

# Society Welcomes 42 New Members Initiation Breakfast Set for October 24

The Skull and Dagger class of 2020 will be honored at the annual Initiation Breakfast on Saturday, morning October 24 at the Jonathan Club in downtown Los Angeles. The event will be held in conformance with all applicable Los Angeles County Health Department safety protocols, which may limit attendance at the event. Invitations to the event will be sent by email and US mail in early September after all details of the event can be confirmed.

The Society will also honor members of the classes of 1970 with the John V. Morley Medallion, emblematic of 50 years of Society membership. Members of the class of 1995 will also be presented with special lapel pins recognizing their 25 years of membership.

The Society will honor four students with Skull and Dagger Foundation scholarships. (See separate story on page 2).

The event will also highlight the presentation of the Arnold Eddy Volunteer Service Award to **Carol Troy Thueson (2007).** (See separate story on this page).

There are 42 new members in the 2020 class. The class includes 30 students, five in the faculty, staff and administration category and seven in the alumni and honorary section. The following are very brief highlights of the accomplishments of the 2020 Skull and Dagger class.

Blake Ackerman served as the Undergraduate Student Body Vice President for 2018-2019. He had also served as Student Senator and as the West Residential College President. He was a founding partner and Associate Director of USC Underground Trojans, a human rights organization, and a member of Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity. He graduated with a degree in business administration and will be attending law school.

Angle Annelus is a two-time NCAA champion in the 200-meter sprint, a member of the 2018 National Championship track and field team and a 2019-2020 team captain. She was also a representative for track and field to the Trojan Athletic Senate. She graduated in May 2019 with a degree in communications and will receive her master's degree in communication management in May 2021. She plans to compete professionally and participate in the 2021 Olympics.

Celeste Arellano was the Executive Director of Troy Camp. She was also a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority, where she served as the New Member Educator and Standards Chairwoman. She was also a student ambassador for the Office of Undergraduate Admission. She graduated with a bachelor's in psychology with minors in Spanish and education and society. She will be pursuing a master's degree in



# Carol Troy Thueson to Receive 2020 Arnold Eddy Volunteer Service Award

Carol Troy Thueson (2007) is the recipient of the 2020 Arnold Eddy Volunteer Service Award. The Arnold Eddy Award is presented annually to that member of the Society whose volunteer service to the University of Southern California is exemplary.

Carol has given much of her life and love in service to USC. She is loved and respected, in fact treasured, by those who know her and who have worked with and for her. From the time she entered the University as a freshman in 1949, she has served our alma mater well.

Carol has done more than anyone would expect in every cause and activity in which she participates. More frequently than not, she has assumed the role of leader, or advisor in the many groups of which she is/was a member. As an undergraduate,

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# **Foundation Awards Four Scholarships**

The Skull and Dagger Foundation was able to award four scholarships this year, each in the amount of \$5,000. This is thanks to the increasing contributions from our members and the performance of the Foundation's investment portfolio.

The Foundation has established two scholarships in the memory of former Permanent Masters of the Society. The first was established in 1989 and is named in memory of Dr. Kenneth Owler Smith, a professor of Journalism, who served as Permanent Master of the Society from 1983 until his passing in 1988. The second was established in 2002

in memory of Dr. Harrison M. Kurtz, a professor of Biological Sciences, who served as Permanent Master from 1989 until his passing in 2001.

The Bella and Don Barden Foundation is a living legacy of the couple and was inherited by their daughter, Alana Marshall Barden (2013), who serves as the current president and chairman. The foundation strives to promote growth, leadership and entrepreneurship in youth and pledges commitment



Bella and Don Barden

to the community. The Barden Centennial Scholarship is dedicated in memory and honor of Bella and Don Barden, and also celebrated their daughter's initiation into the Skull and Dagger centennial class, which was made possible by Bella and Don's support and financing of her USC education.

The William I. Griffith Memorial Scholarship is named in honor of Bill Griffith, a member of the Society's class of 1946, who served as the



William I. Griffith

editor of the *Daily Trojan*. The scholarship is funded by a generous bequest from Mr. Griffith's estate.

All of the scholarships are awarded annually to continuing USC students who have demonstrated significant campus and/or community leadership.

Oliva K. Dang, a senior in health and human services from Carlsbad, California is the recipient of the William I. Griffith Memorial Scholarship and is maintaining a 3.83 grade point

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#### **Carol Troy Thueson**

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Carol was active in Troeds, Sigma Alpha lota, Religious Council, Junior, Senior and Student Body Councils and YWCA, eventually serving as President of Maids and Matrons as an alum. As a vocal music major, she sang in many musical performances. She is a member of Delta Delta Delta Sorority.

After graduation, she taught in LA City Schools for 12 years, becoming a Master Teacher, a Saturday morning TV Demonstration Teacher and she piloted the gifted children's program under the Superintendent of LA City Schools.

Carol retired from teaching to raise two daughters, one of whom is a USC graduate (Julie Lynn Thueson Pircher, Class of Winter 1988). She found time, during these years, to be active in Trojan Junior Auxiliary, Trojan Guild of LA (President, 1967-68), Trojan League of LA (VP, Ways and Means, 1979-1980), Life Member of Town and Gown, serving many years on the Board, and Alumnae Coordinating Council. Carol also found time to serve in her community as a member of Orphanage Guild Juniors of LA, Assistance League of LA, Oakmont League of Glendale, National Charity League of Glendale, PEO-Chapter KD, Delta Delta Delta Alumnae Association and La Canada Presbyterian Church.

In 1983, Carol accepted a position at USC with the USC Alumni Association as Associate Director of Volunteer Programs, a job at which she worked tirelessly for 18 years. Her responsibilities included advising the 22 Women's Alumnae Groups. She developed and advised the Pepsters, Student Ambassadors for the University (100+students). She was so good at advising student groups that she was asked to continue advisement to the Pepsters after her retirement. Scions, a legacy Trojan students group, had dwindled to so few participants that the group no longer had meetings when Carol took over their advisement. It wasn't long before there was attendance of 200 on a regular basis. She advised the STAR Council, the Senior Committee, and directed SCamp, "The Family Vacation for Trojans, their Families and Friends." She continued as adviser to Alumnae Coordinating Council as a volunteer for many years.

Carol continues to give to others and those who have received from her want to give back. She has received a Widney Alumni House Award and a Presidential Award from the USC Alumni Association. In 2019, Pepster Alumni and other grateful Trojans created a Town and Gown Endowed Scholarship in the name of Carol Troy Thueson. Carol has been given Honorary Membership in several of the Trojan Leagues, as well as the Association of Trojan Leagues.

Skull and Dagger is pleased to honor Carol Troy Thueson.

education at the University of Notre Dame while teaching fourth grade in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Anna Cockrell was the 2019 400-meter hurdles NCAA champion, a member of the 2018 National Championship track and field team and a three-time team captain. She is also an 11-time All-American. She was named to the Order of Troy. She also served as a student-athlete representative on the Athletic Director Search Committee. She graduated in May 2019 with a degree in communications and will receive her Master of Public Policy in May 2021.

Kristopher Coombs was a part of Graduate Student Government for six years, serving in leadership positions for five years including as President. While in law school, he was on the board of the Student Bar Association, among several other organizations all three years, including serving as the Vice President. He has completed his J.D./Ph.D dual degree with a J.D. from the Gould School of Law and a Ph.D. in Political Science and International Relations. He is looking to work as an associate in a law firm or as a judicial clerk within Los Angeles.

Jake Davis was Vice President for recruitment for the Interfraternity Council for two years. He was a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity and a student ambassador for the Office of Admissions. He will graduate with a bachelor's degree in communications. He just completed an internship at Creative Artists Agency (CAA) and hopes to become a talent agent in the future and is currently looking for a job at a talent agency in Los Angeles.

