



# Kids' Dreams

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## Mission:

To provide economically disadvantaged youth with academic support and extracurricular experiences in conjunction with mentoring by law enforcement officers.

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## Kids' Dreams Sponsors Literacy Days at Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens

Kids' Dreams sponsored the participation of approximately 350 Title I students at the Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens on January 10, 2012.

Deputy Carmen Veneziano was the presenting officer from the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. At the PBSO literacy station, Deputy Veneziano and other deputies read "On the Force with Finnagan and Dakota," a child-safety book involving two Sheriff's K-9 dogs. Each child received an autographed copy of the book as well as safety coloring books and a Certificate of Participation from Kids' Dreams. The PBSO deputies educated the students on crime prevention by playing word and action games, reading to the kids and mentoring

them. The language arts experience was enhanced by live music, the recitation of poetry by poets and the reading by writers of their works. Leaders of the community interacted as positive role models to this group of kids with diverse cultural and socio-economic backgrounds.

Kids' Dreams' Co-Founder and President, Patricia Lebow, and Kids' Dreams Board Officer, John Levey, are pictured above with some of the school children sponsored by Kids' Dreams during a reading session about "Officer McGruff" with Deputy Veneziano. Kids' Dreams will continue its sponsorship of Literacy Days in January 2013.

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# "Kids' Dreams Scholarship" Endowed at Executive Women of the Palm Beaches

More young women in Palm Beach County will now have the opportunity to attend college due to the generosity of Kids' Dreams as it partners with Executive Women Outreach, the charitable arm of Executive Women of the Palm Beaches, to provide financial aid and scholarships to women from Palm Beach County. Kids' Dreams presented a check for \$25,000 to endow the "The Kids' Dreams Scholarship," which will be given annually to an outstanding young woman in Palm Beach County who demonstrates academic excellence and has financial need for scholarship assistance. The first Kids' Dreams Scholarship will be presented in May 2013. The primary criteria for the scholarship are financial need, a 3.0 minimum grade average at a Title I high school in Palm Beach

County, and acceptance from a Florida college or university. Preference will be given to a student with a parent who has served in Palm Beach County Law Enforcement.

Kids' Dreams' President and Co-Founder, Patricia Lebow, has been a member of Executive Women of the Palm Beaches for 30 years. She received the iconic Private Leadership Award in 2001 for her community service and business leadership in Palm Beach County. While announcing the Kids' Dreams Scholarship, Mrs. Lebow spoke to a SRO crowd of over 600 attendees about the importance of community service, "giving back," and how everyone can make a difference in the life of a child in need.

## Thespians

A donation from Kids' Dreams enabled Title I students from Boynton Beach High School to attend this year's Thespian State Festival in Tampa. They participated in workshops such as "Friendly Shakespeare" and "Making Shakespeare Come Alive." Three students each received the rating of "Excellent" in the monologue competition as well as "Excellent" in a scene from "A Raisin in the Sun."

## The Breakers

The Breakers' CEO, Paul Leone, and his wife, Kathy, hosted a meet-and-shop reception at The Breakers to introduce a curated selection of jewelry from the Laura Munder Too collection at Mix, the fashion jewelry and accessories store located in The Breakers. All of The Breakers shops were open and donated a percentage of the evening's proceeds to Kids' Dreams.

## Summer Camp

Dear Kids Dreams,  
last year you sent me to  
Zoo Camp. I had a great time.  
I saw all the animals and  
how they lived. My first week  
was called, Mystery At The Zoo.  
My second week was Crocodiles Of The Night.  
We also went to the science museum  
on a fall trip. I've never been  
there before. We saw alot of  
cool stuff. I really  
enjoyed my two  
weeks of zoo  
camp. I hope  
I can go  
again this year!  
Thank you  
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## Upcoming Programs

Jan. 14 & 15 Literacy Days at the Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens

Jan. 25 The Kravis Center's Fourth Annual Alan Lebow Award for Excellence in Shakespearean Performance

Mar. 20 & 21 Project WILD Science Fair

May 2 Kids' Dreams Scholarship by Executive Women of the Palm Beaches

Oct. - May Zoo School: Partnering education and law enforcement mentoring at The Zoo



# Very Special Science Fair at The Palm Beach Zoo



Andrew Aiken, Palm Beach Zoo President, is pictured with Kids' Dreams Board Members Patricia Lebow and John Levey as well as some of the children sponsored by Kids' Dreams to attend the Very Special Science Fair.

