The Ben Franklin Honor Society
of The Printing Industries of America

Historical Documentation

“Once a Member, Always a Member”

The following documents are to be preserved as historical information for the two consolidated societies of the Ash Khan Society of the Printing Industries of America (1950–2005) and The Society of Fellows of the Graphic Arts Technical Foundation (1969–2005). At no time should these documents be eliminated from their place in the directory or removed from the archives.
Projects Funded on Behalf of the Printing Industries of America
by the Ben Franklin Honor Society of the Printing Industries of America

2006—Refurbishing and Updating the Hall of Flags which skirts the Production Facilities in the PIA/GATF Headquarters and replacing the exterior American and Canadian Flags.

2007—The Ben Franklin Honor Society concentrated on bringing the Ben Franklin Scholarship managed by the Print & Graphic Scholarship Foundation (PGSF) up to the Print Heritage endowed level of over $25,000.

2008–2009—The Ben Franklin Honor Society will fund a project in spring 2009 which will provide custom made mounts for the memorial plaques on trees adopted by members at the Printing Industries of America headquarters. Fifty-five trees in the Adopt-A-Tree program will have a new stainless steel mounting hardware fabricated and installed to prominently display the tree donors’ granite marker plaques. The Adopt-A-Tree Program is only offered to BFHS members. Proceeds from this initiative support the Ben Franklin PGSF scholarship fund. [Editor’s note: This project is continuing into 2010.]
Projects Funded on Behalf of the Graphic Arts Technical Foundation by the Society of Fellows

1970—Robert Reed & Naomi Berber Memorial Plaques
1974—Robert F. Reed Technology Medal
1976—Naomi Berber Memorial Award
1976—Lee Augustine Memorial Library
1980—Society of Fellows Conference Center and Memorial Library
1982—GATF Hall of Flags
   Endowed Scholarship with the National Scholarship Trust Fund of the Graphic Arts
1993—Frederick D. Kagy Education Award
1993—Symbolic Bell
1994—Historic Display
1994—Photo Volt Brightness and Opacity Tester and pH Meter
1995—Purchase of 50 litho stones for the Kagy Award
1996—Visiting Scientist John Pu (IPST)
1996—Preucil Print Analysis Lab
1997—Robert W. Bassemir Ink Laboratory
   John Kronenberg Paper Laboratory
1997—Visiting Scientist Ning Yang (IPST)
1998—Visiting Scientist Brad Hartong (IPST)
1999—Visiting Scientist Rachel Smereck (IPST)
2000—Visiting Scientist Eric Lepp (IPST)
   Adopt-A-Tree Program
2001—Visiting Scientist Eric Lepp (IPST)
2005—Two 20-foot Fiberglass Flag Poles at Foundation
   One American Flag and one PIA/GATF Flag
   Two “Little Leaf Linden” trees, one in front of each flag pole
   Eight decorative bushes (6 Pygmy Barberry & 2 Globe Arborittae),
   and river rock landscaping
   Miniature Replica of Ben Franklin statue for Lobby area of Foundation
   Signage appears on each donation item recognizing the SOF

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Society of Fellows

Society of Fellows Mission Statement
The Society of Fellows of the Graphic Arts Technical Foundation was founded in 1969 to honor industry leaders who have made outstanding or extraordinary contributions to the progress of PIA/GATF and its affiliates; maintain fellowship and friendly relations among those who serve together to build the graphic communications industries; and, assure communication among members of the Society and also provide a link between the Society and the graphic communications industries.

