

# GIFT PLANNING NEWS



~ For Smith College Planned Giving Volunteers ~

November 2018

## 2018 Reunion Highlights

The fifth annual receptions for members of The Grécourt Society and their guests were held in the Alumnae House. President Kathleen McCartney spoke at both receptions, and since our Grécourt Society Chairperson, Pam Henrikson'62 was unable to attend, Sam Samuels emceed the events.

We held our 13<sup>th</sup> annual Grécourt Society ice cream cart social during each reunion weekend. Free ice cream and sorbet, estate planning information and good cheer were offered to all who stopped by.



Gift Planning Director Sam Samuels introduces President Kathleen McCartney  
Photo Credit Lynne Graves

## The Grécourt Society Award 2018

Please join us in congratulating the Class of 1968 as the winner of this year's Grécourt Society Award, which was presented at Reunion.

1968 won by adding 16 new members into The Grécourt Society since their last Reunion!



## Volunteer Leadership Conference held Sept. 22 & 23, 2018



Pictured (from left), President Kathleen McCartney, Liz Kelsey '55 and Susan Greene '68  
Photo Credit Lindsey McGrath

Thank you to the 180 admission, club, class and development volunteers who came to campus to participate in our workshops, panel discussions and training sessions. We cherish our Planned Giving Chairs working with us for Smith, so thank you! We are grateful for your dedication and commitment to keeping Smith strong. For those volunteers who couldn't make it, you were missed.

***Join us in congratulating our volunteer award winner, Planned Giving Chair for the Class of '55, Liz Kelsey!***

# Planned Giving Chair Updates: Retired & Newly Appointed



Ruth Turner, standing for the national anthem at Yankee Stadium  
Photo Credit Victor J. Blue *The New York Times*

The Gift Planning Office would like to recognize and thank Ruth Turner '46. In October, she retired as Planned Giving Chair after serving 2 years in the position. Ruth is pictured here from a *New York Times* article about her beloved Yankees and how she was designated as the unofficial score-keeper by the fans seated around her.

Diane Mellish Stanbro '50 just retired after 38 years. Thank you, Diane!

Please join us in extending warm welcomes to the following new Planned Giving Chairs:

**Susan Lapine '68**  
**Melissa Wells '93**  
**Elizabeth Foley '94**

We look forward to working with you in the future!



We are sad to relay the news of the passing of Elaine Brophy '54 in September. In addition to the role as Planned Giving Chair, Elaine had previously served as Class President, Secretary and Class Fund Agent. Elaine will be missed and remembered fondly. We are also sad to relay the passing of Sally Rand '47 in January. In addition to the role as Planned Giving Chair, Sally had previously served as Special Gifts Chair and Treasurer for her class. Sally will be missed and remembered fondly.

## Gift Planning 2018 Fiscal Year Update

We are astonished at the outpouring of generosity this past fiscal year!

Unitrusts:	<b>\$ 4,410,987</b>
Gift Annuities:	<b>\$ 1,128,493</b>
Deferred Payment Gift Annuities:	<b>\$ 758,843</b>
Realized Bequests:	<b>\$ 13,953,834</b>
<i>Reunion Bequest Intentions:</i>	<b>\$ 14,435,484</b>
Total Planned Gifts & Bequests: (approx.)	<b>\$ 34,687,642</b>

## Reunion Classes Grécourt Society New Members since last reunion

(as of October 18, 2018)

Reunion Classes	No. of Members at last reunion	No. of Current Members	No. of New members since last reunion
1954	56	59	3
1959	58	61	3
1964	63	66	3
1969	46	69	23
1974	27	29	2
1979	24	27	3
1984	17	18	1
1989	26	28	2
1994	7	10	3
1999	6	8	2
2004	3	0	0

If you have any questions, please feel free to connect with us. Our office can be reached at [gift\\_planning@smith.edu](mailto:gift_planning@smith.edu), [smith.plannedgiving.org](http://smith.plannedgiving.org), or (800) 241-2056, option 5.

*Best Wishes for an enjoyable fall season! ~ Sam, Chris, Kamlyn and Deb*