Faith Dearborn was the Co-Director of Recruitment and Vice President of Judicial Affairs for the Panhellenic Council. She was also the Co-Logistics Director for USC OWN IT, a women's leadership conference. She was the Director of Advocacy for the student assembly for gender empowerment. She was also a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and Phi Beta Kappa. She graduated in May, magna cum laude, with a degree in political science and gender studies and a minor in cinematic arts. She was an also a renaissance scholar. She wants to work in the representation side of entertainment or production of documentary films.

Henry Fusaro was a Pac-12 Champion 3-meter diving champion and a Pac-12 Scholar Athlete of the Year in 2020. He is a three-year captain of the men's diving team. He will graduate with a double major in philosophy, politics and law and in law, history and culture and a minor in business law. He plans to take a year off before going to law school. He is looking for a legal internship in the interim.

Louise Hansson is a three-time NCAA Champion in swimming. She won the 100-yard and 200-yard fly in 2019 after winning the 100-yard fly in 2018. She is the NCAA record holder in the 100-yard fly, a 19-time All-American and a Swedish Olympian. She was also a two-year captain and won the Pac-12 title in the 100-yard fly four consecutive years. After completing her bachelor's in business administration, she will be working on a master's in international business at Loughborough University in England and competing as a

professional swimmer.

Brandon Holt was a three-year captain of the men's tennis team. He is a four-time ITA All-American and has led the team to two Pac-12 championships in 2017 and 2019. He graduated with a degree in real estate development. After graduating, he will become a professional tennis player.

Matthew Katnik was a three-year captain of the men's track team. He is a two-time NCAA All-American in the shot put and is also a discus thrower. He received his degree in business administration in 2019 and will receive his master's degree in entrepreneurship and innovation along with a certificate in real estate development in 2021.

Morgan Kuligowksi was a four-year member of the women's lacrosse team and a Pac-12 academic honorable mention. She was a member of the team when it won Pac-12 and Mountain Pacific Sports Federation titles. She represented women's lacrosse on the Trojan Academic Senate. She graduated in 2019 magna cum laude in computational neuroscience with a minor in classical perspectives. She expects to graduate in May 2021 with a master's degree in cinematic arts.

Angela Kulikov was a two-year captain of the women's tennis team. She was selected to the All-Pac 12 second team and to the Pac-12 All-Academic first team twice, the ITA All-Academic team three times and was an ITA All-American. She also was the women's tennis representative to the Trojan Athletic Senate. She graduated in May with a degree in cognitive science, magna cum laude, and enter a master's program in applied psychology. She will be able to play her final season of college tennis next year and then pursue a career as a professional tennis player.

Brian Lee was the President, President-Elect and board member of the USC Chapterof the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy. He was also the Alumni Liaison of Phi Lambda Sigma, pharmacy leadership society, a member of the Rho Chi honor society, and a student ambassador for the School of Pharmacy. He graduated in May with a Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree and started residency at City of Hope, National Medical Center in July.

Deborah Lee was the Undergraduate Student Body President for 2018-2019. She previously served as a student senator. She is also a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She will graduate with a degree in political science with a minor in social entrepreneurship. She is enrolled in a progressive degree program with the Sol Price School of Public Policy to receive a Master of Public Administration in May 2021. She is looking for a job in local government or local government consulting in the Los Angeles area.

Maya McGrath was the 2019 President of the Panhellenic Council. She served as a senior advisor to the Undergraduate Student Government in spring 2020. She is a member of Delta Delta Sorority, the ski team and served on the Daily Trojan staff. She graduated with a degree in human biology. She will spend in the next year is Paris as an au

pair and plans to attend law school in the fall of 2021.

**Tomás Mier** was the fall 2019 Editor of the *Daily Trojan* and a former intern at *People* magazine. He served as national student representative on board of the National Association of Hispanic Journalists. He will graduate with a degree in journalism and Latino and Latin America studies. He is working this summer as an intern with the *Los Angeles Times*.

Kerrigan Miller was the captain of the women's lacrosse team. She was an All-American, Pac-12 midfielder of the year and Pac-12 rookie of the year. She is a member of women's senior national team. She also served as a member of the Trojan Athletic Senate. In May, she graduated with a major in communications (entertainment focus) and a minor in sports media industries. She will be attending graduate school in the fall at the University of North Carolina studying sports administration.

Rohan Parepally was the Treasurer of the Undergraduate Student Government after being the Discretionary Fund director. He also was the President, and previously Treasurer of Trojan Knights. He graduated with a degree in business administration with a major in finance and minor in applied data analytics. He will be working as an associate consultant at Bain & Company in Los Angeles.

**Michael Pittman** was a wide receiver on the Trojan football team. He was a second team AP All-American and a first team Pac-12 All-Conference player. He is a sociology major. He was drafted at the beginning of the second round of the National Football League draft by the Indianapolis Colts.

Ashleigh Plumptre was a member of the women's soccer team. She helped lead the team to the NCAA championship in 2016 and the NCAA tournament the other three years. She was All-Pacific Region first team and All-Pac-12 second team.

Ravali Reddy was President of the M.D. Class of 2020 at the Keck School of Medicine for all four years. She was also President of the Keck Obstetrics & Gynecology Student Interest Group for two years and was a voting member of the Keck School of Medicine Admissions Committee. She will be graduating this May as a Doctor of Medicine with Highest Distinction. She has been inducted into the Alpha Omega Alpha, national medical honor society and the Gold Humanism honor societies and received Dean's Recognition for the Junior/Senior Continuum. Upon graduation, Reddy began a residency program in obstetrics and gynecology at Stanford University.

Jalen Russell was the President of the Student Bar Association, Medication Clinic and Vice President of Law Students for Better Health in 2018-2019. He was also Vice President of the Black Law Student Association and Co-Chair of the Student Bar Association's Diversity Committee. He graduated in May with his juris doctor degree and is looking to work in the areas of civil rights, corporate or entertainment law in Los Angeles or Washington, D.C.

Erdavria Rose Simpson was USC's first graduate

student Spirit Leader. She did this while working full time in the City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office, being an active drilling reserve in the United States Navy and as Master of Business for Veterans student. She is currently a full-time business analyst for Northrop Grumman as she completes a second master's of science in entrepreneurship and innovation. After graduating, she aspires to become a motivational speaker and publish a book in support of her social venture: It's Gameday Co.

Natalia Smith was the Director of Counselor Affairs and Director of Fundraising-Gala for Troy Camp. She was the founding co-student director of the Global Policy Institute in the School of international relations. She was also a west region field organizer for STAND: The Student-Led Movement to End Mass Atrocities and a programming chair for the Residential Student Government. She was a judicial board member for Panhellenic and a member of Gamma Phi Beta. She graduated with a degree in International Relations B.A, NGO's and social change B.A. She intends on going to law school in a few years and is looking for a position in international law/human rights with a focus on refugees.

**Kayla Soren** was the Executive Director and Founder of the International Student Environmental Coalition. She was also a 2019 Truman Scholar and a 2019 Udall Scholar. She graduated with a degree in international relations and environmental studies. She is looking to work in environmental non-profit work.

Mahin Tahsin was the 2019-2020 Student Body Vice President. Previously, she was the Director of the Professional and Academic Fund and the Director of the Discretionary Fund within the Undergraduate Student Government. She graduated with degrees in business administration and economics. She will be working for McKinsey & Company as a business analyst out of the San Francisco office starting in the fall.

Jack Tenney was the 2018 President of the Interfraternity Council. He is a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon and Society 53. He graduated as a Warren Bennis Scholar with a degree in Business Administration. He is starting a position as a legal assistant at ExodusPoint Capital Management, a hedge fund, in New York City.

