



UNIVERSITY SOUTH  
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INC

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## The President's Message:

**2016 was about changing lives and providing inspiration.** In 2016, the University South Foundation (USF) was on a quest to change lives, to make a difference and enable members of our communities to have an even better tomorrow than today. Since 2011, USF has supported University of Arizona South students with \$320,000.

**Energy and Focus.** Significant strides were made toward this noble objective, and the Foundation will realize many more as time passes. This progress was realized only because of the volunteers of the Foundation, community and business interests and friends who rolled up their shirt sleeves and acted to help the Foundation capitalize on the opportunity to the fullest extent possible by giving selflessly of their financial resources. For their benevolence, the Foundation will always be indebted.

**How did we change lives?** In 2016, the USF awarded thirty-one University of Arizona South students with scholarships to help them achieve their dreams by awarding over \$69,000 in scholarships at three receptions in 2016. Many of our students would not be able to attend college without our assistance. Our work at the Foundation and with our sponsors, donors and partners to make these fulfilling dreams is very gratifying. Our scholarships offer several advantages for our students:

- Allow our students to achieve their academic and professional goals.
- Greatly reduces the financial burden encountered while attending UA South at a time when it is much needed.
- Provides additional financial flexibility.
- Allows the USF to invest in the future of our students and our communities.

**We did not do it alone.** Our success in 2016 was a direct result of our partnerships with multiple organizations, sponsors and the efforts of countless volunteers and friends who gave of their time, treasure and talents throughout the course of the year. A strong collaboration between the USF and the Consulate of Mexico in Douglas was established during a ceremony when a memorandum of understanding (MOU) was signed with the objective of increasing the educational level of Mexicans or Mexican origin living in the United States through the program "IME-Becas". We also launched the inaugural Education UNIDOS internship program which was a huge success.

The USF owes a huge debt of gratitude to our sponsors and their support to UA South students. Our 14<sup>th</sup> annual Dine Under the Stars was a cosmic celebration enjoyed by over 250 participants. Without their generous donations and community support it simply would not be possible to provide schoships.

We are very proud of the work of the USF, our Board Members, partnerships and sponsors. We will continue to work with UA South communities to enable a bridge to a brighter future.

~Clint Imholte  
2015-2016 President  
University South Foundation, Inc.

Since 2011 the University South Foundation, Inc has awarded almost \$300,000 in scholarships to UA South Students.



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA  
UA South

The "traditional" student at UA South has been, and continues to be, the "new traditional" student, who is returning to school with work and family responsibilities, Active Military students and spouses also fall into this category.

To meet the needs of these students, most UA South classes are offered in late afternoon or evening sessions.

Careful articulation allows students to complete all lower-division degree requirements through the "2 + 2" program with any in-state community college and upper-division requirements through UA South. This is why you find UA South campuses connected with institutions such as Cochise College and Eastern Arizona College.

Students are now able to complete their degrees while staying in their communities and they give back to their communities.

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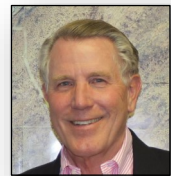
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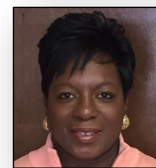
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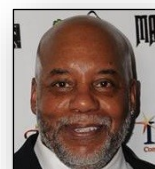
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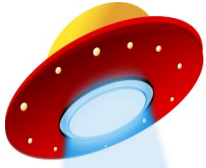
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## The 15th Annual DINE UNDER THE STARS Scholarship Fundraiser was a COSMIC CELEBRATION!



[www.dineunderthestars.org](http://www.dineunderthestars.org)



Approximately 250 Guests were greeted by UA Martians, R2-D2 and Captain Kirk at the 15th Annual DINE UNDER the STARS Scholarship Fundraiser. Outback Steakhouse sponsored a full course dinner including Beef 'space' Kabobs and BBQ Chicken. Scott M. Davis strummed his guitar throughout the evening Live and La Casita Mexican Restaurant & Cantina donated 'out of this world' desserts. Dancers from Alma Dolores International Dance Centre entertained the audience with a Star Wars performance. Master of Ceremonies, Les Orhekowsky, engaged the guests and announced the Silent Auction winners. Over 70 items were donated to the silent auction and the 50/50 raffle provided \$540 to a lucky winner. \$23,000 was raised for scholarships and continues to support the Foundation's mission. DINE UNDER the STARS was a success because of it's sponsors: ...Thank you for your support!



