#### 2017-2019 FOUNDATION REPORT





#### The President's Message:

It has been an honor to serve as President at the University South Foundation and working closely with the University of Arizona in Southern Arizona is a pleasure. I am brimming with pride to work with a Board of Directors who continues to support higher educational opportunities and community engagement in Sierra Vista and other surrounding communities.

We know that higher education is a key element of professional success and personal development. We are fortunate to have the University of Arizona's College of Applied Science and Technology (CAST) in Sierra Vista, providing higher educational opportunities to the residents of all south east Arizona.

The University South Foundation celebrated their 30th Anniversary in 2018! 30 years of support to foster both the College and its students. Through scholarships, faculty grants, facilities improvement, and public events the Foundation opens more opportunities for students and widens the community impact of having a University College in our city.

During these three years, I was amazed by the sentiment these students share when receiving scholarships from the Foundation and their sponsors. Whether it is a \$1,000 scholarship or a \$5,000 their gratitude is overwhelming. And it is was great pleasure that we share these moments and stories with the sponsors who support these scholarships.

I have witnessed and participated in extraordinary programs that share 'good-news' in the borderland communities. In 2017 the 2nd Internship program, FOBESII, bridged gaps in education with border towns and the continued support from Mexico's IME Becas program offers students greater opportunities to complete their higher educational dreams. This program has held a 100% retention as these students graduate from their degree programs and fill the future workforce in our communities.

It was a great pleasure for me to introduce a Patterson Travel Grant program for Cochise County Schools and invite their classrooms to visit the University of Arizona Sierra Campus. Over 1750 students, teachers and chaperones participate in activities at the Patterson Observatory and Discovery Gardens to explore the enormous possibilities in our skies and learn how plants grow in our dessert. We owe a debt of gratitude to the volunteers from the Huachuca Astronomy Club and Master Gardner's who made these field trips possible.

I hope you have an opportunity to visit our campus and the Patterson Observatory. With the Patterson's addition in 2018, the newly remodeled classroom facility is accessible to bathrooms and a kitchenette, and is available for meetings and events.

We are a volunteer non-profit organization, composed of businessmen, professionals, teachers, and retirees from all parts of Cochise County-- a broad spectrum of dedicated community members united in purpose to make the College of Applied Science and Technology truly OUR piece of the University of Arizona. We are unified in dedication to our students, faculty, and staff here, and to making Sierra Vista and Cochise County an even better place to grow and live.

Thank you for your support. Michael Boardman University South Foundation President 2017-2019

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#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

#### University South Foundation Awards Scholarships with Support from the Community!

SIERRA VISTA, Arizona; The University South Foundation (USF), Inc. awarded 111 scholarships, totaling over \$228,400 to University of Arizona South students from 2017 through 2019. Funding for theses scholarships came from several annual foundation fundraising events, corporate scholarship donations, and through Mexico's IME Becas program.

**DINE UNDER the STARS** is an annual Scholarship Fundraiser hosted in the in fall, on the lawn of the University of Arizona Sierra Vista campus. Local businesses and community members support this event by attending an evening filled with entertainment, dinner, stargazing and an auction. Many sponsorship levels include scholarships awarded in the company's name. Over \$51,000 has been awarded in scholarships with proceeds from DINE UNDER the STARS from 2017 to 2019.

**EDUCATION UNIDOS** is a scholarship program which partners with the Consulate Office in Douglas to support Hispanic students enrolled at the University of Arizona in Cochise County. The Foundation hosted an Education Unidos Gala in 2017, a Scholarship Drive in 2018 and in a Wine and Tequila Fundraiser in 2019. With the support from the Douglas community, over \$46,000 Education Unidos Scholarships were awarded from 2017 to 2019.

The University South Foundation hosted the Inaugural GOLFING FORE SCHOLARSHIPS fundraiser in 2017 to supplement tuition assistance for Veteran students at UA South. The college began supplementing their Veteran students tuition assistance in 2019 and the Golf Tournament fundraiser began their CYBER SCHOLARSHIP program to offer scholarships to UA Students enrolled in the highly acclaimed University of Arizona South Cyber Programs. Once again, local businesses sponsor the annual golf tournament with levels that include scholarships in their company name while enjoying a morning on the golf course.



Elsie MacMillan presents the Sierra Toyota-DINE UNDER the STARS Scholarship to Mayra Moreno at the 2017 Spring Scholarship Reception

Douglas Community Members pose with the 2018 Education Unidos Scholarship Recipients.

Pictured from left to right, starting in the back row are: University of Arizona's Melissa Silva and Sarah Weiland, City Manager Jim Russell, Consul Jorge Ernesto Espejel Montes, Juan Pablo, CENPATICO's Greg Taylor And Michael Cyrino, Superintendent Ann English, and Clint Imholte of the University South Foundation, Inc.

Christina Delgado, Giovanna Gonzalez, Marlena Dagnino, Jennifer Rivera and Itzel Ahumada.



Eric Petermann of SSVEC delivers an inspiring speech to the Scholarship Recipients of 2019.





From 2011 to 2019 the University South Foundation has awarded over \$547,000 in scholarships to UA South Students.



