



President's Message:



Happy Summer! I hope this newsletter finds all of you well, rested, and enjoying our beautiful summer weather. It's hard to believe August is here and there are only another 150 days till Christmas. YIKES!

I thank you for your patience for all of the many changes this last year in the way we handle payments, renewals, memberships, and donations. The end result is a much smoother operating machine!

Enjoy the rest of your summer. I look forward to welcoming you all back to Town and Gown on October 1st!

PAST & FUTURE HAPPENINGS

We've been busy at Town and Gown!

It's been a year of many "firsts" and all of you who have supported Town and Gown with your time, talents, and treasures are truly appreciated. We had our first Sunday Basketball Game watch and our evening "Fireside Chat" with Interim President Wanda Austin. Both events were well-attended. We plan to host more evening and weekend events this year to allow more members to be involved.

Our Luncheon speakers are confirmed and listed in this newsletter. Town and Gown's Annual Benefit will be held on Thursday, March 5, 2020 at the Intercontinental Hotel in Downtown Los Angeles.

Please mark your calendars now!

YOU SPOKE, WE LISTENED!

Thank you to all of you who participated in the first Town and Gown of USC Membership Survey. Many of you responded that you wanted to see more events in the evening, on the weekends, and in different locations. WE ARE LISTENING and working on our first Orange County Mixer. We hope to see many Town and Gown members, spouses, and friends in the OC soon!! Details to follow.



CONGRATULATIONS, CAROL FOX!



This August, our own Past President, Carol Fox, will be honored by the USC Rossier School of Education at their Centennial Celebration with a Distinguished Alumni Award. Congratulations, Carol! So well deserved! The Celebration will take place at the Skirball Cultural Center on August 24th.

For more information and to attend the event, please contact USC Rossier School of Education Main Events Line: 213.740.9559.

COMMITTEE SIGN UPS

Thank you to all of you who signed up for committees with your membership renewals. We are going through the sign ups now and preparing them for Committee Chairs and the handbook. This year, we asked that each member only select a maximum of two committees to allow all of our members to enjoy an active role with a group. Also, if you selected the same committee that you have been on year after year, you may be moved to a different committee to allow a new member to come on. This is the only way to allow everyone an equal opportunity to engage and learn what Town and Gown is all about! Thank you for understanding and, please, reach out to Kari May or me if you have questions.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Town and Gown's web site, Facebook and Instagram pages are undergoing construction! Keep checking back over the summer to see the new updates! The handbooks will be mailed to all members prior to the first luncheon however, there will be a digital version on the member portal for easy access. All of the photographs from past luncheons and benefits will be on the web site as well. We will also have some items for sale exclusively to Town and Gown. All sales proceeds will go toward scholarships.



DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS

A resounding "thank you" for your support this year via Dollars for Scholars, sponsorships, and the Annual Benefit. Because of your generosity, another scholarship has been added to our endowment! THANK YOU TOWN AND GOWN MEMBERS!

CONDOLENCES



Our heartfelt condolences go out to our fellow Town and Gown member, Barbara Orechoff, on the loss of her daughter, Marie Julia Orechoff, USC graduate. We are thinking of you.



SAVE THE DATE!

- October 1 Dr. Carol L. Folt, President of the University of Southern California
"Moving Forward with Excellence"
Kick-off the Town & Gown year with a warm welcome from our new President!
Lord & Ladies Day
- November 5 Suzi Weiss-Fischmann, OPI Co-Founder & Brand Ambassador
"The American Dream"
Hear the story of how Suzi, who emigrated from Hungary in 1966, became known as the "First Lady of Nails." Presented by USC Town & Gown in partnership with USC Libraries.
Holiday Boutique: In the Town & Gown Courtyard
- December 3 Annual Holiday Luncheon and Concert
- January 14 Kristen von KleinSmid, Former FBI Special Agent & Senior Executive
"Behind the Scenes of the FBI Special Squad"
A rare glimpse behind what really transpires in the FBI world, true stories, and how the agency works to keep our nation safe.
Honoring ACC Chairmen & Past Presidents
- February 4 Dr. Arthur C. Bartner, Director of the USC Trojan Marching Band
"The Man & Legend Behind the Spirit of Troy"
A celebration and tribute to the man who embodied the Spirit of Troy for the past 50 years.
Honoring Town & Gown Scholars & Donors
- March 5 Annual Benefit at the Intercontinental Hotel in Downtown Los Angeles
- April 7 Eric J. Kezirian, MD, MPH, Professor, USC Caruso Dept. of Otolaryngology; Sleep Surgeon
Valter Longo, Ph.D, Director, USC Longevity Institute; Professor of Gerontology and Biological Sciences
"Keys to Health & Wellness"
Two renowned doctors, who are experts in their specialized fields, will present their tips for health and wellness.
Honoring Town & Gown Past Presidents
- May 5 Dr. Marissa Pei, Organizational Psychologist; Award-winning Author & Speaker
"Don't Worry, Choose Happy!"
An upbeat, humorous and inspiring presentation based on the book, 8 Ways to Happiness from Wherever You Are.
Installation of Officers & Honoring Life Members

For questions about membership or events, please contact Kari May at 661-622-7011.

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