

President Leocadia I. Zak

cordially invites you to a ceremony celebrating the rededication of

REBEKAH SCOTT HALL

Friday, October 26 11:30 a.m.

Rebekah Scott Hall Front Entrance

Tours and refreshments to follow the program

Parking available in the West Parking Facility on South McDonough Street

Please reply by Friday, October 19 to Martha Ille 404.471.5479 or mille@agnesscott.edu



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Welcome

Clyde C.Tuggle National Co-chair, The Greatness Before Us Campaign

Invocation

The Rev. Kate Colussy-Estes Julia Thompson Smith Chaplain

Greetings from Elizabeth Daniel Holder '82 the Board of Trustees Chair of the Board of Trustees National Co-chair, *The Greatness Before Us* Campaign

> Ann Glendinning '68, Trustee Chair, Environment and Facilities Committee

Remarks from the Enrollment Division

Alexa Wood Gaeta '98 Vice President for Enrollment Dean of Admission and Financial Aid

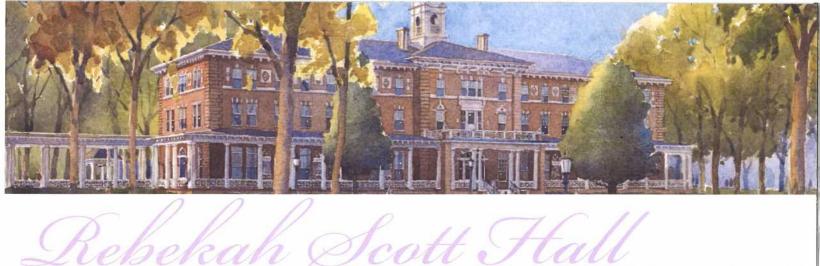
Leocadia I. Zak, President

Greetings from the Students

s Amira Daugherty '19 Student Government Association President

Presidential Remarks

Ceremonial Ribbon Cutting Leocadia I. Zak and Elizabeth D. Holder, joined by Robiaun Charles, Amira Daugherty, Alexa W. Gaeta, Ann Glendinning, Elizabeth Rhett Jones '73 and Clyde C. Tuggle



HISTORY

Rebekah Scott Hall is named for Rebekah Bucher Scott, the wife of Colonel George Washington Scott, the founder of Agnes Scott College. It is an Italian Renaissance Revival-style building constructed in 1905-06. Designed by the architectural firm of Morgan and Dillon, Rebekah Scott Hall was the second permanent building constructed by the Agnes Scott Institute. The cost of the finished building was approximately \$60,000. Rebekah Scott Hall opened in September 1906, the same year the institute became Agnes Scott College. As a historic building, it is a contributing structure to the South Candler Street-Agnes Scott College Historic District, which was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on July 29, 1994.

Previously, Rebekah Scott Hall's most substantial renovation occurred in 1985-86, when the building was closed for an entire year. After \$1.7 million in renovations, the building was rededicated on Oct. 10, 1986. There had been no substantial work done since then until summer 2015, when the building's exterior was renovated, including a new roof and repaired cupolas. Second-phase renovations began in May 2017 and were completed in August 2018. Designed by Jenkins•Peer Architects and executed by Holder Construction Group, LLC, this renovation exceeded \$16 million, funded primarily by *The Greatness Before Us* campaign.

SUSTAINABILITY

Rebekah Scott Hall has been certified LEED Platinum by the U.S. Green Building Council. LEED, or Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, is the most widely used green building rating system in the world, and Platinum is the highest-level rating. Rebekah Scott Hall achieved this certification for implementing practical and measurable strategies and solutions aimed at achieving high performance in sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection and indoor environmental quality. Rebekah Scott Hall joins two other LEED-certified buildings on Agnes Scott's campus—John Bulow Campbell Hall (LEED Gold) and Anna I. Young Alumnae House (LEED Silver). Rebekah Scott Hall also received recognition for second place in the Community Impact Award category in the 2018 Georgia Green Awards.

