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LACK OF JUNIOR FORMAL

By: Rebecca Llanes

Junior Formal was to have been held on February 6, 2009 in the gymnasium of SMSH. Due to the lack of participation it was cancelled; in fact, this was the first cancellation in Cobra history. Within a three week period only three juniors bought tickets. Many wanted to attend but were waiting for a large number of participants to go and then purchase their tickets. According to junior class treasurer Ana Cesar, "We are

going to have to come up with other ways to raise money if we want to have a good senior year with our grad night/bash and prom." When talking to Junior Natalie Hernandez she stated that, "it was the fault of the entire junior class as no one paid within the time period allotted." This memorable event was suppose to have been a "Beyond the Bamboo" theme party promising a night of fun, spending time with friends and enjoying one of the last real

school dances before the end of the year. According to Junior Yilian Landa, "because of this disaster we are going to have to work harder in order to enjoy our senior year."

Steelers Win!

By: Rebecca Llanes

The Steelers and Cardinal's Super Bowl game was one of the most exciting games; it was one of the best fans had seen in years. The game was a close one down to the 4th quarter. It was nerve-racking seeing that the Cardinals were about to

win their first Super Bowl Championship, but then in the last seconds of the game a complete shift in momentum occurred. "Big Ben" Ben Roethlisberger, threw to his wide-receiver San Antonio Holmes for an amazing catch and the completion of a Super Bowl winning touchdown. As a result, the Steelers made history by being the

team with the most Super Bowl wins in the NFL. The final score was the Pittsburgh Steelers 32 and the Arizona Cardinals 27.

Points of interest:

- ⇒ Junior Formal.
- ⇒ Steelers Win.
- ⇒ FCAT Field Day
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- ⇒ Martin Luther King
- ⇒ Curriculum Carousel
- ⇒ Ring Ceremony
- ⇒ Busch Gardens Trip
- ⇒ "We the People"





### FCAT FIELD DAY

By: Rebecca Llanes

On January 27, 2009 the students were able to experience a great time from Noon-2:30 p.m.. During this time Cobras danced, listened to music, played soccer, football or basketball, On the field were also two bounce houses in which one was able to climb up and then

slide down. Free shirts from Nike were distributed to each student. Senior Leonel Rivas stated, "FCAT field day was nice . We got to get out of class for something we did well in. It was nice to see the school give back to us for our hard work."



### Blood Drive

By: Eric Denis

Once again, South Miami Senior High had a blood drive in the auditorium on January 30th. Several Students jumped at the chance to donate blood. After giving blood, participants received a small sticker as proof of their heroism. The main goal of this

blood drive was to collect donated blood and ship this blood to hospitals in order to aide cancer patients and others in need. To donate blood, a student had to be at least seventeen years old. Of course, donors could only donate one pint at a time. "I enjoy knowing that my blood might help or save someone's life", said sophomore Efrain Garcia. Even though many students donated, there were many more who contributed in other ways. So for all of those seventeen years of age or older, stop by the blood drive next time it's on campus and give to this cause.



## Martin Luther King Day

By: Ashley Richardson

Martin Luther King Day took place on January 19, 2009. Participants celebrated by having parades, throwing parties, and enjoying BBQs with friends and family. Others revelers sold Martin Luther King shirts and hats. One of the parades took place in the City of Miami. Many groups, clubs, churches, businesses and schools participated in this event which started from NW 54<sup>th</sup> street and 12<sup>th</sup> avenue

to NW 54<sup>th</sup> street and 32<sup>nd</sup> avenue leading to the Martin Luther King Memorial Park. Afterwards those present enjoyed performances by such acts as Flo-rida, Brisco, Grind Mode, Ace Hood and DJ Khaled. This special day was an opportunity for everyone to enjoy themselves and realize that society wouldn't be the way it is without the efforts of great individuals such as Martin Luther King.