#### RECIPIENTS

#### 2017

Spring Scholarships:

Erin Leigh Glockner \$3,500 Patterson Memorial Lucia Dabdoub \$1,500 USF Scholarship Raymond Paul Melzer \$1,000 Student Services Scholarship Grant Lee Bertling \$1,000 Ameriprise Scholarship \$1,000 Ace Hardware Scholarship Ryan Walker \$1,000 New Frontier Animal Medical Tracie Marie Thompson Ashley Hernandez \$1,000 Arizona Southwest CU Bobby Ryan Richardson \$1,000 ISC Consulting Group Johanna Schafer \$3,500 USF Scholarship \$2,000 Outback Steakhouse Sharon Christie Jonathon Moore \$1,500 USF Scholarship \$1,000 Sierra Toyota Mayra Moreno Emily Harayda \$1,000 Cox Communications Anthony Foggiano \$1,000 Arizona Lottery

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**Education Unidos Scholarships:** 

Juan Pablo	\$2,500
Marlena Nicole Dagnino	\$2,500
Giovanna Lorena Ğonazles	\$2,500
Jennifer Carranza Rivera	\$2,500
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Christina Elizabeth Delgado	\$2,500

#### 2018

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Anita Jones \$2,500
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Fall Scholarships

Heather Grace Marie Lentz \$5,000 Patterson Memorial Carmen Lorena Villa \$5,000 USF Merit Donna Moreen \$3,000 USF Merit Karen Kuciber \$2,000 USF Merit \$2,500 USF Need \$2,500 USF Need \$2,000 USF Need Porter Nicholas Brenda Melchor Ewa Regina Sobon Carolyn Gardner \$2,000 USF Need Jennifer Lynn Wilson \$2,000 USF Need Diana Guerrero Beltran \$2,000 USF Need \$2,000 USF Need Jennifer Dee Madison

**Education Unidos Scholarships:** 

Melissa Corona	\$3,500
Emily Tinoco	\$3,500
Crystal Vega	\$2,000
Marie Castillo	\$2,000
Irma Luzania	\$2,000
Neelia Borquez	\$2,000





#### RECIPIENTS

#### 2019

Foundation Scholarships:

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#### **Cyber Scholarships:**

Jordan Thomas Idler David Robert Hall Michelle Menninger Heather McLaughlin Bird Bernard Hilarion Benko Jr. Danielle Ann McCutcheon

\$2,500 NCI Information Services \$2,500 NCI Information Services

\$2,500 Dawson/ISC \$1,500 AlaKa'ina

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#### **Education Unidos Scholarships:**

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Military Awards







2019

2018

# DINE UNDER THE STARS Annual Scholarship Fundraiser

2017



Saturday, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 the University South Foundation, Inc. hosted its 16<sup>th</sup> Annual DINE UNDER the STARS Scholarship Fundraiser. <u>A COOL CATS JAZZ NIGHT</u> was held on the University of Arizona Sierra Vista Campus and raised \$14,890.00 in scholarship funds for University of Arizona South students. Guests enjoyed appetizers by Café Roka, dinner provided by Texas Roadhouse, live music performed by Desert Fever, entertainment by Alma Dolores International Dance Centre dancers and desserts from LaCasita. Guests enjoyed the annual stargazing at the Patterson Observatory hosted by Huachuca Astronomy Club volunteers. The newly crowned Miss Sierra Vista, Stephanie Deleon, and Miss Sierra Vista Outstanding Teen, Maylie Gold, preformed during the event and assisted the Masters of Ceremonies, Mark Dannels and Jeff Davenport with door prizes during the celebration. The University South Foundation Inc. greatly appreciates and thanks the 2017 sponsors:

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2018



On OCTOBER 20, 2018 the University South Foundation, Inc. hosted its 17th Annual DINE UNDER the STARS Scholarship Fundraiser and invited the community to a 30th Anniversary Celebration that included shucking oysters to find pearls! \$15,930.00 was raised in scholarship funds for University of Arizona South students. Guests enjoyed a dinner provided by Texas Roadhouse, appetizers provided by Café Roka, live music performed by Desert Fever, entertainment by Alma Dolores International Dance Centre dancers and desserts from LaCasita. Stargazing through the Patterson Observatory Telescope and the Huachuca Astronomy Club's telescopes kept guests looking towards the stars. The newly crowned Miss Sierra Vista, Jennifer Westbrook, and Miss Sierra Vista Outstanding Teen, Madilyn Edging, preformed during the event and assisted the Masters of Ceremonies, Mark Dannels and Jeff Davenport with door prizes and announcements during the celebration. The University South Foundation Inc. greatly appreciates and thanks 2018 sponsors:

Texas Roadhouse, the Joint Venture of DAWSON & ISC Consulting Group, Sierra Toyota, Ace Hardware, Cox Communications, Pioneer Title Agency, the Leon Team at Nova Home Loans, Ameriprise/Cardinal Pointe Financial Group, Borowiec & Borowiec P.C., Maria Juvera at Tierra Antigua, Jerry and Linda Schweitzer, Indochine Family Restaurant, Stan Greer Millworks, Café Roka, La Casita Restaurant and Cantina, the Herald/Review and Cherry Creek Media.

