second in the state wrestling championships.

For the past 13 years, Brianna has been actively involved with the Girl Scouts, and their affiliated club, the Sea Scouts. The group focuses on marine and ocean life, as well as teaching nautical and sailing skills.

Outside the classroom, Brianna has served meals to the homeless through her church's youth group, and volunteered at a retirement home where she enjoyed spending time with the elderly. Although she says she loves anything physical, Brianna is also an accomplished musician and plays the guitar, piano, trombone, clarinet, saxophone, and is currently learning to play the bass.



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## Delinquent List Second Quarter 2005\*

ADAMSON, ERIC S.  
ANGUS, JASON M.  
BARRERA, REYNALDO  
BERARDI, PHILIP N.  
BOUZA, DAVID  
BOX, HARRY C.  
BREEDLOVE, SHAUN  
CHASSLER, JEFF  
COCHRAN, ERIC H.  
DAMBRA, CHRIS J.  
DE LA ROSA, JEFFREY  
DUTKWIAK, ROCH C.  
ENIE, DOUG  
EUBANKS, JERRY  
FINO, CRUZ S.  
FRANCHETT, TOM  
GALINDO, RENAN  
GALLART, MICHAEL  
HASTINGS, WILLIAM R.  
HINKLE, BRADLEY  
HOUSTON II, LAMAR  
JACKSON, RENALDO  
JOHNSON, VAN  
KALOUS, ALFRED E.  
KANESHIRO, ALAN  
KNIEST, JAMES  
KOVALESKY, STEVEN J.  
LINDSAY, DAVID T.  
MARQUEZ, MICHAEL S.  
MC GEHEE, STEPHEN W.  
MC HUGH, DENNIS  
MC KAY, JR. ROBERT A.  
MOODY, SCOTT  
MORTON, MARK A.  
MURCHISON, DARRYL L.  
MURPHEY, NICHOLAS J.  
NEWBURN, WILLIAM R.  
OLIVER, MARK R.  
ORSA, JEFFREY E.  
PRITCHARD, DERIK  
RAMOS, ROBERT J.  
REGAN, ROBERT A.  
SAUCIER, PHELT MICHAEL  
SECKAR, JOHN EDWARD  
SELICEO, ERNEST A.  
STEWART, JOHN JEFFREY  
SVOBODA, MARTIN P.  
SWEZEY, BRYAN L.  
TAKAMURA, SATOSHI  
THOMPSON, ELI  
TREMBATH, MARK E.  
VALENTINE, MICHAEL L.  
WEAVER, MICHAEL N.  
WEISS, ROBERT RYAN

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WHITE, FRED G.  
WHITESIDE, MATTHEW T.  
ZAMOSCIANYK, CHRIS

Active Commercial Roster  
TOBEE, AKIN

Suspended  
AASLAND, JOSEPH D.  
ALONSO, GARY  
AMINI, CYRUS  
BARNETT, BILLY H.  
BLACK, CHARLES D.  
CRONN, ROBERT  
CROSS, WILLIAM  
DAHLQUIST, D. MICHAEL  
DE PERNA, ROBERT J.  
DELGADO, DAVID  
DORSEY, J. MATTHEW  
DOUGHERTY, JOSEPH E.  
FERRAT, RICARDO F.  
FORTUNE, JAY  
GRADZHYAN, HARRY H.  
GUZMAN, ANTHONY D.  
LAYNE, JOHN L.  
LOGAN, GUY

Retiree  
DUNN, REGIS J.  
ROFFREDO, JOSEPH F.  
SCHMEHR, KENNETH L.

Dropped  
COX, THOMAS P.  
FEINBERG, ADAM R.  
HOLMES, KRIS  
JUNGE, RAYMOND  
PATCHETT, ERIC SHAMUS  
THOMPSON, FRANCIS R.  
TYRELL, KEITH

Active Commercial Roster  
BAYER, JOSH M.

## REMINDER

The 3rd Quarter  
2005  
Membership  
Dues were due  
on July 1st.

