

Islamorada Fire Rescue Visits St. James Children's Center



The children of St. James Children's Center recently enjoyed a visit by members of the Islamorada's Fire Rescue team. Captain Geo Toth, joined by Firefighter/Medic Kyle Burkel, Firefighter/EMTs James Griffith and Nick Falero treated the children to educational discussions about fire safety and 'Stop Drop Roll'. The children also had a chance to get inside both a fire truck and an ambulance. Coinciding with Safety Week, the children learned about 9-1-1 and emergency basics. Fun was had by all!

Happy Birthday, US Marine Corps!

Norm Higgins and John Donnelly invite all Marines, their families and everyone interested in honoring these most deserving men and women to the annual US Marine Corps Birthday Party.

The celebration involves the reading of an excerpt from the Marine Corps Manual and a birthday message from the Commandant; the cutting of a birthday cake by the commanding officer; and the traditional presentation of the first and second pieces of cake to the oldest and youngest Marines present.

> The party will takes place at 6pm on Wednesday, November 10th at American Legion Post - 2 Seagate Blvd, Key Largo. There will be light appetizers and great camaraderie!

> > A Marine is proud of his Corps and believes it to be second to none. He is loyal to his comrades and to the Marine Corps, adhering always to the motto Semper Fidelis (Always Faithful).

Please join us in celebrating this special day.

For additional information, contact Norm Higgins at 305-451-1248. Ooraah!

Thank You Coral Financial Jewelry and Pawn



This bicycle valued at \$279 was donated to the Party for the Pantry, which will be Sunday, Nov. 14th at the Big Chill.

The Burton Memorial Methodist Church Food Pantry has been hit hard by the recession. Approximately 70 families receive food from the church and it is getting harder to keep the pantry filled.

They also prepare a hot meal for free each Thursday night.

Your donations and purchase of raffle tickets at this event will help keep families in our community fed.

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How Crime Stoppers Works...

Crime Stoppers operates a toll-free number that is answered by trained staff members. Anyone who has information about a crime or a criminal can pass it on by using the 24-hour hot line or online at www.tipsubmit.com. Tipsters may choose to remain anonymous. A code number is given to the tipster. Names are never used. Any tips received on the hot line are passed on to the appropriate law enforcement agency for investigation. If the tip results in an arrest, the program's

independent civilian board can give a reward of up to one thousand dollars. The tipster picks up the reward at a local financial institution by using the code number. The code number protects the anonymity of the tipster, which is essential to success of the program. The tip line is 1-800-346-TIPS (8477) Crime Stoppers works! There are hundreds of Crime Stopper programs in operation around the world. In Florida there are 25 Crime Stopper programs serving all 67 counties. Locally, the organization has been in operation in the Keys since 1992.

How You Can Help...

Since Crime Stoppers does not use tax money; donations are needed to help fund the reward program. A donation to Crime Stoppers is an investment in a safer community. Crime Stoppers gets criminals off the streets. If you want to actively participate, Crime Stoppers always needs volunteers to serve as board members. For more information about donations, joining the board, or if you have any questions, call Crime Stoppers President Greg Artman at 305-797-0019.

