The Spring Commencement Issue & More
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UM Alumni Association Welcomes New Graduates

Spring Commencement ceremonies at the University of Miami BankUnited Center gathered the families of more than 3,500 Class of 2016 graduates for their official invocation to their new family of more than 174,000 alumni. This particular group of graduates is the 90th class to graduate from UM. Ceremonies took place over three days on May 5-7th. President Julio Frenk announced proudly that this was his first spring commencement since he came to UM in 2015. He encouraged graduates to go forth and continue to make our alma mater proud, remain open-minded citizens, and maintain the notion that we are all students of life. | Read more

See more news from miami.edu, including a recap of 2016 Commencement speakers, which included alumnus Dennis Scholl, J.D. '81, who is a documentary filmmaker, art collector, and philanthropist.

'CANES IN THE SPOTLIGHT

'Cane Biz: UM Alumnus Brings Protein Water to South Florida Market

When Casey Hoban graduated from the UM in 1989 from the School of Business Administration, it was clear that this would not be the last time Miami would play a role in the life of this Connecticut native. Fast forward nearly 30 years, Casey now owns and operates Miami Bay Beverage Company, which owns and distributes several homegrown brands of beverages. In April, he announced that his newest brand, Trimino, a protein-infused low calorie drink, had just been picked up by 700 7-eleven stores in the South Florida area, adding to its growing distribution in 5,000 stores across 30 states. Casey still reflects back on his time at the U and credits his undergraduate years as the inspiration behind his becoming an entrepreneur. It takes a short conversation to grasp his enthusiasm and energy for his business, and of course, his alma mater. | Learn more about Trimino

GRADUATES SHARE THEIR UM STORY

This year's graduating class is, without exception, a group of inspiring individuals who have made a mark on UM. They share their story, campus
memories, greatest lessons, and their next steps. Join us in welcoming them to the alumni family. | Find more profiles on miami.edu

Matthew Getzoff, B.S.B.A '16
Accounting
"My favorite moment at UM was being inducted into the Iron Arrow Honor Society where I saw all of my hard work and leadership get noticed by my peers."

Daniela Lorenzo, A.B. '16
Religious Studies, Psychology and Political Science
"UM taught me that we set our own boundaries. We have the power to decide the life that we will lead and what opportunities to seek out."

Natalie M. Szmyd, A.B. '16
International Studies and Spanish
"I am especially proud of the success that we have had in fundraising in order to make a positive difference in our community and the world."

Ashley Anne Taggart, B.S. '12, M.D. '16
Medicine
"One piece of advice I would give to my freshman self is don’t hold back. Get involved, make new friends and enjoy every second of your experience at UM because one day you will look back on these years as the best years of your life."

51 ALUMNI MARSHALS HONORED AT COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES
The UM Alumni Association honored 51 Alumni Marshals as part of the Undergraduate and Graduate Commencement Ceremonies. It's a tradition that takes place twice each year as selected members of the Loyalty Society and the James W. McLamore Society are invited to serve based on engagement and contributions to the University. Alumni Marshals participate in the Commencement Ceremony's academic procession and wear their regalia alongside faculty, trustees and senior administrators. Alumni Marshals represent our alumni family of more than 174,000 strong -- only 500 of whom have had the honor to date. | Learn more about the Loyalty and McLamore Societies

GRADUATING LEGACIES RECOGNIZED AT NEWMAN ALUMNI CENTER
More than 175 legacy family members joined the UM Alumni Association last Wednesday for the Third Annual Graduating Legacy Reception. The ceremony recognized the children and grandchildren of UM alumni. At this year’s ceremony the graduating legacies were presented with an official legacy stole that could be worn during Commencement. It was the first time the UM Alumni Association gave this item to students as a gift with the intention that they would someday pass it down to their children and grandchildren who attend the U. | See photos

