



# UNIVERSITY SOUTH FOUNDATION, INC. 2013 REPORT

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## USF Awards \$40,000 in Scholarships in 2013

### Did you know?

**University of Arizona South has campuses in:**

**Sierra Vista**

**Douglas**

**Nogales**

**UA Tech Park**

**Pinal**

**Pima CC**

**Classes are offered:**

**In-person**

**And**

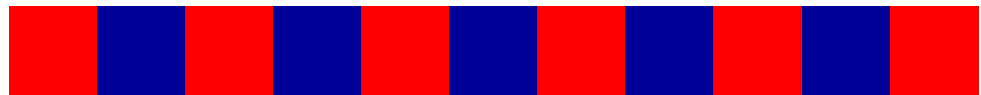
**Online**

The Foundation made 2013 excellent for many exceptional University of Arizona South students. Four \$2,500 awards, and ten in the amount of \$1,000, were given in spring 2013. Scholarship recipients: Katie Benson, Scott Butterfield, Lauren Devere, Tobias DeWeber, Jonathan Holmes, Bethany Horowitz, Candice Leonard, Alexander Matney, Ashleigh Mcfate, Meghan Olender, David Reiber, Keren Snyder, Christy Stenquist, Vanessa Valrade.

Fourteen scholarship were awarded in Fall 2013. Of the \$20,000 awarded, ten students received \$1,000 scholarships, and four received \$2,500 scholarships. The following students received \$1,000 awards: Jessica Chavez (Ohana Hoolookoa Sponsored Scholarship), Lauren Devere (La Casita Sponsored Scholarship), Gina Gonzales (Arizona Lottery Sponsored Scholarship), Elise Gray (SSVEC Sponsored Scholarship), Anthony Lang (Sierra Toyota Sponsored Scholarship), Jason Brumfield, Susan Sandusky, Rebecca Bowser, Bonnie Casad, and Adrianna Valencia. The following students received \$2,500 awards: Scott Butterfield, Joengeun Park, Stanley Jones, and Robert Kelsey.



The Foundation has awarded over \$80,000 in scholarships in the last two years, and hopes to continue the efforts of providing financial assistance to University of Arizona South students.



A significant bi-national effort to increase scholarship funding was initiated by the Mexican Consulate through the IME (Institute of Mexicans Abroad) Becas funds, with a donation to the University South Foundation in the amount of \$8000. The University South Foundation contributed 50% in matching funds, with an additional \$4000. The funds provided are intended to help increase the educational levels of Mexicans and Mexican-Americans living in the United States attending University of Arizona South.



## Patterson Observatory Continues to Grow and Mature



The Patterson Observatory continues to grow in usage year after year. This year the biggest news was becoming a NASA Space Place. Here, children and adults alike can access the information the Space Place makes available, while using our telescopes and learning from some of the best amateur astronomers in the country. We are updating the Space Place wall and also making past posters available for reference later in a readily accessible filing cabinet.

**Comet of the Century!** Volunteers from HAC used the Patterson's telescope to image comet C/2012 S1 ISON on four occasions. Those images were submitted to the Comet ISON Observing Campaign (CIOC) and contributed to the cache of data made available to the world. HAC members also utilized the scope to image an earth crossing asteroid for the U of A's Lunar and Planetary Laboratory's Target Asteroid campaign.

The observatory has seen a wide variety of visitors this year. Children, adults, and groups have visited in 2013 and our public viewings have grown to 20-60 people per night. Our biggest night in 2013 has so far been almost 100 attendees.

Here is a list of some of the groups to visit the Patterson this year: Public Viewings- 10 Public Viewings, with 50 – 100 people each viewing.

- Junior High STEM day
- 40 Foreign exchange students from Germany
- Cochise College - Astronomy Class
- Classes from Buena High School and Douglas High School and Col Smith Middle School
- Presentation to Cochise County Teachers
- Church Group
- Boy Scouts
- National Astronomy Day – Solar Viewing and Night Viewing
- Press Tour
- Classroom rented out by Desert Eagle Security

## 2013 Outstanding Faculty Awards

Eight awards and a total of \$12,000 were presented in 2012 and 2013, as part of the University South Foundation's new award program for full-time and adjunct faculty. The Superior Faculty Achievement Award winners were nominated and chosen by their peers in several categories.

