

MIAMI HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE MIAMI HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.



STINGAREE SPIRIT IN ACTION! MHS ALUMNI FUEL 2025 SCHOLARSHIP SUCCESS!



The MHS Alumni Association answered the call once again! Thanks to your incredible support, the 2025 Scholarship Awards were a major success. On April 26, \$77,600 in alumni and donor contributions funded 67 scholarships for seniors planning to attend accredited colleges, universities, or technical schools.

The Class of 2025 has demonstrated great resilience, determination, and true Stingaree pride. Applicants submitted academic records, teacher recommendations, personal essays, and participated in interviews conducted by our Scholarship Committee. The essays were especially moving, highlighting the strength and perseverance of these outstanding students.

As part of the process, seniors were also introduced to the MHS Alumni Association and welcomed with three years of free membership as new alumni.

Thank you for making a lasting impact on the next generation of Stingarees.

To continue supporting our mission or become a member, visit our website at:
www.miamihighschoolalumniassociation.com



Miguel A. Amaya
Class of 2007

MHS Alumni Association President

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone is enjoying a great summer! We ended the last school year on a high note, and I'm proud to share that Miami High is once again an A-rated school; a reflection of the hard work and excellence that defines our Stingaree community.

We're excited to invite you to our Stingaree Social on October 11, where we'll come together to celebrate, reconnect, and support our scholarship fund. Your involvement makes a lasting difference in the lives of our students.

Let's continue giving back to the school that gave us so much. Join us, support us, and keep the Stingaree spirit alive.

Once a Stingaree, always a Stingaree!

THANK YOU 2025

Scholarship DONORS

“NOT BY WORDS, BY DEEDS”

MHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

1986 CHEERLEADERS

ALAIN YANES

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CLASS OF 1960

CLASS OF 1971

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ALLEN PEGG

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THE MIAMI HIGH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

7th Annual
Stingaree
Social

HONORING OUR 2025 HALL OF FAME CLASS:



JOSEPH CAREW
CLASS OF 1963



CORY LLOPIZ CIBRAN
CLASS OF 1971



DR. JOSEPH UNDERWOOD
FACULTY (1985-2020)



LINCOLN VIDAL
CLASS OF 1991

FOOD | MUSIC | CASH BAR (FOR GUESTS 21+) | FREE ADMISSION

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND AND OUR ALMA MATER

SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2025 AT 7:00 P.M.

**LOCATION: FIRE FIGHTER'S MEMORIAL
8000 NW 21st Street, DORAL, FL 33132**

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Sports HALL OF FAME

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2025 MHS SPORTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES!

The MHS Alumni Association congratulates the 2025 Sports Hall of Fame inductees. These outstanding Stingarees have left a lasting legacy both on and off the field, and we are honored to recognize their achievements:

1994 – TUTU ATWELL, FOOTBALL

1993 – OSCAR CASTAÑEDA, FOOTBALL

1993 – DEJUAN PRINGLE, FOOTBALL

2002 – MICHAEL RIVERA, BASEBALL

1967 – JOHN FLYNN, FOOTBALL

2005 – SHANTAVIA HAMPTON, GIRLS BASKETBALL

2006 – RACHEL WILLIAMS, GIRLS BASKETBALL

1977 – LUIS “BALTIMORE” RODRIGUEZ, BOYS BASKETBALL

1972 – RAFAEL "TUNA" OLIVA, HONORARY

**THESE INDUCTEES REPRESENT THE HEART, HUSTLE, AND
HISTORY OF STINGAREE ATHLETICS. WE SALUTE THEM FOR THEIR
EXCELLENCE AND IMPACT!**



16TH ANNUAL MHS SEBRING JUBILEE

THURSDAY – SATURDAY, JANUARY 29-31, 2026

**NOTE FROM CHARLIE KEMNER – THURSDAY
DINNER HOST & FRIDAY GOLF COORDINATOR:**

Dear Miami High Jubilee Stingarees,

Charlie Kemner here with a quick update on our Thursday night dinner plans for the upcoming Stingaree Jubilee in Sebring.

Over the years, our Cowpokes Watering Hole gathering has grown from a dozen to nearly 30 attendees! In the beginning, we seated ourselves in the main dining area, but for the past four years, we've enjoyed the large northeast private room. Unfortunately, Cowpokes has recently changed their policy and now requires a \$500 fee to reserve that room. However, we can still gather in the main dining area at no cost, just like we did during the first two years.

