



COLUMBIA COLLEGE  
**PARENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL**

ANNUAL REPORT 2018-2019



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## A NOTE FROM **THE DEAN**

Dear Parent Leaders,

What makes Columbia College great is our people — our talented and diverse student body, our distinguished faculty, our successful and esteemed alumni and our committed parents and families — along with our imaginative and wide-ranging curriculum anchored in the Core.

At the College, our students are on a lifelong journey that is full of possibilities. We want our students to internalize the values they learn in the Core — of character, integrity, honor and respect — and to build upon them as critical thinkers, active and engaged citizens and responsible community members.

As a parent leader you help advance the mission of the College, and you help us achieve success in all that we do. Your dedication as a Parent Leadership Council member is an integral part of making our students' experiences even better. Through your active engagement, our students will truly have the greatest undergraduate experience in the world. Thank you for your partnership.

Roar, Lion(s), Roar!

"Deantini"

James J. Valentini

Dean of Columbia College and

Vice President for Undergraduate Education



# PARENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

**In partnership with Dean Valentini and other senior officials from the College, the Parents Fund hosted two successful Parent Leadership Council (PLC) meetings in 2018-2019.**

In October, we welcomed Vice President for Campus Services Scott Wright for a facilities and building update and parent Q&A. We also hosted a panel on the Core Curriculum led by Dean James J. Valentini, which featured Chair of Art Humanities Noam Elcott, Dean of Academic Affairs Lisa Hollibaugh, and parent leader Lynn Chen-Zhang P: '17, '20. The panelists explored the history and future of the Core Curriculum and its impact on College students as we celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2019.

We were also happy to welcome many of your fellow PLC members to campus at our spring PLC meeting. We heard from Cristen Kromm, Dean of Undergraduate Student Life; Matthew Patashnick, Associate Dean for Student and Family Support; Stephanie King, Director of Student Wellness; and of course, Dean Valentini as they discussed the many opportunities available to our students, including the new initiative, Live Well | Learn Well.

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If you would like to learn more about either meeting or the speakers, please contact us at [ccparentsfund@columbia.edu](mailto:ccparentsfund@columbia.edu).



*Dear Parent Leadership Council Families,*

*Welcome to the new families who joined the Parent Leadership Council during the 2018-2019 year. We applaud your willingness to devote your time, talent and resources in support of the College's efforts to offer exceptional student opportunities. To our returning PLC members, we look forward to coming together with you again to foster the close Columbia parent community that is so important to us all.*

*This past year, PLC members raised over \$3 million dollars towards Dean Valentini's priorities: the Core Curriculum, Student Life, internship support and a financial aid program that is both need-blind and full-need. Thank you. It is an honor to work with parents like you as we support all of Columbia's students, including those that will follow in our children's footsteps.*

*As we close out another successful and rewarding year for the PLC, we look forward to setting our sights even higher in 2019-2020 to help Columbia College continue to provide a world-class education and rewarding experiences to its gifted and dedicated students.*

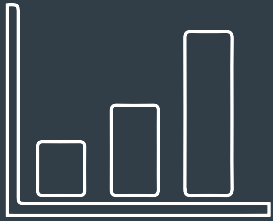
*Sincerely,*

*Audra and Eric Cohen P: '18, '21*

*Raymond Yu '89, SEAS'90, P: '21 and Ya-Ning, Amy, Hsu (許雅寧)*

*TC'07, TC'12, P: '21*

*Co-Chairs, Parent Leadership Council*



## PROGRAM AND RESULTS

The PLC is comprised of 132 families representing 12 different countries and 85 different cities.



This past fiscal year, the PLC raised \$3,124,788 for the College.

PARENTS FUND  
**\$2,057,050**

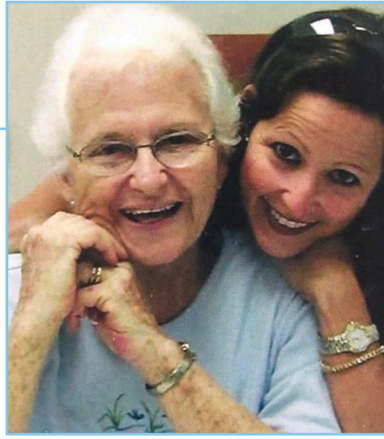
THE ANNUAL FUND  
**\$304,337**

THE CORE  
**\$325,428**

SCHOLARSHIPS  
**\$136,479**

OTHER AREAS  
OF NEED  
**\$16,351**

FINANCIAL AID  
**\$285,143**



The Margaret Milam Inserni Fund was established in honor of my mother after she passed away in 2013.

