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March 2006 Update

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

On April 5, Heritage Protocol will host a meeting and training for all HP Ambassadors and Committee Members. Please RSVP as soon as possible when you receive your invitation next week.

For more information, contact HP archivist John Briestansky at 645-6462.

### **HERITAGE DAY 2006**

#### **FSU Rededicates Suwannee to Dining Room Girls**

Years of painstaking restoration efforts culminated in the official unveiling of the Suwannee Room to a standing room only crowd on Saturday, January 28. To mark this historic occasion, the University paid tribute to the Dining Room Girls, former members of a successful student aid program during the Florida State College for Women (FSCW) era, and rededicated the room to these ladies.



**Twenty-four** Dining Room Girls were present, and their memory will be remembered forever in a special exhibit near the Suwannee Room entrance. In a throwback to the era of the Dining Room Girls, the attendees were treated to a replication of the FSCW era dinner bell and food. The shepherd's pie, prune whip, and FSCW cookies were enjoyed by all!

## Memorial on Landis Green Honors Lawton Scholars

The Heritage Weekend kicked off on Friday with the unveiling of the Lawton Memorial. The stone obelisk at the northeast corner of Landis Green near Strozier Library commemorates the legacy of Dr. Robert O. Lawton and the recipients of the distinguished faculty award that has been named in his honor. It was a memorable moment when the obelisk was dedicated and unveiled by President Wetherell, former president Bernie Sliger, and Robert Lawton's grandson, Matthew Smith. The obelisk is the latest stop on the Legacy Walk tour and another beautiful sculpture created by FSU's Master Craftsman Program.

## Heritage Road Show a Hit

Throughout Heritage Day, attendees viewed historical FSU items on display in the first ever Heritage Roadshow. This unique event featured presenters from around the University, including the Department of Textiles, College of Music, College of Fine Arts, Department of Housing, and the



FSU Flying High Circus. Fifteen exhibits in all showcased hundreds of artifacts. Special guests included Dr. Carlisle Floyd; past Presidents Sandy D'Alemberte, Bernie Sliger, Stan Marshall; and descendents of former Presidents Milton Carothers, John C. Champion, and Edward Conradi.



Grandson of Edward Conradi, Lt. Col. Eker Meyer of New York, presented President Wetherell with an elegant hand-made book given to Conradi by FSCW faculty in 1934 commemorating Conradi's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary as president. The book now resides at Strozier Library's Special Collections and is undergoing preservation.

The Dining Room Girls display created by Martin Young was made possible by the following contributors:

Katherine "Kitty" Blood Hoffman '36  
Frances H. Roberts '39  
Evelena Rader Cates '40  
Anna "Peaches" McKay Arnold '42  
Mart Pierson Hill '42  
Bess Rumph Hiers Lux '43  
Teddy Parker King '45  
Dorothy N. Binger '46  
Mary Lou Norwood '47  
Bridget Chandler '48  
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Strozier Library Special Collections  
Martin Young, Exhibit Designer

### **Special Thanks**

Heritage Protocol thanks Aramark for their generous contributions and hard work. Heritage Day would not have been a success without the dedication and professionalism of their staff.

### **HP RECEIVES FIRST MAJOR GIFT**

In December of 2005, Heritage Protocol received its first major endowment totaling \$100,000, which is eligible for \$50,000 matching funds from the 2006 Florida Legislature.

Under the donor's agreement with the FSU Foundation, the fund will be titled the Mary Lou Norwood Heritage Protocol Endowment, to recognize the service Ms. Norwood has rendered since co-founding the Heritage Protocol program in 2000.

“ Our unnamed donor has made a huge difference to Heritage Protocol because people view major gifts as major endorsements of the programs they support,” according to Ms. Norwood. “We feel this first big gift will encourage other alumni and friends of FSU to financially support our efforts to preserve and catalogue the university’s history and memorabilia.”

Income from this endowment and additional donations will be used for professional restoration of artifacts and similar projects in perpetuity. If you want to contribute to Heritage Protocol, contact Donna McHugh at 644-3568.

### **EXHIBIT CASES AVAILABLE TO HP AMBASSADORS**

Heritage Protocol is compiling a list of exhibit cases throughout campus that are used to pay homage to various aspects of University history. Westcott, the School of Nursing, College of Human Sciences, the Pepper Center, and Housing in the Student Services Building all have display cases. Display cases in the President’s Westcott office will be used to highlight historical items from departments active in Heritage Protocol.

If your department has a display case, or if you would like to create an exhibit in Westcott, please contact John Bristansky at 645-6462.

### **HP CALENDAR**

**April 5, 2006:** HP holds full meeting and training for committee members and HP Ambassadors. Please contact John Bristansky at 645-6462 to RSVP for this event.

**Summer 2006:** HP releases inter-active DVD available to Seminole Clubs that want to host their own FSU Heritage Road Shows.

**Summer 2006:** HP unveils the second generation of its website

**Fall 2006:** HP hosts preservation workshop.

**Fall/Winter 2006:** HP establishes ‘internship’ program with former faculty, staff and alumni.

**Winter 2006:** HP hosts 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Heritage Road Show. Location TBA.

