



HFS Summer Update

Upcoming Event: Seventh Annual Leadership Breakfast September 20, 2013 from 7:30-9am

The Seventh Annual Leadership Breakfast will be held Friday September 20, 2013 from 7:30-9:0am. The breakfast will take place at the Standard Club and we are fortunate enough to have Steven D. Levitt, author of *Freakonomics* and *SuperFreakonomics*, speaking this year at the breakfast. Be sure to make your reservation soon! Tickets can be purchased [here](#) (or at hfschicagoscholars.com) and all donations will go directly to sponsoring our scholars for the upcoming school year.

Casino Night: A Smashing Success

The 2nd annual HFS Casino Night, held on May 31st at the Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza, was a smashing success! Over 350 attendees enjoyed an exciting evening of poker/casino games as well as amazing silent auction and raffle prizes such as an Apple® iPad mini®, a 40" LED TV, a Lululemon yoga package, and gift cards to many of Chicago's premier restaurants and salons. The event raised over \$33,000 to support HFS's mission to provide academically motivated scholars the opportunity to pursue their academic goals and realize their dreams.



Friends of HFS,

We wanted to take the time to thank you for your continued support of HFS Chicago Scholars and let you know about a few exciting summer updates. In this update you will find a review of our very successful Annual Casino Night, a reminder that the Seventh Annual Leadership Breakfast is quickly approaching, highlights of two of our many talented scholars, and a profile of one of our board members. HFS relies on your support and we are grateful for each hour, dollar, and idea that you are able to contribute. Thank you for all that you do to help the deserving scholars of Chicago!

With Gratitude,
The HFS Team





**Scholar Spotlight:
Bryanna Martinez**



- 1.) **What year will you graduate?** 2017
- 2.) **Where would you like to go to college?**
I have not chosen a specific college but I would like to go to a Veterinarian college in Texas.
- 3.) **what you like to study?**
What I am studying now is an introduction class to algebra, I am reading The Odyssey in my reading class, and I am taking a grammar and writing class at St. Ignatius. What I like to study is any type of history but preferably ancient.
- 4.) **What Extra-curricuars do you do in high school?**
Once I start high school at Queen of Peace my extra-curricuars are going to be an Art Fundamentals class and an Acting 1 class.
- 5.) **What hobbies do you enjoy?**
Some hobbies I enjoy are reading and just spending time with my family.
- 6.) **What is your favorite HFS memory?**
My favorite HFS memory

**Board Member Profile:
Rick Julien**



- Undergraduate Degree:** Accounting major at Northern Arizona University
MBA: Texas A&M
Fun Fact: before going to college, Rick ran nuclear power plants on submarines in the Navy
Work Experience: After graduation, Rick went to work for Arthur Anderson consulting in Fort Worth then several other companies before landing at Crowe Horvath, where he worked until his retirement in August 2013.
Involvement with HFS: Rick Julien has been on the board of HFS for nearly four years. He joined HFS because he believes it is important for those who have been fortunate in their careers and lives to give back and participate in something larger than themselves. At HFS, he is one of the co-chairs for the development committee and is a member of the executive committee
How has being a board member impacted you?
 "I have seen the importance of building

**Scholar Spotlight:
Ellen Chen**



- 1.) **What Year did you graduate?** 2013
- 2.) **Where you are going to college?** I will attend the University of Illinois at Urbana- Champaign.
- 3.) **What you like to study?** I will enter the College of Business and study international business and relation.
- 4.) **What Extra-curricuars did you do in high school?** I was editor for my school's newspaper and yearbook staff. I participated in the math team, Club Asia and the drama club's costume crew. I also started and was president of my school's first fashion club. On weekends, I volunteered at the Shedd Aquarium as an exhibit interpreter.
- 5.) **What hobbies do you enjoy?** I like sketching and painting, anything art related. I also love biking around the city and reading online blogs.
- 6.) **What is your favorite HFS memory?** The HFS holiday and end of the year dinners are always

so far is my very first interview with them because I could not stop smiling.

7.) Fun fact about you.

A fun fact I would say about me is that I make my family laugh all the time.

8.) How has HFS impacted your life?

HFS has impacted my life so far because I have made such great friends and met amazing people. HFS has also given me the chance to go to a catholic high school.

relationships and connecting with people in a positive way. Personally I have seen what hard work can accomplish in these scholars and the successes they can have if they work toward their goals, and thus the positive impact they can make on HFS and the world. The HFS scholars are going to be the leaders in their communities here in Chicago in the future. And what we are doing in providing them education and support is critical to building a stronger and more vibrant business community... These scholars have skin in the game; they have to work hard to meet HFS' expectations, they have to meet and exceed those expectations in order to be successful, and seeing those successes in the scholars is very rewarding for us and for the community as a whole."

memorable and fun.

Another favorite is the annual career fair.

7.) Fun fact about you:

I've always been interested about astronomy and curious of the possibility of extra terrestrial beings.

8.) How has HFS impacted your life?

HFS has given me a much better understanding of what helping others can lead to. Not only have I been impacted by the way HFS has supported me financially, I have also been impacted by the time and care this organization has given me and have learned the importance of teamwork and giving back to the community.

9.) What advice would you give someone just entering high school?

Time passes by really quickly and whatever you learn and do during your four years of high school can greatly affect your college entrance and future. Use every minute wisely and productively.

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HFS Chicago Scholars provides financial assistance and mentoring to economically disadvantaged Chicago inner-city high school students, who show academic and leadership promise, achieve their educational goals

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