



Iron Arrow® Honor Society

THE HIGHEST HONOR ATTAINED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI



A Message from the Chief

Members of the Tribe,

I know I speak for my fellow officers and myself when I say, welcome back to the 2022-2023 academic year! We hope that you had a restful summer filled with great memories and great people. Hopefully you found time over the summer to think about the year we have had and the year yet to come. We are excited to be pushing Iron Arrow and the University of Miami forward this year through our efforts. This newsletter is a brief glimpse into what has transpired this last semester and what is to come!

As some of you are already aware, this last year has been one where we as Iron Arrow found ourselves challenged by the community around us. Much of this was due to a lack of proper understanding and education on what and who Iron Arrow is. This year we are proud and excited to change the narrative on what many view Iron Arrow to be by continuing to work closely with our peers in the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians. Plans include further outreach with their youth, support in growing business opportunities for artisans, and more. There are many conversations to be had within ourselves, amongst our fellow campus leaders, and the leaders of the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians. One thing is for certain, Iron Arrow leadership is prepared to put in the work to continue the nearly 100 years of tradition that we have as the highest honor attained at the University of Miami.

Without you, our members, Iron Arrow is nothing. Your involvement and dedication to the organization is what makes us so great and we implore every one of you to take that next step to get more involved. Whether it be attending business meetings, sponsoring the next class of tappees, or attending and voting on constitutional amendments. COVID-19 has taught us the power that comes with using the Internet and making meetings accessible from anywhere in the world. We plan to continue exploring technologies to make meetings more accessible to those of us who are distant from Coral Gables. Iron Arrow is only as strong as our members are active.

Continue to join us and in passing on the great traditions of the University of Miami! Especially now, as we nudge ever closer to not only the centennial of the University but also of our founding. Now, more than ever, Iron Arrow is needed by our community to remind them of their origins and to continue to push us forward to greatness.

Stay connected with the Iron Arrow, your family here at the University! It is by you, our members, that we are able to accomplish all we do. Please don't hesitate to reach out to any of us with questions on how to get involved with the Tribe.

Yours in the Arrow,

Sydney L Stropes
Chief, 2022-2023



Photo by J.C. Ridley (IA'02)

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Iron Arrow® Honor Society - Fall 2022 Calendar

'Canes Take Flight

Wednesday, August 17
5 PM
Watsco Center
1245 Dauer Drive, Coral Gables, FL 33146

Fall 2022 Kickoff Business Meeting & Constitutional Amendment Vote

Monday, August 31
7 PM
East Ballroom: Shalala Student Center
1330 Miller Drive, 3rd Floor
Coral Gables, FL 33146

American Indian Day at Miccosukee Reservation

Saturday, September 24
TBA

Fall 2022 Recommendations from Non-Members Due

Friday, September 30
11:59 p.m.
<https://ironarrow.miami.edu/community/community-recommendations>

Fall 2021 Non-Member Recommendation Review and Nominations 101

Monday, October 4
7:30 PM
Storm Surge
1350 Miller Dr
Coral Gables, FL 33146

Indigenous Peoples Day

Monday, October 10

Fall 2022 Nominations from Members Due

Wednesday, October 19
11:59 PM
Iron Arrow Email - ironarrow@miami.edu
Please email Chief Stropes with any questions

Fall 2022 Selections

Saturday, October 23
8:00 AM
Location TBA

Native American History Month Begins

Tuesday, November 1

Fall 2022 Medical Campus Tappings

Wednesday, November 2
7:00 AM - 12:00 noon
Medical Campus Mound, Schöninger Research Quad
Miller School of Medicine

Fall 2022 Coral Gables Campus Tappings

Thursday, November 3,
7:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Iron Arrow Mound
1306 Stanford Drive, Coral Gables, FL 33146

Fall 2022 Tribal Portrait

Thursday, November 3, 2021
11:30 AM to 11:45 AM
Iron Arrow Mound
1306 Stanford Drive, Coral Gables, FL 33146
YOU MUST WEAR YOUR JACKET TO PARTICIPATE!