### We The People

By: Ashley Richardson

We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution competition took place on December 5 at the Government Center. Many of our competitors were nervous and shaking inside

“.....there were many mixed feelings involved like fear, anxiety and nervousness, said Michel Valladares a participant in the competition from South Miami Senior High. Many other schools attended the competition as well: South Dade Senior High, Miami Killian Senior High, Our Lady of Lourdes Academy, as well as others. The winners were Our Lady of Lourdes Academy and they will be going to the state competition. “It was an excellent experience. I learned a lot and enjoyed time with good friends,” explained Alicia Carbo. Students got tested on how well they knew their government. Hopefully our future lawyers got a lot of insight from this worthy experience.

### Curriculum Fair

By: Eric Denis

South Miami Senior High held a Curriculum Fair for underclassmen on January 29<sup>th</sup> in the gymnasium. Underclassmen had the chance to look at the classes they may be allowed to take their sophomore, junior, and senior year. The fair occurred after school and the gym was swarming with a plethora of students,

all aiming to see which classes would make their remaining years simple and easy. “Seeing what classes I can take next year, and the following years, has really helped me plan out what classes I want to take and when I want to take them,” said sophomore Alexandra Epstein. Next time there is a curriculum fair, to all underclass-

men, make sure to stop by and check out what classes you can get out of the way. Remember, the more classes you take and pass in 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> grade, the more time you have to yourself senior year.

### Junior Ring Ceremony

By: Yilian Landa

The Junior Ring Ceremony is one of the most important privileges in a student’s high school education. A high school ring

ceremony is an event to remember. At South Miami Senior High the ceremony where juniors will be called up to get their rings, will be on March 25<sup>th</sup> 2009. All

families and friends who would like to attend this memorable event pay \$3 each. According to junior Rebecca Llanes, “I’m excited to see my ring ; it shows that I have succeeded in high school.”

### Busch Gardens Trip

By: Yilian Landa

The trip to Busch Gardens is on March 27<sup>th</sup> 2009 for all freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. The sophomore class organized the trip. To be able to at-

tend, students need to buy their class shirts and must have at least a 2.0 G.P.A. The trip will cost \$85 dollars per student. Only students are allowed to go. Parents cannot attend unless they are

chaperones. Sophomore Amy Diaz exclaimed, “I am really excited to go, and even more excited that I was one of the students who organized the trip”. Senior Jiovanny Gomez stated, “I also wanted to go to the trip but I cannot attend because I am a senior. I think the school should have let seniors attend as well”.

# Movie page



coming out soon:

- Friday the 13th
- Confessions of a Shopaholic.
- The International
- two Lovers
- Under the Sea (3-D)
- Gomorra (expand)
- Fired up
- Jonas Brothers 3-D Concert
- Street Fighter
- Watchman
- I Love You, Man
- A Perfect Getaway
- Miss March
- The Princess and the Frog

## TOP 10 BOX OFFICE

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|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. He's Just Not That into You-\$27.4 Mil | 5. Paul Blart: Mall Cop-\$11.0 Mil | 9. The Uninvited-\$ 6.4 Mil |
| 2. Taken- \$20.3 Mil                      | 6. Push- \$10.2 Mil                | 1. Hotel for Dogs-\$5.8 Mil |
| 3. Coraline- \$16.3 Mil                   | 7. Gran Torino-\$ 7.4 Mil          |                             |
| 4. Pink Panther 2-\$12.0 Mil              | 8. Slumdog Millionaire:-\$7.4 Mil  |                             |

## 18 of the Most Romantic Movies

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| 1. The notebook     | 7. A Lot Like Love     | 13. Bridget Jones Diary      |
| 2. Dirty Dancing    | 8. You've Got Mail     | 14. When a Man Loves a Woman |
| 3. Titanic          | 9. The Wedding Planner | 15. 50 First Dates           |
| 4. Notting Hill     | 10. Armageddon         | 16. America's Sweetheart     |
| 5. Wall-E           | 11. A Walk to Remember | 17. Elizabethtown            |
| 6. Just like Heaven | 12. Love Actually      | 18. While You Were Sleeping  |

# Puzzle of Love!

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