



COTTEY
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COTTEY COLLEGE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

IMPACT REPORT

2023-2024



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

To get involved, nominate yourself or an alumna to join the CCAA Board at <https://cottey.edu/alumnae>.

The CCAA Board traditionally meets on campus twice a year: once in the fall and again just before Founder's Day Weekend in the spring.



PRESIDENT

Randi Turk
Class of '68
Arizona



VICE PRESIDENT

Kerry Tate
Class of '86
Texas



SECRETARY

Zoe Albright
Class of '91
Missouri



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Class of '10
Maryland



COTTEY CLUBS

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Class of '76
Missouri



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Class of '83
Kansas



AWARDS/ NOMINATIONS

Sarah Lull
Class of '03
Florida



DEVELOPMENT

Sarah Raffurty
Class of '11
South Carolina



EX OFFICIO

Mary Edelen
Class of '65
South Dakota



VP INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

Michelle Wood





NEW BOARD MEMBERS

In July 2023, the Cottey College Alumnae Association (CCAA) welcomed new board members. New year, new board members, new insights, new ideas! One constant theme remains—how best to serve Cottey College and embrace all alumnae in that nowhere-else-in-the-world community of Cotteyhood.

This report documents the CCAA board and Cottey alumnae achievements in service of our alma mater. We invite our fellow alumnae to share their ideas on how to further engage in supporting Cottey College's mission.

Ducks and Daisies,
Cottey College Alumnae Association Board of Directors



Cottey  memories are made of this

FOUNDER'S 2024

Memories remembered, and more memories made:
Founder's Day 2024.

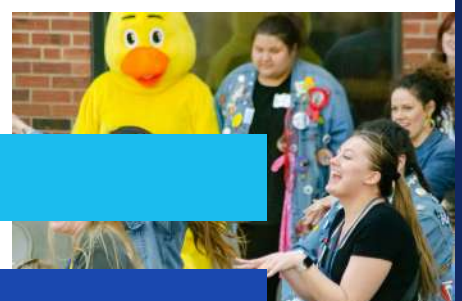
Over 235 alumnae from the classes ending in 4 and 9, along with friends from other years, gathered at Cottey from April 5-7, 2024, for a weekend filled with visiting, reminiscing, singing, shopping, and more.

Founder's Day celebrates Virginia Alice Cottey Stockard and the lifelong friendships forged at Cottey. This special occasion highlights the College's rich history and commitment to empowering women.

During the weekend, alumnae participated in a variety of activities, including the Virginia Alice Cottey Stockard Chapel Service, campus tours, and class reunions.

We are thrilled to announce that alumnae giving for the weekend totaled \$9,490.08.

Join us for next year's Founder's Day on April 4-6, 2025, as we continue to honor our legacy and strengthen our community!



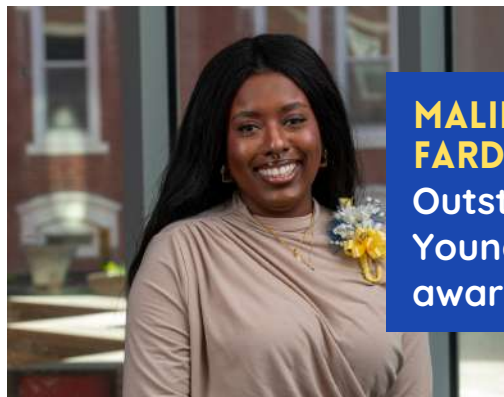
FOUNDER'S DAY AWARDEES

Each year, the CCAA board honors alumnae who have distinguished the College through their accomplishments and service, as well as friends who have demonstrated dedication to Cottey's mission.