It was my sweet daughter, Leanna S. Lupin-Inserni '16, who first proposed the idea. Leanna and my mom had a special bond and unending love for reading and writing the English language.

Early on, Leanna knew she wanted to be an English teacher and has loved reading, writing and composing compelling poetry and is as passionately dedicated to education as my dear mother. Columbia College's curriculum further inspired Leanna's love of learning.

When my family considered creating a scholarship, Leanna suggested we honor her grandmother's passion by establishing the Margaret Milam Inserni fund.

Margarita Inserni P: '16

## PLC STORIES



When our daughter, Michelle, moved in freshman year, we had the chance to meet her dormitory friends. We were impressed and pleased with her confident and intelligent peers and the environment that she would experience for the next four years. Christine and I decided then and there to join the PLC to support Columbia and the exceptional education of its incredible students.

We are grateful to be a part of the Columbia community and have the chance to make a small contribution as PLC members. We encourage other parents to join this diverse PLC community and share in the experience of being a parent leader.

Christine and Kenneth Lee P: '22

# 2018-2019 PARENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

## PARENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL CO-CHAIRS

Audra and Eric Cohen P: '18, '21

Raymond Yu '89, SEAS'90, P: '21 and Ya-Ning, Amy, Hsu (許雅寧) TC'07, TC'12, P: '21

## DEAN'S CIRCLE MEMBERS

Elizabeth Albert and Howard Kleinman '84, P: '18, '22, '23

Rula and Omar Asali BUS'01, P: '18, '20

Edward Baker III P: '20

Gregory and Nairi Balian '88, P: '16, '22, '23

Michele and Thomas Bass P: '18

Jeffrey Birnbaum and Gille Ann Rabbin P: '20

Jonathan Bram '87, P: '14, '17 and Susan Bram TC'87, P: '14, '17

Zeliana Charemi and Ioannis Frangos P: '19, SEAS'21

Lynn Chen-Zhang and Charles Zhang P: '17, '20

Xiaoli Chen and Hongbin Peng P: '20

Yihua Chen and Tianyin Shi P: '21

Julie Ann and Steven Cho P: '21

Carla De Landri and Florindo Volpacchio GSAS'84, P: '20

Frances and Patrick DeSouza '80, P: '20, '23

Alisa Drijanski and Emilio Romano P: '18, '22

Phyllis and Hamen Fan P: '13, BUS'15

Suning and Fenglei Fang P: '04

Robyn Field and Anthony O'Carroll P: '21, '23

Annalize and Francois Gouws P: '19, '22

Janice and David Gu SEAS'86, P: '18

Jonathan Hecht and Laurel Mayer P: '21, '22

Alan Howard P: '19, '21

Catherine and Robert Hwang P: '22

Margarita Inserni P: '16

George Jiang and Hua Tang P: '19

Jeffrey Kateman '89, LAW'92 P: '19, '21 and Nam Kim LAW'92, P: '19, '21

Delia and Bijan Khosrowshahi P: '16, '18

Mary and Adam Kirsch P: '17

Joshua Kraft P: '22

Grace and Nicholas Leone '88, P: '19, '22

Chun Liu and Wenjun Qiao P: '19, '22

Qing and Xiaosong Liu P: '19

Victoria and James Maroulis '88, P: '21

Stephanie and William Meury P: '21

Kally and Othon Mourkakos P: '17

Ann and Francis Neczypor P: '08

Maha and Sharif Omar P: '16

Hyun Park '84, P: '13, '17, '21 and Catherine Park BC'84, P: '13, '17, '21

Janet Serle and Ira Malin '75 P: '11, '17

Jonas and Natasha Steinman '90, P: '21

Radhika and Prabhash Subasinghe P: '22

Shruti Tewari SIPA'94, P: '20 and Pawan Tewari BUS'94, P: '20

Jue Wang and Chengjian Zhou P: '19

Walter and Shirley Wang BUS'93, P: '21, '22

Yu Qiao Wei and Yong An Xu P: '17

Sherri Wolf '90, P: '21 and Douglas Wolf '88, P: '21

Sioe Lie Wong and Philip Pei-Fan Wang '70, P: '18

Beth and Scott Yagoda '86, LAW'92, P: '20

Tina Yam and Jack Zhai P: '21

Yuyan Yang P: '18

Julie and Alexander Zaks P: '17, '19

Yong Zhang P: '18

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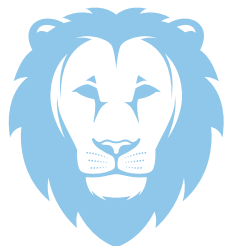
## MEMBERS

