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LOSFA – New Contact Information

<http://www.osfa.la.gov/ContactLOSFA.htm>

2008-2018 Occupational Projections by Education

http://www.laworks.net/LaborMarketInfo/LMI_OccProjEducation.asp?years=20082018

Play Financial Soccer

<http://www.financialsoccer.com/>

November 2010 LOSFA Loop

<http://www.osfa.state.la.us/MainSitePDFs/LOSFALoopNovember2010.pdf>

Credit Dos and Don'ts and Tips

[http://www.jumpstart.org/assets/State-Sites/LA/files/news-you-can-use/J\\$ - NEWS -
_Credit_Dos_and_Donts.pdf](http://www.jumpstart.org/assets/State-Sites/LA/files/news-you-can-use/J$ - NEWS - _Credit_Dos_and_Donts.pdf)

Putting Saving for Retirement High on Your List of Personal Priorities

[http://www.jumpstart.org/assets/State-Sites/LA/files/news-you-can-use/J\\$ - NEWS -
_Saving_for_Retirement.pdf](http://www.jumpstart.org/assets/State-Sites/LA/files/news-you-can-use/J$ - NEWS -
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Quote of the Day

'If you take responsibility for yourself you will develop a hunger to accomplish your dreams.' –Les Brown

The Les Brown is a top motivational speaker, speech coach, best-selling author, loving father and grandfather, whose passion is empowering youth and helping them have a larger vision for their lives. His life itself is a true testament to the power of positive thinking and the infinite human potential. Leslie C. Brown, and his twin brother, Wesley Brown, were born on February 17, 1945, in an abandoned building on a floor in Liberty City, a low-income section of Miami, Florida. They were adopted at six weeks of age by Mamie Brown, a 38 year-old single woman, cafeteria cook and domestic worker, who had very little education or financial means. In fifth grade, Les was mistakenly declared “educably mentally retarded”. His determination, persistence and philosophy, “Do whatever it takes to achieve success”, led him to become a distinguished authority on harnessing human potential and success.

Fun Fact of the Day

'Development of functional invisibility is well underway.'

Light-bending metamaterials that could essentially “cloak” a two-dimensional object viewed from a specific direction existed back in 2006, but physicists are making consistent progress toward devices that can bend light around three-dimensional objects. Silicon “carpet-cloaks” can achieve this effect already, and although they have only done so on an incredibly small scale, the technology can, in theory, work with larger objects. The limitations for viewing from a specific angle are also gradually being overcome. UC Berkeley physicists were “optimistic” in improving the technology to work from any angle within a few years.

Cultural Literacy Tidbits

From “The Dictionary of Cultural Literacy[™]: What Every American Needs to Know”, Houghton Mifflin Company, 1988.

Life Sciences – DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) – The molecule that carries genetic information in all living systems. The DNA molecule is formed in the shape of a double helix from a great number of smaller molecules. The workings of the DNA molecule provide the most fundamental explanation of the laws of genetics.

DNA acts in three important ways. First, when a cell divides, the DNA uncoils, and each strand creates a new partner from the surrounding material – a process called replication. The two cells that result from the cell division have the same DNA as the original. Second, in sexual reproduction, each parent contributes one of the two strands in the DNA of the offspring. Third, inside the cell, the DNA governs the production of proteins and other molecules essential to cell function.

James D. Watson of the United States and Francis H. C. Crick of England are the two twentieth-century biologists who first discovered the double helix of DNA.

Literature in English – Gulliver’s Travels – A satire by Jonathan Swift. Lemuel Gulliver, an Englishman, travels to exotic lands, including Lilliput (where the people are six inches tall), Brobdingnag (where the people are seventy feet tall), and the land of

Houyhnhnms (where horses are the intelligent beings, and humans, called Yahoos, are mute brutes of labor).

Probably the most famous image of this book is of the tiny Lilliputians having tied down the sleeping giant, Gulliver.