# Industry Experience Roster Removal and Suspension

By R. Bruce Prochal, Call Steward/Treasurer

**G**reetings everybody! Both May and June have been very slow months, at least from the point of view of dispatching work. Do not give up hope, as many shows are or will be starting up soon. I know this because the Best Boys of many of the shows are reporting their crews to me, as required by our Constitution & By-laws.

Recently, many of our members have received letters from Contract Services informing them that they have been removed or suspended from the Industry Experience Roster. Let me attempt to explain the difference and suggest a means to rectify the situation.

If you received a "removal letter," it is probably because you have either retired and/or you have not worked five days in the last two years. The latter situation, generally, affects members who have taken an "Honorable Withdrawal." In both cases, you must contact Contract Services to find out what to do to retain your active roster status. Call Enna Roussell at 818-996-0900, ext. 150, for more information.

If you have retired, but would like to continue to work occasionally, you must complete the Safety Pass Program and have worked at least five days in the last two years.

If you have taken an "Honorable Withdrawal," you must also contact the Local and request to return to active status. The Local then requests from the International Alliance in New York for permission to reinstate you. This could take as long as two weeks. After permission is granted, you must pay your back per capita tax and the current quarter dues. After completing the Safety Pass Program and working at least five days, contact Contract Services to ensure your roster reinstatement.

If you received a "notice of suspension" letter, most probably the reason is that you have not completed the Safety Pass Program. Just complete the classes you lack. You will be reinstated to the roster. Call 818.502.9932 with your questions.

These obligations are contractual.

Assuming you have Internet access, you can check your roster status at [www.csatf.org](http://www.csatf.org). Click on "General Access" and follow the instructions.

Several production companies have started to tell our members that their 1-9 information at Contract Services is not current or has expired. This information is to be updated every three years and many of our members have not been keeping current. Unfortunately, this is something that must be done in person and you must go to the office in Encino to take care of it. Call the Local if you need the address or phone number.

Let me remind you that an employer may prevent you from being employed if your records at Contract Services are not current.

I hope I have helped to clear up some of the confusion. Until next time... RBP.

## Scholarship Winners *Continued from Page 5*

Ryan Norwall, the son of Darrin and Grace Norwall, graduated May 28 from Cathedral High School in Los Angeles. With an incredible 4.43 GPA, Ryan ranked third in his class. Additionally, Joseph graduated wearing the California Scholarship Federation Gold Cord signifying that he consecutively earned the grades and service hours to be a member of the federation all eight semesters of high school. He will be attending Cal-Poly Pomona to study computer engineering.

In high school, Ryan was a member of the Math Club all four years, serving as board member and secretary, and vice president in his senior year. He was president of the California Scholarship Federation for his school in his senior year, and was the publisher



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*New Master Instructor is excited to get the program running again*

## Classes to Resume in August

By Alan M. Rowe, Master Instructor

*Dear Brothers & Sisters,*

Thank you for the opportunity to be your Master Instructor. I am very excited about getting our program up and running again, and with your help I intend to offer more opportunities for all of our members.

Our classes are apart and separate from the required Safety Pass Program. There is no overlap and our program is administered solely for the benefit of the members of Local 728. However, since our program is funded by Contract Services, we must show a demand for these classes in order for them to fund our program for next year. **It is very important that we fill the classes this fall and that you fill out and return the questionnaire about future classes.**

Classes will start again in August of this year with the *Safety Qualified Technician Course, Power I, Beginning Dimmer (DMX Networking/Dimming Technology), Advanced Dimmer (Lighting Console Programming), and High Intensity Lighting*. Next year, with enough interest and demand, I hope to start offering more advanced classes like *Whole Hog II/III & Power II*, as well as expanding our program to include new courses.

There are a few changes from past years. First of all, due to current budget constraints the Safety Qualified Technician Course has been reduced from four class sessions to one. I intend to compensate for this next year by creating two new classes to make up for this reduction. Pending funding, next year we will be adding *Troubleshooting/Running Repair and Rigging* to the roster of classes.

