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FLORIDA MARLINS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ACTIVITIES IN FULL SWING DURING MARLINS SPRING TRAINING CAMP

MIAMI—The Florida Marlins Community Foundation (FMCF) continues to build a brighter future throughout the 2007 Marlins Spring Training camp. The team's official charitable institution is set to host a special Spring Training Youth Baseball Clinic on Saturday, March 17 and the fourth annual "Party with the Foundation" on Saturday, March 24 at Roger Dean Stadium. Funds raised during Spring Training benefit the Florida State Scholarship Fund.

FMCF Spring Training Event Calendar includes:

Saturday, March 17

Marlins Spring Training Youth Baseball Clinic.

Following the Marlins vs. Orioles 1:05pm game members of the Florida Marlins coaching staff will conduct a special baseball clinic. There will be four 20-minute stations, including: fielding, pitching, base-running and hitting. A total of 100 kids between the ages 6-14 will receive first hand instruction on the fundamentals of baseball. The event has reached capacity for participation.

Saturday, March 24

Annual Party with the Foundation

For the fourth consecutive year the FMCF will host a fund raising party benefiting the Florida State League Scholarship Fund. The event includes an all-you-can-eat buffet, silent auction, raffle, a visit by the Marlins Mermaids and a special question-and-answer session with Marlins players at the Party Deck at Roger Dean Stadium. Tickets to the event and game are available for a \$25 donation by calling (305) 623-6497.

Wednesday, March 28

Women of Tomorrow Spring Fling

The FMCF will host 14 girls from Flanagan High School in a luxury suite at Roger Dean Stadium. These young women represent Women of Tomorrow, a scholarship and mentoring program. Nancy Olson, Executive Director of the FMCF, meets with them each month during the school year introducing them to various careers, mentoring them on life's challenges and helps them obtain scholarships.

In addition the FMCF will offer fans the opportunity to win four seats at the Marlins owner suite on March 28th, the opportunity to become an honorary bat boy/girl and a chance to through out the ceremonial first pitch at a Marlins Spring Training home game. The package is being offered at the at the official FMCF table at Roger Dean Stadium. The proceeds will benefit the Florida State League Scholarship Fund.

During the 2007 Spring Training season the FMCF is recognizing the *Palm Beach Sports Institute*, *Challenger Little League (Martin County)* and the *Boys & Girls Club of Palm Beach County*, three of the many not-for-profit organizations in Palm Beach and Martin Counties, to receive grants with hopes of making South Florida a better community.

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