

The Hialeah Update

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Fire Station No. 6 Ribbon Cutting



September 23, 2009

Kafe Mia Ribbon Cutting



October 2, 2009

Chipotle Ribbon Cutting



October 8, 2009

Dear Friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you some of the events which have taken place throughout our city. With the holiday season approaching, I wish everyone a safe and wonderful time. I also look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events being held in the City of Hialeah during the next couple of months.



Literacy Fair: In celebration of September as Literacy Awareness Month, the City of Hialeah held its 4th annual Literacy Fair on Saturday September 19th at the JFK Library. Mayor Julio Robaina and Councilwoman Katharine Cue kicked off the fair with the unveiling of their new children's book - [When I Grow Up](#). Over 20 community organizations hosted booths in the parking lot with several authors and school children who

also participated in story time. Characters greeted fair attendees and dance academies graced fairgoers with different performances from around the world. The City of Hialeah Police Cadets hosted a Kid Print station for children to obtain a free picture identification card. This event encourages residents to increase literacy levels in Hialeah. During the past two years, the City of Hialeah Scholarship Fund in collaboration with Take Stock in Children (TSIC), has awarded eight college scholarships to deserving Hialeah students. These students were recognized at the Literacy Fair by Mayor Robaina with an Award of Merit. Mayor Robaina and the Hialeah City Council vow to continue to create opportunities that allow for continued progress and educational growth throughout the city.

Walk Our Children To School Day: On October 3, 2008 Mayor Robaina joined School Board Member Perla Tabares Hantman in the 12th Annual Walk Our Children to School Day at Twin Lakes Elementary. Each year more schools join the program, which helps educate and inform our youth regarding safety measures and respect towards our environment including walking to school instead of using vehicles. This program is promoted by the National Center for Safety Routes to School.

Heart Ready City: On May 30, 2009 Chief Marcos De La Rosa & Mayor Robaina accepted the "Heart Ready City" award. The Hialeah Fire Department has implemented a Heart Ready Program which will improve the survival rates of those who suffer a cardiac arrest in order to save lives through implementation of model emergency cardiovascular programs in the city. Mayor states "placing AED's (Automatic External Defibrillators) in public buildings, police cars and places where people gather, in conjunction with learning how to perform CPR will result in the safest communities possible." Hialeah is the first city in Miami Dade County and the second city in Florida to receive this award, which we are honored and proud to hold.

Lights on After School: On Thursday October 22, 2009, a mural showcasing the importance of afterschool programs created by participants in the city's Creative Learning & Play (CL&P) afterschool program was unveiled at the Lights on Afterschool celebration at John F. Kennedy Library. Mayor Robaina & the Hialeah City Council declared Lights on Afterschool Day in Hialeah. The City of Hialeah was one of more than 7,500 sites across the nation sending the message that afterschool is key to children's success, and that we must keep the lights on and doors open after school. Everyone was invited to watch a friendly game of "Are You Smarter than a Child in an Afterschool Program" where children in our afterschool program compete with local elected officials and/or other city officials in a battle of wits.

Hialeah Transit 7th Year of Operating: The unveiling of two brand new Hialeah Transit Buses on Wednesday, October 1, 2009, featured a fun ride, delightful time, extra goodies and plenty of treats for the residents of the 300 unit project building fortunate to ride on its maiden route voyages through Hialeah. Nearly 60 elderly residents from the Hialeah Housing Community broke in the new state-of-the-art buses specifically designed to accommodate the senior citizens of the city. Also on board was Mayor Julio Robaina, the esteemed members of the City Council, and State Representatives Eddy Gonzalez and Rene Garcia who joined along for the ride! The afternoon featured much more than just a complimentary bus ride, as the citizens received the opportunity to tour the city and make a stop at the new Target. There they were given goodie bags filled with treats and free giveaways, as well as walked through the store and familiarize themselves with all the bargains and discounts offered by Target. Afterwards a full lunch at the Applebee's nearby concluded the event as they were dropped back off at their living facility.



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