Justin Trop was Co-President of Keck School of Medicine's LGBTQ+ student organization and served on the executive committee of the Southern California LGBT Health Conference for its first two years. He also was the founder and chairperson of Homelessness Awareness Week at Keck. He completed a Dean's Research Scholar Year as a Fellow in the Center for Health Equity in the Americas. During his final year, he was inducted into the Gold Humanism Honor Society and received the Eric Cohen Introduction to Clinical Medicine Award. He received his M.D. degree in May and this summer will start a residency program in psychiatry at Emory University in Atlanta. He looks to work eventually as a community psychiatrist serving underserved populations

and in global mental health.

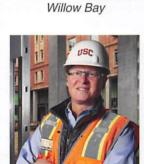
Joycelyn Yip served as the President of the Graduate Student Government during the 2018-2019 academic year. She also served as the Vice President of administration and the Director of community service. She previously served as President and Vice President of communications of the Viterbi School of Engineering Graduate Student Association. She received her Ph.D. in biomedical engineering (medical devices) in May. She has received two other USC degrees. her bachelor's in biomedical engineering with a minor in art history in 2015 and a master's in mechanical engineering in 2017. She will be joining McKinsey and Co. as an associate in the Washington, D.C. office.

There are five new faculty, staff and administration initiates.

Willow Bay is the Dean of the Annenberg School of Communications and Journalism and holder of the Walter H. Annenberg Chair in Communications. She became dean in July 2017 after having served as the Director of the Annenberg School of Journalism from 2014 to 2017. Bay

came to USC from her post as senior editor and senior strategic adviser of The Huffington Post. She has significant broadcast journalism experience including reporting and anchoring ABC News' Good Morning America/Sunday and serving as a correspondent for Good Morning America and World News Weekend. She earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania and an MBA from New York University's Stern School of Business.

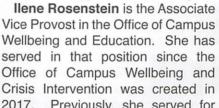
William (Willy) Marsh is the Vice President of Real Estate & Development at Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA). Before transitioning to CHLA, he was the project director for the USC-The Village Project, which was an \$800 million, 3,300 bed project that dramatically expanded the inventory of housing at USC and brought a major retail project to the area. Previously, he worked on

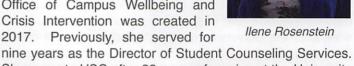


William (Willy) Marsh

a large number of other USC construction projects starting in 1999. He also managed the construction of the Our Savior Parish & USC Caruso Catholic Center. He received his Bachelor of Sciences in urban and regional planning in

Regina T. Nordahl is the Associate Dean of the Sol Price School of Public Policy. She is responsible for the financial and administrative operations of the School, a position she has held for 22 years. She is also the senior liaison officer to the Air Force, Army and Navy ROTC programs. Prior to the Price School, she served as Executive Director for Administrative Services for the University. She is the immediate past President of the Association of NROTC Colleges and Universities, serves on the Board of Directors of the USC Credit Union and is a past President of the USC University Club. She received her bachelor's degree from California State University, Los Angeles; a Juris Doctorate from Western State University College of Law and an MBA from Pepperdine University.





She came to USC after 22 years of service at the University of Pennsylvania. She has her doctorate on counseling psychology.

Michèle G. Turner is the Executive Director of the USC Black Alumni Association. She has served in that position since 2007. Additionally, as an entrepreneur for over 25

years, she is the general manager Metropolitan Radiology, corporation that provides radiologist consulting services. Previously, she was a marketing executive and senior management consultant for the IBM Corporation. She has a bachelor's degree from the Marshall School of Business, an Executive MBA from the UCLA Anderson School of Management and a doctorate from the Rossier School of Education in global education policy, focusing on the United States, China, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates.

The seven new members from the alumni and honorary sections are profiled below.

Paula Ciaramitaro is the 2018-2020 President and CEO of USC Town and Gown. She previously served as the Chief Financial Officer for the organization. She was a



Regina T. Nordahl



Ilene Rosenstein



Michèle G. Turner



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member of the USC Alumni Association Board of Governors for six years and was a member of the Executive Committee for four years. She has served as the controller for J & D Seafoods since 1997. She received her bachelor's degree in business administration from the University and has an MBA from the University of Phoenix.

Suzanne Dworak-Peck is a member University's Board of Trustees. She served as the President of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) and the President of the International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW). Currently, she is the IFSW's first, and only, Ambassador. She previously chaired the California Board of Behavioral Sciences, which regulates clinical social work, marriage and family counseling and



Suzanne Dworak-Peck

professional counseling. She currently chairs the Board Councilors for the School of Social Work. She received her bachelor's degree in psychology and master's in social work from the University, along with receiving an honorary Doctorate of Letters.

Michael Felix was the 2018-2019 President of the USC Alumni Association. He has served on the Board of Governors of the USC Alumni Association, the advisory board for the USC Caruso Catholic Center and the USC Associates board of directors. He received an Alumni Service Award in 2014. He earned his bachelor's degree in business administration from the USC Marshall School of Business in 1983. He serves as the global head of investment operations for The Capital Group Companies.

Thomas Fick is the founder and Executive Director of Project: Hollywood Cares, which was formed in 2006 to help support members of the Armed Forces. The project provides large, quality entertainment libraries consisting of television programs, feature films, music cd's and books to boost the morale of the military. Fick is a television and



Thomas Fick

sports producer, who also served in naval intelligence and security positions. He received his masters in broadcast management from the Schools of Journalism and Cinema/ Television in 1977. He was honored as one of the "Heroes Among Us" by the Athletic Department in 2019.

Marilou York Hamill has served as a leader in various USC Parents organizations including the Parents Council, where

she served as Vice President, Vice President/Membership and Vice President Teaching and Mentoring; Intersorority Parents Council, where she served as Co-President and the Annenberg Parents Council. She is a member of the Board of Councilors for the Neighborhood Academic Initiative. She also is a member of Town and Gown, where she has served on the Board of Directors, Governance Committee,



Marilou York Hamill

Finance Committee and as Nominating Committee Chair. She also serves on the USC Associates Board of Directors. She recently received a President's Award from the USC Alumni Association for her continuing work.

Marilyn Tevriz Kezirian has served the University as President of the Trojan League of Los Angeles and the Trojan Guild of Los Angeles, as a member of the Board of Governors of the USC Alumni Association and as a board member of Town and Gown, Association of Trojan Leagues, the Alumnae Coordinating Council and the Society of Keck Hospitals. She has also been active in the community,

serving eight years on the national board of the American Medical Association Alliance, include a term as national Secretary, following presidencies of the Los Angeles County and California Medical Association Alliances. She received her bachelor's from the Marshall School of Business in marketing, where she was a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, the business honor society and her master's from the Rossier School of Education.



Shari Thorell has been the Chairman of the Board of Councilors of the Leonard Davis School of Gerontology since 2014 and has been a Board member for a total of 23 years. She received the Dean's medallion in 2000 and was the school's commencement speaker in 2020. She also was elected to the Half Century Trojans Hall of Fame in 2018. She had a long career in USC's Alumni Relations office



Shari Thorell

among other roles serving as Director of Development for the School of Gerontology, Executive Director of the USC Alumni Association and Vice President for Alumni Relations. She also has run her own consulting company specializing in non-profit organizations. She graduated from the University with a degree in Spanish, magna cum laude and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

### **Member News**

**Bob Padgett (1968)** received a 2018 USC Alumni Association Alumni Service Award. Padgett is a past president of the USC Alumni Association. He has served on the boards of several USC organizations including USC Associates, USC Athletics and the USC Women of Troy.

**Ken Ude (1973)** was elected to the City of San Marino City Council in November 2017 and is currently serving as Vice Mayor.

Steve Furniss (1975), founder of TYR Sport, retired after 43 years in the athletic wear industry.

Alan Friedental (1977) has become a member of the Board of Directors of the Shakespeare Center of Los Angeles and is also a member of the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Constitution Society.

