



President's Message:



Hello, Town and Gown Members! I wanted to get this newsletter out to you sooner, rather than later, to convey my most sincere THANKS for being part of Town and Gown. This time of year inspires me to reflect on all of the wonderful things I have to be thankful for. The holidays are right around the corner and there is so much to celebrate!

I look forward to seeing all of you on December 5th at the Holiday Luncheon. This is always a sold-out event, so please make your reservations early! See last page of this newsletter.

Enjoy your family and friends this Thanksgiving month!

PAST & FUTURE HAPPENINGS

In honor of Carol Troy Thueson's 88th birthday on September 7th, 2019, the *Carol Troy Thueson Town and Gown Endowed Scholarship Fund* was established and presented to her at a surprise birthday party. The initial funding gifts were made by Caren Walley Edler '94, Cristen Walley Lebsack '94, and Heather Palda Matusiak '95.



This scholarship is the perfect gift and tribute to Carol and her passion for education, as she is a former schoolteacher and administrator. As of October 23rd, \$31,000 has been received.

If you would like to gift to the fund, here are some options:

- Mail a check payable to *Town and Gown of USC* and note "Carol Troy Thueson Scholarship Fund" in the memo line
- Donate directly to the university by credit card. Click [here](#)

Questions? Contact: Virginia Naeve and Elle Feldman - VPs, Fund Development
FundDevelopment@townandgownofusc.org

Hilary Crahan – 1st VP, Investments
InvestmentVP@townandgownofusc.org

Love and kindness ARE NEVER wasted.
They always MAKE a difference.
THEY bless the ONE WHO RECEIVES them,
and THEY bless you, THE giver.

~BARBARA DE ANGELIS



MEET YOUR BOARD MEMBERS



Chris Griffith

Each month, I like to highlight some of our board members. Everyone on the board at Town and Gown is a dedicated volunteer. The board meets each month and works tirelessly to make sure that we are doing all that we can to carry out our vision and mission.

Please meet the Co-Chairs of Programs, Chris Griffith and Patti Jamgotchian.

These wonderful ladies are responsible for selecting our speakers at each Luncheon and putting together the beautiful invitation that you receive.



Patti Jamgotchian

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS

Last year at the December Holiday Luncheon, we kicked-off our DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS campaign aimed at raising enough money for another student scholarship. Through those efforts and the Annual Benefit, we raised enough for another student to attend USC! Currently, Town and Gown provides scholarships for 157 deserving students to attend this beloved University.

At the December luncheon, we will have a Giving Tree in the courtyard. Just think... If each of our members donated a fully tax-deductible donation of \$100, we would have enough funds for another scholarship - another opportunity for a student to attend USC. Many of our students say that receiving our scholarship was the deciding factor on whether or not they would be able to attend USC.

Town and Gown members, let's do it again this year! Please make your donations to DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS. Save a check and click [here](#) to donate online.

Thank you for your continued support to Town and Gown. Together, we are making a difference in the life of a scholar!

MARCH 5, 2020 ANNUAL BENEFIT

Planning has begun for our primary fundraiser for student scholarships. Mark **Thursday, March 5th at the Intercontinental Los Angeles Downtown** on your calendar. There will be special entertainment and a newly expanded boutique. Our honoree is USC Alumnus, Community Activist, and ABC7 News Anchor, Marc Brown. Click [here](#) for more details.

Any assistance you can offer with respect to donations, wine, and volunteering for the day would be greatly appreciated.

*Annual Benefit contacts are Patti Johnson, ppjpve@aol.com and Helaine Lopes, lopes@usc.edu.
Surprise Wine Draw contact is Sara Pfirrmann, sara.pfirrmann@gmail.com.*



HOLIDAY CONCERT & LUNCHEON – DEC. 3, 2019

Celebrate the spirit and joy of the season with holiday songs performed by the Thornton USC Chamber Choir and featuring Dr. Jo-Michael Scheibe, Director of Choral & Sacred Music at the USC Thornton School of Music.

Social Hour at 11am
Luncheon at 12 Noon
(Performance following Lunch)
[CLICK HERE TO RESERVE](#)

SPECIAL THANKS



Kari May

Town and Gown would like to thank Kari May for her dedication and hard work on behalf of Town and Gown of USC. Kari handles everything behind the scenes, from taking your luncheon reservations and payments to seating to just about everything else.

Thank you, Kari!

TOWN AND GOWN OF USC

MISSION STATEMENT:

Town and Gown of USC is a non-profit philanthropic organization whose purpose is to support USC through scholarships for students, building and campus enhancements, and cultural programs.

VISION STATEMENT:

Town and Gown of USC enriches the University and the lives it touches.



Our Board hard at work on October 27, 2019

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Do you have any news to share with Town and Gown? Please email Kari May, karidmay@gmail.com.

Town and Gown of USC... grounded in tradition... changing the world one scholar at a time.

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