- Fatma Al Mazrouie and Ali Bin Tamim P: '22
- Kimberly Amsden P: '20
- Melanie and George Anagnos '80, P: '18, '22
- Michael Argenziano '88, PS'92, P: '18, '20 and Maria Rodino '88, P: '18, '20
- Gael and Emile Bacha P: '16, '20, '22
- Sheri and Clifford Bleustein P: '22
- Janine Brown and Alexander Simmons P: '22
- Alice Chen and Yanan Wang P: '21
- Judy Chen and Jiong-Ming Hu P: '18, '22
- Myra and Edward Chen P: '22
- Ali and Ronald Cheng '95, P: '21
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- Kyoo Wan Cho and Sook Hyun Han P: '20
- Estelle Choe and Paul Kim '87, P: '22
- Neguine and Jens Christensen '84, P: '19, '21
- Heather and John Coiro P: '21
- Victoria Cruz Johner and Jurg Johner BUS'96, P: '22
- Julie and Sean Dalton P: '20
- Brien Daly and Kathleen Lemaitre P: '21
- Melissa and Michael Der Manouel, Jr. P: '19
- Guirong Fang and Huazhi Gao P: '19
- Ying Gao and Xiaoyin Wang P: '22
- Angela and Craig Godshall '80, P: '22
- Yvonne and Gerald Gollin P: '22
- Henry Gong and Michelle Hu P: '19
- Antonia and James Gorton '84, P: '19
- Ameeta and Varun Gosain P: '19
- Felicia and Michael Gottdenker '86, P: '20
- Erika and Blake Grayson P: '22
- Nicole and David Gruenstein '77, P: '18
- Edward Guo and Lei Liang P: '18, SEAS'19
- George and Debra Heinrich TC'84, P: '13, '16, GS'16
- Claire Hernandez BUS'85, P: '19 and Carlos Hernandez BUS'86, P: '19
- Daisy Ho P: '20
- Peter Ho and Anisa Sosoithikul P: '22
- William Hui and Jing Zhao P: '18, '23
- Farha Khan and Ilyas Munshi P: '19
- Robin and Jeffrey Kent PS'89, P: '17, '19, '22
- Ji Yun Kim and Vincent Yoon SEAS'86, P: '19
- Ina and Mark Kupferberg P: '18
- Marshall Kwong and Vivian Yeh P: '20
- Christine and Kenneth Lee P: '22
- Miyoung Lee and Neil Simpkins P: '21
- Arlene Liang and Brian Lu P: '20
- Yi Lin Li and Jane Yan P: '20
- Yi Lu and Jianguo Qian P: '20
- Olga Malova and Vladimir Kuznetsov SIPA'90, SIPA'91, P: '19
- Michelle and Michael Mauboussin P: '22
- Margaret and Lee Meyerson P: '20
- Nicole and Allan Mutchnik P: '19
- Amna and Syed Naqvi P: '21, '23
- Michael Nicita and Susan Shane P: '20
- Martha Ortiz and Robert Diamond '82, P: '20
- Arthur and Ilene Penn SPS'18, P: '20
- Regina Pitchon and Henry Udow P: '14, '18
- Kathie Plourde Simmons BC'73, P: '12, '19
- Haralambos Raftopoulos and Amelia Prounis-Raftopoulos SIPA'87, P: '22
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- Barrie Roman GS'84, SEAS'88, P: '18
- Wendy and Carl Roston P: '22
- Kimberly and John Santamaria P: '21
- W. Reed Simmons P: '12, '19
- So Yeon Son and Jae Ho Song P: '21
- Maria and George Staphos BUS'92, P: '22
- Eva and Jan Sudol P: '20
- Karen and Gregory Torborg '90, P: '22
- Matthew Tropp and Julie Levy '91, P: '21
- Stacey and Nicholas Tsapatsaris P: '22
- Yingli Wang and Jenny Zhang P: '22
- Patricia Verrilli and Joseph Wayland LAW'83, P: '20
- Kari and Martin Waters P: '22
- Cindy and Devin Wenig P: '20
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