

## Conference Schedule 2008-2009

### Cerritos H.S.

October 11, 2008  
Novice/Intermediate

### Edison H.S.

October 25-26, 2008  
Advanced

### Montreal (McGill)\*\*

November 2-9, 2008  
Advanced

### UCLA

November 8-9, 2008  
Advanced

### L.A. Invitational (LAIMUN)

December 6, 2008  
Novice

### Edison H.S.

January 17, 2009  
Novice

### Huntington Beach

January 30-31, 2009  
Intermediate/Advanced

### Berkeley\*\*

Feb. 27-March 1, 2009  
Advanced

### New York City\*\*

March 15-22, 2008  
Advanced

### Huntington Beach

April 25  
Freshman

### Davis\*\*

May TBA

\*Dates subject to change

\*\*By invitation only



# THE GAVEL

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## *A Message from Our President, Dolores Kreig*

### Time for Transitioning

It is very exciting to see the 2008-2009 year in progress. Our delegates have competed in two conferences and helped raise funds for our club by working in the Goldfish Booth at the Manhattan Beach Hometown Fair. A group has departed for a competition at McGill University in Montreal, and another large delegation will participate in a conference at UCLA. I view these calendar landmarks with mixed emotions since they are the “last” for me; my daughter Madeline graduates in June.

Many members of the Booster Club Board will be graduating with me and so it’s time to think about filling positions in the next year. Additionally, our **VP of Finance** Ellen Kubo and **VP of Travel** Stephanie Ram will be moving on after 2009 and 2010, respectively.

We need volunteers to train while Ellen and Stephanie are still active, and then assume these important positions. This will involve a two-year commitment at minimum.

*ASAP:* We need a **Treasurer** as Linda O’Neill, our treasurer pro-tem, is an alumnus parent and cannot continue indefinitely. She is available to train a volunteer this year and then the position will be continued, hopefully for a couple of terms since it gets easier with experience.

Indeed these are big commitments and I would like to discuss them with anyone who has some interest. They are vital to the survival of this organization.

Now that your students have participated in high school conferences and are anticipating university-level competitions, you surely have an appreciation of just how much education and growth is developed in this program. On a personal level, these outstanding delegates don’t fall far from the tree, and my life has benefited through working with the families.

We could use help with **Corporate Fundraising** also; this position hasn’t been filled for this year. I know that life outside Mira Costa is increasingly demanding and it is hard to imagine finding time to take on one more responsibility. I am committed to this program and continue to be in awe of the skills and maturity the students acquire. MUN is truly a “life-skills” class, teaching critical thinking, independence, work strategies, public speaking, leadership and writing. I consider my time on the board an investment and a chance to be a small part of the legacy these students will create. Please contact me: [dueneskreig@roadrunner.com](mailto:dueneskreig@roadrunner.com). Thanks!



## Take a Tour—See the Students in Action!

*Students will be giving tours during the upcoming LAIMUN conference at Mira Costa. It’s a good way to gain an understanding of what the kids do at conferences. Tour times will be announced in advance of the day.*

# Cerritos

# Conference Results

*Twenty-Nine Students received Awards of Excellence.*

Duncan Lau  
Marshall Pittman  
Spencer Vale  
Alka Nath  
Joelle Boxer  
Bryan Linnell  
Brad Baeuchler  
Alex Davis  
Samantha Horn  
Julian Monk  
Sanjana Sinha  
Logan Griffith  
Eli Rivas  
Reilly Hammond  
Catherine Dam

Jack Friedman  
Rachel Greenberg  
Ashley Irvin  
Sarah Anthony  
Josh Shu  
Austin Ahn  
Maggie Ginoza  
Chris Griebenow  
Claire Schiff  
Samantha Wong  
Marisa Knell  
Zeena Bhakta  
Chris Bickel  
Mackenzie Austin

## Join the LAIMUN Hospitality Team

LAIMUN, the novice competition hosted by Mira Costa, is just around the corner. The Booster Club will provide support by hosting lunches, a snack stand and other activities. Please let us know if you are available to help on December 6. Check you calendars and monitor e-mails for the opportunity to volunteer. Activities include on-campus time or in-home kitchen baking time, so there are plenty of choices to suit your schedule. To sign up, send an e-mail to one of the LAIMUN chairs listed below or to [dueneskreig@roadrunner.com](mailto:dueneskreig@roadrunner.com).

## Strong Performances at Edison

*Seventy students from Mira Costa received awards at the recent conference at Edison High School, Huntington Beach. A complete list of winners will appear in the next issue.*



### *U.N. Moment*

*"After four years at the United Nations, I sometimes yearn for the peace and tranquility of a political convention."*

*--Adlai E. Stevenson,  
U.N. Ambassador 1961-1965*



## Final Week to Sell Poinsettias

Let's make this the best year ever! Please keep these deadlines in mind:

*November 10*

Last day to submit orders and checks.

*December 2*

Help with sorting and delivering plants. Each person should deliver his or her own orders.

Help support the program! Selling and delivering plants generates funds for student accounts. Questions? Call the Poinsettia Chairs:

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## Goldfish Booth A Hit at the Fair

Kudos to the parents who organized the Goldfish Booth: Blair Harless, Susan Whelan and Cindy Baeuchler. Thanks to their leadership and everyone's support, the hourly rate to student accounts is \$21.

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