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FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT'S HOUSE - SIDE VIEW

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Florida State University
President's House

### **November 2014**



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# HOLIDAY PARTY





ARF & Faculty Senate

Mon. - December 1, 2014

FSU President's House

From 5:30 - 7:30 pm



For the March issue
of the
ARF Journal
Please submit your publications
and professional activities by
Sunday - February 8, 2015
to: thart@fsu.edu

### From the President



As was the case with many of you I got soaking wet. Getting to the Oct. 14 Retiree Luncheon meant driving in a heavy downpour and wading through inches of water with too small an umbrella! Before I left home I received a number of telephone calls and emails asking if the luncheon "has been canceled." I was pleased to find so many of you there. Most of us have learned to deal with Tallahassee thunderstorms without drowning so I should not have been surprised. Professor Katherine "Kitty" Hoffman who, at one hundred (100) years of age, drove through the rain and arrived on time perhaps is the prime example of our resilience in bad weather: "Neither snow, nor rain, nor gloom of night…"

It was all the more appropriate, then, to have an introduction to the coming musical, Cabaret, produced by the FSU Music Theatre Program. Five of the cast members gave upbeat samples from the show. We literally were "Singing in the Rain." Thanks to our program committee for a memorable luncheon.

Remember our next event is the Holidays Reception December 1 in President and Mrs. Thrasher's home. See you there.

Leo Sandon *President* 

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# Association of Retired Faculty Upcoming Events

**December 1, 2014** 

**Holiday Celebration** 

Don't forget the annual Holiday Celebration on Monday,December 1, 2014 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the President's House.



Members of the Faculty Senate and dues-paying members of the Association of Retired Faculty are invited.

Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Business or holiday dress is the suggested attire.

Members who need special accommodations should let us know in advance. Golf carts will be providing rides from the parking lots to the house for anyone who needs assistance.

Call 644-3568

The Tour of Campus will have two options. There will be two days of campus tours with different agendas for each day. The tours are from 10:00 a.m. until about 12:30 p.m. (no charge).

 On Wednesday February 11, 2015, the tour will include a brief overview of the physical plant operations and what it takes to keep FSU working as an institution. • On Thursday February 12, 2015, the tour will guide you through the renovated areas of Doak Campbell Stadium and the new indoor practice field.

Please reserve your space with Max Carraway (mcarraway@admin.fsu.edu). Tours will be limited to the first 11 participants per day who register for the tour and will begin at the Visitor Center on the ground floor of the University Center.

# Our spring Barbecue will be at FSU's Seminole Reserva-

tion on Wednesday March 25, 2015 beginning at 11:30 a.m. Thanks to the sponsorship of Sonny's Barbecue and the Department of Campus Recreation, the cost of the barbecue will be \$10. Please make plans to attend and submit your payment for the Barbecue by March 20, 2015 to Tom McCaleb, 3037 Godfrey Place, Tallahassee, FL 32309-2115. The \$2 per car gate fee has been waived, and there is plenty of parking including special needs parking close to the building.

# Stay tuned for details about the Spring Luncheon, which will be on Tuesday May 12, 2015 at the FSU Alumni Center Ballroom.

We hope you can join us for these events.

Carol Darling

ARF Vice President

# MASTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2014-2015

December 1, 2014 - Monday

Holiday Celebration

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. President's House

# **December 9, 2014** - Tuesday *Torch Awards*

6:00 p.m. Heritage Museum, Dodd Hall

# January 6, 2015 - Tuesday Board of Directors Meeting

2:00 p.m. - Meeting, Cottrell Conference Room FSU Alumni Center

# **February 8, 2015** - Sunday *Retiree Journal*

Articles due to Editor (March Issue)

# February 11, 2015 - Wednesday Tour of Campus (Option 1)

University Center Visitors Center 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

# February 12, 2015 – Thursday Tour of Campus (Option 2)

University Center Visitors Center 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

# March 25, 2015 Barbecue

FSU Reservation 11:30 a.m.

