

The Hialeah Update

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Mayor Visits Hialeah High Homecoming Half-time Show



Mayor Julio Robaina and student Erica Lopez

Sculpture Unveiling



Artist Leonel Matheu
November 16, 2007

Dear Friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you all the events that have been taking place around our city during the last couple of days. As you can see, we are enjoying celebration and new beginnings to end such a great year. I look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming events around the city, and would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

Newly Appointed Interim Chief of Police: After twenty years of service as Hialeah Police Chief, Rolando D. Bolaños has announced his retirement effective January 11, 2008. We would like to express our gratitude for his dedicated service toward our residents and community. On November 9, 2007, Mayor Julio Robaina appointed Mark N. Overton as Interim Police Chief. Chief Overton previously serviced our community as Deputy Chief for over two years and now has assumed all the responsibilities of Police Chief for the Hialeah Police Department.



Veteran's Day Celebration: On November 11, 2007, the City of Hialeah set aside this day to honor our veterans. The event took place at Triangle Park, and was filled with prayers and poetry honoring those who have served our country. Distinguished guests including Congressman Lincoln Diaz-Balart and Mr. Dexter Lehtinen, a decorated war veteran, as well as the City of Hialeah Veteran Affairs Board were present.

Dedication of Hialeah Elementary: On November 2, 2007, a new building was dedicated to Hialeah Elementary. This event was greatly celebrated by faculty, staff, and the students of Hialeah Elementary, who were glad to receive an addition to their wonderful school. At the ceremony Renier Diaz de la Portilla, District 5, Mayor Julio Robaina, City of Hialeah, and Jeffery Miller from Weeks Gas Company were the honored guest speakers who each spoke inspiring words.



Mayor Receives Sunshine Award: Mayor Julio Robaina was named Public Official of the Year by the South Florida Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. The Sunshine Awards aims at honoring the best in South Florida Businesses with 13 awards. This year, the award committee chose Mayor Julio Robaina as the recipient of the Public Official of the Year Award. The Sunshine Awards were presented to the winners on November 2, 2007 aboard Carnival's Fascination at the Port of Miami.

Construction & Maintenance Department:

- 1st Place
Jorge Rodriguez - Hialeah Miami Lakes High School
- 2nd Place
Ryan Morse - Barbara Goleman High School
- 3rd Place
Marilyn Ventura - Westland Hialeah High School

Streets Department:

- 1st Place
Brendon Stansberry - Hialeah Miami Lakes High School
- 2nd Place
Kenia Villegas - Hialeah Miami Lakes High School
- 3rd Place
Yarian Gomez - Barbara Goleman High School

City of Hialeah Vehicle Slogan Contest Winners

Solid Waste Department:

- 1st Place
Daniel Carrasco - Barbara Goleman High School
- 2nd Place
Allan Bueno - Hialeah Miami Lakes High School
- 3rd Place
Dania Castillo - Barbara Goleman High School

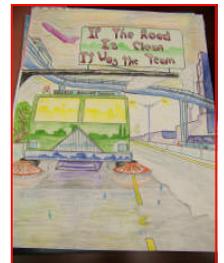
Water & Sewer Department:

- 3rd Place
Jane Suarez - Hialeah High School



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- 1st Place
Pedro Ramos
Westland Hialeah High School



Water & Sewer Department

- 2nd Place
Jonathan Gomez
Hialeah Miami Lakes High

Upcoming Events:

- Mayor Robaina will be giving away Thanksgiving Dinners to pre-registered families.
- November 20, 2007 - Goodlet Theater at 12:00pm to 50 families
- November 21, 2007 - Milander Auditorium at 2:30pm to 100 families

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