A geothermal HVAC system heats and cools Rebekah Scott Hall, providing the historic building with central air conditioning for the first time. The system, comprising 42 wells 500 feet below the former parking lot, utilizes the consistent core temperature of the Earth to heat and cool the building in a continuous loop. Most of the previously-exposed pavement was removed from the parking lot (formerly tennis courts), reducing the "heat island effect" and cooling the campus while also reducing stormwater runoff and filtering rain water. This space has been converted into a thriving garden with primarily drought-resistant and native plants and trees. Additional trees will be planted in late 2018 to assist with these reduction goals. The geothermal system was funded through the college's Green Revolving Fund. Begun with donor gifts and foundation grants to implement energy and water-efficiency projects across campus, the fund now absorbs savings from said projects, which are then used to fund future efficiency improvements. To date, Agnes Scott has revolved close to \$2 million in energy and water-efficiency projects with a combined projected savings of approximately \$250,000 per year.

COLONNADE AND PORCH

The restoration of the verandah-style porch—which runs the length of the main building on the front side, wraps around the east wall and extends along the south wall—was funded by Judith Thompson '75. The restoration of the colonnade that connects Rebekah Scott Hall to Agnes Scott Hall was made possible by Elizabeth Daniel Holder '82 and Thomas M. Holder.

ELIZABETH KISS WELCOME CENTER

Once the lobby with a center stairwell to the upper floors, this space now hosts four displays showcasing traditions and experiences, highlighting what Scotties can expect in each of their four years at Agnes Scott. Within the Elizabeth Kiss Welcome Center is the Gallery, funded by Mary Lou Cornwall Hawkes '65 and James B. Hawkes.

WOLTZ-GARRETSON GREAT ROOM

In 1943, this space was converted from a dining room with seating for 250 people to a cafeteria, and it was used this way until Letitia Pate Evans Dining Hall opened in 1950. Following its use as a recreational room, the space became the Katharine Woltz Reception Room in 1990, originally dedicated in honor of Katharine Woltz '33 by her son Holcombe T. Green Jr. An additional gift from Mary Lillias Garreston '33 helped support the renovation to create the Woltz-Garretson Great Room, now used by the Office of Admission to host prospective students and their families.

ENROLLMENT SUITE

Formerly the home of date parlors, college literary societies and administrative offices, this space is now the Enrollment Suite, funded by Emy Evans Blair '52. Within the suite, there are nine named spaces, thanks to the generosity of donors to *The Greatness Before Us* campaign. Stop by the conference room inside the Enrollment Suite where the Rebekah Bucher Scott portrait hangs.

OFFICE OF ADMISSION

When Rebekah Scott Hall originally opened, the campus chapel moved into this space from the west end of Agnes Scott Hall. It is now the newly renovated home of the Office of Admission, funded by Emy Evans Blair '52. Within the office there are 13 named spaces, thanks to the generosity of donors to *The Greatness Before Us* campaign.

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

Rebekah Scott Hall was initially constructed in part to provide a dining room that would accommodate students, faculty and staff. This space originally served as the kitchen to the dining room and was often referred to as the annex despite being part of the original construction and not a later addition. It was built as a separate space to help contain the potential spread of fire from the kitchen. In 1959, the kitchen was converted to administrative offices and now houses the Office of Financial Aid, funded by Mary Duckworth Gellerstedt '46. Within the office there are six named spaces, thanks to the generosity of donors to *The Greatness Before Us* campaign.

RESIDENTIAL FLOORS

Originally the upper floors of Rebekah Scott Hall contained 40 double rooms and 18 single rooms, accommodating almost 100 students. Currently these floors house 77 students, who now enjoy the following amenities: air-conditioning powered by geothermal energy, study rooms with original windows, updated common areas with full kitchens, computer and printer stations, ADA-compliant bathrooms with low-flow plumbing fixtures, recycling centers, and hydration stations. The room layouts are almost identical to the original construction. Many of the building's materials were refurbished and reused, including the doors, molding and hardwood floors. The second-floor balcony has been named by The Clyde C. Tuggle Family. There are 44 additional named spaces on the second and third floors, thanks to the generosity of donors to *The Greatness Before Us* campaign.

SAFETY

Campus security once consisted of an American Watchman Time Detector with three stations as a watchman made hourly rounds. This renovation has provided a private student entrance off the colonnade, funded by Flavel McMichael Godfrey '68 and John Munro Godfrey. Students use their student ID cards to access the elevator and the upper floors.

Historic information provided by Laura Drummond with Atlanta Preservation.