2019



The 18th Annual DINE UNDER the STARS Scholarship Fundraiser was a MARDI GRAS Celebration hosted by the University South Foundation on Saturday, October 5th. Guests enjoyed dinner, provided by Texas Roadhouse, under a big tent on the lawn at the University of Arizona Sierra Vista Campus. Appetizers by Tony at Indochine Family Restaurant were served by Miss Sierra Vista, Ashley Fryar, and Miss Sierra Vista's Outstanding teen, Kylie Holston. Delightful desserts were prepared and served by Anita from La Casita Mexican Restaurant. Desert Fever filled the air with their jazzy sounds and Mardi Gras dance performances from the Alma Dolores International Dance Centre took over centerstage. Night Sky Viewing at the Patterson Observatory was hosted by volunteers from the Huachuca Astronomy Club. Over \$20,750.00 was raised for University of Arizona Scholarships at UA South. Thank you to the Masters of Ceremonies, Mark Daniels and Jeff Davenport for their outstanding job. A huge gratitude of thanks is sent out to our 2019 sponsors:

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# Education Unidos



Together, the University of Arizona Douglas and the University South Foundation, formed the Education Unidos scholarship program to offer financial assistance to University of Arizona South Mexican-American students in Cochise County. Beginning in 2014, the Education Unidos Scholarship program, with contributions from Mexico's IME Becas program, and community partners, has awarded 48 Education Unidos Scholarships totaling over \$135,500.

2017

#### EU Gala raises thousands for local education

BRENDA LAGARDA | DOUGLAS DISPATCH

Education advocates from all over the region joined in celebration, on Saturday, Aug. 19, at the Fourth Annual Education Unidos Scholarship Gala, held at Cilantros Bar.

Hosted by The University of Arizona South, the formal event was attended by representatives of government, businesses, schools, and citizens. Proceeds from this fundraising event will benefit the 2018 Education Unidos Scholarship winners.

Education Unidos was founded by Melissa Silva, Student Services Coordinator at UA South Douglas, in partnership with the Mexican Government, and the IME-Becas program.

According to Silva, it should be noted that the scholarship is not just for Mexican-American students, but for all those who meet the requirements, regardless of their nationality.

This year's event showcased the four 2017 Education Unidos Scholarship winners in Douglas, all of whom are currently studying at Cochise College or the UA South Douglas Campus, and the five teachers who will work as interns in the community, thanks to Education Unidos and FOBESII program from Consulate of Mexico.

This year's scholarship recipients were: **Jacqueline Lafon**, Psychology Major; **Abner Cortez**, Human Services Major; **Pablo Villarreal**, Psychology Major; and **Douglas Santiago**, Administration of Justice Major.



Kendra Bergman, Vice President, University South Foundation, speaks during the EU Gala, alongside Rose Sueskind, Jacqueline Lafon, and Wendee Grinde.

Guest Speakers at the gala included the Mexican Consul in Douglas, Jorge Ernesto Espejel Montes. The consul spoke on behalf of the Consulate of Mexico, thanking the University South Foundation and UA South not only for hosting such an event, but for assisting Mexican national students. "The IME Becas program is an important mission for the Mexican Government to help the development of personal growth of Mexicans living on both sides of the border," Espejel said.

Silva pointed out that in the first semester, when Education Unidos was made, they gave \$12,000 to four students and now they have been helping more. "Until this year we have given \$94,000 to 23 students," said Silva. She added, "The Education Unidos Scholarship fund literally has graduated 100 percent of the students in UA of Douglas."

In part of gala tradition, Silva presented the 2017 Education Unidos Outstanding Community Member Award to Mike Boardman, President of the University South Foundation; Consul Espejel Montes; Lea Marquez Peterson, President of the Tucson Hispanic Chamber; and Arturo Chacon from Cochise College.

The special guest was the President of the University of Arizona, Robert C. Robbins, who thanked Silva for the work she has been doing the last four years. "Thank you for all the work you have been doing here, and making things work in the name of the U of A South Douglas, thank you," Robbins said.

During the gala, attendees enjoyed dance performances by BB Danceur Academy, and Ballet Municipal Angeles de Agua Prieta, who presented a number titled "Cumbre Tahin".

Other entertainment included Piano Music performed by Francisco Enrique Barraza and live music and dance by Sabor Latino Legacy.

# Education Unidos

#### 2018

#### Education Unidos awards 6 scholarships

BRUCE WHETTEN | DOUGLAS DISPATCH

Six Mexican-American students were recently awarded educational scholarships through the Education Unidos program funded by the Mexican Government's IME Becas program, the University South Foundation and other community supporters. The presentations were made at an Education Unidos Scholarship reception that was held Thursday, Dec. 6 inside the Government Center on G Avenue.

This year's recipients were granted a combined \$15,000 in scholarships. They are, Melissa Corona, \$3,500 scholarship. She will be majoring in Government and Public Service; Emily Tinoco who was also awarded a \$3,500 scholarship. She will be majoring in Commerce; Marie Castillo, \$2,000 scholarship, majoring in Regional Commerce; Crystal Vega, \$2,000 scholarship, majoring in Elementary Education; Irma Luzania, \$2,000 scholarship, majoring in Early Education and Neeila Borquez, \$2,000 scholarship, majoring in Human Services. Each recipient must fulfil 100 hours of lifetime community service in order to qualify, with a general emphasis on giving back to the community as much as possible. After receiving their scholarship each recipient thanked those responsible for making their scholarship available and spoke about their past and what put them on the path, they are now to continue their education.

