

# The Emerson Medal

## Recipients

The Emerson Medal was established in 2019 for Stoneleigh-Burnham's 150th Anniversary. It recognizes an individual who embodies the spirit of the Emerson family.

Susan Mabel Hood Emerson rescued her alma mater, the Mary A. Burnham School, in 1938 and brought it back to its former glory. Mrs. Emerson and her family served the Mary A. Burnham, Stoneleigh-Prospect Hill, and Stoneleigh-Burnham schools for many years.

The recipient of The Emerson Medal demonstrates the grace, tenacity, and humility with which Mrs. Emerson accomplished her greatest dreams.

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### **2019:** Laura Richards '60 SPH

The inaugural awarding of the Emerson Medal was presented to a woman who not only demonstrates these traits but inspires those around her to do likewise. Laura Richardson has served SBS as a Class Agent, a Trustee, and for 5 years as Board Chair (2003 to 2008).

Her quiet leadership, unwavering support, service, and stewardship set an example for the entire school community. Throughout her time at and in service to SBS, Laura has earned the love and respect of thousands of Stoneleigh-Burnham sisters.