LAVENDER GRADUATION CELEBRATES STUDENTS ACROSS THE SPECTRUM
Two dozen soon-to-be University of Miami graduates, their guests, and allies happily weathered the dark and thundering skies last week to attend the University’s second annual Lavender Celebration ahead of Commencement Ceremonies, which recognized the accomplishments of UM’s LGBTQ students
and the strides the U has made to create a safe, inclusive campus that nurtures their academic and personal goals. Kate Lake, senior director of alumni engagement, member of the LGBTQ Task Force and Implementation Committee, and staff liaison to the LGBTQ 'Canes, opened the program. Other speakers included Patricia A. Whitley, Ed.D. ’94, vice president for student affairs, Andrew Wiemer, director for the Butler Center for Volunteer Service and Leadership and co-chair of the LGBTQ Task Force and Implementation Committee, and Judson Dry, B.B.A. ’07, president of the LGBTQ 'Canes Alumni Affiliate Group.  | Read more

**'CANES GATHER FOR BIGGEST NETWORKING EVENT OF THE YEAR**

Nearly 1,000 UM alumni gathered across 28 cities in the U.S. and abroad for one of three nights of networking this week. In its third year, Global Networking Night is a signature networking event of the UM Alumni Association, partnered with its 'Canes Communities and sponsored by Odem Global. It's a chance for alumni and friends, from recent graduates to seasoned professionals, to connect with other 'Canes who live and work locally.

*So much networking to do, so little time.* This year, the new nametags were well-received and resulted in strategic networking. Attendees were able to choose a sticker for their nametag that could easily identify their career status and help them make the most of their time. 'Canes chose between color-coded labels that indicated the categories: *Hire me, Ask me, Seeking Advice or I'm hiring.*  | See photos

**UM ANNUAL GIVING: MAKE YOUR GIFT BY MAY 31**

More than 20,000 alumni transform the lives of University of Miami students by supporting UM each year. Gifts of any amount, to any area of the University, help support the people and programs that make a difference in so many lives and help to provide a world-class education. May 31st marks the end of the University’s fiscal year, and alumni from all around the world are making their gifts in order to be counted for this fiscal year. If you have not already made your annual gift, give online by May 31st.

For more information about giving to UM, contact The Office of Annual Giving at 1-866-UMALUMS (862-5867) or email us at: annualgiving@miami.edu.  | Support my alma mater

**CEO of HANDY and UM Alumnus Receives “Organization of the Year” Award**

Evan Goldman, J.D. ‘99, CEO of HANDY, was recently awarded “Organization of the Year” at the 6th Annual South Florida Community Care Network Non-Profit Academy Awards hosted by the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino. This prestigious award comes after Goldman won the PNC Bank “Non-Profit Staff Leader of the Year” Award in 2015, and HANDY won the Children’s Services Council “Collective Impact for Youth” Award in 2014. No other organization has won awards in three consecutive years.  | Read more

**ALUMNI DISCOUNT FOR HERBERT WELLNESS CENTER MEMBERSHIP**

The Herbert Wellness Center invites alumni to join the premier fitness, wellness and recreation center with an exclusive summer offer! The Wellness Center is waiving its 4-month requirement so that alumni can receive a discounted membership rate when they sign up for one, two, or three months between May 16 and August 15. That's $44 per month for access to the 18,000 square foot fitness area, indoor pool, racquetball and squash courts, locker rooms, tennis courts and more.  | Read more

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**CANE FUNDER PROGRAM SEES IMPRESSIVE SUPPORT**

**UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI ANNUAL GIVING**

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With the end of UM's fiscal year just around the corner, the Office of Annual Giving’s CaneFunder program has seen unprecedented success with the launch and support of eight diverse, time-limited campaigns. Most recently, $50,000 in donations to benefit scholarships for Band of the Hour members will be matched thanks to Carmine Parente '86, doubling the impact of every donation. Thanks to all 482 donors who have supported one or more campaigns – your support is investing in the future of the University, and this allows ‘Canes to make a more meaningful impact on both local and international communities. | Read more

**BY THE NUMBERS:**

- 8 total campaigns in 2016
- $160,389 total raised
- 482 total donors
- 41% of Affinity donors are recent graduates
- 37% of all Affinity donations were made online

Learn more and make a gift today on [www.canefunder.com](http://www.canefunder.com) where it is easy to give online, share causes with your networks, and watch project support grow. | Make a Gift

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**BRIEFLY NOTED**

Vance Aloupis, B.B.A. '05, J.D. '08, was selected as the 2016 Ruth Shack Leadership Award honoree.

