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Dr. Larry Feldman, School Board Member The School Board of Miami-Dade County Monthly Electronic Newsletter



Happy New Year! Only a month into 2016 and it is already a very busy year. As always, it gives me great pleasure to share with you through pictures all the wonderful memories our students, educators, schools, parents and communities are creating throughout our District.

The Honorable Dr. Larry Feldman, District 9

** SAVE THESE DATES **

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 3RD @ 11:00 AM

***SECONDARY EARLY
RELEASE DAY***
FEBRUARY 4th

***DISTRICT 9 STUDENT LEADERSHIP
ADVISORY COUNCIL***
@ FAIRCHILD GARDENS
FEBRUARY 4TH @ 3:30 PM

***DISTRICT 9 TOWN
HALL/AWARDS CEREMONY***
@ CORAL REEF SENIOR HIGH
FEBRUARY 9th

6:15 PM INFORMATIONAL FAIR
7:00 PM AWARDS CEREMONY

VALENTINE'S DAY
FEBRUARY 14th

PRESIDENTS' DAY
(NO SCHOOL)
FEBRUARY 15th

TEACHER PLANNING DAY
(NO STUDENTS)
FEBRUARY 16th

COFFEE 'N CONVERSATION
@ FRANK C. MARTIN K-8 CENTER
FEBRUARY 23RD — 9:00 AM

COFFEE 'N CONVERSATION
@ AIR BASE K-8 CENTER
FEBRUARY 26th — 9:00 AM

HOWARD DRIVE GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY



PALMETTO ELEMENTARY ROARBOTS TEAM



DISTRICT 9 STUDENT LEADERSHIP ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING @ SOUTH DADE SR WITH GUEST SPEAKERS MS. C. DURAN AND MS. C. NUÑEZ, FROM NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY



SATURDAY, MARCH 5th

7TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY BIKE DAY
SPONSORED BY SCHOOL BOARD
MEMBER, DR. LARRY FELDMAN AND THE
VILLAGE OF PINECREST

@ PINECREST COMMUNITY CENTER
5855 KILLIAN DRIVE, PINECREST, FL
9:00—10:00 AM INFORMATIONAL FAIR
10:00—11:30 AM BIKE RIDE
11:30 AM - NOON SPONSOR PRIZE GIVEAWAY

DISTRICT 9 SCHOOL AND STUDENT NEWS

- **Coral Reef Sr** has six POSSE winners: **Tatianna Travieso** - Davidson (Health Sciences); **Brittney Jean-Baptiste** - Franklin and Marshall (Medical); **Ahlia Dunn** - Mt. Holyoke (Business) and **Mia Pennekamp** - Mt. Holyoke (Visual and Performing Arts); and **Esteban Chinen** - Pomona (Engineering) and **Micah Maglasang** (Health Sciences).
- **Southwood Middle** eighth-grade chorus magnet student, **Lisa Dias**, was chosen to perform a solo at the [2016 All State Event in Tampa, Florida](#), held by the Florida Music Educators' Association January 13-16.
- **Palmetto Elementary Roarbots** competed in the First Lego League tournament where they won Best Project for their research and proposal on water filling stations and water bottle policies at schools.
- **Coral Reef** seniors are recipients of the 2015 National College Match scholarship: **Cameron MacDonald**, **Kevin Naranjo** and **Leticia Rocha**
- **Coral Reef** senior, **Olivia Feild**, was one of five students awarded the Montage Memory Maker \$10,000 college scholarship. Olivia was selected for her "Vitamin Project" which benefits children in Guatemala. More than 2,000 orphaned, abandoned, and malnourished children have received valuable vitamins to foster their growth and development.