**Bruce Furniss (1977)** was the 2018 Claire Snow Volunteer of the Year for the Swim with Mike program.

Rick Caruso (1980) is serving as the Chair of the USC Board of Trustees. He is the founder and CEO of Caruso, one the nation's largest privately held real estate companies.

Vincent Zeimis (1982) served as Chairperson for the Class of 1982 35<sup>th</sup> Reunion Committee.



Bruce Furniss

**Jonathan Burdick (1985)** has become the Vice Provost for Enrollment at Cornell University.

**Phil Clement (1989)** has been named as Global Chief Marketing Officer at Johnson Controls.

**Damon Korb (1990)** is the author of *Raising an Organized Child: 5 Steps to Boost Independence, Ease Frustration and Promote Confidence.* He is a developmental pediatrician and director of The Center for Developing

director of The Center for Developing Minds.

Arthur Ochoa (1990) is the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Charles Drew University of Medicine and Science. Ochoa is the Senior Vice President, Advancement for the Cedars-Sinai Health System.

Michal Carlson (1993) was promoted to lieutenant colonel in the United States Marine Corps.

**Curtis Kin (1993)** sang the part of Tony in *West Side Story* at a concert at the Disney Hall presented by the Los Angeles Lawyers Philharmonic. Kin is a judge of the Los Angeles Superior Court.

Kathleen L. McCarthy (1994) received the 2019 Asa V. Call Alumni Achievement Award, which is the most prestigious alumni award that



Arthur Ochoa



Curtis Kin

recognizes exceptional commitment to USC. A USC Trustee since 1986, she serves as chair of the Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Foundation. McCarthy Quadrangle on the

main USC Campus was named for her in 2001 and in 2014, the Foundation endowed the Kathleen L. McCarthy Honors College at the USC Village.

**Sky Kogachi (1995)** received a USC Alumni Association President's Award in 2019.

Judi Biggs Garbuio (1996) has become the Vice President for Student Affairs at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.



Kathleen L. McCarthy

Victoria Manley Thompson (1997) is the Executive Assistant to the CCO at Pixar.

Dave Bonaccorso (1998) is the senior vice president-treasurer at Mechanics Bank.

Chris Deal (2001) is the Director, Revenue Cycle Applications & Optimization at Medical Specialties Managers, Inc.

Connie Cashin (2002) was the 2019-2020 President of the Alpha Gamma Delta Los Angeles Area Alumnae Chapter.

Andrew Compton (2003) has become an Energy and Infrastructure Partner at Linklaters LLP.

**Dana Purvis (2003)** is the associate dean for diversity and inclusion, associate dean for research and partnerships and professor of law at Pennsylvania State University.

Eddie Galvan (2003) is the co-founder of Stealth Payments.

Lloyd Greif (2003) received an Alumni Service Award in 2019. He founded Greif & Co, a leading investment bank in 1992 and in 1997 endowed the Lloyd Greif Center for Entrepreneurial Studies at the USC Marshall School of Business.

**Jason Scott (2003)** is the Head of 3D at Rising Sun Pictures, an award-winning visual effects studio in Adelaide, South Australia, overseeing artists on projects such as *Captain Marvel* and *Dumbo*.

Mark Spratt (2003) is the Vice President, Customer Success at Josh Bersin Academy.

**Keary Colbert (2004)** is the wide receivers coach for the Trojan football team.

Jessica Marek (2004) is a Deputy Attorney General for the State of California.

Valerie Gumbiner Weiss (2004) received a 2018 USC Alumni Association Alumni Service Award. She has served as chair of the Alumnae Coordinating Council and president of the Intersorority Parents Council.

**Nilay Vora (2004)** founded his own firm, The Vora Law Firm PC.

Christie Papilla Cunningham (2005) has become the Legislative Assistant to the Undersecretary of the Army.

Mark Prior (2005) is the pitching coach for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Ben Malcomson (2006) is the author of Walk On: From Pee Wee Dropout to the NFL Sidelines—My Unlikely Story of Football, Purpose, and Following an Amazing God, which

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average. She is the Co-President of Remedy Through Music, which performs music in hospitals, children's centers and retirement homes. She is also Communications and Recruitment Chair of Alpha Epsilon Delta, the pre-medical honor society.

Neysa P. Sanghavi, a junior in human biology from Mumbai, India is the recipient the Barden Centennial

Scholarship and is maintaining a 3.95 grade point average. is Director of the Service Student Assembly in the Undergraduate Student Government along with being part of the Friends & Neighbors Day Leadership Council. She is also the founder of the Study Rwanda She was also heavily involved in numerous humanitarian projects in her hometown of Mumbai.

Ali R. Tafreshi, a fourth-year medical student from Los Angeles,



Dr. Harrison M. Kurtz

is the recipient of the Dr. Harrison M. Kurtz Memorial Scholarship. He was the Keck Medical School Student Body President during his second and third years and a Graduate Student Government Senator, along with several other leadership roles. He was a graduate with distinction in research and will be starting his residency in neurosurgery

at the Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, Pennsylvania.

Lauren M. Yen, a senior in biological sciences from Rancho Palos Verdes. California is the recipient of the Dr. Kenneth Owler Smith Memorial Scholarship and is maintaining a 3.84 grade point average. She is heavily involved in a variety of humanitarian projects, including improving tent insulation at refugee camps and is the President of the American Red Cross chapter on campus.



Dr. Kenneth Owler Smith

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is in development to become a motion picture.

Allison Trefz (2007) is the Senior Director of Special Projects, Corporate Accounting at Viking Cruises.

Arjan Ligtenberg (2009) is a senior managing consultant at IBM.

Jens Midthun (2009) has joined leapcure as Head of Growth where he works to recruit patients for clinical trials to further medical research.

Denzil Suite (2009) served as the 2019-2020 board chair of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators.

Kathleen Burns Campos (2010) has received a 2020 Alumni Service Award from the USC Alumni Association for outstanding volunteer efforts on behalf of the University. She has been involved with Town and Gown, Trojan League of Los Angeles and the USC Newman Guild, along with other organization.

Robert Farah (2010) won the 2019 Wimbledon men's doubles championship with his partner, fellow Colombian, Juan Sebastian Cabal.

Anne Cronin Gillman (2010) joined the U.S. Foreign Service in July 2018 as an economic officer.

Laura Redfern Elefante (2011) is a Strategic Account Executive at Roche.



Ben Malcomson



Denzil Suite



Kathleen Burns Campos

Hongping Li (2011) was named 2020 Pac-12 Men's Diving Coach of the Year. This is the fifth time in his career that he has won the honor.

Eric Ronan (2011) is a Senior Sales Consultant at VitaDreamz.

Elton Kwok (2012) as Vice President and General Manager, California at WeWork.

Richard Dang (2013), assistant professor of clinical pharmacy, was elected President-Elect of the California Pharmacists Association in June 2020 and will assume the Presidency the following year.

Michael Fritschner (2013) was the 2018 student commencement speaker for his USC Marshall MBA class.

Andrew Greos (2013) graduated with an MBA from the Harvard School of Business in May 2020.

Paul Ignatius (2014) was honored by having a Navy guided missile cruiser named after him. The USS Paul Ignatius is the 67th Arleigh Burke-class destroyer. Ignatius, a 1942 graduate of the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences served as the Secretary of the Navy from 1967-1969.

Carlos Portela (2014) has accepted a position as an Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering at the

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in Boston.

Margaret Gatz (2016) received the 2018 Distinguished Career Contribution in Gerontology Award from the Behavioral and Social Science Section of the Gerontological Society of America.



Paul Ignatius

Jack Knott (2016) has become the Dean of the Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development at New York University. He had been Dean of the Sol Price School of Public Policy for 15 years.

