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Arthur F. and Alice E. Adams Foundation Trustee, Maria Blet, with Under the Sea 3D filmmakers, Howard and Michele Hall.



Steve Hudson and Holly Bodenweber of the Hudson Family Foundation provided generous support to the campaign.



Frank Nask, CEO, and Rebecca Stoll, District Board Member of Broward Health, with Kim Cavendish, Museum President, announced the partnership to create a major health exhibit.



Stephen Keller, pictured with Lesleen Bolt enjoying the 2008 Gala, made a leadership gift to the campaign.

2009 Annual Report

In 2009 the Museum's campaign to expand and renovate the museum with a new EcoDiscovery Center wing reached new heights with several major new commitments of support. Mr. Steven Keller stepped forward with a major gift to name the new Science Theater. A new partnership with Broward Health will enable the museum to create a powerful new health exhibit as part of the museum's internal renovations. Carnival Cruise Lines pledged support to name our Coral Reef and support ocean education programs, while a generous gift from the Hudson Family Foundation and support from the federal government rounded out a productive year for the campaign.

The Museum achieved Reaccreditation from the American Association of Museums during FY 2009. Of over 20,000 museums in the US, less than 1,000 are accredited. We are proud to maintain these rigorous professional standards that ensure that the museum upholds its public trust.

In 2009, despite the radical economic downturn, the Museum continued to operate in the black, with a balanced budget drawn largely from earned income, supplemented by corporate and private philanthropy, and given added stability by a small sprinkling of government and foundation grants. The Museum is governed by a Board of Trustees that includes some of our community's most trusted

and influential citizens, who spearhead continuing support for the museum. Our experienced professional staff and many volunteers provide the manpower and expertise to keep the Museum fresh and exciting.

As President/CEO and Chairman of the Board, we are pleased to have this opportunity to recognize and to thank the many volunteers, donors and community partners who help the Museum extend its pathways to learning.



Kim L. Cavendish



Jonathan P. Ferrando

