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Centennial Library staff celebrates 30th anniversary

April 29, 2017 was the 30th anniversary of the move into the Centennial Library from what is now the Milner Business Administration building, which had been the library for 20 years from 1967 to 1987. This anniversary was celebrated by the library staff at the annual Library Recognitions Dinner on April 28th. 36 years ago, planning began for the eventual construction of a new library, starting with the development of a building program plan, hiring a consultant, and working through architectural proposals and final design options over the next 4 or 5 years. Cedarville had been growing rapidly enough that it was time to propose a new library facility. Ground was broken for the new library in 1986, and the facility was eventually named the Centennial Library in honor of the centennial of Cedarville University, to be celebrated in 1987. At a cost of \$4.5 million, the new library would become the first multi-million dollar building on the campus, more than tripling the size of the old library. Moving into the new library occupied the entire day on April 29, 1987, with all classes canceled, all the students and faculty on deck to assist in the move, a detailed plan in place

to move all the resources in one day and in the end a lot of shelving as well, and every one receiving a “Moving Experience” t-shirt for their efforts. There were five lines moving between the buildings at one time, carefully coordinated to get all the materials where they needed to be in the new building. The Centennial Library would be dedicated at the Homecoming Centennial celebration in October 1987. Several on the current library staff were present on that moving day, either as staff or as students:

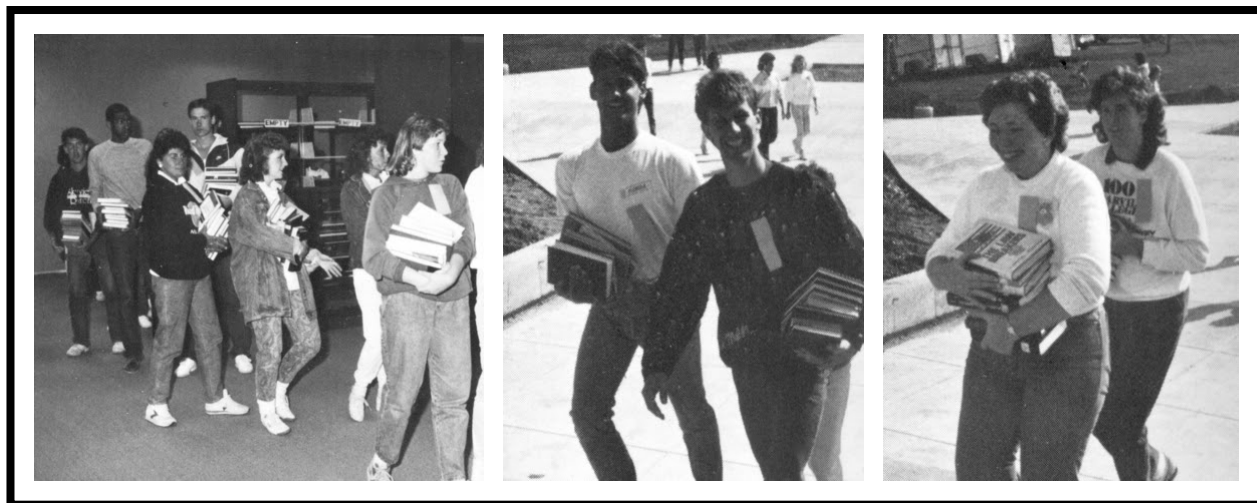
Lynn Brock, *Dean of Library Services*

Luann Nicholas, *Interlibrary Services Coordinator*

Linda Divan, *Library Systems Coordinator*

Valerie Harmon, *Library Office Manager (student, class of 1990)*

Carol Bliss, *Circulation Services Manager (student, class of 1987)*



Library faculty member receives further recognition and a teaching award

As cited in the November/December 2016 E-News, **Julie Deardorff**, *Director of Collection Services* was presented with the “Jay Ladd Distinguished Service Award,” by the Academic Library Association of Ohio at their annual conference last November. Julie was recognized primarily for her work with the Centennial Library career development program and her leadership of the 3-credit hour library internship course, offered every fall semester. The award, presented by ALAO to only one member a year “recognizes an individual who has promoted academic libraries and librarianship not only on his or her own campus, but also within the state.” That award led most recently to Julie being proclaimed one of seventeen “2016 Greene County Achievers” by the Greene County Commissioners and by the Governor of the State of Ohio. This presentation was made at the Greene County Recognitions Breakfast, held at the Beavercreek County Club, on April 21st.