Donna Elliott (2017) has been named Vice Dean for Medical Education at the Keck School of Medicine.

Alaina Hartley (2017) was selected as one of the "20 in their 20's" by the Los Angeles Business Journal.

Edwin Saucedo (2017) was a 2019 Schwarzman Scholar in Beijing.

Gussie Johns (2018) is executive director of Capital Lacrosse Club's board of directors.

Amanda Longan (2019) was the 2018 Peter J. Cutino Award as the outstanding female water polo player in the country.



Alaina Hartley



Amanda Longan

Eight Skull and Dagger Society members were inducted into the USC Athletic Hall of Fame as part of the class of 2018: Mike Gillespie (2001), baseball player and coach; John K. (J.K.) McKay (1975), football; Ous Mellouli (2006), swimming; Troy Polamalu (2003), football; April Ross (2004), indoor volleyball; Rod Sherman (1967), football; Tim Tessalone (1977), sports information director and Charlie Weaver (1971), football.

## Weddings

Lisa Heimlich Regan (1994) and Craig Steven DeRoss. Ryan Appel (2007) and Renee Kramer, June 18, 2017. Joel Zink (2008) and Paige Melvin.

Joelle Bekhazi (2011) and Etz Lalonde, August 12, 2017. Lyndsay De Paul (2011) and David Naish, November 4, 2016.

Mary McCluggage (2011) and Ryan Keith, April 28, 2018. Kendall Bateman (2012) and Steven F. Johnson (2012), April 21, 2018.

Michael Rosenthal and Danielle Lewis, July 10, 2018.

Brenton Caldwell (2014) and Taylor Antes, May 26, 2018. Jennifer Lopes (2016) and John Katnik, July 20, 2019.

Christian Kurth (2014) and Taylor Chavez, September 30, 2017.

Jordan Fowler (2017) and Ryan Bull, November 1, 2019

#### **Births**

Victoria Manley Thompson (1997) and Colin Thompson, a daughter, Olive Francesca Thompson, March 18, 2018.

**Timur Taluy (1998)** and Lauren Taluy, a son, Jack Parker Taluy, August 25, 2018.

Kristen Schultz (2005) and David Bierman, a son, Benjamin Daniel Bierman, March 12, 2018.

Tyler Storie (2006) and Heather Storie, a son, Wesley Llovd Storie.

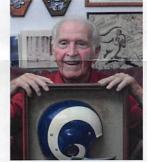
Lyndsay De Paul Naish (2011) and David Naish, a son, Oliver David Naish, May 29, 2018.

#### **In Memorium**

(since our last printed newsletter in 2017)

**Hubert J. Kerns (1943),** February 7, 1999. Mr. Kerns, 78, was an actor, producer and student artist in the motion picture industry.

Jim Hardy (1944), August 16, 2019. Mr. Hardy, 96, was a former quarterback and defensive back who led the Trojans to Rose Bowl victories in 1944 and then in 1945 when he was the MVP. He played for six years in the NFL, winning the championship in 1952 with the Detroit Lions. From 1973 to 1986, after a successful business career, he served as the general manager of the Los Angeles Coliseum. He also attended more than 80 Rose



Jim Hardy

Bowl games, believed to be a record. He is survived by his children, Cindy, Ellen, K. Maria and Danny and a grandson.

James Kenneth McCreight, January 19, 2012. Age 89. Mr. McCreight was captain of the USC baseball team and later played for the Washington Senators. He was Marine Corp officer, and fought in World War II and the Korean War.

Colin Barkley (1948), December 5, 2019. Age 95. Dr. Barkley served as student body president of the School of Dentistry.

Norman Schultz (1948), August 16, 2012. A World War II veteran earned both bachelors and master's degrees in education. He taught at Gardena High School and later became a counselor in adult education in Los Angeles.

Hank Workman (1948), March 16, 2020. Mr. Workman, 94, was an All-American outfielder who captained USC's first College World Series champion baseball team in 1948. He played for the New York Yankees for two years before an injury ended his career. He graduated from Loyola Law School and worked for the California Attorney General's office before going into private practice for the remainder of

his career. He is survived by his children, Bill, Paul, Henry Jr., Anne and Sally and eight grandchildren.

Howard Kaufman, (1949), May 23, 2018.

Art Mazmanian (1949), March 22, 2019. Mr. Mazmanian, 91, was an All-American second baseman on USC's first College World Series championship team in 1948. He was later a successful baseball coach at Dorsey High School and Mt. San Antonio College. He played six years in the New York Yankees minor league system. He retired from Mt. San Antonio College in 1999. He later returned to coach South Hills High for



Art Mazmanian

five seasons and finished his career as an assistant coach at Claremont College in 2016 at age 88. He is survived by his children, Stephen and Nancy.

Robert C. Beaudry (1950), April 12, 2017. Mr. Beaudry, 91, was a World War II veteran. He retired in 1983 as Vice President of the Trust Department of City National Bank. He is survived by his wife, Linda; daughters, Lorretta and Leslie, four grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

James Bird (1950).

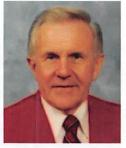
Cliff Bourland (1950), February 1, 2018. Mr. Bourland, 97, won a gold medal at the 1948 London Olympics while running the second leg of the 1600-meter relay. He was captain of the 1943 track and field team, where he won the 440-yard title. The track team won the NCAA title all three years he was a member (1941-1943). After serving in the Navy during World War II, he worked in the shoe, insurance and mortgage banking industries. He is survived by his wife, Caroline Jane; children, Cliff Jr., Alexander and

Rhonda, a grandson and two great

grandchildren.

William S. Johnstone, Jr. (1952), October 29, 2019. Mr. Johnstone, 88, was a partner in the Hahn and Hahn law firm in Pasadena from 1957-2017. He joined the Tournament of Roses in 1960 and was the President in 1996-1997 and later served as chairman of the Rose Bowl Management Committee. He received his undergraduate degree in 1952 and his juris doctor in 1957 following two years of service in the United States Navy. He is survived by his wife, Lynne; daughters Jerrilynn and Jacquelyn, five grandchildren and two grandchildren.

William McGinn (1952), April 6, 2019. Mr. McGinn, 88, graduated in 1952 with a degree in international relations, then served in the US Marine Corps and then graduated



William S. Johnstone Jr.



William McGinn

from the Gould School of Law in 1958. He practiced law for over 45 years. He served in many community leadership roles. He is survived by his wife, Gloria and stepchildren, Susan, Renee and Geoffrey.

William L. Todd, Jr. (1952), January 30, 2020. Mr. Todd, 90, was a retired justice of the State of California Fourth Court of Appeal in San Diego. He graduated with an undergraduate degree in political science in 1952 and then received his degree from the Gould School of Law in 1957 after two years of service in the United States Marine Corp. He practiced law in Los Angeles and San Diego until he was appointed to the Superior Court in



William L. Todd, Jr.

1974 and was elevated to the appeals court in 1984. He was President of the San Diego County Bar Association in 1970. At USC, he was a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Paula; children Tracy, Kathryn and Christopher, nine grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren.

James M. Schlecht (1952). Mr. Schlecht received his undergraduate degree from the USC School of Business and his law degree from the USC School of Law. He was a prominent attorney and former city councilman for the City of Palm Springs.

Wendell Casey (1953), October 31, 2018, Age 87. George Gottesman (1953), July 8, 2015. Age 83.

Roy Irvin (1954), May 19, 2019. Mr. Irvin, 86, was the MVP of the 1954 men's basketball team and All-American third team honors. After his playing career, he worked in the oil industry. He is survived by his wife, Mary' sons Jeff and Chris and five grandchildren.

