

CITY OF HOMESTEAD

MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL

January 2005

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Honored



The MYC participated in two events honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in January. The first event was a breakfast sponsored by the Homestead/Florida City Human Relations Board held on January 14th at the Pichol Williams Community Center. The theme for the event was "MAKE IT A DAY ON, NOT A DAY OFF". The Master of Ceremonies was Mayor Roscoe Warren and the Keynote Speaker was Dr. Rudy Crew, Superintendent of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools. Over 400 residents, business owners and

community leaders attended the breakfast. The dignitaries in attendance included representatives from the Miami-Dade County Commission, Homestead City Council and the Florida City Commission. It was an elegant affair! The Greater Miami Youth Symphony performed during the program. Other entertainment included a solo by singer Ebony Jackson and a native dance by Centro Campesino, Baile Folklorico. Outstanding Community Leaders were announced by Florida City Mayor Otis Wallace as follows: Willie Brown (grandfather of MYC Vice-Mayor Wayne Bullard), Dr. Rudolph Crew, Yvelice Gonzalez, Jack Leonard, Wilfrid Pressa and Juanita Smith. It was a wonderful event enjoyed by all who attended.



MYC member Katie Sapkosky far left seated with Human Relations Board members. Katie is the MYC Liaison to the Human Relations Board.



Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade

The MYC also participated in the Martin Luther King, Jr. parade held on Saturday, January 15th. The weather did not cooperate but that did not dampen the spirits of the parade participants and watchers! The MYC members met at City Hall to decorate their parade vehicle, a city truck. The parade began in Homestead and ended in Loren Roberts Park in Florida City. Special thanks to the Public Works Department for providing the parade vehicle and a driver for the parade. MYC members who participated in the parade were: Khaleah Evelyn, Nick Pascuzzo, Ashlei Harris, Amanda Powell, Alycia York, Katie Sapkosky, Andres Ramirez, Chloe Kendall, Terrance Harvey and Beatrice Diehl. Wayne Bullard was not in the MYC vehicle but was very involved as one of the event organizers.



Above: MYC members met at City Hall to decorate the truck with balloons, ribbon and a Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. banner, "The Dream is Still Alive"

Above: A little rain - no problem! During the parade candy was tossed to the children along the parade route.

Right: Decorations were done and it was time to head to the parade starting area!



Arbor Day Celebrated

The MYC joined members of the Homestead City Council and City Manager during the January 21st Arbor Day Tree Planting event at James Archer Smith Park sponsored by the

City's Parks and Recreation Department. The City Council dedicated the planting of a new tree to the United States Military and the MYC dedicated a second tree to the victims of the Tsunami disaster.



Mayor's Youth Council Members

Yamel Bencosme	11 Coral Reef	Chloe Kendall	11 South Dade
Precious Bowling	11 Coral Reef	Julianna Mundo	11 Robert Morgan
Wayne Bullard	11 Coral Reef	Danielle Nichols	10 South Dade
Christina Cowart	11 South Dade	Nicholas Pascuzzo	11 Princeton Christian
Beatrice Diehl	10 Robert Morgan	Amanda Powell	9 Robert Morgan
Lauren Dixon	11 Homestead	Andres Ramirez	11 Robert Morgan
Khaleah Evelyn	11 Homestead	Sergio Romero	11 Coral Reef
Ashlei Harris	11 South Dade	Katie Sapkosky	9 Robert Morgan
Terrance Harvey	12 Coral Reef	Brandon Williams	11 Coral Reef
Kristen Hewitt	11 South Dade	Alycia York	10 Robert Morgan
Dora Jimenez	12 Homestead		



Councilman Hodge and Councilwoman Garner are the City Council liaisons to the MYC

MYC Candidids...



MYC member Katie Sapkosky, the HRB Liaison, was sitting with the Human Relations Board members during the MLK breakfast. Katie is pictured with Romanita Ford and Dr. Marlene Groomes



Councilwoman Amanda Garner, MYC Council Liaison, chats with MYC members before the breakfast began.

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