Tim Chapman, A.B. '72, had his photography featured in “Newsman: The Photojournalism of Tim Chapman,” an exhibition that captures four decades of local and regional history.

Jaret L. Davis, A.B. '96, J.D. '99, ICABA Advisory Board member and 2013 ICABA Legal Professional of the Year, has been named a 2016 JM Family Enterprises African American Achiever.

Craig C. Glorioso, J.D. '04, was recognized as a "Pink Tie Guy" at the 10th Annual Susan G. komen Orange County Pink Tie Ball. The recognition is given to outstanding male community leaders who have raised breast cancer awareness within the business world, communicating the importance of a commitment to finding a cure.


Carolina Garcia Jayaram, J.D. '05, was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of the National YoungArts Foundation by the Board of Trustees.

Esther M. Santos, B.B.A. '01, is now Co-Founder & Chief Operating Officer of Palaroundapp.com, a swiping app for private networks that turns brands into communities.

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**DEAN ANDERSON HEADLINES TALK ON HOW EDUCATION AND BUSINESS WORK TOGETHER AS MIAMI BECOMES POWERHOUSE FOR INNOVATION**

Making Miami more attractive for investment will require tighter collaboration between business, government, schools and nonprofits, especially to strengthen the eco-system for start-up companies. That was a key conclusion from panelists at the launch event for “Invest: Miami 2016,” an in-depth guide geared to global audiences and aimed to showcase Miami for business. From the stage, Dean Gene Anderson shared examples of how the UM School of Business Administration is stepping up collaboration to bolster start-ups and investment locally. | Read more

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**UM TO HOST INAUGURAL RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM IN NEURAL ENGINEERING**

This fall, the University will host its first Research Symposium in Neural Engineering, a growing biomedical field that employs engineering techniques to assess neurological function and treat neurological diseases, and is seeking abstracts for presentation by August 20. The day-long seminar on Thursday, October 13, at the Miller School of Medicine’s Lois Pope LIFE Center, is designed to energize fundamental aspects of neural science, engineering, and reparative medicine, and facilitate collaborations across various disciplines. | Read more

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**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES GRADUATE**

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FAMILY, FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES REMEMBER PRESIDENT FOOTE

It was a simple wave of the hand that made a then-8-year-old Edward “Thad” Thaddeus Foote III “feel good.” Amid all the pomp and circumstance of his father’s inauguration as the University of Miami’s fourth president in 1981, “he found me in the crowd, made eye contact with me, and flashed me a little wave,” recalled Foote III. “It made me feel important and comfortable. It made me feel good.” With stories, aphorisms, and music, the younger Foote, along with his older brother and sister, honored his late father, Edward Thaddeus “Tad” Foote II, who served as UM president from 1981 to 2001, at a memorial service held at Gusman Concert Hall on the Coral Gables campus. Foote passed away on February 15, 2016. He was 78. | Read more

UM’S FIRST SPORT INDUSTRY CONFERENCE A RESOUNDING SUCCESS

It’s no secret that a key component to success in the sport business industry is networking — with peers and potential employers alike. It’s this passion for building relationships that brought more than 200 attendees together in Coral Gables for the inaugural UM Sport Industry Conference in mid-April.

Among these attendees were campus students, alumni and 19 members of UOnline Master’s in Sport Administration. Traveling from as far as Los Angeles, Baton Rouge, and even Toronto, UOnline students had valuable face time with top industry experts, including Jeremy Darlow, Director of Brand Marketing at adidas, Michael McCullough, Executive VP of the Miami Heat, and Ken Potts, Director of PR for ESPN.