Education Unidos was founded by Melissa Silva, Student Services Coordinator at UA South Douglas, in partnership with the Mexican Government, and the IME Becas program.

"Five years ago, we planted a seed, an idea, a scholarship, a dream that we would have a successful scholarship program dedicated to U of A students living and learning on the border," Silva said in her opening remarks. "The border has an essence, a richness, a diversity. It is a place where we join forces through work and effort that is dignified and redefined. ... We break down barriers in search of a better future and we grow together as two countries sharing one heart."

Silva said the Education Unidos Scholarship is an important link to the chain of our cross-national collaboration but most importantly it is the link to the chain of successful students that the University of Arizona educates and prepares to impact our local communities, families and economic development. "In five years since we first created this scholarship, we have given over out over \$117,000 to over 30 students," she said. "We are also happy to report that 100 percent of the students have graduated or are still enrolled in an active program. ... They all live here locally and are contributing to the community and at the same time giving back."

Silva made a point to recognize Susana Greeno who was the first Education Unidos Scholarship recipient who graduated this past Monday with a Master's Degree. "This scholarship helped me quit my job and apply for an internship in Washington, D.C.," Greeno said. "This scholarship, for me, opened my eyes and allowed me to continue my education and not only grow as a person but also grow as a professional."

Guest speakers at the event were Dr. Melody Buckner, Interim Dean at University of Arizona South and also Greg Taylor, Regional VP of Community Affairs, Arizona Complete Health. Michael Boardman, President of University South Foundation provided a few words before handing out the scholarships. "We hear so much on the news about bad things on the border," he said. "We don't hear enough about all the positive that is happening. This is one of them. … This represents some outstanding cooperation between the two countries."

The Mexican Government awarded \$7,500 in scholarships which was then matched by various sponsors which included Arizona Complete Health, the City of Douglas, Cochise County Supervisor Ann English and the University South Foundation.



This year's Education Unidos Scholarship recipients, from left, Emily Tinoco, Crystal Vega, Melissa Corona, Marie Cast Melissa Silva, Student Services Coordinator at UA South Douglas, Irma Luzania and Neelia Borquez.

# Education Unidos

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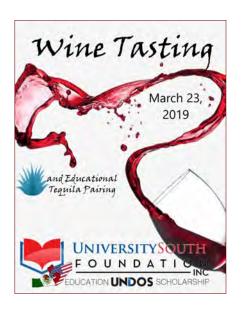
#### WINE TASTING & TEQUILA PAIRING SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER

The University South Foundation hosted an Education Unidos bi-national fundraising event to support University of Arizona - Douglas Student Scholarships. This inaugural event featured Wine Tasting and a Tequila Pairing class at the historic County Government Center in Douglas on March 23, 2019.

All attendees received a souvenir wine glass, event program with a complete list of wines, twelve wine tasting tickets, three tequila tasting tickets, a 30-minute educational session on tequila pairing, fabulous appetizers, live music entertainment and an overall unique experience.

Local Cochise County vineyards were on hand to serve a variety of white and red wines and answer wine questions from participants. Participating vineyards included Birds and Barrels Vineyards, Bodega Pierce, Golden Rule Vineyard, Keeling Schaefer Vineyards, and Zarpara Vineyard and Winery.

Ivan Orellana, from Rio Rico, performed during the event. Ivan is one of the most talented and versatile musicians in the southwest - Opera, Flamenco, Spanish/Latin, Jazz, Rock and more!



Education Unidos has provided UA Douglas students with \$119,500 in scholarships from 2013-2019. Forty-two scholarships have been awarded with 100% retention in this program. These scholarships are provided through a partnership with the Mexico government program known as IME Becas, and from funds that have been raised within the Douglas community from businesses and individuals through the Education Unidos Gala.

Sponsorship opportunities are available to support higher educational opportunities in Douglas and a sustainable workforce for the future of Cochise County. Many of the sponsorship levels include a scholarship in the company's name and additional public relations. If interested in donating a scholarship call 520-458-8278 ext. 2129.

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### FOBESII



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> FOBESII Education Unidos

#### Internship Program

On Friday, August 11, 2017, the Mexican Consulate in Douglas hosted a FOBESII Reception for sponsors and special guests to meet the 2017 interns from Mexico. Consul Jorge Ernesto Espejel Montes stated, "This program is very important for Border Education". He went on to say that this program is not for 'Mexico' and not for the 'US', but it is for Border Education.

Ann English, Cochise County Supervisor, congratulated the recipients and said that she is hoping this educational opportunity will give these students an opportunity to take from, and for, processes to work. She stated that it is easy to understand each other because we both come from "common ground" – education.

City of Douglas Manager, Jim Russell commented that learning is a lifelong process and his hopes are that they will learn everything they need and experience everything they can while here, in Douglas.

Our University South Foundation President, Michael Boardman, stated that the Foundation's purpose is to support Higher Education at UA South and he is proud that the Foundation

can help with this program for a 2nd year. He is also 'thrilled' the program grew by "one". Boardman would like to see this program continue at other locations, including Sierra Vista.