I have also restructured the Dimmer Classes to more adequately address the recent changes in technology. *Beginning Dimmer* will focus on DMX Networking/Advanced Dimming Technology. *Advanced Dimmer* will now focus on Lighting Console Programming. This course will emphasize the role of the Lighting Console on set and the similarities between all consoles. Most of this class will focus on the Expression Series Consoles with a basic introduction to the Whole Hog Series of consoles.

These classes are offered for your benefit and are free of charge. Please take advantage of this program and sign up for the classes this fall, and return the questionnaire about courses you would like to see offered. **Only through your participation can we increase the class offerings for next year and expand our program.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at the Local Office.



### PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT

As a Whole Hog Programmer, I would often get frustrated by outdated strobe lights that would either time out after a few seconds or have to be dimmed so far down that their effect was disappointing. Those days are past as I would like to introduce Martin Professional's ATOMIC 3000 Strobe. It features a 3000w, 5600K globe and is available in either 90-120v or 200-250v configurations. There is an optional color scroller for instant multiple color choices. It is fully compatible with any DMX console and is addressed with easily accessible dip switches. With individual channels for intensity, rate, and duration it is very responsive and fast to program. It also has an on-board stand-alone effects engine. What impresses me the most about this strobe however is the high output and cooling system which keeps it from timing out even when operating at its maximum intensity. The ATOMIC 3000 is widely available around town and you can check it out on the Martin website at [www.martinpro.com/product/product.asp?product=atomic](http://www.martinpro.com/product/product.asp?product=atomic).

## Scholarship Winners

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of the CSF newsletter his junior year. Additionally, in 12<sup>th</sup> grade he was a member of the student Senate which encompassed the top 10 students of the senior class.

Ryan was also one of the head tutors for a variety of subjects including math, the sciences and English, for the after-school program, and tutored in neighboring elementary schools in his senior year as part of the Cathedral Outreach Educators.

Outside of the classroom, Ryan volunteered for a variety of community projects including feeding the homeless and neighborhood clean-ups, and was a member of the Youth Group through his church. He enjoys playing basketball, and building and repairing computers.

In addition to the Local's award, Ryan is the recipient of the Cathedral High School Founders Scholarship, the highest scholarship the school bestows.

**Kate English, the daughter of Jack and Kerry English**, graduated June 18 from Los Angeles County High School of the Arts in Los Angeles. Kate will be attending Sarah Lawrence College in New York. While her hope is to one day be a successful painter, Kate will study fine art and is planning on going to graduate school.

Although her high school emphasis was on the arts, Kate excelled in the academics graduating with a 3.6 GPA. She is the recipient of the Scholastic Arts in Writing Award, and the Silver Key Award in 2005 recognizing a variety of her art pieces.

Kate says she knew she wanted to be an artist at an early age, following in her mother's footsteps. She helped out at her mother's school, and also taught art to youngsters at her mother's art camp.

Last summer, Kate did an internship at a fine arts gallery in Santa Monica, and in her sophomore year attended a summer program at the Pratt Art Institute in New York.

In addition to the Local's award, Kate won a four-year scholarship to Sarah Lawrence College.

*Editor's Note: Photo not available.*

# SPECIAL NOTICE

## HAVE YOU WORKED AT DOWNEY STUDIOS?

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Your Union is very concerned about the number of reports that it has received regarding our members' health and safety while working on various productions at the Downey Studio facility.

We have obtained copies of the tests performed by an independent testing company hired to do the testing at the Downey Studio facility. The test results were negative for asbestos, and positive for mold. Although the test for asbestos was negative, we believe that some people may have in fact been exposed to asbestos and possibly harmful chemicals.

Some of our members have received a letter from DreamWorks stating that those employed on "The Island" were exposed to mold, but a normally healthy person should not experience any prolonged or increased health risk due to this exposure. Although we do not dispute this entirely, we believe that there are some individuals who may have experienced levels of exposure that may have a lasting effect.

In order for the Union to protect your rights, we need your assistance. If you have worked on any

production, for any company at the Downey Studio, please provide the requested information and return this letter to the Union at your earliest convenience.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Production (s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Fraternally,  
Norman L. Glasser  
Business Representative  
I.A.T.S.E. Local 728

### Studio Electrical Lighting Technicians



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