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LETTERS OF THE MONTH

Scholarship Students Show They're Winners

Dear Mr. Hawkins and the Joannie Mukai/City Employees Club Scholarship Committee, thank you very much for selecting me as a recipient of the 2012 Joannie Mukai/ City Employees Club Scholarship. I appreciate the scholarship very much, as it will be a tremendous help in helping to fund my higher education. I am very honored to have been chosen as one of the recipients for this year. Thank you again. Best wishes.

– Ashley Arikawa

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It was amazing to read that more than 80 applications were received! I am so blessed to be chosen by you. I couldn't help but blush from your compliments with regard to my application. I am overwhelmed with joy that you consider me an exceptional student and think I'll be a tremendous asset to the University of California Riverside (UCR).

My family is indeed very proud as I have a great responsibility to them as the first to graduate college in our immediate family household. It is a great honor and responsibility that I do not take lightly.

Your contribution to my education is greatly appreciated and came at such an amazing time. I found myself needing the summer bridge program and all the provisions my family made to prepare me for the September fall semester, suddenly had to be expedited for July. We were not fully ready, and still needed to make several impromptu deposits and purchases. Your kindness has allowed us to financially breathe and for that also, we truly thank you.

Generous organizations like yours, which obviously has members' and their family's best interest at heart, are truly a blessing from God. My mom constantly talks about the City Club, regardless of what we're planning to do. "I wonder what the City Club has...;" "We lost again (softball);" "Did you see Alive! this month?;" she repeats, and she speaks of Robert Larios' peacefulness often. It comes with great admiration that City Club has become a part of our family.

Wow! My hat's off to the 20 recipients of the Mukai Scholarships. They each had very impressive backgrounds. The parents of these kids are doing something right! These are the kind of kids that could run the City of Los Angeles one day! Or perhaps we have a future president of the United States in the making among these great achievers!

- Heidi Gomley, Rec and Parks

It's Real Pros at the Scene of the Crime

That is a terrific story about the Field Investigation Unit and how evidence is collected at crime scenes. Fascinating stuff! We are lucky to have such dedicated and professional city employees doing the CSI work. They should be commended and appreciated.

- Ray Honig, General Services

Club's Office Depot Discount Keeps Paying Off for Members

The Office Depot discount program with the Club is out of sight! I was about to spend \$201 when I pulled out my credit card that I linked to the program several weeks and ago and boom, the new total was \$167! I love the way this works. Thank you Club.

- Steven Norman, LAPD

It's a Dog's Life When It **Comes to Picture Perfect**

"John's Picture Perfect" contest was so much fun to read! I especially liked the dog with the sunglasses. Unfortunately my dog is not as big. In fact, it is literally about the size of the sunglasses the dog was wearing. Great job to Eddie for capturing that terrific photo.

- Helen Josephson, Retired

It's George's Mission to **Travel Through California**

The Be Alive! from Angel Gomez has to be my favorite to date! I just love the history of all the missions in California. I would like to visit them all one day. It is great that they still have religious services there! After reading this story, I am ready to make my way all over California. I will send my Alive! Around the Worlds - just wait and see!

- George Landers, General Services

Lettuce Thank Chef Larios For the Caesar Salad Recipe

That Caesar salad recipe that Chef Larios made was one of the tastiest I have made. How does he do it? He makes cooking look so easy, and the easier the meal, the more yummy it gets. It's the mark of a true chef, I suppose. If I have recipe recommendations or I have a food question, how can I get a hold of Chef Larios?



Again I thank you, for your kindness and generosity. Thank you for choosing me as a 2012 scholarship recipient from the Joannie Mukai/City Employees Club fund.

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of your members.

– QueJonné Smith

- Michelle Gilroy, LAFD

Hi Michelle, contacting Chef Larios is easy! Write to him at RLarios@cityemployeesclub. com, or give him a call: (800) 464-0452. – Ed.



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– Gilbert Guzman,