Melissa Silva, UA Douglas Student Services Coordinator and FOBESII Program Coordinator, had the privilege of spending the first few days with the interns and remarked that these five students will enrich our lives. From the beginning to the end; from sending out the application announcements to campuses in Mexico, to driving with a hot iron to the interns' dorm so they can iron their clothes; Ms. Silva ensures these students have everything they need. Ms. Silva also agreed with President Boardman that her wish was also to see this program grow into other southern Arizona towns.



Each of the participants also shared a few words of gratitude and thanked everyone who made it possible for them to be there.

Elda Patricia Beltran Manzanero from Quintana Roo, stated that her main goal was to contribute to Douglas and to be a 'change factor' so that she will be remembered. She applied for this scholarship in Douglas because it was this Education Unidos program that is "Lighting the Fire" within her.

Isis Berenice Caro Coronado, from Sonora, said "I am Eager to learn more and make a huge impact in my professional life and personal life too. It will be great!"

Ernesto Corona Rosales shared this message: "Life is full of difficulties

and problems and needs. I come from Chiapas, which is also a border city, and I have seen these problems and needs and want to change these things." Mr. Rosales also said he was thankful for everyone who got him here and his wish was that we would not think of them as 'Mexicans', but to think of them as the brothers and sisters that we are going to work with.

The FOBESII program is supported by the University of Arizona South Masters in Education program directed by Dr. Etta Kralovec. Selected professionals from Mexico apply to participate in this program for one semester. At the end of the program these students will have completed the UA South's Master in Education Program and worked with in the Douglas Unified School System and will deliver a report at the end of their program.



# Golfing Fore Scholarships

The University South Foundation hosted an Inaugural Golf Tournament Fundraiser on Saturday, April 8, 2017 to support Active Duty and Military UA South students. Clara González, UA South Student Services Military & Veterans Coordinator, requested support from the University South Foundation to organize a Golf Tournament Fundraiser in support of the Active Duty students at UA South with scholarships to subsidize their Tuition Assistance.

The 4-man Golf Scramble took place at the San Pedro Golf Course in Benson, Arizona.

Proceeds exceeded \$7,900 and two University of Arizona South Military Scholarships were awarded.



The University South Foundation Golfing Fore UA South Military Students 2nd Annual Golf Scramble Fundraiser was held on May 5th (Cinco De Mayo) at the Pueblo Del Sol Golf Course. The \$8,200 raised at this event

**supported 5 UA South Military Scholarships**. Forty nine golfers participated in the day's tournament. University South Foundation Vice President, Clint Imholte greeted the golfers on the greens before a Shotgun Start. LTC Candice Frost gave welcoming remarks to thank the golfers for supporting the UA South Military students and spoke about the importance this program is for our active duty service men and women.

University South Foundation President, Michael Boardman, presented awards to first place team, Tierra Antigua's Justin Riccardi, Kris Trosper, Troy Eadler, Manny Valenzula with a score of 59. Second place winners were Jacob Walls, Chris Coelho, Paul Vizzerra, Richard Cordova who scored a 60 and third place winners were Ed Gallew, Keith Gallew and Keith Alexander who also scored 60.

No one shot the Hole-in-One on Hole 15, where a Dodge Dart from Donovan Dodge was sitting as the prize. Steve Dufour won a prize for Closest to the Pin on hole #7 and the Longest Drive winners were LaRae Means on hole #9 and Galo Galvale on hole #17.



The University South Foundation hosted the **3rd Annual Golf Tournament Scholarship Fundraiser** on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at the Pueblo Del Sol Golf Course in Sierra Vista. **The \$12,700 in proceeds** raised at the Golf Scramble supported 6 student scholarships who are enrolled in Cyber Operations at University of Arizona Sierra Vista. The University South Foundation is working closely with University of Arizona to establish scholarships to support the cyber community.

According to the NSA, the Federal Government will need over 350,000 Cyber Warriors in the next three years to be able to protect and defend networks from growing cyber-attacks. And the US Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Kirstjen Nielsen, reports: "Cybersecurity is now everyone's problem, affecting our lives, our livelihoods and our way of life. By 2021, the value of cybercrime damage is expected to hit \$6 trillion annually."

In the fall of 2018, the University of Arizona (UA) Cyber Operations program was designated a Center of Academic Excellence (CAE) - Cyber Operations from the National Security Agency (NSA) and was recognized as a top cyber school in the nation!



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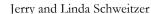














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The University South Foundation, Inc. selects and awards scholarships to University of Arizona South students each year. A tax deductible donation of \$1,000 or more can be awarded to a specialized scholarship in your company's name. This is a great opportunity to support higher education in your field of interest, strengthening education for your company's future, our

community's future and more...



I am honored to have been selected as a recipient of the University South Foundation and the Sierra Vista Women's Club Scholarship and the SSVEC Scholarship. Thank you for your generosity, which has allowed me to continue pursuing of Arizona South.

Going back to school after so many years has been challenging yet rewarding. These scholarships will propel of 2020, at which time I will pursue a cyber security career stay here, build a career, raise my children and continue to The Universe.

