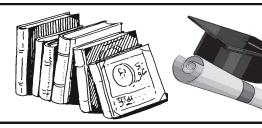




Palm Beach County School News



The Lancer Café is Open!

By Betty Turso and James Simone

The Culinary Arts Academy at John I. Leonard High School with its innovate and creative instructor and gastronomically talented students have opened The Lancer Café, a real-world lunchtime restaurant open to all John I. Leonard High School staff midday during school

"I think the café is amazing," said student Diana Charles. "I've learned a lot of skills that I could use later in life."

Each Friday during the school year, the culinary students plan, prepare, and serve lunch in their Café. Teachers and staff have the opportunity to purchase tickets for an end of week gourmet meal. TGI The

Lancer Café! This week's menu included exotic Mojo pork, Spanish yellow rice, a serving of black beans, and tasty tostonies.

"This meal is delicious," said English teacher Robin Weaver. "I don't even like beans and these are very tasty."

Teacher and Chef Emylee Cleghorn directs and manages the program. "I'm so proud of my students for stepping up to the plate and taking on this huge responsibility of running their own café for teachers," she said.

The menu varies from week to week, giving students diverse experience in the culture of food, in food presentation, and in the various cuisines of the

world. The Café, outfitted by the students, is decorated to depict a French sidewalk café complete with round tables covered in white cloth table linens.

"I like that I've learned proper etiquette and have gained serving experience through working in the café," said student Kathlendda Stimphil.

The Lancer Café, long in development and proposed when the new campus opened in 2005, took Chef Cleghorn and her exceptional managerial and educational skills to bring it together. "This is a great experience for the students and I'm excited to see our 'business' grow!" says Chef Cleghorn proudly. Bon



Lancer Café Staff: L-R, Chef Cleghorn, Gloria Gama, Alex Bisson, Mikayla Herirington, Stevenson Richelieu, Rose Compan, Kathlendda Stimphil, Diana Charles, Charles Gunslay, Haley Bowser, Phania Alexis, Raul Cacique, Sandy Silenciux, Nehemiah Reid, Jaime Rivera and Israel Resendiz.

Dr. Elvis Epps, Principal From In Front of the Desk

By Helen Vogt Greene

Dr. Elvis Epps has been the Principal of Lake Worth Community High School (LWCH) since February 22, 2017. From the day Regional Superintendent, Frank Rodriguez made the announcement, LWCHS began to change. According to Dr. Epps, "The only way we could go was up." And, up has been the right direction.

As the new Principal, Dr. Epps, not only has a magnetic smile, a warm, firm handshake, and a outward spirit that says 'You can trust what I am saying,' he looks every inch the person who can get the job done-right.

Behind the outward appearance, Dr. Epps has a resume of success. In the one year and three months he has had to use every educational tool and skill to begin building a broken school. He knew he could not do this alone.

The first tool was to find a way to bring the teachers and staff together to begin the journey with him. To create a common vision of accomplishment and goals. "Three goals were established: Collegiality, purpose and student achievement."

No student would be left behind; teachers would have needed support to be successful in the classroom.

It was important to determine where you were before you began the journey. Everyone realized that if the journey was to be up, it would take teamwork, dedication, a clear vision, and yes, hard work. It would take everyone working together, one step at a time and for Dr. Epps a lot of prayers.

Thank You are two words that Dr. Epps never forgets to say. Thank you for your support is not limited to the teachers and staff, but to the students for the change in their attitude and spirit. There is a loud shout of Thank You to the community of Lake Worth, especially the Alumni Association. "We couldn't have done it without you all."

Whatever educational lesson, Dr. Epps has earned, you can be sure he has gone the extra mile to share the importance of knowing 'who you are and what you stand for. Live right.'

As an alumni of the University of South Florida, a former 20+ year principal, a certified John Maxwell motivational speaker/coach,



Dr. Elvis Epps, Principal of Lake Worth Community High School, with the support of teachers, staff, students, and community is justly proud of the changes that have been taking place. With a 2018 graduating class of 600 and continued hard work, Epps will continue to make the positive changes.

a Central Florida's YWCA's Outstanding Black Achiever, as the author of two books and a United States Navy Veteran, Dr Epps keeps smiling, building and giving back.

For a school that was established in 1912, looking up is the right direction. To Lake Worth Community High School, keep looking UP. UP is the right journey to success for us all.

Special Education Parent University May 5

A FDLRS/ESE Special Education Parent University event will be held Saturday, May 5, 9-11:30 a.m. in the Board Room at the Fulton-Holland Educational Services Center, 3300 Forest Hill Blvd. West Palm Beach. At-

tendees are asked to park and enter on the westside of the building "C" wing.

This free event is offered to all parents of students with disabilities attending classes in the Palm Beach County School District.

Workshop topics will include "Understanding/ Preparing for My Child's "Special Needs Trust" and "Fun Summer Activities."

Register online at www. palmbeachschools.org/ ese/. For further informmation call 561-434-8377.

Bazaar & **Craft Fair** at Lantana

Lantana Elementary is holding a Spring Bazaar and Craft Fair this Saturday, Apr. 28, from 10 a.m.

There will be arts, crafts, fashion items, health and beauty products, jewelry, baked goods, silent auction, raffles and much more.

Free admission and plenty of parking.

Lantana Elementary is Ave., Lantana.

Elementary

to 3 p.m.

located at 710 W. Ocean

Lake Worth Authors Tour Local Schools

Lake Worth resident Sophie "Paris" Ginsburg, age 16, shares the book, "Dear Mr. Albert, ...It's Me, Prince!" with Freedom Shores Elementary fourth grade classes and one second grade class. Sophie co-authored the book with her sister, nineteen year-old

Sabrina "Sage" Ginsburg. The Ginsburg girls plan to tour elementary schools on a limited basis, starting in Palm Beach, Broward and Dade Counties. They will be reading directly from their book, sharing stories of what it is really like to live with their adopted dog Prince,



while educating students about the importance of the country's veterans. A portion of the proceeds will go

to disabled veterans in need of service dogs. "Dear Mr. Albert, ... It's Me, Prince!" is available on Amazon.

School Lunch Menu

Friday, April 27

Mozzarella Cheese Sticks w/Marinara Dipping Cup Hot Dog Chocolate Chip Muffin Platter Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Fresh Green Beans & Sweet Peppers Fresh Honeydew Melon

Monday, April 30

Mini Sweet Peppers

Chicken Niggets w/Dinner Roll Double Stuffed Cheese Pizza Double Stuffed Pepperoni Pizza Chocolate Chip Muffin Platter Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Potato Smiles Fresh Baby Carrots

Tuesday, May 1

Beefaroni w/Garlic Breadsticks Grilled Cheese Sandwich PB&J Grape Sandwich Platter Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Sweet Peas

Wednesday, May 2

BBQ Chicken w/Mini Corn Loaf Mini Cheese Pizza Bagels Chef Garden Salad w/Savory Wheat Crackers Turkey & Cheese Sandwich **Baked Beans** Fresh Baby Carrots

Thursday, May 3

Vegetarian Chili w/Tortilla Chips Mini Twin Cheeseburgers Strawberry Yogurt Parfait w/Chocolate Granola PB&J Grape Sandwich Platter Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Broccoli