Fall 2022 Tapping Luncheon

Thursday, November 3
12:00 PM to 2:30 PM
ROOM NEEDED
ADDRESS NEEDED
YOU MUST WEAR YOUR JACKET TO PARTICIPATE!
***\$35 before October 24, 2022, \$45 on or after October 24, 2022.**
Pay on-line at <https://ironarrow.miami.edu/members/payments>

Fall 2022 Fire Ritual

Thursday, November 3 - Friday, November 4
5:00 PM to 5:00 PM (November 4)
Iron Arrow Mound
1306 Stanford Drive, Coral Gables, FL 33146
You MUST wear your jacket to interact with new tappees on the mound.
NO ONE OTHER THAN IRON ARROW MEMBERS ARE PERMITTED ON THE MOUND DURING THE DRUM RITUAL! NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

Homecoming and Alumni Weekend 2022 Events

Friday, November 4

Homecoming Honor Court

Florida State Seminoles vs. Miami Hurricanes

Saturday, November 5
TBA
Hard Rock Stadium
347 Don Shula Drive
Miami Gardens, FL 33056

Non-Student Members: Arrive to the EAST gate no later than **one hour** prior to game time with your ticket and jacket.

Student Members: Go through the student entrance (NORTH-WEST gate) no later than **one hour** prior to game time, a student affairs staff member will escort you.

*This is a privilege and honor extended to all current Tribe Members and new Tappees. In accordance with the procedures and protocols of the University of Miami Athletic Department, you MUST wear your jacket in order to be allowed on the field. Enter through the Main Entrance no later than **1 HOUR** prior to game time with your jacket **AND** tickets to the game.*

DO NOT bring any non-members with you onto the field. This includes children and **ANYONE** wearing another member's jacket, as they will not be allowed to go onto the field, and the member may be subject to disciplinary action.

YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON THE FIELD IF YOU ARE NOT WEARING YOUR JACKET AND IN POSSESSION OF YOUR TICKET!

Tribe Social and Supply Drop Off

Friday, November 7
6:00 PM
The Wetlab at RSMAS

Fall 2022 Initiation

Saturday, November 12
5:00 PM
The Everglades

Fall 2021 Business Meeting

Wednesday, December 7
7:00 pm
Iron Arrow Room: Shalala Student Center
1330 Miller Drive, 3rd Floor
Coral Gables, FL 33146

MEETING LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

PLEASE CHECK IRONARROW.MIAMI.EDU FOR THE MOST CURRENT INFORMATION!!

Iron Arrow® Honor Society - Officer Profiles



Sydney L. Stropes is a senior from a military family that has had the privilege of being stationed all over the world. She is pursuing a Bachelors of Science in Nursing and a Bachelors of Arts in Religion and Healthcare. While on campus, Sydney has served as the President of the Federacion de Estudiantes Cubanos, Chair of the President's 100 Student Ambassadors, Director of Internal Affairs within Student Government, and more. When not on campus, you can find Sydney scuba diving in the keys or hunting for the best cafecito in the city. She has spent this last summer working as a Nurse Technician in the Emergency Department of Mayo Clinic and is hoping to enter into a career in emergency or critical care nursing. Since her tapping in the Fall of 2021, Sydney has been committed to furthering Iron Arrow's presence in the community. She looks forward to sharing the rich tradition and history of the University and Iron Arrow with those around her while leading the Tribe towards the centennial. Sydney sees a future for Iron Arrow where it continues to serve as a beacon of change and guardian of tradition for the University.



Asia Chester is a senior double majoring in Biochemistry and Global Health Studies from Owings Mills, Maryland. In her time at UM, Asia has held a variety of positions including Black Student Leadership Caucus Chair, 1st Vice President of United Black Students, and Student Government Elections Commission Chair. Additionally, she has served as a Resident Assistant for Hecht and Eaton Residential Colleges and a P100 Student Ambassador for 3 years. Outside of campus life, Asia enjoys making art and exploring Miami. Asia spent her summer working at Detroit Community Health Connection doing data analytics, community outreach, and whatever else was thrown her way. After graduation, plans to work in health management and policy and pursue additional education. Tapped in Fall 2021, Asia excited to share university traditions and continue fostering a culture of belonging for all 'Canes.



Fabrizio Darby is a senior from Portmore, Jamaica majoring in Biology and Health Science with minors in Chemistry and Creative Writing. He was named the University's 2022-2023 Newman Civic Fellow for being the IMPACT Leadership Retreat Coordinator, Student Experience Coordinator at The Butler Center, Lead First-Year Fellow, PR Chair for the Gandhi Day of Service, a P100 Student Ambassador, 'Canes Ignite, Foote Fellow, Pre-Health and International Student Mentor, amongst his other work on campus. Volunteering in the community around us, Fabrizio works in Miami-Dade public schools teaching biology and English and volunteers at Bristol Hospice. Currently he is working with student leaders in Jamaica on an initiative to teach professional skills to youth. Fabrizio is also a Civic Scholar, Da Vinci Scholar, Singer Scholar, and member of Omicron Delta Kappa. He hopes to leave a valuable impact at the University by participating in and encouraging students to take on the mantle of servant leadership. He envisions an ever-evolving Iron Arrow that continues to be a symbol of inspiration and guardian of tradition at the University and wider Miami community.