## University South Foundation Awards over \$69K to UA South Students during 2016

The University South Foundation awarded thirty one University of Arizona South students with scholarships to help them achieve their dreams. Dine Under the Star sponsorships, Mexico IME Becas programs, Education Unidos Gala, and University South Foundation contributors provided over \$69,000 in scholarships at three receptions in 2016.



### SPRING SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Ryan Walker  
Melissa Bawkin  
Khody Denton  
Leslie Baer  
Adam Davi  
Maureen Wilson  
DeWitt JaQuan Gholston-Williams  
Joel Strait  
Randall Hite  
Lorraine Orozco  
Pablo Roberto Villarreal



### FALL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Stuart James Gibson	Irene Angelou
Christopher Eldred	Lauren Pagendarm
Sierra Nicole Phillips	Khody Denton
Miho Fahnestock	Angela Marie Lucero
Jessala Annette Muraco	Chelsea Bruce
Tammy Moss	Carmen Lorena Villa
Kymberlee Poling	Margarita Gonzales
Michael Cruz	Tiffany Jay-Claycomb

### EDUCATION UNIDOS IME Becas Scholarship Recipients

Kayla Vasquez  
Manuel Pedregon  
Stephany Vanessa Quintero-Galaviz  
Kayla Nicole Parra  
Douglas Santiago  
Laura Hurtado-Salinas  
Pablo Roberto Villarreal  
Josette Lopez  
Anaia Tabitha Cota-Soto



## NEW EDUCATION UNIDOS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

On July 2016. The University South Foundation Inc., the Consulate of Mexico in Douglas, and the University of Arizona's Masters in Secondary Education Program, united together to support the First Education Unidos 2016 Internship Program. University South Foundation Inc.'s Vice President, Michael Boardman, Mexico's Consul Jorge Ernesto Espejel Montes, and UA South's Dr. Etta Kralovec signed the Education Unidos 2016 Internship Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).



The Education Unidos Internship Program took place during the fall semester in 2016 and was coordinated through the University of Arizona South's Masters in Secondary Education program. The internship program allowed participants to develop their academic skills within the city of Douglas Unified School District. The program provided participants with a unique, professional, enrichment opportunity as they focused on the social, cultural, political and economic context, that determine the education dynamic in the Mexico-Arizona cross-border region. Internship participants were of Mexican nationality and are professors in academic institutions who want to experience the cross-border culture and dynamics between Mexico and the United States. Participants gained a professional experience and improve their knowledge of the English language. Participants were also required to conduct an 'Action-Research Project' designed to improve practice for their own individual academic context in Mexico.



These four research scholars included Martha Ingrid Gutierrez Roman, Ph.D. of Tapachula, Chiapas, on the Learning process of bilingual students of the border; Fabiola Menendez Mena of Tlalnepan, Estado de Mexico, on the Experiences of binational people who cross the border every day; Dulce Azucena Rodriguez Banda of Salina Cruz, Oaxaca, on Hispanic students living on the border: Linking classroom success with their future aspirations; and Marlene Rojas Gonzalez of Atlixco, Puebla, on The impact of the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States for students in a binational high school environment.

## 3rd Annual Education UNIDOS Scholarship GALA!

The third Annual Education Unidos Gala SOLD OUT three weeks prior to the event on Saturday, August 20th, 2016. The evening began with a VIP Cocktail Hour on the veranda at the Gadsden Hotel in downtown Douglas. Over 250 guests filled the Gadsden Hotel lobby for dinner, dancing and performances by Casa Segovia Barraza Castelo Productions Performers: Fco. Enrique Barraza Francisco Barrios Ballet Municipal Ángeles de Auga Prieta BB Danceur Academy and Sabor Latino. Over \$8,000 was raise to support University of Arizona Douglas scholarships.



Performers:  
Fco. Enrique Barraza  
Francisco Barrios  
Ballet Municipal Ángeles de  
Auga Prieta  
BB Danceur Academy  
Sabor Latino



*A special thank you to sponsors who made the Education Unidos Gala a Success:*



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## **2016 Community Service and Contributions**