The 2004–2005 Officers who participated in the organization of the new Ben Franklin Society of PIA/GATF:

Chair—A. John Geis
Vice Chair—Kent Martin
Secretary—Gerald A. Henseler
Treasurer—Ted C. Ringman

Society of Fellows Chairs
1970–73—Harry E. Brinkman
1973–75—William A. Krueger
1975–77—Paul Lyle
1977–79—George C. Houck
1979–81—Herbert E. Brod
1981–83—Otis Wells
1983–85—Lowell Dummer
1985–87—George Paajanen
1987–89—R. Burke Stanard
1989–91—Henry F. Schiele
1991–93—Harold W. Gegenheimer
1993–94—Jack Kronenberg
1994–96—Roger L. Perry
1998–00—Herbert M. “Skip” Sayers
2000–02—John C. Wurst
2002–04—Kenneth F. King
2004–05—A. John Geis
ASH KHAN SOCIETY
Honorary Society of Printing Industry Leaders

The Ash Khan Society of the Printing Industries of America, Inc., was founded in 1950 at White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, by the nine Founding Fathers listed below. Its purpose is to honor industry leaders who have made outstanding and lasting contributions to the industry through Printing Industries of America, Inc. and its local affiliated associations, having served consistently over a period of years; maintain good fellowship among those who have served to build the industry; assure communication among members of the Society; and provide a link between the Society and the graphic communications industry.

FOUNDING FATHERS

I.T. Alderson
Raymond Blattenberger
Donald L. Boyd
Rollie W. Bradford
Carl E. Dunnagan
Clyde K. Murphy
W.B. Reilly
Elmer Voigt
Francis A. Young

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1950  Francis A. Young
1951  Donald L. Boyd
1952  Carl E. Dunnagan
1953  Clyde K. Murphy
1954  Rollie W. Bradford
1955  I.T. Alderson
1956  Elmer G. Voigt
1957  Arthur H. Kinsley
1958  Charles B. DeVaux
1959  Bryan Snyder, Jr.
1960  Penn R. Watson
1961  Raymond Blattenberger
1962  Cully A. Cobb
1963  James L. Cockrell
1964  John M. Wolff
1965  William H. Walling
1966  Elmer M. Pusey
1967  J. Richard Jackman
1968  Reuel D. Harmon
1969  A.F. Oakes
1970  Walter F. McArdle
1971  Mendel Segal
1972  Max E. Clarkson
1973  Kurt E. Volk, Sr.
1974  Charles E. Schatvet
1975  Harold L. Holden
1976  Donald B. Thrush
1977  W. Carey Dowd, III
1978  Harold R. Kibler
1979  Eugene R. Johnson, Sr.
1980  William A. Krueger
1981  Harold S. Hutchison
1982  Harry L. Laba
1983  John Wilbur Mack
1984  Joseph H. Hennage
1985  Joseph H. Hennage
1986  Joseph H. Hennage
1987  O.T. Hamilton, Jr.
1988  O.T. Hamilton, Jr.
1989  Warren Andrews
1990  Melvin Alexander
1991  Melvin Alexander
1992  Tomme Rosenthal
1993  Tomme Rosenthal
1994  Herbert H. Provence, Jr.
1995  Herbert H. Provence, Jr.
1996  John C. Hedlund
1997  John C. Hedlund
1998  Howard C. “Buzz” Webber, Jr.
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2000  Donald C. Bishop
2001  Donald C. Bishop
2002  Sam C. Sowell
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2004  Alfred W. Merkel
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The Honor Society Scholarships

Society of Fellows Scholarship
Established in 1986, this annual scholarship is presented to promising young students pursuing careers in graphic communications. GATF president John A. Burgess started the fund with $5,000 and the intent to grow it into an endowed scholarship able to grant at least a $1,000 stipend per year. Today the balance is over $68,000.

Ash Khan Society Scholarship
Established in 1999, this annual scholarship is presented to promising young students pursuing careers in graphic communications. Ash Khan members endowed this scholarship with $50,000 pledged over five years. Since then, new members have contributed to bring the balance to well over $66,000.

The Ben Franklin Honor Society Scholarship
Established in 2006, this annual scholarship is presented to promising young students pursuing careers in graphic communications. Members of the Ben Franklin Honor Society endowed this scholarship at the Print Heritage level with contributions exceeding $25,000.