Iron Arrow® Honor Society - Proposed Amendments

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE IRON ARROW HONOR SOCIETY

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Iron Arrow Honor Society is governed by a written Fourth Amended and Restated Constitution, dated August 30, 2021 (the "Constitution"); and

WHEREAS, Article XII of the Constitution provides that the Constitution may be amended by a two thirds vote of the Active Members (as defined in the Constitution) at a meeting so long as the proposal to amend and the exact wording of the amendment shall have been submitted to the Tribe not less than thirty days prior to the date of the meeting at which such amendment shall be voted upon; and

WHEREAS, Jaret L. Davis is an Active Member (as defined under the Constitution) with full rights appurtenant thereto, including, without limitation, the right to make motions at meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Council Of Elders of Iron Arrow Honor Society (as defined under the Constitution) shall function as the Advisory Board of Iron Arrow, with all the duties and privileges of such a board and shall have, as prescribed in the Constitution among its duties reviewing any amendments, modifications or other revisions to this Constitution that are submitted or requested before such changes are published to the Tribe;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Jaret L. Davis, in his capacity as an Active Member, and the Iron Arrow Council of Elders as the body charged with reviewing and putting forth proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Iron Arrow Honor Society, hereby makes a motion that the below described amendments to the Constitution be submitted to the general membership at a duly convened regularly scheduled or specially convened meeting of the Tribe, whichever occurs first:

Proposed Amendment:

All references in the Constitution to "Chief" shall be revised to read "Chair".

All references to "Son of Chief" in the Constitution shall be revised to read "Treasurer".

All references to "Medicine Man" in the Constitution shall be revised to read "Lawmaker".

The Constitution shall be amended and restated to incorporate the above amendments.

AND IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that in all other respects, the Constitution shall remain unchanged by this Amendment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Jaret L. Davis, an Active Member, and the Council Of Elders of Iron Arrow Honor Society have caused this motion for consideration of proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Iron Arrow Honor Society to be executed this 12th day of July 2022.


Jaret L. Davis

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Commentary to Proposed Amendments:

For the past five years or so, Iron Arrow has had to contend with concerns expressed throughout the University of Miami community and beyond with respect to the issue of cultural appropriation. While these concerns originally were noted by certain faculty within the University community and by a few members within Iron Arrow itself, they have now been matched by voices within the actual indigenous community (i.e., members of various Native American Tribes, including the Miccosukee and the Seminole).

Iron Arrow remains steadfast in its assertion that its use of Native American iconography, terms and traditions is not cultural appropriation. One cannot appropriate that to which they have been given an express license to use, particularly when that license is and continues to be ratified and validated by the culture in question. The Miccosukee played an integral role in Iron Arrow's creation and this special bond has continued to be expressed for nearly a century, punctuated by the Miccosukee's issuance of a formal charter to Iron Arrow at the Tribe's 50th anniversary in 1976 and the execution in 2018 by the Miccosukee of a Memorandum of Understanding outlining yet again the special bond that exists between the organization and the Miccosukee. For what it's worth, that bond has been orally validated and ratified countless other times by the past and current leadership of the Miccosukee, including its current Chairman, Talbert Cypress, and his Chief of Staff, Curtis Osceola.

Having said that, the voices of individual members of the various Native American tribes cannot be ignored. It is clear that there are members of certain Native American Tribes, including among the Miccosukee themselves, who have expressed dismay at to what is seen as an overly casual use of Miccosukee and Seminole traditions. While somewhat isolated, these expressions of concern are indeed growing. Most disturbingly there is somewhat of a generational divide inherent in the universe of those expressing these concerns. Fortunately, the current leadership of the Miccosukee also hail from this younger generation; however, it is also clear that unless we take action to address these concerns and continue a dialogue, we very much risk a 100-year relationship.