**Sierra Vista Chamber Member**

**Bisbee Chamber Member**

**Cochise Education Foundation Teacher of the Year Table Sponsor**

**Back to School Fair Sponsor**

**Sierra Vista Women's Club Fashion Show Sponsor**

**Cochise Creative Writing Celebration Sponsor**

**Sierra Vista Chamber of Commerce MAC Luncheon Presenter**

**Celebrating Our Veteran's Luncheon**

**UA South Commencement Celebration**

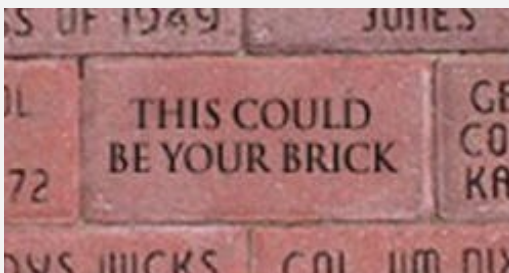
**UA South Staff and Faculty Holiday Party**

**Sierra Vista West Rotary Presentation**

**Huachucacat's Tips For Scholars**

**UA South Student Showcase**

**Arizona Community Foundation of Cochise's  
Nonprofit Organization of the year Nominee**



Place your personal message on a Brick outside of Groth Hall for \$100. The brick inscription consists of three lines of text, which includes a maximum of 20 characters per line (spaces and punctuation are considered characters).

<http://www.universitysouthfoundation.com/donate>

or call 520-458-8278 ext 2129 to place our order today.



## MAKE A DIFFERENCE

### Sponsor a Scholarship

The University South Foundation, Inc. awards Scholarships to The University of Arizona South students in the spring and fall of each year. A tax deductible donation to award a specialized scholarship can be awarded in your name for a specified amount. This is a great opportunity to support education in your field of interest, strengthening education for your company's future, and more...

Select Sponsorships of the UA South Military Golf Tournament, DINE UNDER THE STARS, and the Education Unidos Gala have scholarships awarded in their business name.

Scholarships will be for coursework at The University of Arizona South given by the University South Foundation on behalf of the donor. Donors may specify the scholarship for any UA South Campus: UA Sierra Vista, UA Douglas, UA Pima, UA Pinal, UA Santa Cruz.

For more information, contact the University South Foundation's Director of Finance and Administration, Rose Sueskind at 520-458-8278 ext. 2129.

## Leave your imprint to benefit future UA South Wildcats!



Planned Giving is simple, yet a transformational gift through your will or estate. Planned Giving is a commitment made by you today, but is not realized by the University South Foundation, Inc. until some future date. Planned gifts range from simple agreements such as, giving vehicles and including the University South Foundation, Inc. in bequests, trusts, retirement assets, annuities and life insurance. Speak to an attorney for more information on how to set up a Planned Giving Account to the University South Foundation, Inc. Play your legacy today.

I wanted to write to thank you for the generous (Sierra Vista Woman's Club) scholarship of \$1,500. It will greatly reduce the financial burden encountered while attending Graduate School. The scholarship comes at a time when it is much needed. It is especially useful since I am working on a teacher's salary and we all know that sometimes teachers are not compensated as much as one might think they should be. However, teaching is a labor of love for me and as such I will continue to persist in my career so that I can better the lives of as many students as I possibly can. I sincerely appreciate the effort put in by the Sierra Vista Women's Club for being able to raise such a substantial amount of money for scholarships and selecting me as one of the recipients. Thanks again, Irene Angelov



Thank you very much for the generous scholarship gift. This award is going to go a long way towards helping me achieve my academic and professional goals. I look forward to the exciting opportunities that my program will hold in the future and am grateful for the additional financial flexibility afforded me as a result of this scholarship award. I look forward to attending the scholarship reception on April 5. I assure you I will continue to work hard and uphold the standards of the award and the University of Arizona. Bear Down! Adam Davi

## University South Foundation Supports University of Arizona South

### Faculty and Staff Awards

The University South Foundation, Inc., granted a Superior Faculty Award and a Superior Adjunct Faculty Award to University of Arizona South Faculty. The winners were nominated and chosen by their peers, and provided a cash award by the University South Foundation, Inc. All represent the very finest in higher education.

These awards acknowledge UA South faculty members who most clearly distinguish themselves in educational achievement. The 2016 Superior Faculty Award was received by Dr. Etta Kralovec, Associate Professor, Teacher Education-Program Director, Secondary Education. The Adjunct Faculty recipient was Dr. Glenn Kjos, Adjunct Instructor Education Technology.