David A. Maddux (1954), January 5, 2018. Mr. Maddux, 84, as an undergraduate was president of the business school. After graduation he served in the United States Army and then attended the USC Gould School of Law. He served as Managing Editor of the Law Review and was elected to the Order of the Coif. He practiced at the firm of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter and Hampton for 40 years. He is



David A. Maddux

survived by his wife, Denise; children, Mitchel, Merrit and Michelle and seven grandchildren.

W. Donald Weston (1954), May 20, 2014. Dr. Weston attended USC on a football scholarship and received his undergraduate and medical degrees from the University. He served for 13 years as Dean of the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine and 11 years as Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences in the University of West Virginia System.

Howard Bugbee (1955), February 28, 2019. Age 88. Mr. Bugbee served as captain of the USC track and field team.

and was the first in the nation to un the 100 yard dash in 9.5 seconds.

Robert Elsner (1955), May 4, 2020. Mr. Elsner, 86. served as CEO of the California Medical Association. He previously served as the CEO of the Los Angeles County Medical Association and the Multnomah County Medical Society. He graduated in 1955 with a degree in journalism and served two-years in the Navy. In retirement he served



Robert Elsner

two terms as Chair of the Palm Springs International Airport Commission; president of Palm Springs Rotary Club and was the interim CEO of the Palm Springs Chamber of Commerce. He is survived by his daughter, Alison Elsner.

Gerald L. McMahon (1955), December 24, 2018. Mr. McMahon, 83, was the student body president and received the Order of the Palm upon graduation. After service in the Navy, he graduated from law school at the University of San Diego and he practiced law and was a partner for 54 years at Seltzer, Caplan, McMahon and Vitek. He is survived by his wife. Donna; children, Maria, Mark, Angela, Matthew and eight grandchildren.



Gerald L. McMahon

William Van Alstyne (1955), January 29, 2019. Mr. Van Alstyne was a professor of constitutional law at the Duke University School of Law from 1965 to his retirement in 2004. After his retirement, he taught at the William and Mary School of Law until 2012. He graduated from USC with his B.A. in philosophy, magna cum laude, and then received his law degree from Stanford. Before



William Van Alstyne

becoming a law professor, he was a deputy attorney general in California, worked in Civil Rights Division of the US Department of Justice and served in the United States Air Force. He was a past national president of the American Association of University Professors and a member of the national board of directors of the A.C.L.U. He is survived

by his wife, Lan Cao; and children Harlan Van Cao, Marshall, Allison and Lisa, Van Alstyne.

J. Wesley Robb (1957), February 22, 2018. Dr. Robb, 98, was a professor emeritus of religion. He received a Master of Theology from USC in 1945 and his Ph.D. in 1952 and joined the religion faculty in 1954 where he taught until his retirement in 1987. He was an ordained minister of



J. Wesley Robb

the United Methodist Church. He was an admired teacher and mentor, who twice received the Associates Award for Excellence in Teaching. Thousands of USC students took his "Human Values" course or one of his seminars in medical ethics, philosophy of religion, or contemporary ethical issues. He is survived by daughters, Lydia and Judith, four grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Dwight R. Ladd (1957), April 13, 2019. Mr. Ladd, 83, received his bachelor's degree and two master's degrees

in engineering from the University. He was active in the USC NROTC and later served in the US Navv. He was active in Trojan Knights. He worked in the aerospace and defense industry and later served as CEO for O. Miller Associates. He is survived by his wife, Patty; three children, nine grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

Robert Meads (1957). Mr. Meads served as President of the Associated Men Students, as well as a member of Blue Key, Knights and Sigma Phi Delta engineering fraternity.



Robert D. Shankland (1959), May 8, 2018. Mr. Shankland, 81, was a member of the USC track team and completed a degree in civil engineering. He spent his career as an environmental engineer at the Public Health Service, the Department of the Interior and the Environmental Protection Agency. He is survived by his wife, Twila; two daughters, Paula and Laura and two granddaughters.

Richard Goode (1960), October 30, 2019. Dr. Goode, 84, was a longtime ear, nose and throat medicine professor at the Stanford University School of Medicine. His inventions and leadership helped shape the field, particularly in the area of facial plastic surgery, sleep surgery and the physiology of hearing. He was an honors graduate of the Keck School of Medicine. He is survived by his wife, Lynn Skekely; children Melissa, Allison and Jim, former wife, Marcia Lloyd and six grandchildren.

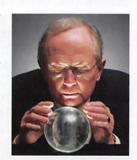
Luther Hayes (1961), November 23, 2017. Mr. Hayes, 78, was a twosport athlete, playing football and track for the Trojans. He was a twoway end on the football team and won



Dwight R. Ladd



Robert D. Shankland



Richard Goode



Luther Haves

a pair of NCAA triple jump titles in track. After a short pro football career, he was a teacher and coach at Crenshaw High School, California State University, Northridge and Los Angeles City College. He is survived by his wife, Anita; children, Andrea, Crystal and Luther and four grandchildren.

William J. Steigerwalt (1961), June 28, 2018. Mr. Steigerwalt, 79, had a long career as an executive in the insurance industry. He is survived by his wife, Patricia and son, Jeff.

Joseph R. Henderson (1963), May 16, 2018. Mr. Henderson, 76, practiced law in Ventura for over 50 years. He graduated with a degree in economics and served as president of the Trojan Knights and was a member of the Men's Judicial Board. He is survived by his wife, Mary Alice; daughter Alice and three grandchildren.



Joseph R. Henderson

Casimir J. Sermak (1963), May 3, 2017. Mr. Sermak, 95, served in the

United States Air Core in World War II and then graduated from the University. He ran a photography and gift business in San Bernardino for over 50 years. He served as a deacon in the Catholic Church and served a president of the USC Inland Empire Alumni Association. He is survived by five children, six grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Hal Bedsole (1964), December 22, 2017. Mr. Bedsole, 76, was a consensus All-American receiver on the Trojan national championship football team in 1962. He was inducted into the USC Athletics Hall of Fame in 2001 and the College Football Hall of Fame in 2012. He played for the Minnesota Vikings from 1964-1966. He is survived by his mother, Lillian Kingsley; children, Chris and Traci and three grandchildren.



Hal Bedsole

William Fisk (1965), October 3, 2019. Mr. Fisk, 75, was a three-year letterman and captain of the 1964 football team. He coached at Mt. San Antonio College for 39 years, the last 18 as head coach. He was inducted into the California Community College Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2016 and the Mt. San Antonio College Athletics

Hall of Fame in 2017. He is survived by his wife, Tona; children, David, Brady, Kristen and Lauren and two grandsons.

W. Pendleton Tudor (1965), March 12, 2019. Mr. Tudor, 89, had a distinguished 42-year career as an executive and entrepreneur in the media industry. He was a publishing executive with Time-Life Inc. and later Adweek. He received



W. Pendleton Tudor

his undergraduate and MBA degrees from the University. He is survived by his children Mary and Douglas and two grandchildren.

Charles Arrobio (1966), March 18, 2018. Dr. Arrobio, 73, was the football team co-captain in 1965 and earned all-conference first team honors. He was the schools first-ever National Football Foundation Scholar-Athlete and NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship recipient. He played one season for the Minnesota Vikings before a knee injury ended his career. He then returned to USC and attended dental school. He was a dentist in private practice for 40 years and taught at the USC School of Dentistry, He also spent 11 years coaching the offensive line at St. Francis High School. He is survived by his wife, Margit; children, Geoffrey, Peter, Spencer, Christina, Pia and six grandchildren.

Tim Rossovich (1968), December 6, 2018. Mr. Rossovich, 72, was an All-American defensive end, NFL draft first round selection and co-captain of the 1967 national championship team. He played professional football from 1968-1976. After his playing days, he spent 20 years as an actor and stuntman. He is survived by his wife, Laura and daughter, Jaime.

