A PROJECT TO PRESERVE THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI’S HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Over the years, the photographs of your alma mater have been stored in the office of publications. In 2007, they were brought to the Otto G. Richter Library for safe-keeping. With a team of graduate students, the University Archivist has reorganized and preserved a half-million photographs and negatives.

The University of Miami Archives holds over 500,000 photographs and negatives that document the University’s growth from the 1920’s through the presidency of Henry King Stanford. Especially rich are photographs of UM sports, the expansion of each campus, student life, and special events.

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Front Cover: Top: President Henry King Stanford at Martin Luther King’s Memorial Service held at the University of Miami (April 1968). Center: President Bowman Foster Ashe with a student at Commencement (1950). Bottom: President Jay F. W. Pearson at his Inauguration Ceremony (1953).
Yes, I’d like to help preserve the University’s Historical Photographs with a gift to the Libraries.

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☐ $100 preserves 50 photographs
☐ $50 preserves 25 photographs
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Left: Homecoming Queen Hope Sennemaum (front), Gerry Reitz, Cynthia Fogel and others [1949].
Center: Frank Smith (21) in Purdue game [October 1950].
Right: Ted Cook showing frosh how to button [October 1950].

Making the photographs accessible to a worldwide audience

The University Archives launched an exciting project in 2008 to digitize the collection in order to make UM’s history available via the University’s Web site. A digital archive of these photos also will ensure that this treasure trove of images will be preserved and available for future generations.

Imagine - regardless of where one is in the world, it will be possible to search online and explore the University of Miami’s history through this collection’s extraordinary images.

Digitizing the collection

To kick off this preservation and access project, approximately 2,500 photos from the “Building Series” have been digitized.* Now, the University Archives has set a goal to digitize over 25,000 images.

A preview of these photos can be viewed on the University Libraries’ Web site:

library.miami.edu/umhistoricalphotos

We need your help to continue this exciting endeavor.

*This portion of the “Building Series” has been digitized with support from the Citizens Board.

How can you help?

It costs $2.00 to digitize an image and to create the accompanying information (metadata) that describes the image and makes it searchable.

A gift of $50.00 enables the Archives to add an additional 25 images to the Web site. A gift of $500.00 enables the digitization of 250 images.

Gifts may be designated where funding is needed most or to a number of categories (specified on the form at the right).

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