

We hope this newsletter finds you and your loved ones healthy and finding ways to cope after this terribly long year of the pandemic. Once again, Reunion 2021 will be held virtually from June 3rd through the 6th. The college is still working on the details and you can see updates [here](#). We certainly hope to be able to gather on campus in person for next year's reunion.

News from campus: [The Culture of Care](#) protocols have been extremely successful. We can certainly attest to the fact that Smithies follow rules! The college has been able to operate in "green mode" for most of the reopening of campus thus far.

Working from home for our staff has been challenging in some ways. But there's good news...we are going to employ VOIP (voice over internet protocol) for our office phones in early April which will enable us to use our office phones from our computers at home. This is a welcome enhancement for us.

As you know, The Match began on July 1, 2020 because of a generous member of the class of 1964 who committed \$1 million for financial



aid to serve as a pool of outright matching funds. Every \$10 of a new planned gift will be matched by \$1 from this pool, up to a limit of \$10,000 per match. Here's an update of how successful The Match has been as of this printing.

Goal	\$1,000,000.00
Actual	\$422,864.22
% Achieved	42%

We are so pleased at this robust response! As our planned giving volunteers, your efforts have been vital and greatly appreciated.

Also, as a result of The Match, here are the *new* Grécourt Society members as of this printing.

Class	Number	Class	Number
1962	1	1975	1
1963	1	1976	1
1965	1	1978	1
1967	1	1981	1
1968	2	1985	1
SCGA '70/71	2	1990	1
1971	4	1992	1
1972	3	1996	2
1973	2	SCPA '15	1
		SCSP '62	1
Total	28		

Just as a reminder, all Grécourt Society class listings are on our [website](#) under password protection. Passwords are easy to remember, (i.e., '51 is grecourt51; '56 is grecourt56; '61 is grecourt61 and so on.) These listings are kept up do date.

Annuity Tri-Fold Mailing

You may have received our latest annuity mailer. We have begun receiving inquires as a result and you'll be the first to know when a member of your class funds one. Remember, our gift annuity calculator is on the [website](#) and is a good tool to see what your payments might look like.

Reunion and The Grécourt Society Award

Here is the current status of the race to win The Grécourt Society Award (the class who had the most new members join since their last reunion). There is still time for the Class of '76 to catch '71 – the contest ends on May 1, 2021.

Class	new members	new spouses	total
1941	0	0	0
1946	0	0	0
1951	0	0	0
1956	1	2	3
1961	5	1	6
1966	3	2	5
1971	7	3	10
1976	8	1	9
1981	2	0	2
1986	1	1	2
1991	0	0	0
1996	2	0	2
2001	2	0	2
2006	0	0	0
2011	0	0	0
total:	31	10	41



Here are the previous year's winners:

- 2014 – Class of 1964
- 2015 – Class of 1960
- 2016 – Class of 1966
- 2017 – Class of 1962
- 2018 – Class of 1968
- 2019 – Class of 1969
- 2020 – Class of 1975
- 2021– TBD

We hope you feel proud of your contributions that have helped make the planned giving program a success. Please continue to write a paragraph in your class newsletters and don't forget to send it to us before publishing to check it over. Webinars have been a very informative and successful tool. Please reach out to Sam to schedule one for your class if you would like.

We are always happy to hear from you about ways we can help you in your role as Planned Giving Chair. Feel free to contact us.

Best wishes for a safe, happy and healthy spring!

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