



*Class of 1972*

**GIVING FOR YOUR 50<sup>TH</sup> REUNION**



CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

## *To the Wonderful Class of 1972:*

As I think about your years at Connecticut College, I am struck by how your experience was like no class before or after you. You lived through a great transformation in higher education, where major social movements changed the way college students imagined their lives. Working with faculty and staff mentors, you became activists for equal rights, for racial equality, for environmental stewardship. You arrived in the fall of 1968 at Connecticut College for Women and departed in 1972 from a Connecticut College that now admitted men. All these experiences helped to shape the exceptional people you have become, and we are delighted now to honor the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of your graduation.

Today, faculty and staff at Connecticut College play a similar transformative role, giving students confidence to become the best versions of themselves. As you think about how you will mark this milestone in your life, we want to encourage you to consider making a gift in honor of the mentor who influenced you most. Excellence in teaching and learning has always been our highest priority. Your gift will ensure it continues to be.

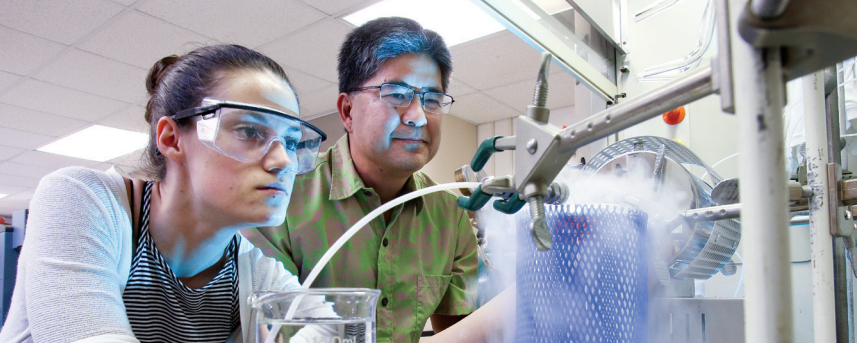
I cannot wait to welcome you back to campus June 3 - 5, 2022 and celebrate this milestone with you. Meanwhile, I send my fondest congratulations.

Yours,



**Katherine Bergeron**  
President













**CELEBRATE THIS WONDERFUL MILESTONE**

## *Honor a Mentor*

Connecticut College has long been known for excellence in teaching, fueled by rigorous inquiry, openness and a spirit of collaboration. As you celebrate your 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion, it is the perfect moment to honor a faculty or staff member, or beloved classmate, who contributed in a meaningful way to your future. When you make a gift in honor of one of these outstanding individuals, you ensure that current and future students will also have the opportunity to develop these important relationships that make all the difference at such an important time in life. Those who are celebrated with a gift between now and June 30, 2022 will be recognized in upcoming communications and during Reunion Weekend 2022.

# WHAT COUNTS TOWARD THE 50<sup>TH</sup> REUNION CLASS GIFT? EVERYTHING!

Donations from all classmates, no matter the size or designation, will count toward the 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion class gift total. All gifts made during the fiscal year (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022), as well as future commitments through June 30, 2026, are included and make a major impact on the College and the 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion class gift effort.

	Connecticut College Fund	Current-Use Restricted Gifts	Endowment Gifts
<b>Outright Gifts</b>			
<b>Pledges</b> (up to 5 years, through June 30, 2026)			
<b>Planned Gifts</b>			

## Why I Give

“I loved my four years at Connecticut College. I was free to read, study and explore new ideas without many other major responsibilities. I loved the people with whom I lived, the professors, the ambiance, and the culture, and was forever touched by the experience. The day I graduated I was sad because I realized that a wonderful stage of my life had come to an end.

As I reflect on the motivation for my bequest, I remember how many of my friends struggled to both keep up their grades to maintain their scholarships and find multiple ways to earn money to pay for the balance. The pressure was enormous. And I think about today’s students who often leave higher education with crippling debt. I hope that my bequest to scholarships & financial aid will help reduce those pressures on future Connecticut College students.

In our 50<sup>th</sup> reunion year, it felt like the right time to share my estate plans with the College in honor of that milestone. Leaving money to the College to generate more scholarships feels like ‘paying it forward’ so that someone else can have the wonderful experience I did. I sincerely hope my classmates will join me in honoring the amazing experience of attending Connecticut College.”



**Carol Blake Boyd '72**

# Ways to Give

## OUTRIGHT GIFTS

- *Cash (credit card, check or wire transfer)*
- *Appreciated securities*
- *Matching gifts*
- *Donor advised funds*
- *Gift through private or family foundations*
- *Gifts of tangible personal property, also known as gifts-in-kind*
- *Charitable IRA rollover*

Connecticut College appreciates all contributions. The most comprehensive list of ways of giving along with instructions and contact information can be found on our website:

[www.conncoll.edu/giving](http://www.conncoll.edu/giving)

## PLEDGE PAYMENTS

- *Cash (credit cards, checks, wire transfers)*
- *Appreciated securities*
- *Charitable IRA rollover*



# Gift Planning Options

In addition to any outright gifts you will make to honor your Reunion, gift planning offers creative ways to stretch your Class gift. Planned gifts leave a charitable legacy and influence future generations of bright, ambitious leaders.

## DOCUMENT YOUR BEQUEST

Gifts to charity from your estate are the expression of an ultimate gift. By naming the College in your will or living trust, or as a beneficiary of a retirement plan, donor-advised fund, or bank account, you are creating a lasting legacy at Connecticut College. Also known as a bequest intention, when you document your bequest, Connecticut College recognizes that this gift is subject to change depending on personal or economic circumstances. All information provided to the College will remain confidential.

## CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY

Make a gift now and receive income back. You can receive income payments starting immediately or you can defer the start of payments to a date at least 1 year from the date of your gift. This gift may be right for you if you wish to support Connecticut College, but worry about having enough income for yourself and your loved ones.

<b>Age 71</b>	4.8%	Immediate
	5.2%	3-year deferred
	5.6%	5-year deferred
<b>Age 72</b>	4.9%	Immediate
	5.4%	3-year deferred
	5.8%	5-year deferred

## CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST

Create a flexible source of income for yourself or a loved one. A charitable trust with Connecticut College as the remainder beneficiary can provide an income stream for an individual's life or for a term of years. You can use almost any asset to fund a unitrust, including cash, publicly traded stocks and bonds, closely held stock, partnership interests and real estate. You can tailor your unitrust to meet many financial or estate planning goals.

**Have you already named the College in your estate plans or are thinking about adding the College? To learn more about these or other planned gift types, contact Laura Becker, Director of Gift Planning at (860) 439-2416.**

# CONTACT US!

Interested in making a meaningful gift in honor of your 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion?

We're here to help! Any of the following classmates or staff members are at the ready and willing to assist.

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