

In Memoriam

Alumni

Florence Dummer Harrison '33, '59W
(EdM), February 2010

Edythe Brown Walters '33,
March 2010

Gretchen Wilcox Hartman '35,
November 2009

Jane Welch Barager '36,
May 2009

Leone Coffey Dinelli '36,
September 2009

Marjorie Heise Spencer '36,
August 2009

Herman C. Nowack '39,
March 2010

Margaret Rathbun-Ames '39, '43M (MD),
December 2009

Alan H. Gleason '41 (MA),
January 2010

Miriam Bittker Clark '42,
March 2010

Elihu G. Grossman '42,
July 2009

Edward H. Easley '43E, '48E (MM),
March 2010

Louise Blamire Fowler '43,
February 2010

Janeth Wharry McGreal '43E,
February 2009

Martin F. Randolph '43M (MD),
March 2010

David C. Thurber '43M (MD),
February 2010

Eric Linhof '44,
March 2010

E. Gregory Thomas '44,
March 2010

Douglas H. Wilson '44,
February 2010

Vivian Bucknam '45,
October 2009

Ida Versaci '45,
February 2010

Jean Phillips Dorman '46,
December 2009

Dorothy Taylor Selden '46N, '65N (MS),
June 2009

Nancy Wakeley Ghent '47N,
July 2007

Jane Wetherby Syron '47N,
March 2010

Margaret Brant Adams '48,
February 2010

Janet Davidson Birk '48N,
February 2010

Joseph E. Perry '48 (PhD),
February 2010

Harry J. Wahler '48E, '48E (MM),
December 2009

TRIBUTE

Frank Shuffelton: A Lifetime of Achievement

Last spring, the English department held a symposium to honor Frank Shuffelton as he became a professor emeritus after 40 years of teaching and scholarship at Rochester.

A distinguished panel of scholars discussed the importance of Frank's work in the field of 17th- and 18th-century American literature. That work had earned him a lifetime achievement award from the early American literature section of the Modern Languages Association just two years before.

Many scholars also wrote to testify to their personal and professional debt to Frank, whose cheerful and encouraging presence and his willingness to assist younger scholars is something of a legend.

Frank, who died in March, was my colleague for 22 years, during which he taught me extraordinary lessons about how to produce engaged scholarship in my field of 19th-century American literature. Frank was focused on the American Enlightenment, and especially on the protean figure of Thomas Jefferson. His name became deeply associated with the best, most useful, and most interesting work being done on Jefferson. In addition to dozens of influential articles, he completed, in the early 1990s, one of the great resources in Jefferson studies: a two volume, comprehensive, annotated bibliography of writings about Jefferson that begins in 1826 and ends in 1990. *Thomas Jefferson: A Comprehensive Annotated Bibliography of Writings about Him* is a monument to scholarly commitment, generosity, and intelligence.

Frank was likely to enter rooms with a good humored wave and one of two



SHUFFELTON: His work included “one of the great resources in Jefferson studies.”

signature greetings: either “Hiya, hiya, hiya” (which he once told me he adapted from the *Howdy Doody Show*, which he had watched as a boy); or “Greetings, scholars.” When Frank was chair of the department, he organized a conference in honor of the 50th anniversary of our graduate program in which many of our alumni, now members of the profession themselves, returned to give papers and share memories. One distinguished professor, teaching at the University of North Carolina, remembered how Frank had been the first person ever to call him a scholar. Frank's greeting had been, for him, an important moment of self-realization.

—John Michael

John Michael is the chair of the English department at Rochester.

