

**ARTS**  
**Counts team**  
 Second place in county competition. Students placed top 10: Matthew third place; Liang, fifth; and Von, sixth. Also were Alvin Alice Zhou, Anita Imena Hasbach, and Mike Chen. Math teacher Joseph Small-ches the team **s recently competed** State Academic In the middle social studies category. Andrew Johnson, Hugh Dunkley, Charles Cramer, Alice Zhou, sixth, middle school ns category: Van, first. Chris champion for the year. He is also ber of the Palm County team, took first place ournament and ppete in April at ional tournament. studies instructor anser and math tor Joseph Small- ch the teams. **11th year in a row,** school's Advanced Orchestra re- straight superiors l four adjudicators Florida Orchestra ation's District Performance As-

essments. Nancy Beebe is the string director. **The Junior International Thespian Troupe 88441** received top ratings at the State Thespian Festival. At the District Three Festival, Bak had 31 events qualify for the state festival; however rules permit only 10 performance events, five technical events and a one-act play from each troupe. Of the 16 events traveling for Bak, the troupe received 12 superiors, two excel- lents, a good, as well as straight superiors for the actors and technical crew of the eighth grade one-act play, *The Red Hat*. Richard Valentine is the theatre instructor and troupe director.

**The Speech and Debate Club** competed at the Varsity Florida Forensic League Regional Qualifier. Cedric Williams (original oratory) and Natalia Castro (Lincoln Douglas debate) placed as alternates for the state championships. In addition, all eight students who competed qualified for the Novice State Championships. Robin Fields coaches the team. **The Jazz Band** performed at the Florida Bandmasters Association Jazz Band Music Assessment. The band earned supe-



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## Lesson in acceptance

Adell Mauney, an employee with the South Florida Water Management District's legal department, reads *Giraffes Can't Dance* to preschoolers at Children's Creative Learning Center at West Palm Beach. The book teaches acceptance of others and respect for differences, which were important themes during the learning center's March 20 Muscular Dystrophy Hop-A-Thon.

rior ratings from all three of the adjudicators on the panel. Cleve Maloon is the band director.

### NORTH GRADE ELEMENTARY

**The band will take part in the Lake Worth Middle School "Battle of the Bands" April 25.** The band is under the direction of Kevin Smith.

### BRIEFLY

**The Children of the Swamp,** a robotics team with students from Suncoast and Inlet Grove high schools, finished in first place at the Florida Regional competition for the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) organization. Fifty-three teams from Florida and other states, including

students from Palm Beach Central, Jupiter and Dwyer high schools, participated in the three-day event. The Children of the Swamp will move on to the FIRST robotics international competition that begins today in Atlanta.

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