UMAA Welcomes Roselee N. Roberts, AB ’64, as our 2004 Alumna in Residence

The Alumni in Residence Program provides an opportunity for distinguished alumni to come back to campus for a visit to share their talent and success with students, alumni, faculty, and administrators. Scheduled events include interactive classroom lectures, group discussions and a recognition reception. This year’s recipient is Roselee N. Roberts, AB ’64. For more information, please visit our webpage at www.miami.edu/alumnieducation.

The series of educational events will begin on Wednesday, March 31st, and end on Thursday, April 1st. For more information, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 305.284.2872 or at alumni@miami.edu.

University of Miami’s Alumni in Residence Program was established through the generous support of the Honorable Julia Chang Bloch and Stuart Marshall Bloch, AB ’64, and created to recognize University of Miami alumni who have distinguished themselves and their alma mater through their lifetime achievement and professional accomplishments.

UM Alumni Day with the Miami Heat

Enjoy the HEAT Experience as you join fellow alumni and friends for a day of big fun with the Miami HEAT. Former Hurricane John Salmons and the Philadelphia 76ers will take on the Miami HEAT on Saturday, March 20, 2004 at 1:00 pm at the American Airlines Arena. As part of this special day, a University of Miami Alumni group rate ticket package will be offered. There will also be special deals and activities including a complimentary Pizza Hut Package (with ticket purchase) and a HEAT Kids Day Celebration. For more information or to purchase tickets please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 305.284.2872 or via email at alumni@miami.edu or the Miami HEAT at 786.777.4244.

Past UM Alumni Association President Honored

On Thursday, March 18, 2004, at the Historical Museum from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, past UM Alumni Association President, Dr. Shirley Merlin West, BEd ’64, MEd ’66, will be one of eight Women of Impact honored by the Women’s History Coalition of Miami Dade County, Inc. for the significant Impact that they have made through their community service, professional activities, or contributions to issues specifically addressing women’s needs. The other women being honored are: Mrs. Nancy Sidney Dawkins, Ms. Lila Garcia, Mrs. Helen Lawrence McGuire, Ed.S, Mrs. Susan L. Randall, Dr. Nilda I. Soto, and Mrs. Rosetta J. Vickers. Congratulations to all!

Alumnus produces new TV series "The D.A."

Michael M. Robin, BSC ’85, Executive Producer and Co-founder of The Shephard/Robin Company. He has worked in the episodic television world for over 15 years. He started as a production assistant on the hit series "L.A. Law," where he worked his way up to producer in the fourth season. During this time, the show received an Emmy Award for Best Dramatic Series. The Shephard/Robin Company was formed in 1998 by Greer Shephard and Michael Robin, BSC ’85, under the Touchstone Television banner to develop and produce quality network programming. Since then, they’ve moved, and they now hang their shingle at Warner Bros. During their 3-year deal, Shephard and Robin executive produced two series for The WB "Popular" and "Brutally Normal," and the pilots "Brookfield," "Elementary" and "Metropolis," as well as the telefilm "Bailey’s Mistake." They are also the executive producers of the acclaimed "Nip/Tuck."

University of Miami Scientists honored for Pioneering Work on the Oceans and Climate

Second Annual School of Medicine Golf Tournament Benefits Senior Class
The second annual School of Medicine Golf Tournament will be held this Saturday, March 20, at the Presidential Country Club in North Miami Beach. Proceeds from the event, which is open to faculty, staff, alumni, family and friends, help the Senior Class of 2004 raise funds for graduation week activities. The registration fee is $130, which includes breakfast and lunch; 18 holes of scramble-style team golf; several contests, including putting, driving, “closest to the pin,” prizes, awards, a gift bag and more. All registrations, accompanied by payment, must be received no later than Wednesday (a free foursome will be provided to anyone donating $1,000). For more information, call 305.318.7256 or e-mail Pratik Desai at ppdesai@aol.com.

Harvard Professor to speak at Medical Grand Rounds
Janet Hafler, Ed.D., assistant professor of Pediatrics (Medical Education) at Children’s Hospital Boston and director of faculty development in the Office of Educational Development at Harvard Medical School, will be the guest speaker at Medical Education Grand Rounds on Friday, March 26, at noon in the Rosenstiel Medical Science Building, fifth floor. Lunch will be served. The title of Dr. Hafler’s presentation is “How Medical Educators Can Be Promoted: The Use of Qualitative Research Methods.” Dr. Hafler will explore the range of scholarship in medical education, help participants understand the application of qualitative research methods in medical education, and explore the expanded curriculum vitae used at Harvard Medical School promotion. For more information, contact the Office of Educational Development at 305.243.7482.

