

Greetings, Planned Giving Chairs and thank you for all you do for Smith! As you will see from the enclosed Fiscal Year End 2023 report, we had another successful year. Your continued support is central to planned giving's success. We certainly appreciate you!


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DATE

Monday, November 6, 2023 at 1:00 pm

Sam Samuels, Director of Gift Planning, will host another PGC webinar. More information is forthcoming regarding invitations and registration.

The Grécourt Match - Round 2 Update

As you probably know, a generous member of the Class of '82 has committed \$1 million for financial aid. This new Match began on July 1, 2022. Every \$10 of a newly documented planned gift will be matched by \$1 from this pool, up to a limit of \$10,000 per match.



As of 8/24/23, The Grécourt Match – Round 2 has over 100 participants, and released over \$616,500.00 to current financial aid! We hope to meet the \$1m goal by 6/30/24! Remember, our

website, smith.plannedgiving.org has The Match gift form in a fillable pdf version.

The Grécourt Society – Membership Update

As of this date, our collective active membership total stands at 3,142 active members. There are 2,606 deceased members for a total of 5,748 or about 10% of the world--wide Smith alumnae community.

Secure Act 2.0 (Legacy IRA) Update

Beginning in January 2023 those at least 70½ years of age can fund a Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA) with their Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from their IRA.

We hope you were made aware of the June '23 Wall Street Journal article featuring Catherine Ribnick '68, explaining how she took advantage of this legislation and funded a CGA. If you'd like to read it, we made it available on our website at smith.plannedgiving.org/new-incentives. So far, six alums have participated. Remember that the calendar year is drawing to a close. If you qualify and have not yet considered this opportunity, it's a good time to do so.

Sarah Willie-LeBreton's Inauguration

Everyone is invited. Sarah will formally take office as Smith's 12th president on Sat., 10/21/23 at 2:00 p.m. at the Indoor Track and Tennis Facility. For more information and questions please email smithevents@smith.edu or call 413-585-2669.

We are excited about Sarah's presidency and look forward to how she will continue Smith's mission of educating women of promise for lives of distinction and purpose. She will declare her very first Mountain Day soon!

We are excited to welcome students back to campus -- welcome Class of '27! It's hard to believe that the summer of '23 is about to become history.

Please contact us with questions about types of planned gifts and for help writing and proofreading your planned giving submission for your fall class newsletters.

Warmest wishes for a safe, happy, and healthy autumn season!

Sam, Chris, Kamlyn, and Deb