DTRT STUDENTS MET UP WITH CHIEF MOFFET AND FELLOW FBI ACADEMY ATTENDEES DURING THEIR WASHINGTON, D.C. TRIP



D.A.R.E GRADUATION @ PINECREST ELEMENTARY



2016 MEN'S SUMMIT & HEALTH AND WELLNESS FAIR @ MIAMI SR. HIGH



PANTHER MUN II MODEL UNITED NATIONS CLUB @ PALMETTO SR



RECOGNIZING NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH AND TAKE STOCK IN CHILDREN @ JANUARY BOARD MEETING

RECOGNIZING THE 2015 FLORIDA EXEMPLARY MIGRANT SCHOLARS @ JANUARY BOARD MEETING



PERRINE ELEMENTARY'S 4TH ANNUAL TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE COLLECTED OVER 400 TOYS



DISTRICT 9 SCHOOL AND STUDENT NEWS

- **PTA REFLECTIONS CONTEST WINNERS**
Palmetto Sr - Nanako Takayama and Alcimarina Comeron; Honorable Mention: Alex Goglewski and Melissa Leiva Rivero;
Palmetto Middle - Emily Osman and Jake Zimelman; **Palmetto El** - Leena Netto and Mia Tanner, Lucas Netto, Emma Leonardo, and Tegan O'Quinn; Honorable Mention: Jazzy Beerkircher, Thibault Carbonell, Emma Dodel and Amanda Leiva.
- **Southwood dance teams** placed first in duet, trio, ensemble, jazz and production and second in hip-hop during the state championship competition.
- **Palmetto Sr** student, **Keisha McIntyre-McCullough**, had her article, entitled "Speaking Truth to Power: The Issue of Equity in the English Language Arts Classroom" included in this month's edition of The National Council of Teachers of English Journal.
- **Coral Reef Elementary Youth Crime Watch School Program** began the year with a toiletries drive for the homeless in conjunction with Miami-Dade Homeless Trust.
- **MAST @ Homestead** teacher, **Ms. Lema Gilliard**, is 2017 Francisco R. Walker Miami Dade County Teacher of the Year Runner Up.



CELEBRATIONS ACROSS MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO PAY TRIBUTE TO DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

**35TH ANNUAL WEST PERRINE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,
HOLIDAY CELEBRATION UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY BREAKFAST**



**35TH ANNUAL WEST PERRINE DR.
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., PARADE**



5000 ROLE MODEL DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SCHOLARSHIP BREAKFAST



**HOMESTEAD/FLORIDA CITY
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,
BREAKFAST**



**BLOCK KIDS EVENT @ GOULDS ELEMENTARY HOSTED BY NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION (NAWIC)**



JOSE MARTI PARADE

NO PLACE FOR HATE STUDENT PEER TRAINING @ PALMETTO SR

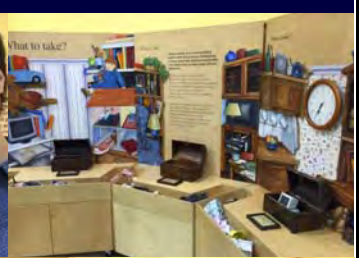


DADE CHIEFS' DINNER



RING CEREMONY @ PALMETTO SR

FROM HOME TO HOME VIP EXHIBIT RECEPTION @ THE LISA ANN WATSON CHILDREN'S DISCOVERY MUSEUM



COFFEE 'N CONVERSATION @ ROBERT RUSSA MOTON ELEMENTARY

HOWARD DRIVE CHORUS AND DANCERS PERFORMED AT THE PTA GENERAL MEETING



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COFFEE 'N CONVERSATION @ GOULDS ELEMENTARY

**BLUE CHIP KIDS WITH INVESTMENT
AUTHOR, DAVID BIANCHI @
PALMETTO SR**



**RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY FOR
THE NEWLY-RENOVATED GLOBAL
TRADE & LOGISTICS LAB @
MIAMI CENTRAL SR**



**WITH THE MEXICAN AMERICAN COUNCIL ABOARD THE DOCKED CELEBRITY CRUISE SHIP
AS THEY RECEIVE A GRANT FROM THEIR CHARITABLE FOUNDATION**



2017 FRANCISCO R. WALKER MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TEACHER OF THE YEAR AND ROOKIE TEACHER OF THE YEAR CEREMONY



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