*Dr. Etta Kralovec*



*Dr. Glen Kjos*



*Clara González M.Ed.*



*Javier Lopez*

University South Foundation, Inc. presented two Staff Awards at University of Arizona South. Clara González, M.Ed., Student Services Military and Veteran Services Coordinator, was awarded the Student's Choice Award. Students from UA South voted González to receive the award because she *"has gone above and beyond in her support of Veterans. She encourages and motivates them to go further educationally than even they believe possible. She is very involved in their education and helping them to achieve their goals"*. Javier Lopez, Academic Affairs Recruitment and Placement Specialist, received the Outstanding Staff Award because *"Javier's enthusiasm, his intelligence and his commitment to public education, he is single-handedly ensuring that there are enough teachers in Southern Arizona schools"*.

### Grant Writing Workshop

The University of Arizona South Transition to Teaching Program and the University South Foundation, Inc. hosted a two day Grant Writing Workshop. On day one, 37 teachers were instructed how to write a grant and apply for grants. On day two, each participant had three hours to write a grant proposal and budget. Then, the class formed groups to review and score all applications and select the top four scoring grants. Lora Kerr received first place. Kerr teaches AP English at Buena High School, her grant proposal is to fund a trip for her students to attend a live Shakespeare performance. Liz Kading received second place. Kading teaches at Pomerene Elementary School, her grant proposal is to host a guest author for students at her school. Third place was awarded to Leisa Owens, a Special Education teacher at Huachuca Mountain Elementary School. Owens grant proposal is for an age appropriate science program that integrates special needs students, and includes the study of frogs and grasshoppers. Jacobo Carrasco, Science Teacher, received the fourth award for his grant proposal to start a Birding Club at Wade Carpenter Middle School in Nogales, Arizona.

The Grant Writing Workshop for Teachers Program was initiated by Dr. Etta Kralovec, Associate Professor and Director of the University of Arizona South M.Ed. program. The workshop was instructed by the successful grant writer, Melanie Greene, of m.greene Planning & Resource Development, and Ross Lampert presented grant opportunities available for teachers through the Cochise Chapter of the Air Force Association.

Teachers traveled from Tucson, Yuma, Pearce and local communities to attend the workshop.

Ron Rivera stated "The class was well laid out and while there was a lot of information it was told in a way which made sense." Participants agreed that this presentation was clear and useful.



*Pictured from left to right: Melanie Greene, Instructor; Lora Kerr; Leisa Owens; Liz Kading; Jacobo Carrasco; and Rose Saeskind, University South Foundation Director of Finance and Administration. Photo by Ali Van Corp, University of*

# Have you thought about giving to a charity for a tax-donation?

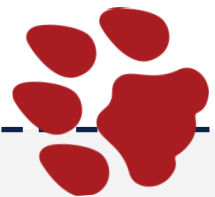
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## PATTERSON OBSERVATORY

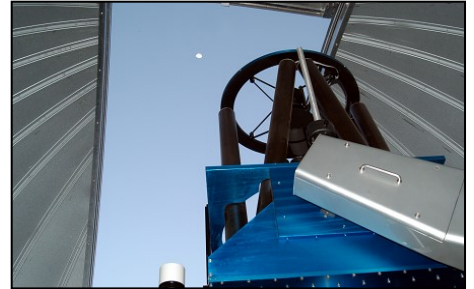
The Patterson Observatory is listed as a **NASA Space Place** and has a 16 foot dome, housing a Ritchey-Chretien telescope of 20" aperture. This telescope, with its sophisticated detectors, is capable of observing objects one million times fainter than the human eye can detect.

In 2016 The Patterson Observatory became a member of the Museum Alliance Organization.

The University South Foundation, Inc. owns and maintains the Patterson Observatory located on University of Arizona Sierra Vista Campus. The Huachuca Astronomy Club (HAC) volunteers operates the observatory and hosts Public Viewing Nights.

These "**Public Nights**" are free and family friendly and start about a half hour after sunset. They are weather dependent (canceled during inclement weather) and are not scheduled during the monsoon months of July and August. Public Nights are announced in the Around Your Town section of the Sierra Vista Herald, on the HAC website, and on Facebook/Patterson Observatory. The observatory is also available, by appointment, to serve youth, school and community organizations.

Contact the University South Foundation office at 520-458-8278 ext 2129 for more information.



The Patterson Observatory is named after Mr. David Patterson.

Patterson and his wife, June, were founding members of the Huachuca Astronomy Club and volunteers at the Flandrau Planetarium in Tucson, Arizona.

Patterson was a major contributor to the creation of the observatory, including the purchase of the telescopes, and constructing the building.

His legacy continues to support the Patterson Observatory and the University South Foundation.