**CAROLINE
SUNDQUIST**
Friend of the
College award



**MALIKAH
FARD-ALLAH '18**
Outstanding
Young Alumna
award



**KIMBERLY KAHLER
CRENSHAW**
Honorary
Alumna award



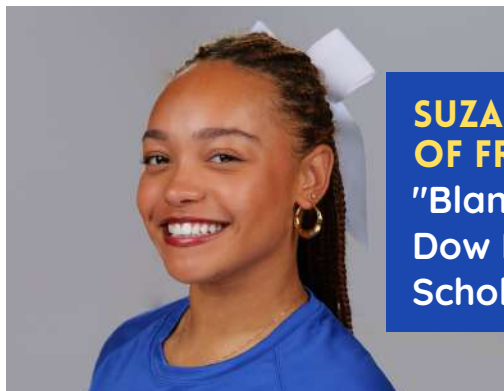
**KATHLEEN
MARSHALL '64**
Alumna Service
award



**JEN WREN
CHARPENTIER '64**
Distinguished
Alumna award



**SUZANNE AUBERT
OF FRANCE**
"Blanche Hinman
Dow International
Scholar" Award



BOOK CLUB

The Cottey Book Club is a dedicated group of alumnae across the decades who enjoy discussing both current fiction and nonfiction. It's never too late to join the fun! Book club meets the third Thursday of every month at 11 a.m. Cottey time. For book selections and the Zoom link, please contact board member Lori Royal at Lori.royal@student.cottey.edu or lroyalama@gmail.com.



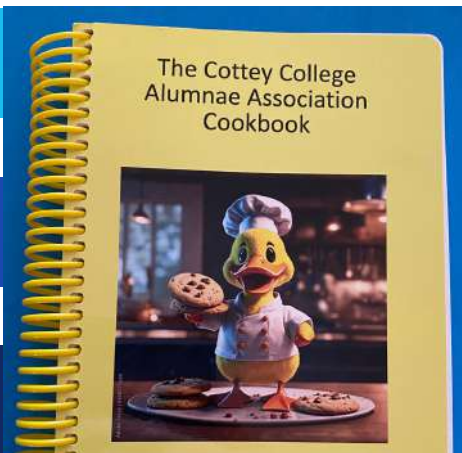
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Every Fall, alumnae come together for a mid-year reunion to hear a campus update from Dr Niles and the latest projects of the CCAA board. Alumnae play Cottey trivia, Cottey scavenger hunts, and more. Most importantly, Cottey alumnae can visit on Zoom with classmates and other alumnae from around the country and the world.

COOKBOOK

Cottey alumnae lead, innovate, discover, heal, nurture, negotiate, instruct, and create—and they can cook! Cottey women came together at Founder's Day and now unite in a cookbook. 88 alumnae from 1955 to 2018 contributed nearly 300 pages of delicious recipes from across the country and worldwide. Once all the cookbooks are sold, this project will have raised over \$9,000 for CCAA board initiatives.



LETTER WRITING

This year, alumnae continued the tradition of writing letters and sending notes of welcome and encouragement to new and returning students at the start of the school year. Many alumnae who provided a return address or email received letters back from students. Cottey connections are truly the best!



CLASS AGENT

Class agents are vital in keeping alumnae informed and connected to Cottey. Currently, the CCAA board reaches out to 86 class agents, but we can do better! Below is a list of classes that currently do not have a class agent. If your class is among the “missing,” please contact Head Class Agent Denise Bishop at denise.bishop@student.cottey.edu or discodiamond1963@gmail.com.

Classes without an agent: 1947, 1949, 1951, 1952, 1967, 1982, 1991, 1992, 2015, 2017, 2020, 2022, 2023, 2024.

ALUMNAE GIVING

Cottey alumnae truly make a difference! Throughout campus—indoors and outdoors—the generosity of Cottey alumnae has significantly enhanced the quality of campus life. The CCAA board sponsors initiatives such as the Alumnae Green Room, Rosemary Suite, Legacy and Dow Scholarships, Library Fund, Stockard Faculty Chair, and the Campus Visit Fund. Individual contributions have funded classrooms, established a campus student center, restored the chapel organ, furnished chapel interiors, created outdoor gathering spaces, and much more.

REFERRAL CHALLENGE!