The University South Foundation, Sierra Vista Women's Club and SSVEC Scholarship will help pay for my tuition, allowing me to focus on my academic pursuits. Witnessing the scholarship winners last night at the Scholarship Reception was uplifting and confirmed my path forward. I will scholarship! At the reception last night, my children and I do the same. Thank you for your continued support and investment in my future. ~Sincerely, Heather Bird

Words cannot express how thankful I am to have been selected to receive this scholarship. There was a time in my life where I did not think I would amount to much. I was a senior in high school expecting a child and I

was told by many that I would end up a high school drop out with no prospects of a college education. Because of these negative perceptions, I once thought an education from the University of Arizona was superior or above me. My life has been defined by constantly battling to overcome being viewed as just another statistic. I tried so hard to prove this to others, only to come to realization that the only person I needed to prove this to is myself. My education is allowing me to be a better role model not only to my own children but to the young girl or boy that feel hopeless and alone the way I once did. I can show them that if I achieved my educational goals with all the adversities I have been through, they can achieve anything their hearts desire. With hard work, perseverance, and a strong will I am on my way to achieving all my educational and career goals. To the University South Foundation and the community members that made this scholarship possible, I am beyond grateful for helping me in continuing my pursuit and allowing me to experience a sense of community support and motivation that I once found almost impossible to receive.— Ivonne Valenzuela



# MAKE A DIFFERENCE

#### Memorial Scholarships

Memorial Scholarships offer something special to families and friends who want to leave a legacy for a loved one. The Foundation currently awards two Memorial Scholarships.

The David Patterson Memorial Scholarship pays tribute to the man who dedicated much of his time on the University of Arizona Sierra Vista campus and spear-headed the development of the Patterson Observatory.

Rich Besselman was an avid Wildcat and served on the Foundation's Board of Directors from 1998 to 2003. When Mr. Besselman passed away in 2018, his longtime friend, Tim Wright committed to a \$1,000 scholarship over the next 10 years. For information on these scholarships or to find out how you can support a Memorial Scholarship, contact Wendee Grinde, Director of Operations at 520-458-8278 ext. 2129.



Thank you for granting me the University South Foundation Scholarship, and the Besselman Memorial Scholarship; this is a great blessing to me. I am humbled by these honorable scholarships and, quite frankly, in a state of disbelief that I would be so lucky to receive such assistance. After applying to so many online scholarships all summer long, and not receiving a single one, I thought that applying for the University South Foundation and the Besselman Memorial Scholarship would result in the same fate as all of the other scholarships I had applied for; however I am downright elated to have been proven wrong. These scholarships bring me relief from the substantial financial stress of attending a university, which in itself is a stressful endeavor. Upon hearing the news that I had been awarded the University South Foundation Scholarship and Besselman Memorial Scholarship I felt as though a great, and dreaded, weight had been lifted from my shoulders, freeing my attention to be able to fully focus on my challenging scholarly pursuit ahead. I am deeply grateful for this privilege and will excitedly show my gratitude through the good use of my time and mental exertions. ~With great thankfulness, Sarah Fenter

I am honored to be a recipient of the University South Foundation Fall Scholarship. Without scholarship patrons willing to support higher education, students such as myself would be unable to pursue such degrees and achieve their dreams of becoming a college graduate.

As a non-traditional college student, I have faced many financial and academic challenges; however, this journey has also helped me realize the value of a college education and has given me the confidence necessary to succeed. I will carry these experiences with me as I begin my career in the very near future hoping to make a difference in the lives of the less fortunate and under-represented social groups. I am committed to my education and hope to make a difference in the lives of others within my community.

I will be graduating with a bachelor's degree in Family Studies and Human Development minoring in Human Services this December. My educational pursuits would not be possible without generous support from scholarship sponsors like your organization. Thank you for enabling this opportunity! - Jennifer Madison

## Outstanding Faculty Awards

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



Sheena **Brown** President Michael Boardman at the UA South Commencement Celebration where Dr. Brown received the 2018 **Outstanding Faculty Award.** 

#### **Dr. Richard Orozco**

2017 **Outstanding Faculty Award** 



**Romi Wittman** 

2019 **Outstanding Faculty Award** 



#### **Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Award Recipients:**

Margaret J. Allen 2017 Dr. Marie Wallace 2018 Henry Werchan 2019



#### Staff Awards



The University South Foundation, Inc. presented Outstanding Staff and Innovative Staff Awards to UA Staff. These awards are chosen by their peers, and provided a cash award by the Foundation.



Ed Roskowski receives the Innovated Staff Award from President Michael Boardman during the 2018 University of Arizona South SEAC Luncheon held at the Learning Resource Center on the UofA Sierra Vista campus.

#### **Outstanding Staff Award Recipients:**

Elsie Estrada 2017 Melody Dugie 2018 Laren Lara 2019



Maria Orozco receives the Innovated Staff award from President Michael Boardman during the 2019 University of Arizona South SEAC Luncheon held at the Discovery Gardens.

#### **Innovative Staff Award Recipients:**

**Bradley Ferris** 2017 Ed Roskowski 2018 Maria Orozco 2019



# Other University Support









18 years ago, David Patterson, and a number of local amateur astronomers, had a vision to build an observatory for the benefit of our community. By 2004, the Patterson Observatory had come to life through contributions and endowments. It took the name of its most generous benefactor and supporter, David Patterson. Included in the supporters of the Observatory were two Foundation board members Dave Healy, who was in large part responsible for acquiring the telescope, and Doug Snyder.