On April 13th, during the Faculty Recognitions Chapel, Julie received one of three Teaching Effectiveness Awards presented primarily for her leadership of the very successful library internship program.



StAR award winner recognized at library dinner

The recipient of the Staff Achievement and Recognition (StAR) Award, selected from nominations made by library faculty and staff, is chosen by an award committee, comprised of previous winners, using one or more of the following qualities:

- provides quality service to staff and patrons with a spirit of Christian servanthood.
- presents a favorable image of the library both inside and outside the university.
- demonstrates and encourages teamwork.
- promotes a constructive and congenial work environment.
- seeks to be creative and innovative in job performance

This year, at the annual Library Recognitions Dinner held on April 28th in the Stevens Student Center, the 2017 StAR award was given to **Joe Fox**, *Instructional Services Librarian*. The award was presented by **Kristi Coe**, *Health Sciences Librarian*, the 2016 StAR award winner.

Distinctive service recognitions given

From time to time, Certificates of Recognition for Distinctive Service are given to library staff by the Dean of Library Services for important achievements advancing Centennial Library services, for significant contributions to the service and reputation of the Centennial Library, for service to the library in special ways, or for performance of tasks above and beyond the call of duty. This year, at the annual Library Recognitions Dinner, held on April 28th in the Stevens Student Center, three certificates were presented. One to **Josh Michael**, *Director of Public Services*, in recognition of his committed leadership for multiple innovative service initiatives evidenced this year in the new tiered research services model, the revised freshmen orientation program, and the *Get one thing done* event; a second to **Kristi Coe**, *Health Sciences Librarian*, in recognition of her innovative and enthusiastic advocacy of research literacy, most recently evidenced in her successful leadership of the 8th annual University Research and Scholarship Symposium; and a third to **Julie Deardorff**, *Director of Collection Services*, in recognition of her excellent work in recruiting and preparing the next generation of Christian librarians evidenced by receiving the 2016 ALAO Jay Ladd Distinguished Service Award and a 2016 Greene County Achiever award from the County Commissioners and the Governor of Ohio.



Kristi Coe



Josh Michael



Julie Deardorff

Library Scholarship presented

The Centennial Library Scholarship Award in Library Science was established by the Centennial Library faculty to encourage and actively support the next generation of library and information specialists, and especially to encourage those who will fill the future library faculty ranks of Christian colleges and universities. A cash award is made directly to the institution in which the recipient is enrolled for graduate study in library and information science.



The first award was presented in 2000, and since then, sixteen scholarships have been given, totaling over \$14,000. The 2017 scholarship was presented to **Sharon Tapia**, class of 2017. As a junior in high school, Sharon visited Cedarville to talk with Julie Deardorff, Director of Collection Services, about what she could do to prepare for a library career. Since that time, Sharon embraced every opportunity to advance that desire. She has worked in library Collection Services since her freshman year, attended every annual library careers dinner, participated in the 2016 fall semester library internship program, followed that with a 3-credit library independent study during the spring 2017 semester, and interned at her local public library in New Jersey. Sharon will start work on her master's degree in library & information science next fall at either Rutgers University or Kent State University and plans to be a children's librarian in a public library.

Student assistants receive awards at Library recognitions dinner

SOAR award

The ***Student Outstanding Achievement Recognition (SOAR) Award***, established by the Library Managers Council, recognizes a library student assistant for exceptional service to the library. The **SOAR** award is presented periodically to a student assistant who demonstrates leadership, creativity, service, initiative, or performance that exceeds the normal expectations of his or her job description. The recipient of this year's **SOAR** award was **Sharon Tapia**, a senior English major, who has worked seven semesters in Collection Services. The award was presented by **April Hand**, *Serials Technical Assistant*.

Top Scholar award

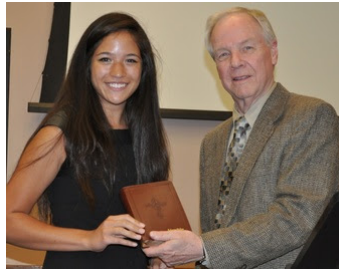
The ***Top Scholar Award*** goes to the graduating senior student library assistant who has the highest grade point average. The award includes the presentation to the recipient of a study Bible, and the selection of a book, representing the major or interest of the recipient, to be placed in the library collection in honor of the recipient. This year's ***Top Scholar Award*** was presented to **Becky Bidlen**, a nursing major, who has worked in Circulation Services for seven semesters.