To address these various concerns, beginning in 2018, Iron Arrow implemented an annual process by which it consulted with the leadership of the Miccosukee to continually review its traditions to ensure fidelity to the Miccosukee and their heritage. This process entailed a two-part rubric:

- (i) Where a given tradition was directly given to Iron Arrow by the Miccosukee or the Seminole there would be a presumption as to its validity in favor of its retention. The most obvious example of this type of tradition would be the jackets Iron Arrow members wear (which jackets even the detractors have acknowledged we have a right to wear).
- (ii) Where research indicates a given tradition likely was not given to Iron Arrow by the Miccosukee or the Seminole then the presumption of validity and retention disappears and a de novo review of its appropriateness and desirability is conducted.

As has been covered by the University media, in 2020, this process resulted a determination for Iron Arrow Honor Society to change certain practices in its ritual:

- Use of the tapping drum only when actually tapping the tappee, and when presenting such tappee to the Chairman at the Iron Arrow Mound
- Revision of the folding of the arms, if desired to convey solemnity, to instead consist of a crossing of the arms in front of the members with a clasping of the hands out front or hands at side.
- Revision of the titles of the student leaders as referenced in this Amendment

In addition to the above changes, other changes were instituted such as replacing the use of orange, green and white greasepaint to mark newly tapped members with bead jewelry created for the newly tapped members by Miccosukee children, a new tradition that has far greater significance and cultural fidelity than was the case with the use of the greasepaint.

The changes were well received by the Miccosukee and by those who registered offense. Because the Constitution provides that ritual changes need only be approved by the Council of Elders, most of the changes were easily implemented. However, because the student titles are prescribed directly in the Constitution, those require additional action - the action proposed by this motion.

The change in titles is intended to represent fidelity to the modern terms currently used by the Miccosukee, at least with respect to officials with externally focused duties, with gender neutral terms where applicable. The new titles were recommended by the Miccosukee to align our practices with theirs.

It should be noted that the title of "Medicine Man" has caused particular consternation among those objecting. The title is a particularly sacred one and invokes many things. Use of it is akin to using a title of Rabbi, Priest or Imam.

If character is truly to be one of our foundational criteria, we must be willing to listen and respond to reasonable concerns made with respect to our practices. Note this does not mean we by default accept every isolated complaint that may be issued with respect to those practices. This was the mindset behind the rubric adopted by the Tribe in 2018. In any given instance a thorough, deliberate, and well-reasoned approach must accompany each review of a tradition's use.

Submitted by Jaret L. Davis, author of the proposed amendments



The amendment will be voted upon at the August 31 business meeting. Only members who have paid dues and are present in the meeting may vote.

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Fall 2022 Luncheon Speaker: Coach Jim Morris

Photo by J.C. Ridley (IA '02)



Coming out of a brilliant stint as Georgia Tech Baseball Head coach, Jim Morris decided that Miami was the institution that could flourish under his great leadership. Morris' first of five National Coach of the Year Honors came in 1994, very early in his career at the U. In only his first 6 years as Hurricanes Baseball Head Coach, Jim Morris guided our program to the , for six consecutive years, an NCAA record. He has won 17 of 23 NCAA Regional appearances

at the U, winning 13 of those consecutively, yet another record.

Jim Morris is a three-time national coach of the year and in 2008 won the Atlantic Coast Conference Coach of the Year, leading the Hurricanes to a 1,090-472-3 (.696) mark since arriving in 1994, slightly better than his 12 seasons at Georgia Tech (1982-93), with a 1,590-715-4 (.689) record.

The U saw Morris reaching several career milestones, with his 1000th Division I win coming in 2004. Entering 2015 Morris was one of the winningest active coaches in Division I baseball with 1,435 wins. He quickly moved up to seventh place with 1445 wins. Then, in 2016, Morris became just the sixth coach in the history of Division I baseball to reach the 1,500-win plateau, dramatically defeating Louisville 8-4 with a walk-off grand slam from Willie Abreu. Just 8 days later, he would also win for the 1000th time as a Cane, defeating Clemson 5-4 in 11 innings.

Affectionately known as "3" by those surrounding the UM program, under his guidance, three Hurricanes were selected in the first round of the Major League Baseball Draft in 2008. Junior first baseman Yonder Alonso (7th overall to the Cincinnati Reds), junior second baseman Jemile Weeks (12th overall to the Oakland Athletics), and junior right-handed pitcher Carlos Gutierrez (27th overall to the Minnesota Twins) were the first three of eight total 'Canes taken in the 2008 draft. Over 150 total Major League Baseball players received guidance from Morris.