Today, the Patterson Observatory is visited by almost two thousand residents and tourists a year, including many school children, youth and scouting groups, social clubs, and visiting astronomy buffs.

The main telescope at the Patterson Observatory is a 20-inch, f/8.1 Ritchey-Chretien telescope that collects about 690,000 times more light than a typical human eye allowing detection of objects about 100,000 times dimmer than what we see with our eyes alone. A 16.5-foot dome protects and shields the telescope.

The Patterson Observatory is both a 'NASA Space Place Community Partner' and a member of the 'NASA Museum Alliance'. The volunteer operators from the Huachuca Astronomy Club, bring with them the educational resources of the 'NASA Night Sky Network'. The current director of the observatory, Ted Forte, is also the local NASA 'Solar System Ambassador' for Cochise County.



In 2017, a National Science Foundation RAIN grant enabled the creation of a "Mini-Science Center' display area, and in 2018, an extension

was added to the facility funded by a further endowment from the David Patterson estate. In 2019 the display area was renamed the 'Bob Gent Science Center'.

Since 2018, the Foundation has offered small grants that pay for bus transportation and lunch for public, private, and home school groups to visit the University of Arizona, Sierra Vista campus. Students visit both the observatory and the adjacent Discovery Gardens. The grants are open to all educators and are awarded to all qualified applicants.

Since 2004, guests from all over the world have attended our 'Public Night' open house observing events held, weather permitting, once each month (excepting the monsoon months of July and August). Volunteers from the Huachuca Astronomy Club operate the telescope and share their own smaller telescopes, to guide visitors around the night sky. Admission to these family-friendly and fun events is free. Look for the schedule of Public Night events on the Foundation website and Facebook page.

Guided astronomy events at the observatory are also available, by appointment, to youth groups, school classes, community and civic groups and even families. Contact the foundation office or send an email to <a href="mailto:info@hacastronomy.org">info@hacastronomy.org</a>.

The Foundation depends on the continued generosity of our community to operate, update and maintain the Patterson Observatory and the Bob Gent Science Center. You can support the observatory by purchasing a commemorative "star" to be added to the Comet of Stars honor display. You can also make donations at the observatory or at our website:

#### https://www.universitysouthfoundation.com/donate

The University South Foundation, Inc. owns and maintains the Patterson Observatory located on University of Arizona Sierra Vista Campus. Contact the University South Foundation office at 520-458-8278 ext. 2129 for more information. We hope you can visit us soon!

# Observatory

## **EVENTS &**



# Happenings

The University South Foundation received a Southeast Arizona RAIN Grant through the National Science Foundation to create a display space (a "mini science center") at the Patterson Observatory. The new museum-like exhibit in the central bay of the observatory features astronomy and space science materials and artifacts. The new science exhibit area opened in 2018. Members of the Huachuca Astronomy Club provide the labor and management to create the space. In 2019, after the loss of an inspirational Astronomer and dedicated volunteer, the center was named the Bob Gent Center.

NASA eyes: is an interactive way to learn about your home planet, our solar system, the universe beyond and the spacecraft exploring them. The kiosk built by Ken Kirchner to resemble the Sojourner Rover is up and running at Patterson.



Family Fun Day
Mercury Transit Day
Astronomy Day
Lunar Eclipse

#### The Patterson Extension and Patterson Classroom Remodel 2018—2019



Approximate # of Guests # of Events

2017 = 1089 guests 25 events

2018 = 1318 guests 36 events

2019 = 1899 guests 42 events



#### PATTERSON Observatory

#### DISCOVERY GARDENS

#### FIELD TRIPS









**2018:** 315 students w/21 Adults \$574 in Transportation and \$649 in Pizza

**2019:** 1,239 students w.181 Adults

\$430 in Transportation and \$\$1,537 in Pizza

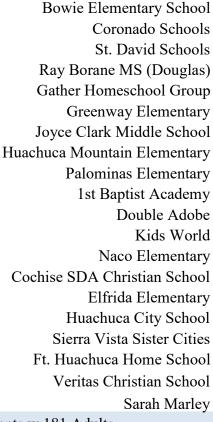
# Organizations that visited Patterson between 2017-2019 included:

Cochise County Master Gardeners Association Sierra Vista Tourism Commission Partner's Cochise County Network Breakfast Huachuca Astronomy Club

Girl Scout Troops
Boy Scout and Cub
Scout Troops
Cochise College
STEM Day
Church Groups
MACS Club





