

CITY OF HOMESTEAD

MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL

January 2006

MYC Attends Event Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Although it was a school day, many of the area high school principals excused MYC members to attend the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast sponsored by the Homestead/Florida City Human Relations Board on January 13th at the Phichol Williams Community Center. The Master of Ceremonies was Mayor Roscoe Warren and the Keynote Speaker was Attorney H. T. Smith. Over 300 residents, business owners and community leaders attended the breakfast honoring Dr. King, Jr. for his tireless fight for justice and freedom for all people. The Homestead High School ROTC led the Color Guard and the Homestead Senior High School Jazz Band and Chorus provided music for the event.



Yamel Bencosme (right) and her teacher from Coral Reef High School.

The dignitaries in attendance included representatives from the Miami-Dade County Commission, Homestead City Council and the Florida City Commission. The 2006 Local Outstanding Community Leaders



Right to left: Terrance Harvey, Wayne Bullard, Kristen Hewitt, Councilwoman Amanda Garner, Arthur Jones and Emmanuel Desis.



Mayor Roscoe Warren introduces keynote speaker, H.T. Smith, Esq.



MYC members Brandon Williams and Ashlei Harris

recognized were Robert Epling, Colonel Brodes Hartle, Jr., Herman Martinez, Patricia Mellerson and Ernestine Seymour. It was an elegant affair!

The MYC members who attended the event were: MYC Mayor Wayne Bullard, MYC Council Members Ashlei Harris and Yamel Bencosme and MYC members Kristen Hewitt, Brandon Williams, Emmanuel Desis, Arthur Jones, and Terrance Harvey.

MLK Parade was well attended!

The MYC also participated in the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. parade held on Saturday, January 14th. MYC members met at City Hall to decorate their parade vehicle, a city truck. The parade began in Florida City and ended in Roby George Park in Homestead. The weather was great and the children enjoyed collecting the candy the MYC members tossed to them along the parade route. Special thanks to the Public Works Dept. for providing the parade vehicle and driver, as well as the comfy hay to sit on! MYC members who participated in the parade were: Yamel Bencosme, Emmanuel Desis, Beatrice Diehl, Ashlei Harris, Terrance Harvey, Arthur Jones, Nina Martin, Nicholas Pascuzzo, Amanda Powell, Andres Ramirez, Sergio Romero, Katie Sapkosky, Harolyn Sawyer, Carlee Sutton, Pablo Vaquer, Vanesa Vaquer and Brandon Williams. Councilwoman Lynda Bell and her grandchildren were also in the parade vehicle. MYC Mayor Wayne Bullard was not in the City Truck but was very involved in the parade as one of the parade organizers.



MYC Mission Statement

The MYC meets in the City Council Chambers at Homestead City Hall the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The MYC Mission Statement is to provide a constructive means for youth to have a voice in the decision-making processes, to provide opportunities for self-growth and to groom youth as future leaders in the City of Homestead. Councilwoman Amanda Garner and Councilman Norman Hodge are the City Council's liaisons to the MYC. For more information about the Mayor's Youth Council, visit the City's website at www.cityofhomestead.com or contact the Office of the Mayor and Council at 305-224-4447.

Mayor's Youth Council Members

Yamel Bencosme	12 Coral Reef	Danielle Nichols	11 South Dade
Precious Bowling	12 Coral Reef	Nicholas Pascuzzo	12 Princeton Christian
Wayne Bullard	12 South Dade	Amanda Powell	10 Robert Morgan
Christina Cowart	12 South Dade	Andres Ramirez	12 Robert Morgan
Emmanuel Desis	12 Homestead	Ramses Rodriguez	11 Robert Morgan
Beatrice Diehl	10 Robert Morgan	Sergio Romero	12 Coral Reef
Lauren Dixon	12 Homestead	Katie Sapkosky	10 Robert Morgan
Ashlei Harris	12 South Dade	Harolyn Sawyer	12 Coral Reef
Arthur Jones	10 Homestead	Kirsten Stuver	12 South Dade
Terrance Harvey	12 Coral Reef	Carlee Sutton	12 South Dade
Kristen Hewitt	12 South Dade	Pablo Vaquer	9 Homestead
Chloe Kendall	12 South Dade	Vanesa Vaquer	11 Homestead
Nina Martin	12 Princeton Christian	Brandon Williams	12 Coral Reef
Juliana Mundo	12 Robert Morgan	Alycia York	11 Robert Morgan



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