Willie Brown (1969), July 26, 2018. Mr. Brown, 76, was a three-year football letterman, two-time All-Conference first teamer and captain of the 1963 squad. He also was three-year letterman as a centerfielder and shortstop on the Trojan baseball team. He won All-Conference honors in 1963. He spent three years in the NFL and served as an assistant football coach from 1968-1975 and an assistant baseball coach from 1969-1970. He was an athletic monitor in USC's Student-Athlete Academic



Tim Rossovich

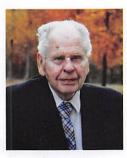


Willie Brown

Services from 1996 to 2016. He was inducted in the USC Athletic Hall of Fame. He is survived by his wife, Carol; children, Brian and Kimberly and two grandchildren.

George B. Griffenhagen (1969), November 21, 2019.

Mr. Griffenhagen, 95, received his MSci in pharmacy from the University. He concentrated on the history of pharmacy in California and became curator of Medical Sciences at the Smithsonian Institution. He later became Associate Executive Director for Communications for the American Pharmaceutical Association and was editor of their journal for more than 17 years. After his retirement, he served as the executive secretary of the



George B. Griffenhagen

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American Institute of the History of Pharmacy. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; children, Gary, Gordon and Barbara, five grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

William E. Nies (1969), January 10, 2019. Mr. Nies, 80, graduated from the USC Gould School of Law and spent working in estate planning for the University for many years. He is survived by his wife, Linda; previous wife, Michelle, two daughters, Kimberly and Melinda, stepson, Brent and four grandchildren.

Maurice D. "Don" Van Arsdol (1969), September 19, 2018. Dr. Van Arsdol, 90, was a professor emeritus of sociology. He also directed the Population Research Laboratory and taught in USC Dornsife for 38 years and mentored faculty and students in demography and population studies. He often recruited students from Asian and African countries and welcomed them into his home. He is survived by his wife, Marian; son, Pece and two granddaughters.



Maurice D. "Don" Van Arsdol

Frank Alfano (1971), September 5, 2019. Age 69. Mr. Alfano served as Captain of the USC baseball team.

Jan C. Mennig (1971), May 16, 2020. Mr. Mennig, 92, served as a member of the Pasadena and Culver City police as a colonel. In retirement, he moved to Mariposa, California, where he eventually became President of the California Wine Grape Gowers Association. He is survived by his wife, Mary; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.



Jan C. Mennig

#### H. Edward Matveld (1972), January

1, 2020. Mr. Matveld was a long-time member of the financial services staff at the University. He also served as president of Rotary Club of Los Angeles.

**Edwin M. Perkins II, (1972),** August 8, 2013. Dr. Perkins was a retired associate professor of biological sciences. He is survived by his two sons, Jeff and Chris.

Jacob Smit (1972), April 9, 2020. Age 70. Mr. Smit was a four year member of the USC crew team.

Ted R. Brannen (1973). Mr. Brannen served as Dean of the USC Marshall School of Business.

**Geoff Gilchrist (1973),** May 30, 2016. Mr. Gilchrist, 78, was a 30-year member of the University Development Department. He is survived by his wife Helen; children John and Melinda, three stepsons, Jim, Tom and Steve Neiger and 12 grandchildren.

**Bruce L. Perlmuth (1973),** December 2, 2017. Mr. Perlmuth, 81, is survived by his wife, Rozzie; daughter, Vicki and five grandchildren.

Alvin S. Rudisill (1973), February 21, 2018. Dr. Rudisill, 89, came to USC as campus Lutheran pastor in 1962 and was

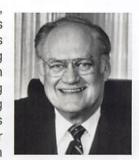
named University Chaplain in 1969. He served as associate vice president for the office of Civic and Community Relations from 1984 to 1995. He also served as an associate professor

of religion and medicine. His specialty was church history and medical ethics. He stepped down as chaplain in 1995 and returned to teaching until his retirement in 2011. He also served as the Grand President of the Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity. He is survived by his devoted companion, Janice Hsia; children, Suzanne and Alan, five grandchildren, one great granddaughter, five stepchildren and two step-grandchildren.



Alvin S. Rudisill

G. Ray Arnett (1974), June 20, 2019. Mr. Arnett, 95, received his undergraduate and graduate degrees from USC in petroleum engineering and geology following his service in the United States Marine Corps during World War II. He later served during the Korean War and left the Marines as a Captain. He was employed for 20 years as an exploration petroleum geologist. He served as Director of the California Department of Fish and



G. Ray Arnett

Game from 1968 to 1975. In 1980, he was appointed as Assistant Secretary of the Interior overseeing the National Park Services and the Fish and Wildlife Service. In 1985, he was elected Executive Vice President of the National Rifle Association. Ray (Chip) Jr., Sharon and James, nine grandchildren and then great grandchildren.

Roy W. Reeves Jr. (1975), December 11, 2017. Mr. Reeves, 84, received his MBA from USC and served as a member of the USC Alumni Association Board of Governors, president of Cardinal and Gold and president of Commerce Associates. He worked as vice president of commodities at E.F. Hutton and a senior wealth advisor at Kayne Anderson Rudnick. He also served as a director and committee chairman for the Tournament of Roses, where we served for 54 years. He is survived by his wife, Elaine; children Roy, Stewart and Leslie, and five grandchildren.

Robert R. "Rocky" LaBriola, Jr. (1976), please see accompanying article.

Gin D. Wong (1978), September 1, 2017. Mr. Wong, 94, was a USC Trustee since 1983 and architect credited with shaping the postwar landscape of Los Angeles. He designed many landmarks including the ARCO Tower, the renovation of CBS Television City and the Automobile Club of Southern California headquarters in Orange



Gin D. Wong

County. He earned his degree from the School of Architecture in 1950. He received the USC Alumni Association Merit Award in 1986. He is survived by his wife, Louise; children, Terrina, Janna and Kimberlee and four grandchildren.

Robert M. Osberger (1979), July 26, 2018. Age 61.

Robert E. Plumleigh (1980), December 11, 2017. Mr. Plumleigh, 87, worked for over 25 years as a real estate developer, and built the first condominiums in California. After retiring as a developer, he had a second career in the fine wines and champagne business, starting his own importing company, Lord Plumleigh Imports. He was involved with a great number of USC organizations, including Phi Kappa Tau fraternity, USC Associates and the Song Girls and Spirit Leaders. He received the USC Alumni Association Alumni Service Award in 2011. He is survived by four grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Phil R. Manning, Jr. (1986), October 10, 2019. Dr. Manning, 98, was a 48-year member of the Keck School of Medicine faculty. He served as a professor of medicine. Associate Dean for Continuing Medical



Robert E. Plumleigh



Phil R. Manning, Jr.

Education and Associate Vice President for Health Affairs. He completed both his undergraduate and medical degrees from the University. He is survived by his children, RJ and Carol, two grandchildren and one great granddaughter.

Marjorie Cheney Pings (1989), March 26, 2019. Mrs. Pings, 86, served in many roles on campus, including the Board of Women's Athletics, while her late husband, Cornelius Pings (1985) served as Provost. She is survived by her children, John, Anne and Mary and three grandchildren.

Christopher Martz (1989), June 10, 2018. Mr. Martz was an All-American volleyball player and was a member of the 1988 national championship team. He graduated in 1989 with a degree in in urban and regional planning and development. He later played professional volleyball in Europe.

Mihran Agbabian (1990), February 12, 2019. Dr. Agbabian, 95, was a professor of engineering, chairman of the Department of Civil Engineering and Director of the Environmental Engineering program from 1984 to 1992. He was the founding President of the American University of Armenia in Yerevan, a graduate institution that has produced more than 2,000 graduates. He retired in 1997. He was



Mihran Agbabian

elected to the US National Academy of Engineering in 1982. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; sons, Paul, Bryan and Michael Agbabian (1992) and four grandchildren.

