Coming Soon — The New USD Student Veteran’s Lounge

Thanks to the generosity of friends and alumni of USD, a comfortable lounge to serve our student veterans and house the Student Veteran Services Coordinator will become a reality. Watch for more information in a future issue of Bridges Newsletter. Meanwhile, we would like to acknowledge the generosity of those whose contributions will make it happen:

Mr. William Bourque, ’61
Mrs. Muriel H. Campbell
Mr. John Coseo, ’62
Colonel James Delaney, ’62
Mr. Robert Hughes, ’61
Mr. Kenneth Johnson
Mr. Charles King, ’62
Mr. Matthew McCarthy, ’59
Ms. Elizabeth G. Mueller
Mr. Patrick O’Connor, ’61
Mr. J.T. Trily, ’60
Wells Fargo Bank

Gifts to support the Student Veteran’s Lounge are still being accepted. To learn more, contact John Phillips at (619) 260-4523.
Endowing Your Values

Your personal values are literally endowed when you create and fund a named endowment with the University of San Diego. “Endowed” means to provide a permanent fund or source of income. Your commitment to USD’s mission and ideals will be carried into the future for generations through your endowment fund.

Consider your grandchildren and their grandchildren. Future generations will not have known you, but they will know something important about you through the endowment. Your family will have an insight into your generosity and values, and it could influence them to add to your endowment or perhaps create one of their own. Yes, endowments convey values in powerful ways.

An endowment at USD doesn’t necessarily require a lump-sum gift or even a large sum of money. Some may be surprised to learn that an endowment can get started right away, build up over time, or even receive your ultimate gift through your will or living trust. We have helped several of our friends establish their own family endowments in the way most convenient and affordable for them. They can even be established today and funded through your will or trust.

Many generous donors use endowments as tools to pass their values on to future generations. To find out more about the USD endowment program, call our office or email jphilips@sandiego.edu. You can also find out more by visiting our website at www.sandiego.edu/giving/recognition/endowment.php.

The Golden Toreros Program

The 2013 Homecoming Weekend was the 115th anniversary tradition for USD, the induction of Golden Toreros. These are alumni who have reached or surpassed their 50th Reunion. They were the first to walk Alcalá Park, and they laid the foundation for the community that thrives on campus today. During the traditional Dinner with the President on Oct. 12, 2013, 76 alumni from the classes 1954-1956 were inducted, receiving a Golden Toreros medal from President Mary E. Lyons, PhD.

Classmates from decades ago cheered each other as they were presented with their medals, and it made for a festive night to remember! Each year, the Golden Toreros will be invited back to this event to welcome the next 50th Reunion class into this special group, and events are being planned to bring these alumni back to campus every season.

Bridges Scholarship Corner

On Dec. 4, 2013, the two recipients of the Bridges Endowed Scholarship for this year joined members of Bridges Academy for the annual Holiday Luncheon. Jasmine Mallem and Gerardo Flores of the Class of 2015 received the largest scholarships the endowment has produced so far! The Bridges Academy scholarship fund’s growth allowed Mallem and Flores to each receive $2,500 toward the cost of their education, an amount that is more than double the original scholarships that the fund produced in 2005.

JASMINE MALLEM

shared that her three years at USD so far have been “nothing but positive.” Growing up in the Logan Heights community of San Diego and attending the Academy of Our Lady of Peace, Mallem focused on obtaining a quality education. She chose USD for the beauty of the campus, the small class sizes, and the many opportunities for service and involvement, all in a community that allowed her to uphold her Catholic faith. She became involved on campus, working with Student Support Services, MEChAs and off-campus tutoring. When speaking of her experience tutoring homeless students at the Monarch School downtown, Jasmaine said, “it is important to do what we can to help others reach their full potential.” She hopes to use her USD degree in sociology to better the community, and would like to work for the City of San Diego “to make sure that programs such as the Monarch School continue to be funded and help the future members of our society.”

GERARDO FLORES

grew up in Tijuana, Mexico, and remembers seeing the University of San Diego on trips to Mission Beach during his childhood. He transferred to the university a year ago after attending community college in San Diego. As a student at Grossmont-Cuyamaca College, he discovered a passion for theater that he had not been able to explore before, and chose to attend USD after visiting the campus and feeling the strong sense of community, spirituality and values that he had initially overlooked when applying for a four-year institution. Need-based scholarships make his attendance possible. “Thanks to you I feel that I can truly take advantage of all the opportunities USD has to offer,” Flores said. He aims to pursue a career in acting, directing or producing, and possibly creating his own theater company. “I have learned that theater is much more than just entertainment and a business, but that it also has the power to bring forth dialogue, and build and strengthen a society.”

Mallem’s and Flores’ full speeches are available to read at www.sandiego.edu/bridges, under “Bridges Academy Scholarship.”
Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY 21-MAY 25
EXHIBITION
“Passion and Virtuosity: Hendrick Goltzius and the Art of Engraving”

SATURDAY, MARCH 1-THURSDAY, MARCH 6
THE OLD GLOBE/UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO GRADUATE THEATRE
“Antigone”

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 10-11:30 A.M.
BRIDGES ACADEMY
“The Passion in Music and Image: Bach Cantatas for Lent”, with Marianne Pfau

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 10:30 A.M.-12 P.M.
KYOTO PRIZE SYMPOSIUM
Arts and Philosophy Kyoto Prize Laureate Cecil Taylor, Jazz Musician

SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 7 P.M.
MUSIC
Angelus Sacred Early Music Concert

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 10-11:30 A.M.
BRIDGES ACADEMY
“Anatomia Italiana: The Cultural History of Art and Anatomy along the Italian Peninsula”, with Kevin Petti

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 10-11:30 A.M.
BRIDGES ACADEMY
“The Greenhouse Effect, Global Warming, Climate Change and the Nature of Science”, with Thomas Herrinton

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 10-11:30 A.M.
BRIDGES ACADEMY
“Dred Scott: The Racism of Slavery and the Helix of Federalism”, with Megan Huynh

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 10-11:30 A.M.
BRIDGES ACADEMY
“The History and Science of Selling — The World’s Oldest Profession”, with Carlton O’Neal

THURSDAY, MAY 8-SUNDAY, MAY 11
UNDERGRADUATE THEATRE
“Eurydice”

5,665 undergraduate students enrolled in Fall 2013.

72% of undergraduates received some form of financial aid.

15 students have received Bridges Endowed Scholarships since 2005.

$2,500 is the amount of the Bridges Endowed Scholarship (originally $1,000).

6.8% is the return an 80-year-old individual can receive from a USD gift annuity.

$4.4 million was received through charitable bequests in 2013.