Kids' Dreams sponsored 468 children from Title I schools to attend the Very Special Science Fair presented by the Palm Beach Zoo on April 9, 2012. The sponsored children are physically and/or emotionally challenged students who benefit from this special day to showcase the projects that they have created during the school year in their respective classrooms. Palm Beach County Sheriff's Deputies on mounted horseback greeted the children as they entered the Zoo. Kids' Dreams President, Patricia

Lebow, and Kids' Dreams Board Officer, John Levey, were present for the third year of sponsorship by Kids' Dreams for this special program at the Zoo. "The excitement of the children was contagious as they exited their buses and they saw the horses and the sprays of water from the big fountain at the entry of the Zoo," Mr. Levey said. "Kids' Dreams is so proud to be supporting this important community event to provide encouragement, inspiration and joy to these special children in Palm Beach County."

## Community Support



Ozzie Medeiros with Kids' Dreams' President, Patricia Lebow, Ashley Hoffman and Ed Schmidt.

### TABLE 26°

Family and friends joined owners Ozzie Medeiros and Ed Schmidt along with Kids' Dreams donor, Ashley Hoffman, and Kids' Dreams President, Patricia Lebow, for the Opening of **Table 26°** this summer. A very generous donation of the evening's proceeds was made to Kids' Dreams. Located two blocks south of the Norton Museum on Dixie Highway, **Table 26°** takes its name from the latitude of Palm Beach County.

### DISALVO'S TRATTORIA

Kids' Dreams Board Officer, Pat DiSalvo, who donates his professional CPA services to Kids' Dreams and is the owner of **DiSalvo's Trattoria** in West Palm Beach, is pictured to the right with Kids' Dreams' scholarship recipient, Merancia Noelsaint. Kids' Dreams has provided scholarship funds to Merancia for each of her first three years at the University of Florida and will proudly provide support to Merancia in her final year of education to obtain her bachelor's degree.



Pat DiSalvo with Kids' Dreams' scholarship recipient, Merancia Noelsaint.



# Shakespearean Performance Awards



Palm Beach County Sheriff Ric Bradshaw and Kids' Dreams Board Members, Elan Terenbawani, John Levey, Patricia Lebow and PBSO Captain Jeff Lindskoog, are pictured with eleven Alan Lebow Award scholarship recipients.

Kids' Dreams and the Raymond F. Kravis Center for Performing Arts presented the Third Annual Alan Lebow Award for Excellence in Shakespearean Performance on January 19, 2012.

Palm Beach County Sheriff Ric Bradshaw addressed the group of approximately 75 students from nine Palm Beach County Title I schools with a commendation for their achievement in dramatic arts and an explanation of the importance of making good choices in life. Sheriff Bradshaw explained the importance of Kids' Dreams and its mission to provide at-risk youth with the opportunity to participate in the cultural events in Palm Beach County.

The Education and Community Outreach Department of the Kravis Center provided an Audition Skills Workshop led by a professional stage director to help participants prepare for their auditions. A distinguished

panel of judges presided over the audition process.

At the conclusion of the auditions, Kids' Dreams awarded eleven scholarships. First Place: Jonathan Raffoul from Boynton Beach Community High School and Johnson Sinophat from Palm Beach Lakes Community High School. Honorable Mention: Rood Emmanuel from Inlet Grove High School and Angel Padua from Palm Beach Lakes Community High School. Additional scholarship recipients: Brendan Gardner from Boynton Beach Community High School, Yamari Hanslip from Palm Beach Gardens Community High School, Bridgette Karam from Boynton Beach Community High School, Isabella Letourneau from Atlantic Community High School, Tatyana Renald from Inlet Grove High School, Alex Stephenson from Santaluces Community High School, and Simone Stewart from Atlantic Community High School.

## ON THE STAGE



Jonathan Raffoul  
Boynton Beach Community High School

Johnson Sinophat  
Palm Beach Lakes Community High School

Angel Padua  
Palm Beach Lakes Community High School



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