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Upcoming Events:

- August 2, 2011 - Ribbon Cutting for New Publix Shopping Center on E. 2 Avenue and 32 Street at 6:30 p.m..
- August 4, 2011 - Ground breaking ceremony for the 9 units at 45 W 6 Street at 10:00 a.m..
- August 9, 2011 - Back to School Immunizations at Goodlet Adult Center from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- August 18, 2011 - Children's Art Expo at Wilde Adult Center at 6:00 p.m..



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Dear Friends,

I would like to initiate this edition of Que Pasa Hialeah by expressing the honor and privilege it is for me to serve the City of Hialeah, my hometown, as Mayor. Throughout my tenure as an elected official in this great City, I made a commitment to lead the City of Progress to a place where residents feel proud to call home. This commitment remains strong as I will continue to work towards the growth of this community. As Mayor, I hope to maintain Hialeah as a place that is safe, comfortable and a home to its citizens.

Listening is vital in leadership as it provides information that is essential to make effective choices. My main priority is to listen to you the resident and act in benefit of our community. Your feedback is significant to me and my administration. For this reason, I welcome you to visit my office with any questions, ideas or concerns. You may also contact me at 305-883-5800 or via e-mail at mayorchernandez@hialeahfl.gov.

Public Safety is essential to all communities. For this reason, we continue to encourage increased police presence throughout the City. The last Uniform Crime Report released for January through December 2010 for Cities with a population of 200,000 and over, ranks the City of Hialeah as the lowest in crime in the overall Crime Index.

A City's beautification is one of the several factors that determine a community's potential for success. For this reason, I remain committed to repairing our roadways and infrastructure. The City of Hialeah is continuously working with our State and County legislators to obtain funds for the improvement of our streets. Presently, West 76 Street from 31 to 33 Avenue is under construction.

We continue to work with the private sector in order to attract new businesses to the City of Hialeah in an effort to create new employment opportunities, as well as stimulate the local economy. In addition, we are working to create new partnerships with the private sector in order to obtain sponsorships of City programs and local schools.

Providing our youth with the best education is vital to the City of Hialeah. I am proud to recognize that the Hialeah Educational Academy will have its first senior class graduate in 2012!

A program was initiated in conjunction with E-Scrap, Inc., to allow Hialeah residents and business owners to recycle electronics free of charge. All recyclable items may be dropped off at E-Scrap located at 2220 East 11 Avenue in Hialeah Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., and on the second and fourth Saturday of every month from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

I would like to end this message by urging all Hialeah residents to take the proper measure to protect yourselves and your families from a possible hurricane threat. On an annual basis, the City of Hialeah Emergency Management Office works in conjunction with the Mayor's Office and City Department Directors on a City wide Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and Hurricane Plan. Florida is a State prone to hurricanes. For this reason, it is vital that you prepare for the 2011 hurricane season.

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Swearing-In Ceremonies: On May 23, 2011 Council President Carlos Hernandez was sworn in as Mayor of the City of Hialeah. Carlos served the Hialeah Police Department for over twenty-two years. He retired as the Commander of the Sector 4 Sub-station. Mayor Hernandez has served the City of Hialeah as a Council Member since 2005. He was elected by his peers Council Vice President in 2007 and Council President in 2009. Carlos served as Council President until he was appointed Mayor of the City of Hialeah on May 23, 2011. Mayor Hernandez has a Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Leadership from St. Thomas University.



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Ribbon Cutting
Terra Bank



June 2, 2011

Ribbon Cutting
Harbor Freight Tools



June 3 2011

Senior Domino
Tournament



July 15, 2011

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Hialeah Honors Fallen Soldier: On May 30, 2011 the City of Hialeah and the Hialeah Veteran’s Affairs Board set aside a few moments to honor the memory of those men and women who gave their lives for the freedom of this great Country. On this day, they especially honored one of our fallen soldiers, SFC Ofren Arrechaga, who was killed in action on March 29, 2011 in Afghanistan.



Hialeah Parks Re-Open: On June 23, 2011 Mayor Carlos Hernandez held a press conference to announce the re-opening of 11 parks with generous help from the City’s Positive Partnership Program. By opening the parks all day, the City is able to provide free lunch to hundreds of children in the community through Village Youth Services, Inc. and Ray Fields from Family Literacy, Inc.

Repeal Of Red Light Camera Ordinance: On June 28, 2011 the City Council passed the repeal of Hialeah Fla. Ordinance 08-92 (Dec.11, 2008) that codified a red light traffic safety system authorizing the use of unmanned cameras, in a 6-1 Vote.

4th Of July: This year the City of Hialeah celebrated our nation’s independence with the annual fireworks presentation and a live concert in which Carlos Oliva & Los Sobrinos del Juez performed followed by South Florida’s biggest laser & firework show. The festivities began at 6:00 p.m. at Milander Park and everyone present enjoyed the wonderful presentation.

The City Of Hialeah Educational Academy Receives an “A”: Mayor Hernandez and the City Council are proud to announce that the City of Hialeah Educational Academy received its first “A” grade from the State of Florida Department of Education. The school achieved significant recognition by meeting 100% of its annual yearly progress goals. Last year the school received a grade of a “C.” Not only has the school received such an exceptional grade, but this year it also became accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), which represents the school’s commitment to maintain the highest education principles and values.

Aquatic Centers Open for an Additional Day for Public Use: Since July 18, 2011 the Bucky Dent and McDonald Aquatic Centers have been open for public swimming an additional day a week. The Bucky Dent Aquatic Center is open five days a week (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday) from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The McDonald Aquatic Center is open four days a week, from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30p.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday and from 12:00p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday due to swimming lessons.

Hialeah Resident Receives the Keys to Her Reconstructed Home: On July 15, 2011 Celia Garcia, a long-time Hialeah resident, was officially welcomed to her newly reconstructed home. Ms. Garcia has lived at this property for 32 years and was ecstatic to move back into her redeveloped property. The home, located in Hialeah at 50 East 35 Street, was reconstructed utilizing a grant under the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program. The objective of the program is to provide assistance to low income families through the demolition, reconstruction and rehabilitation of unsafe residential properties.



The City of Hialeah is pleased to support *Hialeah Healthy Families*, our community-wide initiative to combat childhood obesity. On August 1st, the *Call to Action* plan will be available on the City’s website at www.hialeahfl.gov along with additional information on opportunities for mini-grants from August 1st – 26th in support of this *Call to Action*.

Please forward recommendations or inquiries to quepasahialeah@hialeahfl.gov