The Honor Society Awards

Naomi Berber Memorial Award
Established in 1976, the Naomi Berber Memorial Award honors the distinguished 45-year career of Naomi Berber, GATF’s first administrative director (1925–1970). Miss Berber was known by her colleagues as the “First Lady of the Foundation,” and was the first woman elected to the GATF Society of Fellows. She also served as assistant to the GATF Board of Directors. This Award is presented annually to a woman who has made a major contribution to the graphic communication industries.

Previous Award Recipients
1976—Madeline M. Kaufman
1977—Jacqueline Fetsko
1978—Margaret Earle
1979—Betty Jane Hart
1980—R. Joyce Kline
1981—Shirlee I. Scoma
1982—Genevieve Bolger
1983—No Award
1984—Sister Paula Cordero
1985—Raydean C. Duncan
1986—Mary Pat David
1987—Judith Booth
1988—Rose V. Warshauer
1989—Constance U. Greaser
1990—Melissa Previdi
1991—Flora W. Perskie
1992—Melene C. Follert
1993—Susan Kinney
1994—Diane Romano
1995—Patrice M. Dunn
1996—Helene H. Hahn
1997—Susan Baylin
1998—Susan Klutnick
1999—Laura Gale
2000—Marion Mathison
2001—Lynn Harper
2002—No Award
2003—Jean Bourges
2004—Barbara A. Pellow
2005—Susan L. Kelly
2006—Elizabeth A. “Betty” Maul
2007—Daneise Archer
2008—Ira Izquierdo
2009—Marcia Bonsell

Frederick D. Kagy Education Award of Excellence
The Frederick D. Kagy Education Award of Excellence was established in 1992 and honors the distinguished career of Frederick D. Kagy, professor emeritus, Illinois State University. Dr. Kagy was one of the most active and influential leaders in the field of graphic communications and technology education, and he was an inspiration to thousands of former students and professional colleagues. Dr. Kagy was a professional giant who demonstrated the highest level of professionalism through his career as an educator.

Previous Winners
1993—Triton College, River Grove, IL, Daniel J. Johnson
1994—Oakland Technical Center, Southeast Campus, Oakland, MI, Michael Stinnett
1995—Warren Occupational Technical Center, Golden, CO, Robert G. Veges
1996—Stoughton Senior High School, Stoughton, WI, Doug MacKenzie
1997—Lakeshore Technical College, Cleveland, WI, Thomas R. Hebel
1998—McIntosh High School, Peachtree City, GA, Margo Booth
1999—Hilton Central High School, Rochester, NY, Ron Hindmarch
        Cincinnati State Technical and Community College, Cincinnati, OH, Gary Walton
        Western Wisconsin Technical College, LaCrosse, WI, Phil Brochhausen
2000—Lewis-Clark State College, Lewiston, ID, Diane Driskill
2001—Waukesha County Technical College, Pewaukee, WI, Dean Flowers
2002—No Award
2003—Mattoon High School, Mattoon, IL, Tom Epperson
2004—Brighton High School, Brighton, MI, John T. Pagels
2005—Hamilton High School, Sussex, WI, Byron Olson
2006—Orleans/Niagara Career & Technical Center, Medina, NY, Linda Laney
2007—Frederick County Career and Technology Center, Frederick, MD, John Augustine
2008—Super Shop 9 at Venice High School, Los Angeles, CA, *Art Lindauer*
2009—Graphic Imaging Technology program at Cuyahoga Valley Career Center in Brecksville, Ohio, *Bill Delgado*
2010—Royal Oak High School, Royal Oak, MI
2011—The Printing and Digital Imaging Technologies Program at Ohio Hi-Point Career Center, Bellefontaine, OH
2012—Scottsdale Community College, Scottsdale AZ
2013—Graphic Communication Technologies program at Milton Hershey School, Hershey, PA
2014—C.S. Monroe Technology Center, Leesburg VA