Cancer Survivor’s Day
UM/Sylvester presents “A Celebration of Life,” honoring South Florida cancer survivors, this Saturday, March 20, 2004. This year’s event promises to be an inspiring celebration for the entire family as we enjoy a picnic and the flora and fauna of picturesque Flamingo Gardens in Davie. The event runs from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Cancer survivor and musician David M. Bailey will be at the event to perform. To RSVP, please call 305.243.1000 or 800.545.2292. For more information call 305.243.4071 or e-mail cthomas2@med.miami.edu.

Rabbi to discuss Progressive Politics at UM Lecture
Anybody but Bush? Replace Ariel Sharon? These are ways of thinking that demonize rather than transcend the dynamics that have brought us a world in which fear and domination of the other have become the ‘common sense’ of the age. In fact, these views are likely to produce the opposite effect – politics based on ‘anybody but Bush’ may be the surest way to guarantee his reelection. On Tuesday, March 23 at 7:30 pm, Rabbi Michael Lerner will address these concerns at a special talk at the University of Miami’s Whitten Learning Center in room 120 on the Coral Gables campus. This event, which is free and open to the public, is sponsored by the local Tikkun Community Chapter in South Florida. For more information call 305.371.3439 or visit www.Tikkun.org.

An evening of Cuban Music featuring: Delia Diaz de Villegas
Come and enjoy an unforgettable night of Cuban music with Delia Diaz de Villegas. Delia, a young singer and interpreter, not only has an artistic career in his native country and important places like Mexico, Ecuador, Santo Domingo, Aruba, Curacao, Belize, Italy, Austria, Spain and the Middle East, but a unique talent as a performer whose force and refreshing style covers "balada," "guaracha," "son" and tropical fusion. The event will take place Thursday, March 25, 2004 at 8:00 pm at Casa Bacardi/Olga-Carlos Saladrigas Hall, Institute for Cuban and Cuban-American Studies, 1531 Brescia Avenue, Coral Gables, FL. For more information or to RSVP, contact The Institute for Cuban and Cuban-American Studies at 305.284.CUBA (2822). Seating capacity is limited.

UM’s European Union Center to host seminar on Terrorism Attacks and Elections in Spain
The Terrorist Attacks and the Elections in Spain will be the subject of a guest talk and seminar organized by the European Union Center of the University of Miami on Monday, March 22 at 2:30 pm on the Coral Gables campus within the F Building, Room126. Besides the background of the terrorist attacks and the elections, domestic and international consequences will be discussed. The main speaker will be Professor Manuel Alcántara, of the University of Salamanca, and Director of Inst of Iberoamerica and Portugal. Professors Felipe Agüero and Ambler H. Moss, will offer commentaries. The seminar will be in English and moderated by Joaquín Roy, Director of the EU Center. For more information, please contact Aimee Kanner, M European Union Center at 305.284.3266.

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The D.A. will air for four episodes March 19, March 26, April 2, and April 9th, on ABC. (check local listings) For more information visit ABC.com.
Two scientists from the University of Miami Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science have been recognized for groundbreaking studies in marine and atmospheric chemistry and marine biology with significant implications for the climate and public health. Dr. Joseph M. Prospero, professor of marine and atmospheric chemistry and director of the Cooperative Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Studies, and Dr. Sharon L. Smith, professor of marine science and chair of the Division of Marine Biology and Fisheries at the Rosenstiel School, have been named Fellows of the American Geophysical Union for 2004—an honor accorded to fewer than 0.1% of its members. Dr. Prospero was also elected a Fellow of the American Association for Advancement of Science for 2003. For more information click here.

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HURRICANE SPORTS UPDATES

Miami Makes 6th NCAA Tournament Appearance: Basketball in the Bayou!
The University of Miami women's basketball team (22-6) will travel to Baton Rouge, Louisiana to face Maryland (17-12) in the first round of the NCAA Tournament on Sunday at 7:00 pm. The Hurricanes, who are making their sixth NCAA appearance, are the No. 5 seed in the West Regional bracket while the Terrapins are the No. 12 seed. All fans are invited to come out to the Convocation Center on Friday, March 19 at 3:30 pm to “send-off” the Hurricanes as they depart to Louisiana for their first round game. The team will board team buses from the Convocation Center Main Entrance at approximately 4:00 pm. Complimentary pom-poms and cheer sticks will be distributed to fans to wish the team good luck.

The game will be televised live on ESPN2. Tickets for the first and second-round games in Baton Rouge are available online at www.isusports.net or by contacting the Hurricane Ticket Office at 305.284.CANES.
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