

SCHOOL NEWS

ALEXANDER W. DREYFOOS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

The Theatre Department will present Cole Porter's Tony Award-winning musical "Kiss Me Kate" at the school's Meyer Hall, 550 Tamarind Ave., West Palm Beach. Curtain time is 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and Nov. 3-4; and 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and Nov. 4-5. Tickets start at \$10 and are available at www.seatyourself.biz/awdsoa. For groups of 10 or more, call 561-802-6005 or email b.castillo@palm-beachschools.org

PALM BEACH CENTRAL HIGH

Bronco Band Director James Yaques was selected as one of 25 semifinalists for the Music Educator Award presented by the Recording Academy and the Grammy Museum. The award was established to recognize educators who have made a significant and lasting contribution to the field of music education and who demonstrate a commitment to the broader cause of maintaining music education in the schools.

OXBRIDGE ACADEMY

Ralph Maurer has been selected to serve as the head of school, effective



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Loretta Neff, founder of the EW Foundation, presents her book, "Sip Tea with Mad Hatter," to U.B. Kinsey students at Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens' 10th annual Literacy Day. The one-of-a-kind educational program offered new and creative approaches to reading while exploring the 2 acres of the historic site. Presentations included interactive stories, canine-assisted therapy, self-created puppets, spoken-word stories, illustration and environmental storytelling.

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in July. He will succeed John Klemme, who announced earlier this year that he has chosen to return to his former position as an English teacher at the school. Maurer will join Oxbridge as head of school-elect in January. He joins Oxbridge after serving as the headmaster of the International School Nido de Aguilas, an independent English-language day school in Santiago, Chile.

WELLINGTON HIGH

The Mighty Wolverine Sound Wind Ensemble and Jazz Bands will present A Salute to Veterans Concert at 2 p.m. Nov. 11 in the school theater, 2101 Greenview Shores Blvd., Wellington. The concert features guest clarinet soloist Michael Forte. A reception will follow. The community

is invited to this free event.

PARK VISTA HIGH

The Striking Cobra Band competed at John I. Leonard High in its second event of the marching season. The band took home first place in the Class 5A Division and was grand champion overall. Park Vista was also awarded Best Visual and General Effect at the competition. Upcoming performances include the Bands of America Super Regional in Atlanta on Saturday and the Florida Marching Band State Championships in St. Petersburg Nov. 18. The band will host the Striking Cobra Invitational at the school on Nov. 4.

SEMINOLE RIDGE HIGH

The World Languages

Department will host its annual Multicultural Dinner and Show Friday. The event begins at 5 p.m. with dinner in the cafeteria. The program moves to the auditorium at 6:30, with a showcase of students displaying their cultural diversity in music, song, dance and drama. Tickets for the dinner and show are \$12. Show-only tickets are \$5 at the door.

The Army JROTC Hawk Battalion color guard and cadet volunteers will take part in the annual Alzheimer's Walk at CityPlace in West Palm Beach from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

The Trick-or-Treat Food Drive takes place noon to 2 p.m. Sunday. Trick-or-treating and games are planned, and participants are encouraged to wear costumes. Admission is two food items per child, to ben-

efit Food for Families. Additional food donations are appreciated.

The Speech and Debate Team recently participated in its first local competition, Student Congress, at Suncoast High. Summer Squadrino was awarded Best Presiding Officer in her chamber and fifth place. Morgan Davidson and Antonio Pernas were named Best Presiding Officers in their chambers. Also earning awards in their chambers: Gena Rai, second place; Kailee Matthews, third; and Annamarie Renda, sixth. The debate coach is Janine Braner.

CARDINAL NEWMAN HIGH

The band's annual poinsettia sale will include Christmas trees, wreaths and centerpieces this year.

The deadline to order is Nov. 6. Pickup will be Dec. 2 at the school. For more information, call 561-254-0283 or email khineslaw@gmail.com

BRIEFLY

The Palm Beach Poetry Festival has launched its annual high school poetry contest. Students can submit one original poem, 30 lines maximum, for consideration by Dec. 1. The winning poet will receive \$200. Four runners-up will each receive \$100. For details, visit www.palmbeachpoetryfestival.org

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