

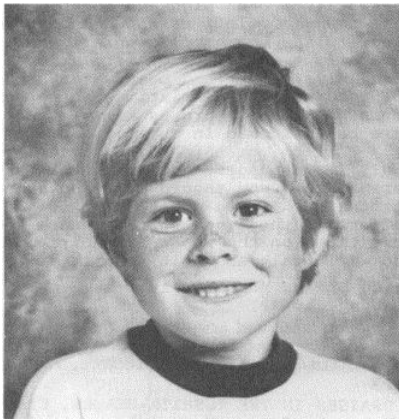
# *News from the Dharma Realm*



## *New Buddhist Centre Opens in Britain*

Shown in the photograph above is the community of Bhikkus, novices, and white-robed trainees (who have received the Eight Precepts) at the opening of the ANARAVATI BUDDHIST CENTRE located in Great Gaddesden, Herts, England. The establishment of the new center is based on the wish "to promote and further the teachings of the Buddha ... by the provision, maintenance, and support of an establishment as a residential centre for Bhikkus."

## *Promising Youth Speaks The Dharma*



Nick and Susan Mechling were married more than ten years, but were unable to have any children. Just when it looked impossible for them to have a family, they both began to seek very sincerely from Gwan Shr Yin Bodhisattva, asking to be blessed with a son. After that, Susan gave birth to Nicholas, a fine and upright son whose features reflect the best of both his parents. He will soon be seven years old. Recently when the Venerable Abbot visited Gold Wheel Monastery, young Nicholas gave a brief speech to the assembly gathered for the mid-day vegetarian meal. Calm and composed, with a broad smile on his face, he said these straightforward words:

### *Nicholas Mechling*

"You can't just say, 'I know the Buddhadharma' and then just walk off. You have to practice. Practicing is how you can get there. It can't be done just by saying, 'I know how to do it,' It's kind of hard, but it's always worth a try!"