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**THE DRIFTERS TO HEADLINE HOLIDAY NOSTALGIA CONCERT  
PRESENTED BY THE BILTMORE HOTEL'S CELLAR CLUB,  
TUESDAY, DEC. 2**

**Coral Gables, FL, Nov. 5, 2003** - Fifties music greats, **The Drifters**, will headline the next Nostalgia Concert presented by The Biltmore Hotel's Cellar Club, **Tuesday, December 2, 2003 at 9:00 p.m.** The performance will benefit the University of Miami Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center and is sponsored by Southern Wine & Spirits.

The concert, featuring a mix of holiday songs and **The Drifters'** all-time hits, will be presented nightclub style in the Biltmore's magnificent Country Club Ballroom. Tickets include complimentary wine/martini bar throughout the evening. Individual ticket prices are \$65 for general seating/\$85 for preferred seating. The hotel is located at 1200 Anastasia Avenue in Coral Gables, Florida.

Charlie Thomas' Drifters have been entertaining audiences with their unique vocal blends and soulful melodies since the late 50s. First appearing as "The Five Crowns" at the Apollo Theater in New York City, the group recorded their first release, "There Goes My Baby," as the new DRIFTERS in 1959. A tidal wave of smash hits followed with more than 30 songs reaching the top 100 and 11 songs that broke into the Top 20. "Save the Last Dance For Me," "This Magic Moment," "Some Kind of Wonderful," "On Broadway," "Up On The Roof" and "Under the Boardwalk" remain their best-loved hits. The Drifters epitomized the vocal group sound of New York City with sweet but streetwise sounds of R&B suffused with gospel influences.

The Drifters were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1988, and the Vocal Hall of Fame in 2000. They continue to tour and thrill audiences, young and old alike, with their soulful melodies.

For ticket information, call 305-913-3204 or e-mail [concertseries@thecellarclub.com](mailto:concertseries@thecellarclub.com).

The Biltmore Hotel is a National Historic Landmark property featuring luxury accommodations and 76,000 sq. ft. of function space. Other highlights include an 18-hole, Donald Ross-designed golf course, 10 lighted tennis courts, newly renovated spa, an array of fine restaurants and lounges, and the Cellar Club, South Florida's premier wine society dedicated to the appreciation of fine wine and food. The Biltmore is a member of National Trust Historic Hotels of America.

UM/Sylvester was founded in 1992 to provide comprehensive cancer services and serves as the hub for cancer-related research, diagnosis, and treatment at the University of Miami School of Medicine. UM/Sylvester handles more than 1,000 inpatient admissions annually, performs more than 2,500 surgical procedures, and treats more than 2,000 newly diagnosed cancer patients. All UM/Sylvester physicians are on the faculty of the University of Miami School of Medicine, South Florida's only academic medical center. In addition, nearly 200 UM/Sylvester physicians and scientists are engaged in more than 150 clinical investigations, having received nearly \$48 million in research grants. UM/Sylvester at Deerfield Beach recently opened to better meet the needs of residents of Broward and Palm Beach. This 10,000 square-foot facility at I-95 and S.W. 10th Street offers appointments with physicians from five cancer specialties, complementary therapies from the Courtelis Center, and education and outreach events. <http://www.sylvester.org>.