



Town of Palm Beach United Way

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**THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH UNITED WAY'S ANNUAL
TOCQUEVILLE SOCIETY DINNER CELEBRATES 29TH YEAR AND
HONORS DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS, JOHN AND JANA SCARPA**

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PALM BEACH, Fla., April 10, 2018 – The Town of Palm Beach United Way hosted the 29th Annual Alexis de Tocqueville Society Dinner Monday at Club Colette in honor of its major donors. The evening honored **John and Jana Scarpa** with the “Distinguished Citizen Award.” The award is the highest honor the Town of Palm Beach United Way bestows and recognizes unparalleled leadership in philanthropy. (Bio attached)

“John and Jana Scarpa exemplify the meaning of philanthropy,” said Board of Trustees Chairman **Jay Boodheshwar**. “They are passionate supporters of education and healthcare institutions, as well as non-profit organizations focused on improving the lives of disadvantaged families. Their long-time support over the years has changed the lives of countless families in Palm Beach County and for that we are eternally grateful.”

Since 1990, the Distinguished Citizen Award has been given each year to an individual or individuals who embody the spirit of philanthropy. Their giving and volunteer service has demonstrated leadership and inspired others to serve the public good. Past honorees include **Michele Kessler, Thomas Quick, Danielle Moore, Bud Tamarkin and Stanley Rumbough**. (Full list attached)

Mary Freitas and **David Mack**, chairmen of this year’s Alexis de Tocqueville Society, thanked members for their service and generosity. To date, the society’s 129 members have raised \$3,360,923. In its 29-year history, the Alexis de Tocqueville Society has raised more than \$68 million.

“The Tocqueville Society is the heart of the Town of Palm Beach United Way and shows just how committed individuals are in this community to improving the lives of those less fortunate,” Freitas said. “Tocqueville members are inspiring and generous people who create measurable, lasting change in Palm Beach County.”

The dinner was graciously underwritten by **IberiaBank**.

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About the Town of Palm Beach United Way’s Alexis de Tocqueville Society
The Town of Palm Beach United Way’s Alexis de Tocqueville Society members are individuals who contribute \$10,000 or more annually.

CHANGE DOESN'T HAPPEN ALONE

CLASS OF 2018

Diana Barrett
Tony Beyer
Jack Borland
Atesh Chandra
Amb. Edward Elson
Bruce Gendelman
Lee Gordon
Kelly Gottlieb
Peggy Greenfield
Ann Heathwood
John Kessler
Paulette Koch
David Mack
Robin Martin
Woodward Middleton
Sydell Miller
Stephanie Ribakoff
Lyn Ross
William Tiefel
Betsy Turner
Kathryn Vecellio
Lisa Wilkinson

CLASS OF 2019

Missy Agnello
Ann-Britt Angle
Nicole Atkinson
Cynthia Boardman
Jorge Cabrera
Ray Celedinas
Gail Coniglio
Tasha Dickinson
David Duffy
Sheila Fine
Mary Gilbane
Benjamin Gordon
Vanessa Henry
Michele Kessler
Ellen Liman
Cara Coniglio McClure
Patricia Mintmire
Trip Moore
John Scarpa
Alison Sieving
Louise Snyder
Jessica Surovek
James Thompson
Wally Turner
Debra Vasilopoulos
Richard Wackenhut
Dan Wilkinson
Allen Wyett

CLASS OF 2020

Kathy Bleznak
Jay Boodheshwar
Paula Butler
Sean Bresnan
Mark Cook
Christine Curtis
Marvin Davidson
Christina Dennis
Lynn Foster
Mary Freitas
Juliana Gendelman
Sarah Gewirz
J. Ira Harris
Darlene Jordan
Sir Geoffrey Leigh
Matthew Lorentzen
Kristina McPherson
Danielle Hickox Moore
Esther Murray
Gary Pohrer
Tom Quick
Cater Randolph
Joyce Reingold
Jennifer Saville
Ed Schmidt
Christine Stiller
Dominick Telesco
Rebecca Williams
Robert Wright

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Michael J. Bracci
Diana Ecclestone
Peter Halmos
Edward L. Hennessy, Jr.
Bea Knopf
Sidney Kohl
Paul Leone
Margaret Luntz
Joyce McLendon
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