

Planning for the *Future*

The Financial and Gift Planning Newsletter for Friends of Flagler College

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Jean Cochran: **MOVING HUMANITY FORWARD THROUGH EDUCATION**

For Jean Cochran, education isn't just a path to personal growth. It's a force that moves humanity forward. Inspired by her own life-changing travel experiences in her 20s, Jean has chosen to leave a lasting legacy at Flagler College by establishing two endowed funds through her trust.

The Jean M. Cochran Endowed Study Abroad Scholarship will support students with financial need who wish to participate in study abroad or international immersive learning experiences. She was moved to support this initiative after seeing a Flagler study abroad brochure and reflecting on how travel had shaped her own worldview and values.

She is also funding the Jean M. Cochran Endowed Fund for Scholarly and Creative Excellence, which will support faculty through grants for research, travel, professional development, curriculum development and other faculty initiatives. Her goal is to help Flagler attract and retain outstanding professors, while supporting their continued enthusiasm for teaching.



Vaughn and Jean Cochran

Jean and her husband, Vaughn, co-own two successful businesses and have strong ties to Flagler through Vaughn's service on advisory boards. Jean's involvement grew as she engaged with Flagler's mission and leadership. She felt Flagler was an institution she could trust. "I believe in the integrity and longevity of the College and its administration," Jean says.

Now a proud member of the Henry M. Flagler Heritage Society (which recognizes individuals who name the College as a beneficiary of a bequest, estate plan or other planned gift), Jean hopes her future gift will empower students and faculty for generations to come. "Education is the answer to everything," she says. "It solves problems. It moves humanity forward."

CREATE YOUR LASTING LEGACY

Your gift can provide long-lasting support for Flagler College. We'd be happy to have a no-obligation conversation about how it can strengthen our future. Simply contact the Director of Development and Gift Planning, Nicole Pece, at (904) 819-6406 or npece@flagler.edu.

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THE CAMPAIGN FOR  FLAGLER COLLEGE

FOREVER AND A DAY

Would you like to extend your values, like Jean did, by making a gift to Flagler College that will last indefinitely? Consider establishing an endowment. It's a powerful way to show your support, while also realizing tax benefits for your kindness.

To create an endowment, you make a gift that Flagler carefully invests. Then, each year a small portion of the earnings from the endowment is used to meet your charitable goals by awarding scholarships or grants to faculty members, for example. The rest of the fund remains invested to keep it healthy and growing far into the future. Here are some typical questions and answers about this type of gift.

What's the best way to fund an endowment? There are different options. You can fund it today with gifts of cash or appreciated securities, or establish the endowment after your lifetime with gifts of retirement plan assets or life insurance benefits.

Who decides how my endowment will be used? You do. You may restrict your endowment to a particular cause or purpose, or you could provide unrestricted funds, which means the annual earnings from the fund may be directed to meet the most pressing needs of the College.

How can I be certain my wishes will be honored? To ensure that your gift is used according to your wishes, your charitable intentions are put in writing to ensure they are clearly understood and faithfully carried out.

To learn how to create a legacy that supports Flagler College and may provide tax benefits to you, scan this QR code ➡ or visit www.flaglergiving.org.



HOW DO YOU WANT TO BE REMEMBERED?

Our FREE resource, *7 Questions to Help Build Your Legacy*, is more than just a worksheet. It's a time capsule—and a gift. Simply return the enclosed reply card to request your guide today.



Join the FLAGLER SOCIETY

The *Henry M. Flagler Heritage Society* was established to recognize individuals who name the College as a beneficiary of a bequest, estate plan or other planned gift. The society is named in honor of Henry Morrison Flagler, industrialist, developer, railroad pioneer and philanthropist.

If you have included Flagler College in your estate plans or made a planned gift, please notify us as we would like to welcome you along with the other 230+ members of this prestigious group. It is important that we appropriately acknowledge your commitment and express our appreciation for your support.

Members of the Flagler Society are building the College's future while also meeting their own philanthropic and financial goals. Thank you! **Scan to learn more and join. »**



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