

Treasurer



Christopher Weil

Chris Weil is an enthusiast, especially when he is talking about his involvement in a number of areas across UC San Diego. He is so engaged with the university, in fact, that he and his wife Pat celebrated their 50th anniversary with a party on campus, at The Loft performance cafe. “I tell everyone that the food and ambiance were sensational!”

The two have been very supportive of the university’s efforts to introduce students to the performing arts (through ArtPower! and The Loft) because they care about the potential of young people. Whether with students at The Preuss School or graduate Fellows at The Rady School of Management, the Weils’ involvement includes hands-on interaction.

“We are more interested in day-to-day operations than many donors, but it’s a fine line,” says Chris. “Donors are not part of management but they can serve on boards, helping with policy, direction, objectives.”

Chris is the Chairman of the Board of Christopher Weil & Company, Inc., a securities broker-dealer and registered investment advisor. He is also the CEO and President of Storage Managers, Inc. (SMI) and Chairman of the Board of CWC Asset Advisors, Inc. (CWCAA), companies involved in the formation and management of a number of private-equity funds owning various real estate, oil/gas, small business, venture capital and hedge fund assets.

Chris entered the securities business in 1963 and formed his own investment firm in 1970. For 15 years he owned and operated the original CWC and a related real-estate investment company until their sale in 1985 to an affiliate of a New York Stock Exchange-listed company. In 1989, after spending three years with the buyer of his company, Chris formed The Weil Company (which has used CWC as a dba since 1996) and SMI to provide portfolio management, investment advisory and private equity services. He formed CWCAA in 2000, and has been continuously involved as CEO or Chairman of these businesses since their founding.

Chris is a graduate of the University of California, Los Angeles. He is Director of San Diego Grantmakers, the San Diego Mainly Mozart Festival and the Patricia & Christopher Weil Family Foundation. He serves on the Audit Committee of the Jacobs Family Foundation/Jacobs Center for Community Innovation and is a trustee of the UC San Diego Foundation. He has been active on a number of for-profit and non-profit boards for many years.

“In terms of connection at UC San Diego,” says Chris, “we love The Preuss School, and what it stands for: a model of what public education should be. There are good reasons why many public schools haven’t achieved what Preuss has, but it stands as a beacon for secondary education. We’re proud to be associated with it.” The Weils were among the earliest believers in and supporters of the school, and he, Pat and their three children continue to support it in various ways, such as awarding private scholarships to help Preuss graduates transition to UC San Diego and other universities. The Weil Family Foundation’s mission is to create educational

opportunities for children and families in underserved communities, by providing resources, time and support.

In addition to The Preuss School, Chris has other interests on the UC San Diego campus. “Pat and I think the world of Dean Sullivan and the Rady School, and we’re very pleased to be associated with Dean Lehrer at the Division of Arts and Humanities. I’m a believer in a liberal arts education, and opposed to the notion that everything should be science and math. Liberal arts are critical to an educated citizenry.” He should know; Chris earned a degree in Philosophy at UCLA.