Watch a video of UOnline students sharing the highlights, and check out UOnline's roundup of favorite photos and tweets from the jam-packed, two-day conference. | Read more

Student Stories from UM Sport Industry Conference

Leroy Hollins: A Career Redefined

"If you didn’t know what you wanted to be in the sports industry when you walked into the conference or came in with a preconceived notion, I promise you will have a totally different take on it after the conference. It opened my eyes to a lot of aspects of the sports industry I hadn’t noticed.” | Read more | Watch video

Stephen Bashore: Going All in to Rule his Career

“My goal is to get into collegiate athletic administration. I always wanted to be part of the University of Miami. When the opportunity to attend online came, I jumped on it immediately.” | Read more

UM’S INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY FEATURED AT EMERGE AMERICAS

With the music of American rapper Pitbull playing over loudspeakers, Jennifer Lopez, a nurse at University of Miami Hospital, walked up and down a 20-foot section of the Miami Beach Convention Center’s exhibition floor—her

STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE COMPETITION

Qian Huang, Zhizhou Wang, and Kevin Sands, graduate students in the College of Arts & Sciences Public Administration Program (MPA), competed in a simulation competition on global climate change at Georgia State University in Atlanta. UM students earned top honors for their efforts to combat global warming. | Read more

PROFESSOR EMERITUS RECEIVES SURPRISE HONOR

UM Rosenstiel School Professor Emeritus Joseph Prospero received a unique recognition at the 100th anniversary celebration of the Izana Observatory, a world-renowned atmospheric research station located in Tenerife, Canary Islands. “For the celebration they asked me to present a short lecture on the history of our aerosol studies at Izana,” said Prospero. “At the end of the lecture – and to my great surprise – they presented to me a large aluminum plaque that was intended to be affixed to a building.” The Izana Observatory building is now named the Joseph M. Prospero Aerosol Research Laboratory. | Read more

UM ADDS ABLUTION ROOM FOR MUSLIMS

For those who practice Islam, an addition to UM’s Storm Surge space in
prosthetic right leg moving in perfect rhythm. Months ago, when Lopez began a difficult rehabilitation process, UM researchers and physical therapists attached external sensors to her prosthetic leg, syncing them to music played through her iPhone. The sensors captured Lopez’s ideal walking pattern, and now, whenever she deviates from it, the sound of the music she listens to in her ear buds warps, reminding Lopez that she had gotten off stride. Such was just one of the many examples of University of Miami-developed technology on display at the third eMerge Americas, a major B2B technology event held April 18-19 in Miami Beach. | Read more

**ANNUAL LEADERSHIP LECTURE SERIES EXPLORES SCIENCE AND DECISION MAKING**

Science and facts provide a better guide to making decisions than emotions, according to three distinguished speakers at an April 14 lecture hosted by the School of Business Administration and The Johnson A. Edosomwan Leadership Institute.

“When I was younger, my decisions were often based on my gut feelings,” said Jorge Mas, B.B.A. ’84, M.B.A. ’86, co-founder and CEO of MasTec, a leading national construction infrastructure firm. “But as I have gotten older, I realize you get better outcomes by analyzing situations based on the facts.”

Mas was joined by John Mezias, professor of management at the School of Business, and Scott Huettel, professor of psychology and neuroscience at Duke University, for a thought-provoking panel discussion on “When Science Meets the Boardroom: How Leaders Make Decisions and Enhance their Strategic Thinking.” | Read more

**UM STUDY LINKS NEIGHBORHOOD GREENNESS TO REDUCTION IN CHRONIC DISEASES AMONG MIAMI-DADE SENIORS**

A new study of a quarter-million Miami-Dade County Medicare beneficiaries showed that higher levels of neighborhood greenness, including trees, grass and other vegetation, were linked to a significant reduction in the rate of chronic illnesses, particularly in low-to-middle income neighborhoods. Led by researchers at the University of Miami School of Architecture and the Department of Public Health Sciences at the UM Miller School of Medicine, the study showed that higher greenness was linked to significantly lower rates of diabetes, hypertension and high cholesterol, as well as fewer chronic health conditions. | Read more
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