# May 12, 2015 - Tuesday Spring Luncheon

Alumni Center ballroom 11:00 a.m. Social, Noon – Lunch, cost \$22

# May 19, 2015 - Wednesday Joint Board of Directors Meeting

(Old and New Board) 2:00 p.m. - Meeting, 3:00 pm. Reception Cottrell Conference Room FSU Alumni Center

# May 20 - July 31, 2015 (Exchange of Materials - Old to New officers)

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# 2014-2015

Thomas G. (Tommie) Wright May 9, 2014 (Faculty)

J. Stanley Marshall June 8, 2014 (FSU President)

Roy Edward Delp June 24, 2014 (Faculty)

Elaine S. Sherron July 11, 2014 (Wife of Gene Sherron, Faculty)

John "Jack" T. Dobson July 17, 2014 (Faculty)

Jane S. Grosslight July 23, 2014 (Widow of Joseph Grosslight, Faculty)

Hubert Odell Waldby July 29, 2014 (Faculty)

Howard Stoker August 15, 2014 (Faculty)

Roderic Russ Duggar August 25, 2014 (Admin)

Monique Iris Morrow August 26, 2014 (Admin)

Leslie Aspinwall August 25, 2014 (Faculty)

James S. Brooks September 27, 2014 (Faculty)

Carolyn Schluck October 9, 2014 (Faculty)

William Orville Oldson October 15, 2014 (Faculty)

Peter J. Gielisse October 15, 2014 (Faculty)

# A Stained Glass Window in Honor of Retirees

by Fred Standley



As the Journal is going to press the Committee has just received a revised design of that in hand when the last issue was published. However, the latest version is still quite rudimentary and needs refining, and the Committee will be meeting to provide instructions to the Master Craftsman Studio for additional work toward a finished product. The good news is that we are making progress with design, and we now have the money on hand for completing payment of the cost.

# Poetry Remembered

by Fred Standley

Former U.S. Poet Laureate and author James Dickey wrote in the "Atlantic Monthly" in 1968 that Roethke was "in my opinion the greatest poet this country has yet produced." He published numerous volumes and won the Pulitizer Prize for Poetry in 1954 for his work THE WAK-ING; additionally he won two National Book Awards for other volumes.

While a graduate student at Northwestern University it was my privilege to attend a three-day seminar featuring the linguist Seshawa Hayakawa, the philosopher William Barrett, and poet Roethke. To say that I succumbed to his poetic presence and influence doesn't quite do justice to the continuing inspiration I discover in his lines. For a number of years my favorite poem was Tennyson's "Ulysses" and its gripping lines:

Made weak by time and fate, but strong in will To strive, to seek, to find, and not yield.

Then, began my acquaintance with Roethke began, and especially the signature poem "The Waking" in his prize winning volume, and I was hooked.

By using a series of paradoxes to lay bare the essentials of his introspective vision of life as a complex struggle of the inner and outer worlds that each of us experiences and through numerous metaphors drawn from physical nature, he accomplishes and gives to his expression what Dickey calls a "deep, gut vitality."

The Waking (1953)

I wake to sleep, and take my waking slow,

I feel my fate in what I cannot fear,

I learn by going where I have to go.

We think by feeling. What is there to know? I hear my being dance from ear to ear.

I wake to sleep, and take my waking slow.

Of those so close beside me, which are you? God bless the Ground! I shall walk softly there, And learn by going where I have to go.

Light takes the Tree; but who can tell us how? The lowly worm climbs up a winding stair; I wake to sleep, and take my waking slow.

Great Nature has another thing to do To you and me; so take the lively air, And lovely, learn by going where to go.

This shaking keeps me steady. I should know. What falls away is always. And is near. I wake to sleep, and take my waking slow. I learn by going where I have to go.

Roethke was teaching at the University of Washington when he died of a heart attack. In 1995 the city of Seattle renamed a street in his honor as Roethke Mews; on it was the Blue Moon Tavern, one of his favorite places.

In 2012 the United State Postal Service featured him on a postage stamp as one of the ten great American poets in the twentieth century.



# Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education

ARF joined the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE) August 2008

# AROHE Matters E-newsletter of the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education

# AROHE www.arohe.org

Fanchon F. Funk, ARF National Liaison

### **New Board of Directors will guide AROHE**

What an exciting AROHE biennial conference, hosted on the campus of the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, August 10-12th.

Items of interest to ARF members are shared in this article as they relate to the August Conference and plans for the future.

