

## History of the Miami Palmetto Senior High School Alumni Association

Although Palmetto alumni have long made a name for themselves across many disciplines and throughout the world, no formal Alumni Association existed until recently. Some local graduates briefly explored the idea of founding such an association in the early 2000's, but it was not until 2010, when PTSA parent Susan Admire Harris offered to spearhead a steering committee comprised of alumni and Palmetto parents, that the first important steps were taken.

The as-yet unincorporated Association held a number of organizational meetings to formulate bylaws, and was on hand when the Class of 1961, Palmetto's first graduating class, held its 50<sup>th</sup> reunion in 2011. Thanks to the moral and financial support of these initial graduates ("Always First") as well as that of Pinecrest Mayor Cindy Lerner '70 and her classmates, the Association is now proudly incorporated as a non-profit organization, and has applied for 501(c)(3) status.

The Association has its own website ([www.palmettohighalumni.org](http://www.palmettohighalumni.org)), where members may seek out news about the school and former classmates as well as information regarding upcoming reunions. Our Facebook page is "Miami Palmetto Senior High Alumni."