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Max Carraway

Registrar emeritus receives
'Volunteer of the Year' honor

Like the Energizer Bunny, Maxwell Carraway keeps on going and going.

After a 27-year career as Florida State's registrar, Carraway retired in 2003. Almost immediately — and now famously — he came back to "work" as an unpaid, full-time volunteer. Since then, Carraway has served the university in various capacities, stepping up to the plate wherever needed.

In recognition of the truly meaningful role he has continued to play in the life of Florida State, Carraway received the Tallahassee Democrat's 2013 Volunteer of the Year Award in the education category during a luncheon held in April.

Carraway's continuing contributions to Florida State include the countless hours he has spent researching candidates as he coordinated high-level job searches. He performed this critical work on behalf of the president as if he were a full-time employee.

Barron praised Carraway as the epitome of graciousness.

"Max Carraway has acted as host to a long list of candidates for vice president and dean positions at FSU, traveling to interviews and shepherding candidates between appointments," Barron said. "Candidates consistently remark that Max sends a signal that Tallahassee and FSU are a welcoming environment.

"Always gracious, always willing

to serve, he puts our best foot forward," Barron said. "If I could clone any volunteer whom I have ever known in my entire life, I would choose Max without hesitation."

Carraway tirelessly serves the university as coordinator of the docent program for the President's House. As a member of the FSU Heritage Committee, Carraway has played a major role in the management of the Heritage Museum in Dodd Hall, lovingly protecting university memorabilia.

In 2009-2010, he served as president of the FSU Association of Retired Faculty and remains an active member. He also has served on various university committees and has supervised other volunteers.

"I am pleased that President and Mrs. Barron selected me for nomination as a Volunteer of the Year in the area of education," Carraway said. "By naming me, they honor all the individuals who help make the Heritage Docent Program a success, the retirees that give of their time in the Association of Retired Faculty,

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the many people who have helped establish the FSU Heritage Museum and the Heritage Committee, and they honor the faculty, staff and administrators who put the many hours into the search committees at Florida State University, and most of all the effort that is expended by all of us who touch FSU. The president and first lady truly know that a team is needed to moved the institution into a higher ranking.”



**Anne Rowe, ARF
President**

Anne Ervin Rowe, 2013 – 2014 President of the Association of Retired Faculty, has enjoyed a long relationship with Florida State University. Born in Gainesville, Florida, she wisely moved to Tallahassee at the age of two. She began her academic career at Florida State as an undergraduate student, where she had a double major in English and sociology, graduating summa cum laude. Rowe earned her master's and doctoral degrees at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, specializing in 20th century British and American literature. She joined the English Department at Florida State University in 1972 as an assistant professor. She was promoted to the rank of associate professor in 1977 and professor in 1984.

Throughout her academic career Rowe has combined her love of scholarship and teaching. She has

taught many courses on southern literature, including specialized courses on southern women writers. She has been the recipient of a University Teaching Award and a Teaching Incentive Award and has received grants for teaching courses and workshops in southern literature.

The author of two books, *The Enchanted Country: Northern Writers in the South, 1865 – 1910* and *The Idea of Florida in the Southern Literary Imagination*, both published by LSU Press, Rowe has also written numerous articles and essays on southern literature. She also enjoyed presenting papers at national and international conferences on southern literature. One of her most daunting memories was participating in a session on southern writers and finding that Eudora Welty, one of the South's greatest writers, was in the audience. Ms. Welty graciously came up to her after the session and complimented her.

Rowe has been active in faculty governance and in administration throughout her career. She served as a faculty senator, chairwoman of the English Department, associate dean and then senior associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. In 2003 she was appointed Dean of the Faculties and Deputy Provost where she served until her retirement in 2011. Among her administrative achievements she is most proud of the establishment of the Office of Faculty Recognition and its mission to recognize and support faculty accomplishments.



**Joannie & Britt
Poulson**

They were selected as two of the 2013 Volunteers of the Year by the Tallahassee Senior Center.

Joannie's was for "Reach to Recovery" work and many other activities and Britt's was for his over 30 years of involvement in the Leon County Brain Bowl.