### The 2013 Winners:

#### Full-Time Faculty - \$2,500 award

- Dr. Betul Czerkawski  
(Spring 2013)
- Li Xu  
(Fall 2013)

#### Adjunct Faculty - \$1,500

- Barbara Smith  
(Spring 2013)
- Max Lieberman  
(Fall 2013)

The 2013 Superior Faculty awards will be announced at a reception after commencement.

We invite faculty, staff, graduates and their families to join us at this reception!



## 2013 Outstanding Staff Awards

The Staff Employee Advisory Council (SEAC) began recognizing UA South staff and personnel in 2012, who made valuable and appreciated impact on university life, whether through interactions with students, faculty and others, or through the development of new systems, policies, and programs. The recipients are awarded yearly at a retreat, including training and a luncheon. South Foundation staff attended the luncheon, and were on hand to bestow the checks and certificates earned by the winning staff members. Staff was recognized in the following categories.

### The 2013 Winners:

#### Outstanding Staff Leadership Award

- Stacy Tebo  
Teacher Preparation

#### Outstanding Staff Support Award

- Brian Bates-

#### Staff Innovation Award

- Dr. John DeLalla-

#### Students' Choice Award

- Mona Breaux  
Student Serv. Coordinator

*SEAC is greatly appreciative to have had the support of the Foundation and certainly hope to continue this event by making it a yearly one. The opportunity to gather together as one organization (since we are located in 5 different places), share in conversation and friendship, have a professional development portion and end with recognition was, for lack of a better word, awesome! -Michelle Menninger, Students' Choice Award winner and SEAC member.*



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
ARIZONA SOUTH

## 13th Annual Dine Under the Stars—Luau Night!

DUTS 2013 was branded “Luau Night,” and the food, dance, and décor stayed true to the theme. La Casita provided Hawaiian flair in their food! Dine Under the Stars always offers a special night with great food by La Casita Restaurant, dancing, music, lots of laughs, provided by our emcee, Les Orhekowsky, and a silent auction that has something for everyone.

Bring your friends and have a special night out for only \$40/person, which includes two drinks and dinner, silent auction, entertainment, and stargazing through the Patterson Observatory telescopes.

All proceeds of Dine Under the Stars go to scholarships for University of Arizona South students. In the last two years, the Foundation has awarded over \$80,000 in scholarships! Let’s make that number even bigger, to-



Join us September 27, 2014 to Celebrate the 13th Annual  
Dine Under the Stars!

We will be **Rockin Around the Clock** going back to the 50’s to  
celebrate **60 years** of higher education in Sierra Vista!

Get your tickets from:

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**The Foundation is Everywhere!**

This year the Foundation was posting, tweeting, and expanding it's reach everywhere online. Our web page, [www.universitysouthfoundation.com](http://www.universitysouthfoundation.com)

The Foundation is also found on Twitter, under the username @univsfoundation.

Finally, join us on Facebook. We are linked there with the Patterson Observatory, the Space Place, students, faculty, staff, and more!

**2013 Board Membership**

**President,** Kendra Bergman

**Vice President,** Michael Boardman

**Secretary,** Anita Farrow

**Treasurer,** Rick Coffman

Anne Borowiec

Denise Caraballo

Michael Cerepanya

Ted Forte

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Maria Juvera

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Liz York

**Di-**

**rector of Finance and Administration**

Rose Sueskind

**Director of Development**

Caryn Rossiter

**Foundation's 2013 Contributions to the Community:**

**\$40,000 in Spring Scholarships**

**UA South Faculty and Staff Awards**

**Cochise Creative Writing Celebration**

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

**S.V. Chamber of Commerce MAC Luncheon**

**Rotary's Taste of Mexico**

**Helped send students to the Arizona's Board of Regents meeting**

**UA South Commencement Celebration party**

**Computers for UA South Douglas Students**

**Various receptions for the University and community**

**UA South Holiday Party**

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