We're also exploring another option: The Jacaranda Buffet at the historic Jacaranda Hotel in Avon Park, recommended by Bill Eades. It's operated by a local culinary school and offers a buffet-style dinner. While the chairs may not be the plushiest (that might just be me!), the venue offers ample space and a charming atmosphere.

What I need from you: Please email me **ONLY** if you plan to attend Thursday night dinner—regardless of which location we choose. This helps us plan accordingly. No need to respond if you're not attending.

Email: RKemner@aol.com

Looking forward to another great reunion and a fun weekend with all of you!

Warm regards,
Charlie Kemner

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NATIONAL ACADEMY OF TELEVISION ARTS & SCIENCES
SUNCOAST CHAPTER

Miami High TV Production Wins 2 More Student Emmys!

We're proud to announce that our Miami High TV Production program has won 2 more Student Emmys, bringing our total to 4 awards in just our first two years!

Our students continue to raise the bar with powerful storytelling, dedication, and Stingaree pride. The future of broadcast journalism is bright at MHS!



Congratulations to Herbert Bresier, Valentina Hernandez, Karina Nuñez, and Javorie Wilson for representing MHS at the Frost Science Museum's STEM Challenge Expo and bringing home 1st place!

Their hard work and dedication to STEM earned them three years of paid college tuition!



From earning an Honorable Mention in the Silver Knight Awards for Art to being named an Isaiah Fund Scholar, AP Art student Megan Diaz continues to shine.

She was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship toward her college education, generously provided by the Coconut Grove Arts Festival Foundation. Megan will be pursuing her passion this fall at the Savannah College of Art & Design (SCAD).



Sophomore Denis Incer proudly represented Miami Senior High School's FBLA chapter at the National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, California!

Denis earned his spot at nationals by placing at both the District and State levels in Introduction to Parliamentary Procedures.



Alvaro Ramirez and Rosby De Floran recently completed an incredible journey at Miami Montage, a selective summer journalism program hosted by the University of Miami.

They lived on campus for three weeks, experienced college life, and produced impactful stories alongside top student journalists from across South Florida.



This summer, Alessandro De Palma has been hard at work in Washington, D.C., attending the PBS Student Reporting Lab and the Washington Journalism and Media Conference at George Mason University.

From learning alongside top journalists to exploring the nation's capital and connecting with fellow student reporters from across the country, Alessandro has made the most of every moment.





1944 Marian Hutchinson	1960 Chuck Mercurio	1953 David Alan Siegel
1963 Barbara Sue Bennett	1945 Ralph "Pistol Pete" Williams	1952 Dan Marsengill
1948 Casilda Frances Carey	1960 Carl Fanaro	1955 Walter Elwell
1959 Ed Fleck	1973 Barbara Valdez	1955 Winelle McEachen
1962 Harris Joel Gubernick	1960 Paul Saluk	1952 Bernard Ludwig
1956 Linda Newberg Cohen	1967 Sherri Hodes	1960 Peter Hetzler
1960 Carl Fanaro	1955 Carolyn Corbett Wiemer	1953 Morton Palmer
Faculty Barbara Luger McManus	1946 Jack Griffith	1960 Teresa Annette Dugan
1960 Phyllis Thurmond (Forsch)	1952 Muriel Greenwood Harris	1955 Gloria Nichols
1960 Joan Sommer (Munn)	1958 Richard Bennett	1962 Harris Joel Gubernick
1955 Dee Dee Ormsby	1954 Walter Buddy Taylor	1945 Barbara Sims
1956 Lois MacDonell	1959 Al Gregorio Briguera	
Faculty Barbara Snyder Inskeep	1958 Katherine Savage White Gómez	
1954 Robert Bob Soady	1959 Hugh Stringler	

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We email full color newsletters quarterly to all members. By communicating via email, your MHSAA saves over \$3000 per year in printing, stamps, and envelopes. Please keep your email up to date.

Miami High School Alumni Association, Inc. Registration #CH51774.

A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the division of consumer services by calling toll-free (800- 435-7352) with the state.

OTHER MHS ALUMNI GROUPS NOTICE

We have received several inquiries about the various MHS Alumni groups out there. To clarify, we are the only official Alumni Association recognized by MHS. 99% of monies we raise, including dues and donations, go directly to benefit MHS and it's student body. The official

MHS Alumni Association website is <https://miamihighschoolalumniassociation.com>.

The official Facebook group is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/miamiseniorhigh/>