

# WOLMER'S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.

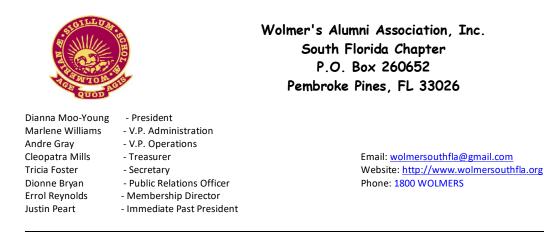
South Florida Chapter

# Fundraising Gala & 70's Reunion

Saturday, July 20th, 2019

P.O. Box 260652 Pembroke Pines, FL 33026

www.Wolmersouthfla.org



#### October 17, 2019

Dear Wolmerian/Friend of Wolmer's:

Wolmer's Alumni Association, Inc., South Florida Chapter, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, (hereafter referred to as "the Association") will hold its Annual Gala fundraiser on July 20, 2019, at the Hilton Doubletree Hotel, Sunrise, Florida. As with previous banquets and other fundraisers, the proceeds will provide academic scholarships for students at Wolmer's Schools in Jamaica, computers, books, lab and gym equipment; also scholarships to Wolmerians studying in the United States and assistance for the less fortunate in South Florida.

Wolmer's Alumni Association, Inc., South Florida Chapter, is seeking your financial assistance through advertisements in the commemorative Gala magazine or through Table Sponsorship at the Annual Gala. The Association knows of your commitment to the same developmental goals for mankind and is dedicated to playing its part in the advancement of Jamaica through education and also via improvement of communities in South Florida. Through sacrificial giving of their time, efforts and financial assistance, members of the Association work hard to ensure present and future students of Wolmer's Schools are beneficiaries of the same rich educational experience they received, to benefit Jamaica and the world. However, the current needs of the schools are great and require help from philanthropic businesses and organizations like yours.

We are hoping that your business/organization will be able to support this fundraising event through Table Sponsorship, Advertising and attendance. Enclosed is a contract for advertisements. Please review it and advise us of your selection(s) by completing the form provided by June 24, 2019. Tickets can be obtained by contacting Cleo Mills (954) 292-8034; 1(888) WOLMERS or on the internet at <u>www.wolmersouthfla.org</u>.

On behalf of Wolmer's Alumni Association, Inc., South Florida Chapter, thank you for your continued support. We wish you continued good health and prosperity.

Sincerely,

Cleopatra Mills Wolmer's Alumni Association



#### Wolmer's Alumni Association Annual Banquet

# **GOLD SPONSOR**

#### As a Gold Sponsor at Wolmer's Alumni Association South Florida's Annual Banquet your company will receive the following:

- ➢ 1 Full Page Color Advertisement
- Display of a standup banner
- Logo displayed on WAASF Website with short video
- > Table for 8 guests at the banquet
- In addition, your company will be recognized on all flyers that are produced to advertise the banquet and its name will be mentioned on all "on-air" advertising for the event.

The total cost of this sponsorship package is One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00)

Sponsor may supply a custom made advertisement in camera-ready format, on disk in high resolution as JPG, TIF, PDF or via e-mail to <u>wolmersouthfla@gmail.com</u> by *June 24th, 2019* 

Company/Individual Name:							
Contact Person:							
Address:							
City:		State:	Zip:				
Phone:	Fax:		Email:				
Special instructions:							
Signature:			Date:				
WAA Member Name:			Phone:				

Please make check(s) payable to Wolmer's Alumni Association. Liability for any errors by the Wolmer's Alumni Association in advertisements shall not exceed the cost of space reserved and/or occupied by advertiser. Liability for all advertisement content is the sole responsibility of the advertiser.

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### **MAROON SPONSOR**

#### As a Maroon Sponsor at Wolmer's Alumni Association South Florida's Annual Banquet your company will receive the following:

- ➢ 1 Full Page Color Advertisement
- Logo displayed on WAASF Website with short video
- > Table for 4 guests at the banquet
- In addition, your company will be recognized on all flyers that are produced to advertise the banquet.