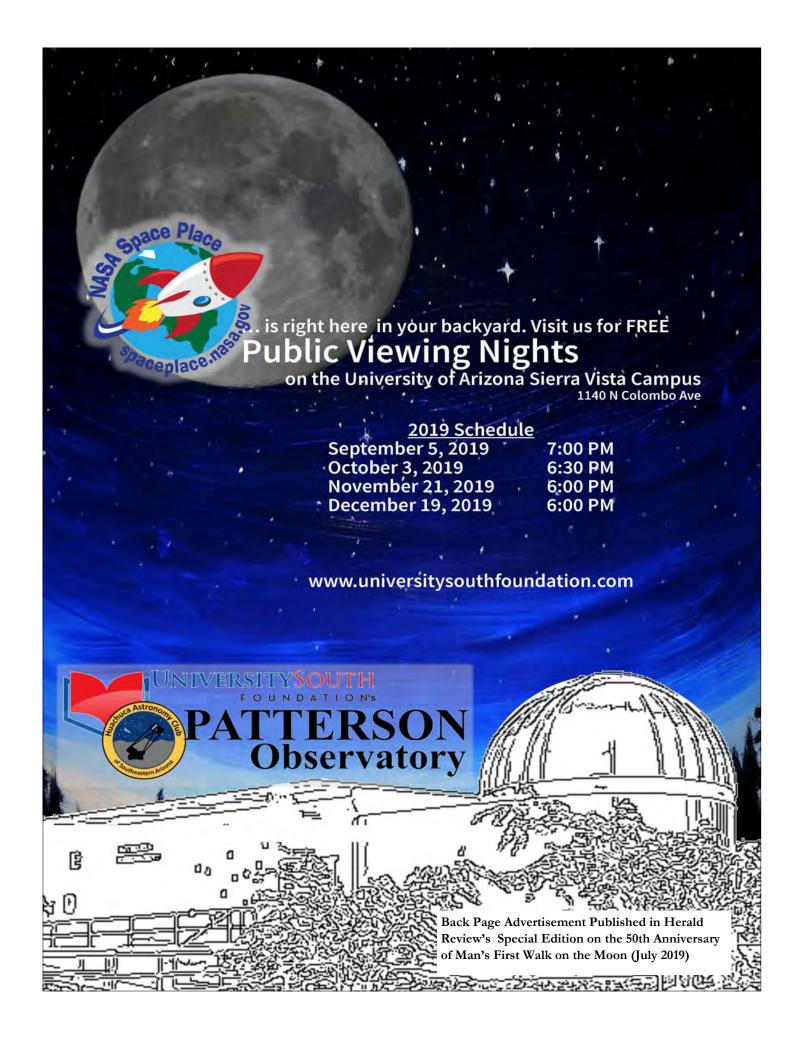


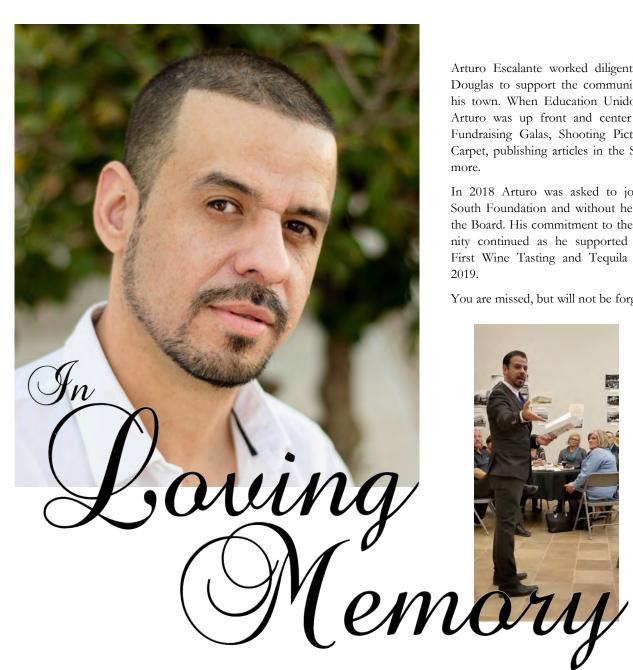
**Participating Schools and Groups:** 



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 observatory and the University South Foundation.





Arturo Escalante worked diligently in the City of Douglas to support the community and citizens of his town. When Education Unidos began in 2013, Arturo was up front and center to participate in Fundraising Galas, Shooting Pictures on the Red Carpet, publishing articles in the Sun Magazine and more.

In 2018 Arturo was asked to join the University South Foundation and without hesitation, he joined the Board. His commitment to the Douglas community continued as he supported the Foundation's First Wine Tasting and Tequila Pairing Event in 2019.

You are missed, but will not be forgotten.





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



Please consider giving to the University South Foundation, Inc.

100% of your contribution will support
University of Arizona Distance students in Cochise County and
The College of Applied Science & Technology students.

Simply complete the attached form or click on the donation button on our website at www.universitysouthfoundation.com

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For more information please call 458-8278 ext. 2129

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#### SCHOLARSHIP CONTRIBUTION

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#### **Community Service and Contributions**

**Back to School Fair Sponsor Cochise Creative Writing Celebration Sponsor Cochise Education Foundation Teacher of the Year Table Sponsor** Patterson Observatory and Discovery Gardens Field Trip Grants Sierra Vista Chamber of Commerce MAC Luncheon Sponsor Sierra Vista Women's Club Fashion Show Sponsor "Innovations in Education" Workshop Sponsor **University of Arizona Sierra Vista Family Day Cochise County Network Breakfast Services UA South Staff and Faculty Holiday Party UA South Commencement Celebration Good Morning Sierra Vista Sponsor SVACC Leadership Education Day SVACC Leadership Participation Phoenix Suns Charity Challenge USF Presents: Dr. Seth Shostak** Sierra Vista Chamber Member **Huachucat's Tips For Scholars UA Celebrates Our Veterans UA South Student Showcase AZ Public Media Reception 3 Rotary Presentations Cash for College** 





#### **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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