



CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

Conversations

with the OFFICE OF GIFT PLANNING

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EVERYBODY'S CONGENIAL GOOD NEIGHBOR*

Described by her 1946 Connecticut College classmates as keen-edged, discerning, imaginative and fun-loving, **JUANA GURUCETA FLAGG '46 P'74** was a beloved alumna who made a point to keep in contact with the College community over many decades, and enthusiastically attended her 75th Class Reunion in 2021 at the age of 98. Juana, inspiring many through a life of connection, sadly passed away this past May at the age of 102.

Juana's story began as a child in Havana, Cuba and then in Eibar, Spain with her mother and father. During the Spanish Civil War in 1937, Eibar suffered immense destruction, and therefore her family moved again to Managua, Nicaragua. Juana's parents wanted her to be educated in the U.S. and she arrived on the campus of Connecticut College in 1942 as an international student majoring in Chemistry. Juana was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and belonged to the Spanish, French and Science Clubs.

After graduating, Juana stayed in contact with the College by attending her Reunions, and also became a member of the Friends of the Arboretum, enjoying frequent walks on the grounds. Juana was trained in landscape architecture and spent years cultivating the property of her historic home built in 1745 in Middletown, CT, which is included in the National Register of Historic Places. She also had a

keen interest in international students like herself.

Juana always remembered her roots at Connecticut College. After graduation, Juana supported the annual fund in ways that she could, and through the years increased her giving as her life circumstances changed. After regulatory recognition, Juana was one of the early adopters to take advantage of making annual gifts through a donor advised fund (DAF).



Juana Flagg '46

Several years ago, Juana let us know that she had named Connecticut College as a successor beneficiary of her DAF. This fund grew to a significant amount, and at her passing, the DAF administrator automatically wired her gift to the College without any work on the part of her family. Juana left her legacy gift as unrestricted, allowing the College to support the immediate needs of our current students.

Juana's daughter, Dr. Julie Flagg '74, also attended Connecticut College and recently retired after practicing medicine in Middletown, CT for 40 years.

We are forever grateful for Juana's friendship, connection and legacy.

* Quote from Koine 1946

JUNIOR COMPET SONG - CLASS OF 1957

MUSIC BY: ANNE DETARANDO HARTMAN '57

WORDS BY: MARGUERITE WALLACE GLASS '57 AND MARY BURNS MCKEE '57

In 1956, the Class of 1957 wrote a song all about naming Connecticut College in your will! It had full accompaniment music, and it was a plea to all students about the importance of giving back to the community they loved. The final stanza of the song is:

“ Our alma mater true is counting most on you. Our duty to C.C. we must fulfill. ”



IRA GIFTS ARE POWERFUL!

AS A CONNECTICUT COLLEGE ALUM, YOU HAVE ALWAYS BEEN STRATEGIC AND FORWARD THINKING BY INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE. That strategy continued through investing for your retirement. And now, that strategy can continue through your expressed values of giving back to the College.

If you've reached the age of 70 1/2, one of the best ways to give to the organizations that mean the most to you is through an IRA or IRA rollover. If you are concerned about inflation and rising costs, you can use your IRA by making a one-time gift of up to \$54,000 to the College in exchange for a charitable gift annuity (CGA). This one-time transfer can also count toward your required minimum distribution starting at age 73.

For married couples such as the Treadwells, both spouses can each contribute up to \$54,000 from their IRA and establish two CGAs, one for each individual at a maximum amount of \$54,000 or one joint CGA up to \$108,000.

See this example: Couple Amy and Doug are aged 72 and 75. It is Amy's 50th reunion year and they want to make a gift to Connecticut College for her milestone reunion. They have not made a gift from an IRA to establish a charitable gift annuity before and are considering these options for Connecticut College. They want to make a gift of \$54,000 from her IRA and \$54,000 from his IRA. They can either establish one \$108,000 two-life CGA with an immediate annuity rate of 5.9% and an annual income of \$6,400 to both of them, and then the survivor, for their lifetime. OR, they can establish two CGAs at \$54,000 each. Amy's age of 72 provides a 6.6% annuity rate to her, and Doug's age of 75 provides a 7% annuity rate to him.

Gifts from your IRA can offer even more tax benefits. Heirs pay income tax on gifts from IRAs as beneficiaries, but charities do not. So, if you have created a special legacy gift for the College or are thinking about it, an IRA beneficiary designation is a smart way to give!

COUPLE'S LEGACY OF GRATITUDE

FOR ELISABETH (TINA) SAVELL TREADWELL '63 GP '27 AND DAVID TREADWELL GP '27, Connecticut College has been more than just an institution of higher learning—it has been an important part of their family's journey across generations. Tina fondly remembers her years at Conn and, now, five decades later, as they watch their granddaughter, Tess Barker '27, follow those same pathways, they've chosen to give back to the place that gave them so much.

"Conn was an ideal place for me," Tina reflects. "The campus is beautiful. The faculty was always excellent and I had good friends and good roommates, a number of whom I remain in contact with."

After completing her degree in Art History at Conn, Tina married and had two sons. When her younger son, Andrew, developed a speech issue, Tina became interested in the field and pursued a master's degree in speech therapy. "At that time, services to really young children had just been introduced. I was so thrilled with what was available to Andrew. I loved that career."

Though not an alumnus himself, David came to appreciate the profound impact Conn had on his wife and now his granddaughter. "I may not have attended Conn," David says, "but I've benefited from its excellence every day through Tina."

"Tess shared with me that one reason she chose Conn was because of her admiration for Tina," says David. Watching Tess flourish at the College has been particularly gratifying to her grandparents. Tess is a Psychology major and a member of the a cappella group—the ConnChords—and the co-ed frisbee team. "She's been very, very happy at Conn, where I was also happy," Tina says. "I often think of walking by the chapel to the top of the green and looking across to the Long Island Sound. That was so wonderful."



Tina & David Treadwell with
Tess Barker

The Treadwells explored a number of options when looking to support the College and ultimately decided to establish two annuities with a charitable IRA rollover. They each made a gift from their individual IRAs, and now will receive income back for life with a very favorable annuity rate.

Their donation represents more than financial support—it's an expression of gratitude for the values and opportunities that Connecticut cultivates. The Treadwells find joy in being part of Conn's continuing story. "Conn still nurtures that same intellectual curiosity and personal growth that it did fifty years ago," shares Tina. "This College gave so much to me. Our hope is that our contribution helps provide the same for students who might otherwise miss this extraordinary opportunity."





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Age 70	6.3%	\$3,150	\$18,920
Age 75	7.0%	\$3,500	\$20,389
Age 80	8.1%	\$4,050	\$22,426
Age 85	9.0%	\$4,500	\$26,561

**Two-Life and Deferred Rates Also Available*

Minimum gift amount is \$10,000. Make a gift with cash or appreciated securities. If you make a gift in 2025, you'll receive a charitable deduction in the year of your gift.

Charitable Gift Annuities are a great way to support the College and receive guaranteed income back for life. You will also save on taxes, all while providing for Connecticut College graduates who will be the leaders of tomorrow.

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