Michael Appleman (1990), April 10, 2019. Dr. Appleman, 85, was a professor emeritus of biological sciences, who was a trailblazer in the field of cellular signaling. In the 1980s he served as director of instructional programs and was department chair from 1982-1986. He retired in 2001. He is survived by his sons, Eric, Miguel and Alex.

Charlotte K. Carpenter (1990), August 31, 2018. Mrs. Carpenter, 88, graduated from the University with a teaching degree and spent over 50 years as a teacher. She is survived by two sons including Brent Charlotte K. Carpenter Carpenter (1979).

Marjorie Reetz Zickfeld (1990), January 30, 2017. Mrs. Zickfeld, 95, received a Bachelor of Education degree with a minor in music in 1945. A talented soprano, she sang in church choirs and taught music in Los Angeles schools until 1955. She was active in multiple USC organizations and received the USC Alumni Service Award in 1986. She was a long time Chair of the Scholarship Committee of Town and Gown. She is survived by her children, Roger and Marsha; five grandchildren and one great granddaughter.

LaVerne (1991),L. Francis December 8, 2019. Mrs. Francis, 85, graduated with a BFA in 1957. She served as President of the Trojan League of Orange County and Chairman of the Alumni Coordinating Council. She received the President's Award and the Widney Alumni House Award from the USC Alumni Association. She is survived by husband, Dr. Robert L. Francis (1968); children Jim, Diane, Sharon and Michael, and seven grandchildren.

Mary E. Dewey (1993), August 23, 2019. Mrs. Dewey, 87, served as director of the university's alumni records office for many years and



Michael Appleman





Marjorie Reetz Zickfeld



LaVerne L. Francis



Mary E. Dewey

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always provided extra special assistance to the Society in keeping track of our records.

Sigrid Caryl Allman (1995), November 21, 2019. Mrs. Allman, 83, was a 1957 graduate in dental hygiene. The USC Alumni Association honored her with the Arnold Eddy Alumni of the Year Award in 1994 and the Ostrow School of Dentistry honored her in 2019. She served as



Sigrid Caryl Allman

President of the Trojan League of the South Bay, President of the USC Alumni Coordinating Council and President of both the Interfraternity and Intersorority Mother's Club. She is survived by her husband, Ralph Allman (1995);

children, Scott, Bryan and Laura, eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Ronald Barnes (1997), February 10, 2020. Mr. Barnes served as president of the Norris Foundation.

Mary Kay Arbuthnot (1999), June 28, 2019. Mrs. Arbuthnot, a 1946 graduate of USC, served as President of the Trojan League of Orange County, Interim president of the



Mary Kay Arbuthnot

Trojan League of the Foothills, Chairman of the Alumnae Coordinating Council, and President of the Association of Trojan Leagues. She served for 11 years as a member of

the Board of Governors of the USC Alumni Association. She was the Chairman of the Steering Committee of the USC University Hospital Guild and President of the USC University Hospital Guild and was a member of Town & Gown. As an undergraduate, she was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority and a Helen of Troy.

Ambrose Schindler (1999), December 30, 2018. Mr. Schindler, 101, was a member of the 1939 national championship football team and Player of the Game of the 1940 Rose Bowl. He was inducted into the San Diego Hall of Champions in 1973, the USC Athletic Hall of Fame in 1997 and the Rose Bowl Hall of Fame in 2002.

Robert R. Scales (2000), May 24, 2019. Dr. Scales, 84, was Dean of the School of Dramatic Arts and



Ambrose Schindler



Robert R. Scales

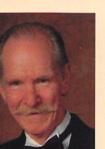
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#### **OBITUARY**

# Worthy Grand Master Emeritus Robert R. "Rocky" LaBriola, Jr. (1976) June 4, 2017

Rocky LaBriola was an attorney and served as Worthy Grand Master of the Society from 1984 to 1985 and led the Society through its most challenging times when he led the effort to change the bylaws to

accept women as members. In 1980, a vote to amend the constitution received 76% of the vote, falling short of the required 80%. In 1985, LaBriola led the effort to again amend the Constitution. In a letter to the membership, LaBriola wrote that the Skull and Dagger ritual states that "time has changed, changes all too soon" and it was time to recognize both men and women who have brought honor, recognition and prestige to our University. The members of Skull and Dagger passed this new Constitution with



Robert R. "Rocky" LaBriola, Jr.

81% of the vote and for the first time women were to be initiated into the Society. LaBriola continued to serve on the Executive Board of the Society for over 30 years and in 2016 was elected as Worthy Grand Master Emeritus,

a designation only awarded to a select few people. Rocky was well known at Society events, especially for his reading of the ritual. LaBriola is survived by his wife Bianca, a son and daughter and a sister Carol. The Society has received a bequest from his estate with the request that we establish the Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. LaBriola, Sr. Memorial Scholarship in the name of his parents. The LaBriola scholarship will be awarded for the first time in 2021.

# 2019 Annual Report of the Skull and Dagger Foundation

Pursuant to Section 2 of Article VII of the Bylaws of the Skull and Dagger Foundation, the following is the report of the Foundation to the Skull and Dagger Society members. During the period of January 1 to December 31, 2019, the Foundation received \$79,265.48 in contributions. The Foundation was able to award three scholarships this year due to the generosity of the members. The Foundation also continued its sponsorship of the Wall of Scholars in the Leavey Library and the Class Marker project, which places numerals honoring the graduating classes at Alumni Walk at the Tutor Campus Center. The Foundation remains the lead sponsor in the repair and maintenance of the carillon in Mudd Hall.

Below are the revenues and expenses of the 2019 fiscal year of the Foundation.

Foundation Assets, January 1, 2019 \$ 623,656.20

#### INCOME

Donations via Members of the Society	\$ 79,165.48
Interest Income/Capital Gains	\$ 114,215.12

#### EXPENSES

Scholarships	\$ 20,000.00
Class Marker Project	\$ 1,987.20
Wall of Scholars	\$ 45.00
Scholarship Related	\$ 1,268.78
Solicitation and General Expenses	\$ 1,306.01
	\$ 24,606.99

Foundation Assets, December 31, 2019

During the 2020 fiscal year, it is anticipated that the Foundation will be able to award four scholarships to deserving students.

The continuing goal of the Board of Directors of the Foundation is to fund scholarships from the interest earned on an annual basis; to fund the maintenance and addition of new names to the Wall of Scholars; provide for annual updating of the Class Markers; and handle any needed maintenance for the carillon in Mudd Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Board of Directors Skull and Dagger Foundation

\$ 792,429.81

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a professor from 1993-2003. Following his retirement, he served as the Emeriti College Director, volunteer Associate Director for the Emeriti Center and as a leader on the Emeriti Center's executive committee. He was presented with the Paul E. Hadley Faculty Award for Service to USC in 2015. He was an acclaimed designer and technical director. He

taught at many institutions including

Yale.

Margaret U. Farnum (2005), August 19, 2019. Mrs. Farnum, 92, had a 44-year career that culminated when she retired at age 85 as the Chief Administrative Officer of the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum and Sports Arena. She was the first woman to hold such a position at a major sports venue.



Margaret U. Farnum

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#### **OFFICERS**

	Gerald S. Papazian (1977) Worthy Grand Master
	Kevin R. Ash (1986)Grand Master
	Susan Spence Phelps (1986) Worthy Master
	Donald E. LaPlante (1976)
Julia Gardner Plotts (2013) Permanent Master	

# AT LARGE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Alana Barden (2013)	Anthony Manos (1983)
Caroline Cannan (2016)	Carlos Portela (2014)
Erin O'Malia Gehan (1989)	Lorna Young Reed (1985)
Jonathan Hackett (2010)	Trent M. Staley (2004)

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