C. Lee Herter
Doctor of Humane Letters

C. Lee Herter was elected to Bowdoin’s Board of Overseers in 1976 as one of the first women to serve on the College’s governing boards. She was elected to the Board of Trustees in 1988 and was designated Trustee Emerita in 1996, after twenty years of dedicated service in the governance of the College. Herter graduated from the Winsor School in Boston and attended Smith College. She has a distinguished record of service to education and philanthropic causes—as a trustee of Winsor School and a trustee of St. George’s School in Newport, Rhode Island; a volunteer and committee member at Massachusetts General Hospital; and for fifteen years doing daily pro bono work in the development office at Beverly Hospital in Massachusetts. Her connections to Bowdoin are extensive and include her sons David Herter ’76 and Edward Herter ’77, daughter-in-law Lauren Tenny Herter ’82, niece Brooke Herter James ’78, four grandchildren, and her father-in-law Christian H. Herter H ’48.