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**THE “WOLF PACK GIVES BACK” WANTS YOU!
THE WOLFSONIAN–FIU KICKS OFF COMMUNITY SERVICE NETWORKING INITIATIVE**

MIAMI BEACH, FL (April 22, 2009)—We want you! The Wolfsonian–Florida International University is calling all socially-conscious individuals to kick off its newly-formed, community service-oriented initiative, **Wolf Pack Gives Back**, on Thursday, April 23rd. This is a great opportunity to help others in the community by contributing your time and skills, while also networking and making new friends. Participants even have the opportunity to gain discounted memberships to The Wolfsonian.

The **Wolf Pack Gives Back** launches on Thursday, April 23 at 7pm at The Wolfsonian. The inaugural event begins with a discussion on community activism, moderated by Ted Baker, a landscape architect and retired FIU professor. The talk will be followed by a screening of the documentary *Eden’s Lost and Found—Philadelphia* (2006, USA, Harry Wiland, 57 min, English, color, DVD), an example of how community-based volunteer groups in Philadelphia bettered their community despite budget cuts. The lecture and film screening is free and open to the public.

Upcoming dates for community service opportunities are scheduled for Saturdays, May 9, June 6, and July 11, 2009. Tentative projects may include volunteering at Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami, Shake-A-Leg-Miami, and Lotus House, among others; future times will be determined and all information will be discussed at the launch event on April 23rd. For more information, contact Lydia Lopez at 305.535.2644 or lydia@thewolf.fiu.edu.

About The Wolfsonian—Florida International University

The Wolfsonian is a museum, library, and research center that uses objects to illustrate the persuasive power of art and design, to explore what it means to be modern, and to tell the story of social, historical, and technological changes that have transformed our world. The collections comprise approximately 120,000 objects from the period of 1885 to 1945—the height of the Industrial Revolution to the end of the Second World War—in a variety of media including furniture; industrial-design objects; works in glass, ceramics, and metal; rare books; periodicals; ephemera; works on paper; paintings; textiles; and medals.

The Wolfsonian is located at 1001 Washington Avenue, Miami Beach, Fla. Admission is \$7 adults; \$5 seniors, students, and children six-12; free for Wolfsonian members, State University System of Florida staff and students with ID, children under six, and Miami Beach residents with ID. The museum is open Monday, Tuesday, Saturday and Sunday from noon-6pm; Thursday and Friday from noon-9pm; and is closed on Wednesday. Contact us at 305.531.1001 or visit us online at www.wolfsonian.org.

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