

BASCOM PALMER DEDICATES NEW PALM BEACH GARDENS CAMPUS

Include Florida Governor Charlie Crist as one of the tens of thousands of people whose lives have been touched by the world-class ophthalmologic research and clinical care of Bascom Palmer Eye Institute.

Crist's father, Charlie Crist Sr., suffers from macular degeneration, a leading cause of blindness. But thanks to the treatment the elder Crist received at Bascom Palmer, "my father's eyesight is becoming better than it was before the disease," the governor said recently

counties, the institute has made a \$4 million investment in surgical, diagnostic, and patient care equipment at the new campus, according to Bascom Palmer Chairman Carmen A. Puliafito.

UNDERGRADUATE ETHICS TEAM GOES TO NATIONAL COMPETITION

The UM Ethics Society has won a spot at the National Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl in Cincinnati.

After participating in the annual UM Ethics Debate at the School of Business Administration for three years, senior Elizabeth Tedford (history and psychology) and juniors Joshua Morales (legal studies) and Ryan Kairalla (economics and political science) became officers of the UM Ethics Society and made the Ethics Debate a top pri-

The annual competition at UM is sponsored by a gift from businessman and philanthropist Karl Schulze to the School of Business Administration and its Business Ethics Programs. It is also supported by the UM Citizens Board. These debates are precursors to the new Arsht Ethics Debates, fostered by a gift from businesswoman and philanthropist Adrienne Arsht to UM Ethics Programs.

The UM Ethics Society is an undergraduate club founded 12 years ago. Professors Anita Cava (Business Law Department) and Ken Goodman (medicine and philosophy), codirectors of UM Ethics Programs, advise the group.

CENTER FOR HEMISPHERIC POLICY RECEIVES STATE DEPARTMENT GRANT

A \$500,000 grant from the U.S. State Department will help the University of Miami's Center for Hemispheric Policy (CHP) continue its mission of examining the relationship of the United States within the hemisphere as

well as undertake a new project focusing on U.S. interests in Latin America.

The grant is the second for the CHP from the State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs in as many years.

"This new grant will allow us to continue our efforts to

analyze Latin America's new challenges, how they affect U.S. interests in the hemisphere, and the policy alternatives available to Washington in light of these new realities in the region," says CHP director Susan Kaufman Purcell.

The grant will help fund the center's latest project, "Securing U.S. Interests in a Changing Latin America." Headed by Purcell, the project consists of two task forces, one addressing "New U.S. Policies for a Changing Latin America" and the other examining "The 'Maras' (gang) Threat in Central America," taking a close look at the growth of gang violence in the region and its expansion into the United States. Each task force will result in policy-relevant publications, as well as public programs

focusing on the task force topics.

Additionally, the grant will support other programming featuring Latin American and Caribbean decision makers from the public, private, and non-governmental sectors of their respective countries and will underwrite the CHP's two new visiting fellows: Alberto Trejos, a Costa Rican economist and a former minister of foreign trade who is an expert in developmental economics and international trade, and Patricio Navia, a New York University professor of global studies and a columnist for several Chilean publications who is a respected analyst of political and electoral issues affecting Latin American countries.

SELF-PROCLAIMED ANIMAL LOVER ESTABLISHES ANIMAL ADVOCACY PROGRAM AT LAW SCHOOL

"A dog is a man's best friend" is a saying that rings true with Arnold Grevior. An alumnus of the School of Law, Grevior donated \$100,000 to establish an animal advocacy program at the school.

Grevior's gift will be used to establish the Arnold and Barbara Grevior Animal Advocacy Endowment Fund, dedicated to promoting awareness of legal issues related to animals. The gift will help create a classroom curriculum devoted to animal advocacy. Students will have an opportunity to see how all facets of the law, whether it is probate, contract, negligence, or criminal (animal cruelty), affect or are affected by the welfare of animals. The endowment will also fund a fellowship program for students to provide pro bono services outside of the classroom dealing with animals such as work at an animal shelter.

"By making this generous donation, Mr. Grevior has provided the financial resources with which future lawyers can be trained to appreciate the importance of the myriad of legal issues surrounding animals," says School of Law Dean Dennis O. Lynch.

Grevior has been practicing law for more than 50 years. The Fort Lauderdale resident has been actively involved with the Humane Society of Broward County as well as several other animal treatment and care organizations.

Pet smart: Animal lovers will appreciate Grevior's gift.



Bascom's ball: From left, Pascal J. Goldschmidt, senior vice president for medical affairs and dean of the Miller School of Medicine, Florida Governor Charlie Crist, UM President Donna E. Shalala, and Bascom Palmer Chairman Carmen A. Puliafito at the dedication ceremony for Bascom Palmer's new Palm Beach Gardens campus.

to an audience of more than 600 during the dedication ceremony for Bascom Palmer's new 7.4-acre campus in Palm Beach Gardens.

The new campus features the Maltz Center, a 40,000-square-foot patient care medical office building with more than 50 examination rooms for the treatment of all ophthalmic diseases and disorders. It houses centers for retinal and macular diseases, imaging, glaucoma, cornea, LASIK, aesthetics, and pediatric ophthalmology and also includes a center for low-vision rehabilitation and an optical shop.

Adjacent to the medical office building is the Frankino Pavilion at the Bascom Palmer Surgery Center. The 10,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art ambulatory surgery center now allows Bascom Palmer's physicians to perform retina, cataract, glaucoma, ophthalmic plastic, and reconstructive surgeries on-site.

The only academic ophthalmic center serving Palm Beach and Martin



Bowl bound: UM students, from left, Katherine Diaz-Drago, Christina Fiallo, Nick Holzer, Joshua Morales, Ryan Kairalla, and Elizabeth Tedford will compete in the National Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl in Cincinnati.

ority for the club.

Winning first place in the campus event, these student leaders invited their Ethics Society colleagues and runners-up—transfer students Christina Fiallo and Katherine Diaz-Drago and their freshman teammate Nick Holzer—to join them at the Southeast Regional Ethics Bowl in St. Petersburg, Florida, last November. There, the team came in second on a point-based rating scale ahead of teams from the University of Florida, Florida State University, the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, and others, earning an invitation to travel to the National Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl on February 22. The annual event is sponsored by the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics.

TALKINGPOINTS

Hiding Behind the Tax Code

"It seems to me we have to find a way to increase the disclosure of the contributors. I'm not talking about every church in America disclosing who gives money to their collection plate. But there's got to be a way to show who gives big chunks of money."

Frances Hill, professor of law, on tax-exempt groups being paid by corporations and trade associations to conduct lobbying. St. Petersburg Times (December 11)

Regional Slamming

"There are regional rivalries in terms of economy and industry, but it rarely spills over into outright insult. In some ways, it's unpatriotic, because you're just insulting another part of your country. Ideally, we're all one nation."

George Gonzalez, associate professor of political science, on recent regional insults by national politicians. USA Today (December 5)

Collaring Cholesterol

"It's a significant disappointment, but it's not setting the field back. What we have that's good is good. It was anticipated that this would be another significant benefit, and it's not working out. But the notion of doom and gloom doesn't make any sense."

Robert J. Myerburg, professor of cardiology, on Pfizer Inc.'s decision to halt development of a promising new cholesterol drug. HealthDay News (December 4)