\* NEW: Materials from the AROHE Conference including presenters, PowerPoint presentations, a presentation notes booklet, conference photos and as conference report template are now available to AROHE members on the AROHE website at the following link:

http://arohe.org/http/arohe.org/2014ConferenceReview

Within the next two weeks, a conference review with the presenters' greatest takeaways and advice will be sent to all AROHE members.

\* NEW: Board of Directors elections were held at the AROHE conference town hall meeting on August 12 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The newly elected Board will guide AROHE for the next two years from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2016.

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In the words of the incoming President Patrick Cullinane, "I welcome the opportunity to join the (Board) to better leverage AROHE's current capacities and to pursue new funding and other opportunities to expand those capacities."

\* NEW: 2015-2016 Board Members (candidate statements found on the AROHE website)

- Patrick Cullinane (president), UC, Berkeley \*
  - Trudy Fernandez (secretary), Fla. International Univ. \*
    - Diane Mundy (Treasurer), U C, Davis\*
    - Sue Barnes (past president), U C, Davis \*
    - Janette Brown (executive director), U S California"
    - John Bugge, Emory University \*
    - Fanchon (Fancy) Funk, The Florida State University
    - Larry Gahan, Clemson University
    - Caroline Kane, University of California, Berkley
    - Susan Kress, Skidmore College \*
    - Bill Lemman, Oregon University System
    - Sheryl Maxwell, University of Memphis
    - Pierce Mullen, Montana State University\*
    - Claire Van Ummersen. American Council on Education
    - \* Serving a second term on the Board

\* NEW: AROHE President has announced a Strategic Planning Full Board Retreat, January 25-27, 2015, Los Angeles. The Agenda is exciting and filled. Such topics as sustainability and growth strategy will frame the Retreat. These ideas will also transfer to faculty and staff retirement associations throughout the nation and Canada.

AROHE board members are volunteers who are leaders from associations of retired faculty and staff, administrators of campus-based retiree centers or emeriti colleges or other campus department administrators who oversee programs for academic retirees. Board meetings are held via conference call on the first Friday of each month, 10:30 a.m., Pacific Time.

- \* About AROHE: AROHE is a non-profit association that develops, enhances and advances campus-based retiree organizations and programs. By sharing research, innovative ideas and successful practices, AROHE emphasizes service to retired faculty and staff as they continue to make valuable contributions to their academic institutions.
- \*A "thumbs-up" for 2016: let's begin now to plan for a large cohort of ARF members to attend and present at the 2016 AROHE Conference which will be hosted by the University of Washington Retired Faulty and Staff Association. More information about this exciting Conference will be provided in the months ahead.

Please let me know if I might provide additional information. It would be my pleasure to do so (Fanchon "Fancy" Funk, Email: ffunk@fsu.edu; Home phone: 850/575-7908).

# Fall ARF Luncheon







Kitty Hofman at 100 years young drove herself to the Luncheon through a torrential rain storm. Many activities in Tallahassee for seniors were closed because of inclement weather.





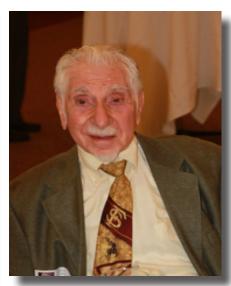
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# **November 2014**



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Marilyn Young & Anne Rowe



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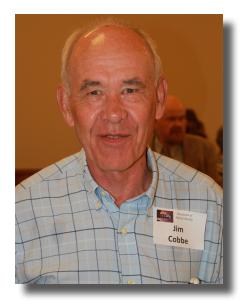
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Jill Adams





Kitty Hoffman is a very important alumna to The Florida State University. ARF is excited to wish her a very happy 100th birthday! Her extraordinary relationship with the University dates back to the years of the Great Depression when her tuition, as a student at the Florida State College for Women, was paid with truckloads of oranges from her father's Polk County groves. Kitty Hoffman earned free meals on campus by serving her fellow students as a "Dining Room Girl." She also served as president of the Student Government Association and as captain of the baseball and volleyball teams. She wrote for The Flambeau and earned membership in many campus and honorary organizations including, Phi Beta Kappa. Hoffman received her undergraduate degree in bacteriology from Florida State in 1936, and her classmates chose her as the yearbook's representative of "charm."