Dorothy Buckingham Bley '49,

January 2010

Jane Doolittle Lough '49 (MS),

January 2010

Charlotte Cook Brown '50,

February 2010

Lawrence P. DeBoer '50, '52 (MA),

February 2010

Margaret Corcoran Geier '50,

March 2010

Alice Connell '51,

February 2010

Richard L. Dunham '51,

January 2010

Janet Faulkner '51N,

February 2010

Rose Fallico Finelli '51N,

February 2010

Joyce Gardner '51,

January 2010

Harold C. Kellogg '51,

February 2010

Robert M. Shipman '51,

February 2010

Donn C. Barton '52M (MD),

January 2010

Lois Kinley Brown '52,

October 2009

Isidore Levine '52M (MD),

March 2010

Bruce J. Dropesky '53 (PhD),

November 2009

Eva Hess McNett '53,
February 2010

Virginia Hall Meyer '53,
March 2010

Charles L. Werner '53,
March 2010

Manuela Crespo Bryant '54,
November 2009

Charles G. Graham '54,
March 2010

Esther Gerber Landreth '54,
February 2010

Alan M. Lazerson '54,
January 2010

Richard E. Maxwell '54,
February 2010

Erwin H. Sapiro '54E, '55E (MM),
February 2010

James D. Sharps '54,
February 2010

Mary Watson '54E, '56E (MM),
March 2010

Alexander F. Kowalski '55,
February 2010

Theodore E. Guglin '56W (Mas),
March 2010

Dorothy Payne '56E, '74E (DMA),
March 2010

Donna Renton '57E,
August 2009

Edward J. Shaughnessy '57W (Mas),
November 2009

Joyce Burlingame Shwabe '58N,
February 2010

Joan Korn Starkweather '58,
January 2009

Robert E. Mattoon '59,
February 2010

Paul M. William '59M (Res),
September 2009

Reginald W.F. Conway '60,
January 2010

John M. Perry '60 (PhD),
March 2010

Robert K. Wolf '60,
February 2010

Houston H. MacIntosh '61M (MD),
February 2010

Chih-Min Yen '62 (MS),
March 2010

Andrew P. Morrison '63M (MD),
February 2010

Dennis C. Badura '64,
January 2010

Roger W. Creceley '64,
January 2010

John H. Hess '64,
March 2010

Donald A. Feinfeld '65,
October 2008

Donald R. Kreiss '65S (MS),
February 2010



ADVISORS: Businessman and Interfaith Chapel benefactor Gilbert McCurdy (left) and real estate developer Max Farash served as trustees over the course of three decades.

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Leaders and Benefactors: Gilbert McCurdy and Max Farash

Two longtime members of the University family—former trustees Gilbert McCurdy and Max Farash—died in February.

McCurdy, the grandson of the founder of the family's downtown department store, served as a trustee from 1971 to 1993 and was elected a life trustee in 1997. He died February 16 at the age of 87. A noted leader in the business and philanthropic communities of Rochester, he served as chairman and CEO of McCurdy's from 1962 to 1992. He's remembered as a passionate booster of downtown Rochester, having been instrumental in the development of Midtown Plaza, the first downtown enclosed shopping mall in the United States.

For more than half a century, McCurdy and his family have been generous supporters of the University. The River Campus Interfaith Chapel was a gift of the family in the 1960s, and McCurdy and his wife, Katherine Babcock McCurdy, made many gifts to the Memorial Art Gallery, the Eastman School, and to Arts, Sciences, and Engineering.

Farash, the founder of Farash Corp., one of the largest real estate development companies in western New York, died February 28 at the age of 95. A trustee from 1982 to 1985, Farash was also a generous supporter of the University, with a particular interest in the Simon School and the Eastman Institute for Oral Health.

James R. McNally '66S,
March 2010

Walter Johnson '68M (Pdc),
February 2010

Eleanor Kawka '68 (MA),
February 2010

Harold M. Graham '69S (MBA),
October 2009

Michael L. Daley '73 (PhD),
February 2010

Ann Brewster Glenn Jones '74,
February 2010

James A. Smith '74S (MBA),
February 2010

Janet Coutu '76,
February 2010

Dora Nykamp Kubitz '79,
February 2010

Mohammad Nemati '79M (Res),
February 2010

Jane Szakos '82,
February 2010

Matthew L. Miller '86,
January 2010

Beth Newdome '86E,
February 2010

Gail Cramer Walton '87E (DMA),
February 2010

Ralph C. Menapace '90,
March 2010

Charles E. Coffey '95N,
August 2009

Jean-Claude Pierre '99S (MBA),
February 2010

Mary Ellen Dean '01M (Res),
November 2009

James O. Freedman '02 (Hon),
March 2010

Eleanor Rosenfeld '03W (EdD),
March 2010