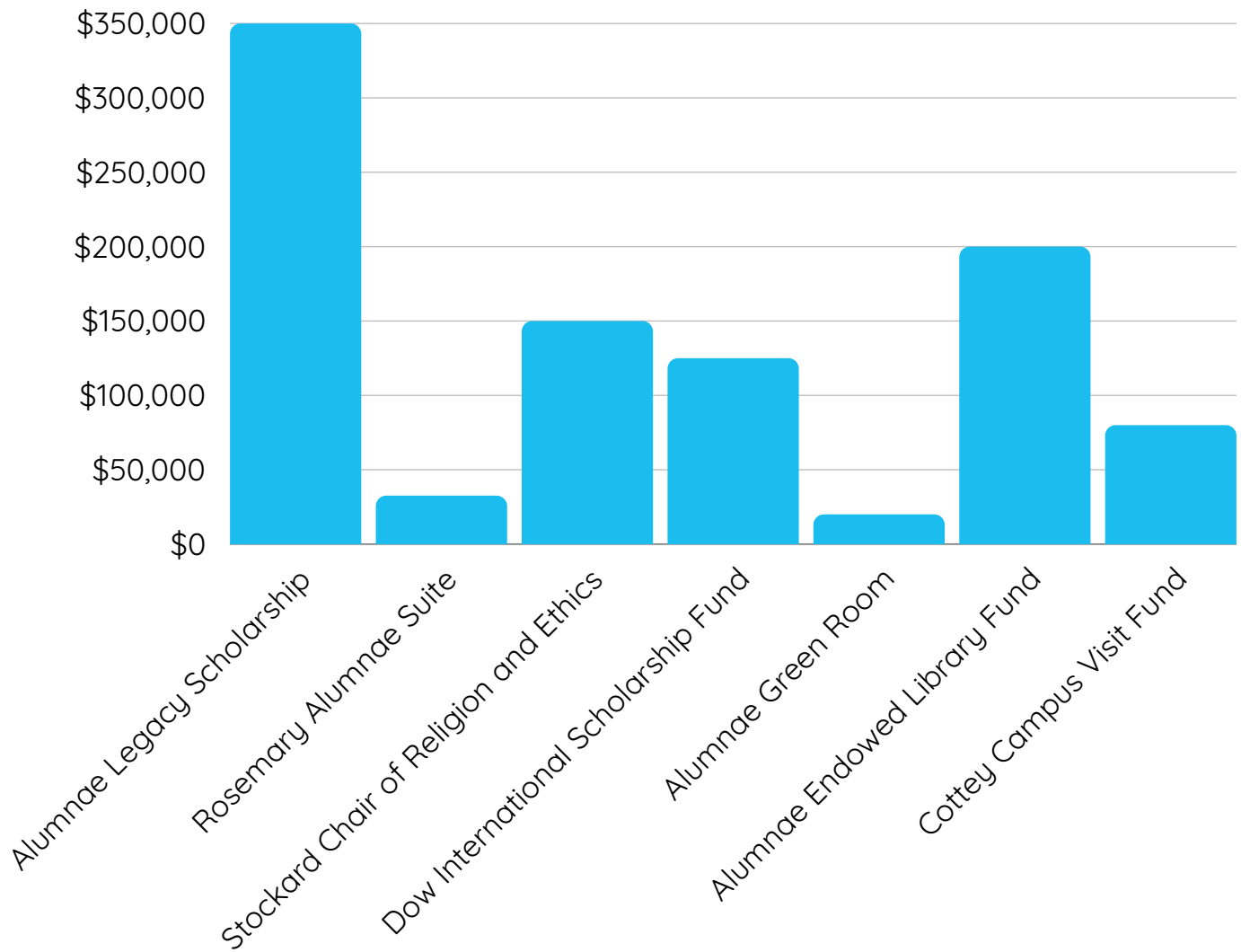
CLASS OF 1981 WINS!

This year, Alumnae referrals of prospective students to Cottey hit an all-time high with 74 referrals. Angela Milligan, '81, was the CCAA board Referral Challenge winner, and the Class of 1981 now has its class year inscribed on the Golden Duck.



CCAA ENDOWMENTS

Alumnae giving supports these endowments



CLASS GIVING

These are the strongest giving classes during 2023-2024.

Top %: Class of 1964 - 28%

Top Amount: Class of 1958 - \$72,415

Overall Class Giving: 6.19%



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MISSION

The MISSION of the Cottey College Alumnae Association is to develop and sustain a bond between Cottey College and its alumnae by creating a loyal alumnae base; facilitate and promote activities and events that will encourage the interests of Cottey College, its students, and its alumnae; cultivate a sense of community among alumnae; and support the mission and goals of Cottey College.

CORE VALUES

- Promoting purposeful collaboration with alumnae
- Fostering loyalty, engagement, and connection
- Championing inclusivity
- Celebrating Cotteyhood, the special world inhabited by Cottey alumnae



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