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# Kitty Hoffman

Kitty Hoffman then received her master's degree from Columbia University. While in New York, she established the first FSCW alumni chapter outside the state of Florida in order to assist alumni who were attending the 1938 World's Fair in New York City. After, she finished her master's she was accepted into medical school at Duke University. Unfortunately, however Kitty saw that Duke required female medical students to remain single and felt this was an unfair policy. Therefore, she married in 1938, and returned to her alma mater in 1940 to begin her then unconventional life as a wife, mother and professor in a scientific field, which was then dominated by males.

Kitty Hoffman taught for nearly 40 years in Florida State's chemistry department. During those years, Kitty was committed to the advancement of her field and authored several textbooks and articles. From 1967 to 1970 she served as Florida State's Dean of Women, and was president of the Faculty Senate from 1980 to 1982. She won multiple awards, and was often referred to as "the most wonderful teacher" by students.

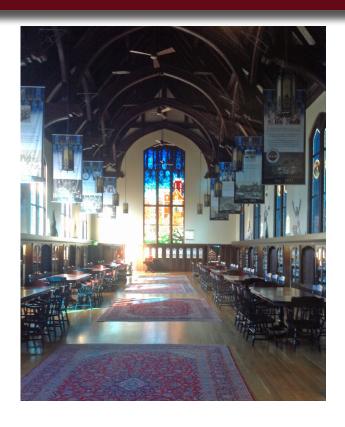
After Kitty Hoffman retired in 1984, the Florida State chemistry department dedicated the Katherine B. Hoffman Teaching Laboratory in her honor. Later, she and her husband, Harold, established the \$100,000 Katherine Blood Hoffman Endowed Scholarship in Chemistry.

And, in 2002, the Seminole Club of New York City created the Kitty Hoffman Service Award, and made Kitty its first recipient.

During Kitty Hoffman's retirement years she has served as a board member for the Florida State Alumni Association, a trustee for the Florida State Foundation, chairwoman of the Emeritus Alumni Society, and co-chairwoman of Florida State's Sesquicentennial Celebration. She has been an active member of the Retired Faculty Association, and a passionate patron of Florida State music and theatre. In 2007, in honor of her distinguished contributions to the institution, The Florida State University conferred to Kitty Hoffman an Honorary Doctorate of Science.

For over 80 years, Kitty Hoffman has loved and served The Florida State University. It is with great joy that we wish her a happy 100th birthday!

# Florida State History Room





# Library News

Fred Standley

### **Current Exhibit**

From October 15 to December 1 the Special Collections and Archives Gallery on the first floor of Strozier is the site of a new exhibit entitled THAT I MAY REMEMBER. This is a collection of Scrapbooks of the Florida State College for Women dating from 1905-1947.

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As noted in the announcement for the showing: "In examining these scrapbooks we are given a glimpse into student life at one of the largest women's colleges in the country at that time—their traditions and school pride, treasured friendships, and how students at FSCW perceived themselves as students and as young women."

The gallery is open Monday— Friday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

### **Award for Distinguished** Writing

At the Homecoming Awards Breakfast on Saturday, November 8, the Friends of the Library and the Alumni Association will 1979-80 Griffith Pugh present the Annual Award for Distinguished Writing to Andrew Johnson. He received his Ph.D. in Creative Writing from the FSU English Department, and he is currently an Associate Professor at Stanford University. In 2013 his novel entitled THE ORPHAN MASTER'S SON received the Pulitizer Prize for Fiction.

### Florida State University **Libraries Advancement Board**

Among the numerous innovations brought to Strozier under the leadership of Dean of the Libraries Dr. Julia Zimmerman has been the formation of an Advancement Board. Its formation and structure are being guided by a set of ByLaws currently in process.

"The purpose of this organization shall be to focus attention on the mission of University Libraries in support of excellence in scholarly resources and research services for the University by stimulating gifts of funds and rare and/or valuable material not otherwise obtainable by reaching out to major donor prospects, as well as engaging friends, activities and programs." Among the members of the Advancement Board are retirees John Fenstermaker, Hans Plendl, Anne Rowe, Fred Standley, William Summers and Wayne Wiegand.

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