The total cost of this sponsorship package is One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00)

Sponsor may supply a custom made advertisement in camera-ready format, on disk in high resolution as JPG, TIF, PDF or via e-mail to <u>wolmersouthfla@gmail.com</u> by *June 24th, 2019* 

Company/Individual Name:				
Contact Person:				
Address:				
City:		State:	Zip:	
Phone:	Fax:		Email:	
Special instructions:				
Signature:			Date:	
WAA Member Name:			Phone:	

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# **ADVERTISING CONTRACT**

Please reserve the following space for advertising in your Souvenir Program Book for the Annual Banquet of Wolmer's Alumni Association, South Florida Chapter, to be held on Saturday July 20th, 2019, at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotels Sunrise- Sawgrass, 13400W Sunrise, FL 33323

#### ADVERTISING SELECTION(S):

[	]	Inside Front Cover & WAASF Website- Color	\$550.00
[	]	Inside Back Cover & WAASF Website - Color	\$525.00
[	]	Outside Back Cover & WAASF Website - Color	\$550.00
[	]	Full Color Page (8" x 10.5") & WAASF Website	\$300.00
[	]	1/2 Page - Color (5.25" x 8")	\$175.00
[	]	1/4 Page – Color - (4" x 5.25")	\$125.00
[	]	Business Card (3.5" x 2")	\$ 40.00
[	]	Congratulatory Message	\$ 25.00

TOTAL \$\_\_\_\_\_

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Company/Individual Name:					
Contact Person:					
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City:		State:	Zip:		
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# **HISTORY OF WOLMER'S**

Wolmer's can boast of being the oldest school in the West Indies having been founded on May 21, 1729. This was the day JOHN WOLMER made his Last Will and Testament in which when he left the bulk of his estate for the foundation of a free school in the parish where he should happen to die. The sum of the legacy was 2,360 pounds sterling.

Little is known of John Wolmer, except that he was a Goldsmith who practiced his craft in Kingston for more than twenty years. It is possible he was originally from Switzerland. We know that he was married in St. Andrew Parish Church on July 1705 and that he died in Kingston on June 29, 1729. There were some delays in giving effect to Wolmer's will, but after many amendments and conferences between the House of Assembly and the Council, a law was passed and the Wolmer's Trust, which would manage the affairs of the school, was established in 1736.

The original Wolmer's Trustees then, as now, were persons of great repute in the society. In fact, our trustees appeared in the early days to be as numerous as the students. They included the Commander in Chief and four senior members of Council. There was the Speaker of the House of Assembly, the Chief Justice, the Custos of Kingston, the four senior Magistrates of Kingston, all the members of the Assembly for Kingston, the Anglican Rector, the Church Wardens and vestrymen of Kingston, and six free citizens to be appointed each year.

The law which established the Wolmer's school made no distinction with respect to color, class or creed of the students, nor was there discrimination between boys and girls. In 1782, we have a record of 64 boys and 15 girls on roll. The staff consisted of a Chief Master, a Writing Master, an Accountant, a teacher of Mathematics and a teacher of French and Spanish languages.

The Wolmer's school was originally situated in downtown Kingston at what is still known as the Wolmer's yard, now a parking lot and vendors' arcade beside the Kingston Parish Church. In 1896, the schools were separated and independent heads appointed for the Boys' and Girls' schools. After the 1907 earthquake, when most of the school buildings were destroyed, the schools were moved to their present site north of Race Course or what is now called National Heroes Park.

In 1941, at the instigation of Miss Skempton, the then headmistress of Wolmer's Girls' School, the Preparatory school was established to "feed" the girls' school. It opened its doors in the area which now houses the canteen and art room, with six little girls.

Over the years, Wolmer's Boys', Girls' and Preparatory Schools have had many benefactors, who contributed substantially to the institutions' growth and development. They have all helped to ensure that the schools, which today have over 3,000 students and more than 150 faculty members, have fulfilled the hope expressed in the law of 1736, that Wolmer's would become "a very considerable and beneficial seminary of learning for youth."

We focus our thoughts each year on the man, John Wolmer. The marble monument to his memory in the Kingston Parish Church is instructive and apt. It represents a seated figure of Liberty holding a medallion on which is seen the crest of the school - the sun of learning breaking through the clouds of ignorance.

Our efforts today are dedicated to the continuation of the legacy of John Wolmer, whose vision and benevolence opened the doors of opportunity and advancement to thousands of young people. May Wolmerians always seek, in turn, to contribute as much as they are able to the school and to the society which has nurtured them.

"Age Quod Agis"