Senior Recognition and Service Awards

Eight senior student library assistants were honored. In addition to the regular service awards available to all student assistants, each senior receives a name-engraved leather portfolio.



SOAR Award

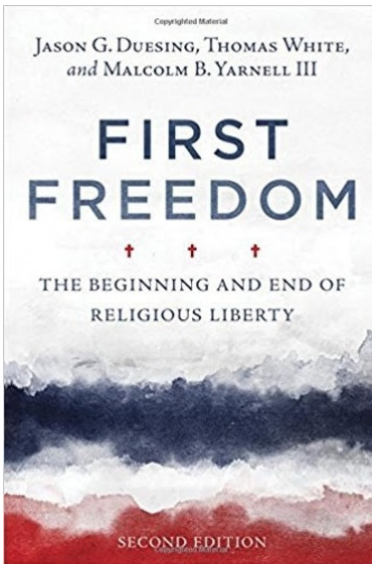


Top Scholar Award



Senior Student Assistants

Recognizing Faculty Scholarship



Thomas White, *President*, Jason Duesing, and Malcolm Yarnell

First freedom: the beginning and end of religious liberty, Second edition. Nashville, Tennessee. B&H Academic, 2016. 275 pages.

In the second edition of this important book in light of the growing challenges to religious liberty in our country, Dr. White adds to a chapter he wrote in the first edition on the history of the Baptist defense of religious liberty entitled, “The defense of religious liberty by the Anabaptists and the English Baptists,” a new chapter entitled, “Religious liberty and the Christian university.” This chapter addresses the unfavorable cultural landscape for Christian universities on many religious liberty fronts within the construct that God is still on the throne and not surprised by anything in the current state of affairs in our country. The chapter reviews the major consequences for the Christian university of the erosion of

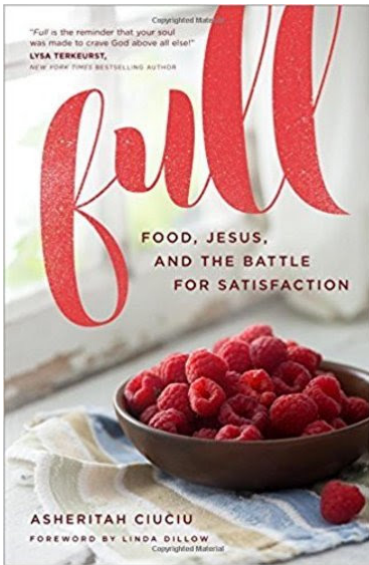
religious liberty, and then addresses the challenges with implications for tax-exempt status, Title VII, Title IX, federal funding, transgender orientation, and accreditation. The author’s prayer is “that the words of this chapter will encourage and equip those involved in or supportive of Christian education to operate with compassionate conviction, maintain an eternal perspective, and clearly present the truth of a biblical worldview.” The contributors to this book desire to equip churches, pastors, and Christian citizens to uphold this First Freedom, religious liberty, given by God and faithfully defended since the nation’s founding.

Highlighting Alumni Publishing

Asheritah Ciuciu (*Class of 2010*)

Full: food, Jesus, and the battle for satisfaction. Chicago: Moody Publishers, 2017. 255 pages.

The purpose of this book quickly becomes evident in the dedication, “To Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life, who is teaching me each day to feast on Him while also enjoying a warm croissant now and then.” The author, a former student assistant at the Centennial Library and the winner of the 2010 Centennial Library SOAR (Student Outstanding Achievement Recognition) award, tackles the challenges of yo-yo dieting, overeating cycles, and



obsessions with food in the context of our relationship with Christ. A summary of the book states that Asheritah “shares honestly about her own battles with food and reveals the path to freedom. You’ll discover the joy of living free from food fixation so you can experience deeper satisfaction in Christ, and a renewed sense of purpose, and yes, even enjoy good food (without regret). A healthier relationship with food through a stronger relationship with Christ—that’s the goal of Full.” The author’s website, OneThingAlone.com, provides personal stories and practical tips from her ministry to women.



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