

CITY OF HOMESTEAD

MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL

April 2007

MYC Tours Historic Boston

The Mayor's Youth Council had a whirlwind 4-day visit to the historic Boston area during the April 2-5 Spring Break week. Twenty-three MYC students and three chaperones, including MYC Liaison Councilwoman Amanda Garner, boarded a shuttle bus to the airport at 4:45 a.m. to catch their flight out of Miami International Airport. It was quite chilly when they arrived with daytime highs reaching the 40's and nighttime lows in the 30's. It even snowed one day! For some students it was their first time on an airplane and also their first time seeing snow!

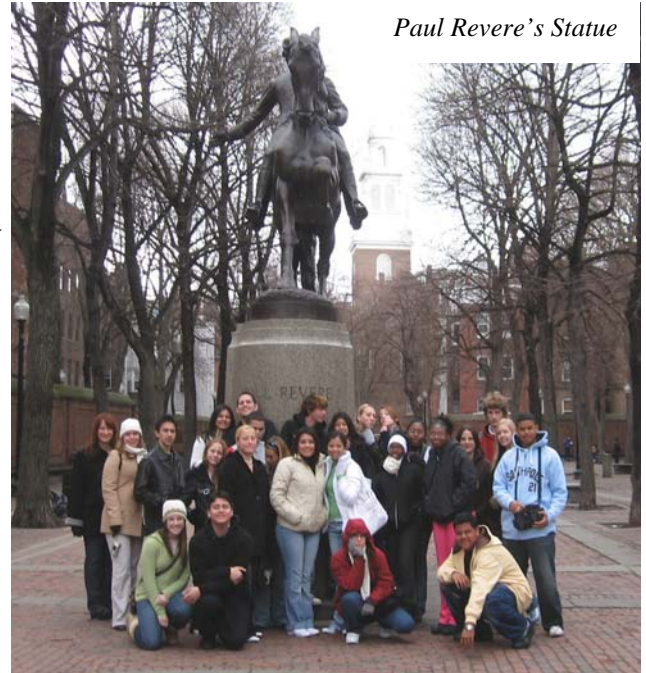
The trip itinerary included Salem, Boston, Lexington and Plymouth, MA. They arrived in Boston at noon and jumped on the tour bus for the busy day ahead. On their first day, they visited the Salem Witch Museum, Hawthorne's House of the Seven Gables and enjoyed a haunted ghost tour of Salem.

The second day the group went on a guided tour of the Freedom Trail. They saw the State House (known in other states as the Capitol building), Boston Common, Old North Church and went aboard the U.S.S. Constitution (Old Ironsides). After lunch they toured the New England Aquarium and were most impressed with the cute penguins, seals and IMAX show about whales.

The third day began with a visit to the Minuteman Statue and a guided tour of Lexington and Concord following the trail of Paul Revere's ride. They saw Walden Pond, Sleepy Hollow Cemetery and the Old North Bridge. The tour guide was very knowledgeable and shared interesting information with the group about the revolution and Paul Revere's famous ride. After lunch they toured the very impressive John F. Kennedy Library. That evening the group was invited to a hilarious play "Sheer Madness". There was lots of audience participation in this "Who Dun It?" tale and everyone enjoyed the evening out.

On their last day, the MYC visited Plymouth Rock and went aboard the Mayflower II. They also visited a plantation and a reconstruction of the Pilgrim Village as it appeared in 1627. They had a great BBQ lunch at the Plantation before departing for the airport.

Special thanks to all of the MYC sponsors who made this trip possible. They are: Community Bank of Florida, Homestead-Miami Speedway, Flagship Cinemas in Homestead, John Alger, Robert Levy & Associates, Indigo Properties and the City Attorneys Office, Weiss, Serota and Helfman, et al. We sincerely appreciate their help and support!



Paul Revere's Statue



*The State House
In Boston*



The Mayflower II



Minuteman Monument

More pics from Boston...



Scenic Bluff in Salem - The group was chilly but smiling!



The heated tour bus got them where they needed to go.



Hawthorne's House of the 7 Gables



*Above & Right:
Pilgrim Visit in Plymouth*



Left & below: MYC toured U.S.S. Constitution .



Mayor's Youth Council Members

Jesse Carvin	11 Homestead	Rachel Orr	10 Robert Morgan
Jessica Cravens	11 Robert Morgan	Amanda Powell	10 Robert Morgan
Cameron Davis	11 Palmetto	Joseph Radice	11 Coral Reef
Beatrice Diehl	11 Robert Morgan	Maria Rangel	12 Homestead
Kurt Durnberg	12 South Dade	Katie Sapkosky	11 Robert Morgan
Fermin Guerra	12 Homestead	Kaylin Scott	11 Adv Studies
Arthur Jones	11 Homestead	Hana Squires	11 Robert Morgan
Fernando Juarez	10 Homestead	Rosel Vazquez	11 South Dade
Esther Mathurin	12 Homestead	Pablo Vaquer	10 Homestead
Chimene Mathurin	11 Homestead	Vanesa Vaquer	12 Homestead
Marie Mathurin	9 Homestead	Rosel Vazquez	11 South Dade
Stephanie Moya	11 Homestead	Maira Velasquez	12 Homestead
Yadira Murguia	12 Homestead	Kerri Wilson	12 Homestead
Daniel Navea	12 Homestead	Amber Woods	10 Robert Morgan



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