His prowess was not limited to college baseball. Morris has also had international success. From 1989-90, Morris served as head coach of the USA Baseball team winning a Silver Medal in the 1989 Presidential Cup (Taiwan), Bronze Medal at the Goodwill Games and the 1990 International Baseball Association (IBA) World All- Star Game in Atlanta. At the

Goodwill Games, his USA squad won two of three games against Cuba, marking the first time in history a senior-level team won a series with Cuba. In 1987, Morris served as pitching coach under Ron Fraser at the Pan American Games, winning a silver medal.



Photo: Josh White (IA '20) / Miami Hurricane

If you want to know what excellence looks like, take a look at Jim Morris' 29 years of as Hurricanes Baseball Head Coach. Having won national titles in 1999 and 2001 and the ACC Baseball Regular Season Championship in 2008, 2014, and 2016, Jim Morris is no stranger to success. Under his tremendous leadership, no program has qualified for the College World Series as much as Miami Hurricanes. He also guided our continued their reign as the only college baseball team that has qualified for the NCAA tournament for 44 consecutive years.

In addition to carrying on Miami's great baseball reputation for 25 years, Morris personally led the charge in the construction of Alex Rodriguez Park, and logged hundreds of hours raising funds for the stadium's renovation prior to its reopening in 2009. Morris was tapped into Iron Arrow in 2005, and for his brilliant work, he was inducted into the College Baseball Hall of Fame in 2020.



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Iron Arrow® Honor Society - Member Information and Invoice

Name: _____ Semester/Year Tapped: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Were you an Officer? Y/N Position and year: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Graduation Year(s): _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Degrees: _____

E-mail: _____ College(s) or School(s): _____

If you work at the University of Miami, please provide your Campus Address:

Department: _____ Building & Room Number: _____

Locator Code: _____ Telephone Extension: _____

Iron Arrow Member Invoice (use this form for check payments only!)

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Please order and make your credit card payment on-line via the Iron Arrow website at **www.ironarrow.com/payments**

Item	Quantity	Price (each)	Total
Annual Package (Annual Dues - Academic Year Fall 2022 & Fall 2022, Spring 2023 Luncheons & Events)	_____	\$150.00	\$_____
Annual Dues (Academic Year June 1, 2022 - May 31, 2022, renews on June 1, 2023) <i>Please note, Dues are payable in the Fall of each year, regardless of semester tapped/initiated</i>	_____	\$50.00	\$_____
Iron Arrow Medallion	_____	\$20.00	\$_____
Iron Arrow Lapel Pin	_____	\$10.00	\$_____
Iron Arrow: A History Book (out of print - will be available after next edition)			
Operating Expense Contribution			\$_____
Endowment Fund (all donations go towards the Iron Arrow Sophomore Leadership Award made payable by separate check to: University of Miami - IA Endowment)			\$_____

Please include this page along with the following information in your return envelope:

Check Number _____ for \$_____ for the above items, including my Operating Expense Contribution.

Check Number _____ for \$_____ towards the Endowment Fund.

Some contributions may be tax deductible. Please check with your financial advisor.

Make checks payable to University of Miami - Iron Arrow.

Iron Arrow® Honor Society - Welcome to the Spring 2022 Members!



In Memoriam

The Tribe wishes to acknowledge, recognize, honor and celebrate our fellow Iron Arrows whom we have been notified passed on since the last newsletter. Our Tribe and the University of Miami community mourn their passing. We reach out together as a Tribe to support their families and reflect on their amazing legacies. They will be forever missed, forever Miami Hurricanes and forever Iron Arrows. Please visit the Iron Arrow website's "News" section for additional information on these remarkable members. Members are listed in order of passing from most recent to most distant.

Robert "Bob" Rosen (1944-2022) - A devoted Miami Hurricane who served as a captain in the US Army before taking on leadership roles in the community. Founder of Rosen Management Service, member of Board of Directors of Bet Shira, member of the steering committee of the United Synagogue of America, President and CEO of Global Consulting & Management Inc. Always willing to drop everything to help a friend in need, friend or family. Iron Arrow since Spring 1968.

John H. Croghan (1931-2022) - An accomplished educator and academic. Chairman of the Department of Education and Psychological Studies and with the South Florida Desegregation Centre. A constant supporter of the 'Canes, he held season tickets to football for over 50 years and served as honorary coach in the 1983 game against Florida State University. Iron Arrow since 1995.

**Do you have a great idea for a Tribal event? A fundraising activity? A general request?
Suggestions for the Officers?**

*Please let us know and we will do our best to implement your ideas.
Keep the Tribe updated with news via email and we'll try to post it on-line!*

Miss the a previous newsletter? Check them out on-line by scanning the QR code!

