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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Spring to all of you! I feel a new wind blowing and my heart is light these days. I am grateful that I was able to finish my contribution for the Silent Auction at the Spring Dinner and now Nettie Belle and I had entries in a show at the Fair-child for the Bromeliad Society show the weekend of April 23rd and 24th. .



I am proud to announce that the MFA was inducted into the **IBIS SOCIETY** at the University of Miami on March 22. The Society was founded in 1985 to recognize organizations and individuals who have donated more than \$250,000 to the University. We were delighted when Edith Reiss, our founding member accepted the award for our organization.

The dinner at the Ritz on April Fools Day (Camillo Ricordi's birthday — no kidding) was awesome. We owe a lot of the success for the evening to the hard work of the women who worked on the committee lead by Kristin Podack and Linda Fitzpatrick. I want to thank Carlos Beltran our pianist for the evening and Alex Smith whose beautiful voice added to the entertainment for the evening. I would also like to thank Ana Bezanilla for her help processing the charges and handling deposits, what a great help that was.

A special thank you to Southern Wine and Spirits for their generous donation of wine for the evening and Bacardi for hosting a full bar. We are lucky to have such good friends in the community who support our cause.

I would also like to thank all of the Silent Auction Donors. President Shalala who donated a lunch for five, Royal Caribbean who donated a week long cruise and Dean Clarkson for donating the one thing that raised the most money for our fund, that beloved parking space! With their help and the help of all the other donors, the MFA raised over \$20,000. Photos & more Dinner at the Ritz are inside.

Our next big event April event was the General Meeting held on April 27th at the beautiful home of Dr. Camillo and Valerie Ricordi. We voted on the new slate of officers who will serve you for the next year. You can read more about the slate of officers on the inside.

This is the last time I write to you. I have had fun working with you all this year. — Yours with the MFA — Nadia

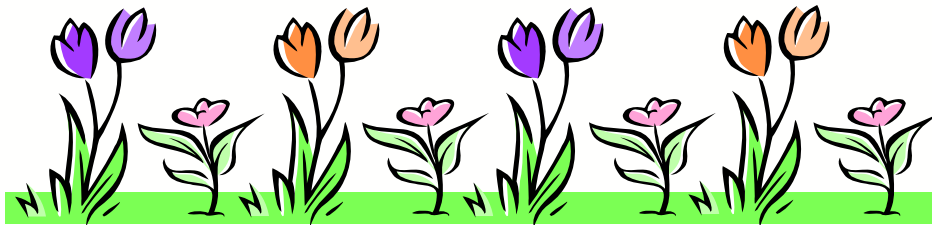
MFA May Luncheon

May 25

11:30 a.m.

Ritz Carlton Coconut Grove

RSVP Mary Frances Irvin 305-665-5557



MFA Inducted into The Ibis Society

Submitted by Kristen Podack

On March 22, 2005, The Medical Faculty Association was inducted into The Ibis Society for achieving donor status in excess of \$250,000. At an early evening cocktail reception held in the Lowe Art Museum, President Shalala and Dean Colson, Chairman of the University of Miami Board of Trustees, congratulated Mrs. Edith Reiss who received the medallion on behalf of The Medical Faculty Association. Escorted by Eileen Hoffman and Kristin Podack, Edith graciously represented our organization as our Founding member, Honorary member and Past President for the year 1985.

Slate of New Officers Elected

At the April 27 General Meeting, the 25 members in attendance voted in approval of the slate of officers for the MFA Executive Board, 2005-2006 as proposed by the Nominating Committee. New officers are:

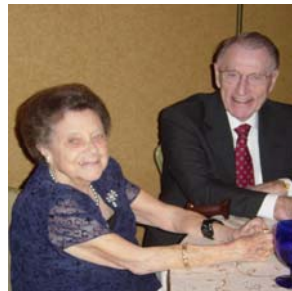
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Many thanks to the Nominating Committee for a job well done: Pat Livingstone, Chair; Helen Greer, Martha Halbert, Any Muench and Chris Quencer. Installation of the new officers will be held at the May Luncheon on May 25.



MFA DINNER AT THE RITZ SPRING PARTY RAISES OVER \$20,000

On a beautiful Spring evening, over 85 members of the MFA and guests gathered for cocktails and dinner at the Ritz Carlton in Coconut Grove. Linda Fitzpatrick and Kristin Podack chaired the relaxed and enjoyable event along with a dedicated committee. MFA President Nadia Maudsley chaired the silent auction of 14 valued items and created a beautiful program for the event as well. Music for the evening was supplied by pianist Carlos Beltran, a 4th year UM medical student and Alex Smith, a 2nd year UM medical student. Guests enjoyed cocktails and wine courtesy of Bacardi and Southern Wine and Spirits. During dinner Nadia Maudsley reminded the crowd of the funds MFA has been able to disperse to UM medical, graduate and nursing students because of funds raised at this annual event, and reaffirmed our mission of creating fellowship amongst the faculty of the Miller School of Medicine. In the end, the Dinner at the Ritz raised \$22,000. Congratulations and thank you to all who participated.





Many Thanks

With deepest gratitude, the MFA would like to acknowledge the generosity of the following who helped make our Dinner at the Ritz a success:

In kind contributions

Southern Wine and Spirits

Bacardi

Carlos Beltran

Alex Smith

Larry Weiss, Weiss Piano Tuning

Silent Auction items courtesy of

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Mary Frances Irvin

Maria Maribona

Nadia Maudsley

Chris Quencer

Valerie Ricordi

Nettie Belle

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Patty Scerpella



MFA Kudos

Congratulations to.....

Isabelle and David Andrews whose son Thomas is graduating from the IB program at Coral Gables High School and will attend University of Virginia.

Mercy Bach and Jay Skyler, whose son Marcus Bach is graduating from Wesleyan University and will attend law school.

Milica and Richard Bookman whose daughter Aleksandra is graduating from Ransom Everglades.

Donna and George Burke, whose son George is graduating from Ransom Everglades.

Sharon and Jerry Goodwin, whose daughter, Courtney is graduating from Princeton and will be attending medical school in the Fall. Their older daughter Amanda, a teacher at St. Stephen's Episcopal, is receiving her MA in Education from UM.

Nadia Maudsely who received a Blue Ribbon in the Bromeliad Society Art Show at Fairchild Tropical Garden April 23.

Tracey O'Connell, who will be receiving her BSN from UM School of Nursing Graduate Entry/Accelerated Nursing Program.

Any and Karl Muench whose daughter Natalie is graduating from UM with her MA in Counseling Psychology.

Valerie and Camillo Ricordi, whose daughter Caterina is graduating from Gulliver and will be attending UM.



Dues are Due!

Please send your annual dues of \$40 to Membership Chair, Any Muench, 1699 S. Bayshore Lane, Coconut Grove, FL 33133

Venues Needed

Would you be willing to host an MFA meeting or event at your home during the 2005-2006 season? Please contact Valerie Ricordi at 305-740-0955, ricordi@hotmail.com.