Cub Scouts October 19, 2016



Osiris-Rex launch Party at Patterson Observatory on Sept 8th 2016

**Organizations that visited  
 Patterson included:**



- Cochise County Master Gardeners Association
- Sierra Vista Tourism Commission Partner's
- UA South Math and Computer Science Club
- Huachuca Astronomy Club
- Girl Scout Troops
- Douglas High School
- Elementary School Teachers
- Home School Group
- Boy Scout and Cub Scout Troops
- Cochise College STEM Day



*Miss Sierra Vista Outstanding Teen, Kaila Gold views the stars during the 2016 DINE UNDER The STARS Fundraiser*

**FREE OBSERVATION  
 NIGHTS**

Public Night is held once a month on the Thursday nearest first quarter moon. It is free and open to the public. Observing starts a half hour after sunset.

2017 Schedule

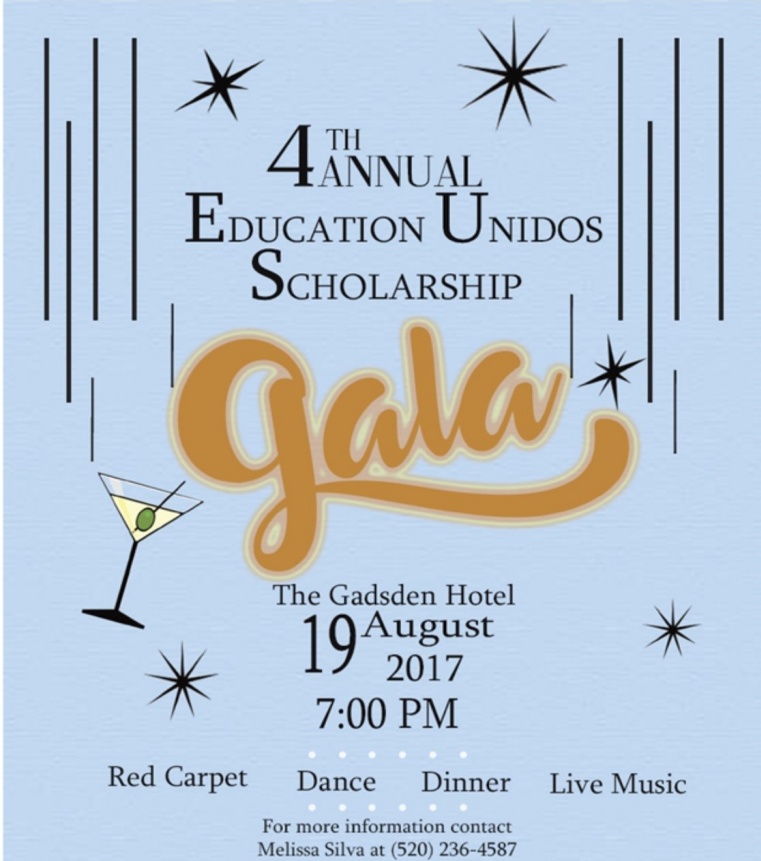
January 5	6:00 p.m.
February 2	6:30 p.m.
March 2	7:00 p.m.
March 30	7:00 p.m.
May 4	7:30 p.m.
June 1	8:00 p.m.
<i>No Public Night in July</i>	
<i>No Public Night in August</i>	
September 7	7:00 p.m.
October 26	6:00 p.m.
November 16	6:00 p.m.
December 28	6:00 p.m.

*The event is weather dependent and is canceled in the event of clouds or inclement weather. \**

**Huachuca Astronomy Club**  
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 Sierra Vista, AZ 85636  
 www.hacastronomy.com



# 2017 Scholarship Fundraising Events




4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
EDUCATION UNIDOS  
SCHOLARSHIP  
**Gala**

The Gadsden Hotel  
19 August  
2017  
7:00 PM

Red Carpet   Dance   Dinner   Live Music


For more information contact  
Melissa Silva at (520) 236-4587



COOL CATZ JAZZ NIGHT!  
SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, September 30, 2017 6:00-9:00pm

16th Annual  
**DINE UNDER the STARS**  
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## Mission Statement

To champion the enhancement of higher education opportunities offered by the University of Arizona South by identifying, cultivating, and securing resources to support students, faculty, and staff; maintaining and enhancing physical buildings and land; building viable relationships with our communities; and serving as community advocates for the University of Arizona South at local, state, and national levels.



## Vision

To further community based higher education opportunities through the enhancement and expansion of The University of Arizona South, contributing to lifelong learning and promoting quality of life for residents of Arizona and beyond.

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