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## StAR award winner recognized at library dinner

The recipient of the Staff Achievement and Recognition (StAR) Award is selected from a pool of nominations made by library faculty and staff. The winner is chosen by a committee comprised of previous winners, based on 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 20th in the Stevens Student Center, the 2018 StAR award was given to **Valerie Harmon**, *Library Office Manager*. The award was presented by **Joe Fox**, *Instructional Services Librarian*, the 2017 StAR award winner.

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## Health Sciences and Humanities Librarians lead the latest University Research and Scholarship Symposium

The 9th Annual Research and Scholarship Symposium held in the Stevens Student Center on Wednesday, April 11, was led this year by **Kristi Coe**, *Health Sciences Librarian*, and **Kirsten Setzkorn**, *Humanities Librarian*. Loren Kuhn and the Event Services staff handled the facility logistics. The symposium is an annual effort to recognize the student and faculty research that is being done across the university. This year, over forty poster presentations, over twenty podium presentations, and one music performance made up the schedule. Students and faculty were on hand to answer questions and provide explanations to visitors regarding their research endeavors. Many of the posters, presentations, and the performance are archived on the University Digital Commons. The library staff would like to thank the students and faculty who participated, and we look forward to seeing broader participation next year.

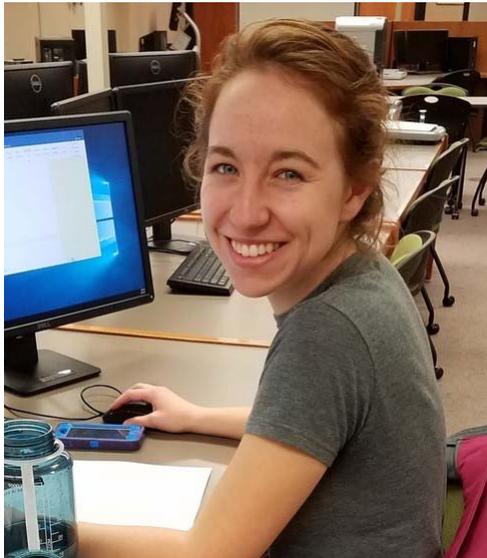


Kristi Coe



Kirsten Setzkorn

[Visit the Research and Scholarship Symposium on the Digital Commons](#)



## Library completes year with first student marketing assistant

Library outreach efforts were enhanced this year with the participation of our inaugural library student marketing assistant, **Lauren Yost**, a senior linguistics major. This role was designed to incorporate student input into library outreach efforts, better utilize the diverse array of student abilities in the library, and distribute the work of library marketing in a different way. In this position, Lauren served on the library marketing team, planned and executed marketing events, designed posters and graphics for events and promotions, and, for spring semester, handled the day-to-day operations of the library's social media accounts. She also helped identify best practices and responsibilities for this position. Lauren contributed in

meaningful ways to the success of library marketing efforts this year, and we look forward to identifying a talented student to serve in this role in the coming academic year.

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## Certificates of Recognition for Distinctive Service 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 20th in the Stevens Student Center, four certificates were presented. One to **Sharon Kerestes**, *Curriculum Materials Center Librarian*, in recognition of her committed leadership of the Blind Date with a Book event, challenging students to read more broadly, and making it an attractive and growing tradition for the Centennial Library; a second to **Valerie Harmon**, *Library Office Manager*, in recognition of her enthusiastic service, singular dedication, kind spirit, and above-and-beyond contributions integral to the success and reputation of library staff, services, and events; and a third and fourth to **Joe Fox**, *Instructional Services Librarian*, and **Lori Myers**, *MediaPLEX Coordinator*, in recognition of their commitment to and effective leadership for the successful integration of 3-D printing into the service menu of the Centennial Library MediaPLEX.



Sharon Kerestes



Valerie Harmon



Joe Fox



Lori Myers

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### 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 \$15,000. This year, the 18th scholarship award was presented at Honors Day, April 17th, to **Jessica Elder**.



Jessica is a senior English major with minors in editing, publishing and Bible. She enrolled in the Centennial Library internship course during fall semester 2017, which allowed her to learn in detail about how an academic library operates. She continued her study of library work this semester with an independent study course, focusing on her areas of primary interest: archives, collection development, research, and the history of libraries. Last summer, Jess also completed an internship at the Pyramid Hill Sculpture Park & Museum in Hamilton, Ohio, where she created an inventory system and cataloged part of the collection. Jess will begin her master’s degree in library and information science at Kent State University this coming fall and was recently hired by the Centennial Library to be a part-time Digital Services Specialist. Her long term plans include serving as an academic librarian, a museum curator, or an archivist.

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### Dean of Library Services receives unique gift at the annual recognitions dinner

In honor of his impending retirement after 50 years of service at the Centennial Library, the library staff presented **Lynn Brock**, *Dean of Library Services*, with a 24" by 36" intarsia of the Centennial Library crafted by Wayne Baise, father of Valerie Harmon, Library Office Manager. Wayne creates many intarsias out of his workshop at Wayne Baise Woodworking in Jamestown, Ohio. An intarsia is a form of wood layered inlaying that is similar to marquetry, using varied shapes, sizes, and species of wood fitted together to create a mosaic-like picture with an illusion of depth. Lynn Brock will be stepping down as Dean of Library Services on June 30, 2018, continuing as University Archivist and Curator of the Biblical Heritage Gallery in the CBTS during 2018/19, and retiring in May 2019.



## 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 **Abby Gingrich**, a senior accounting major, who has worked eight semesters in Circulation

Services.



### 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 **Lauren Yost**, a linguistics major, who has worked as the student marketing assistant for two semesters.

## Senior Recognition and Service Awards

Fourteen 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.

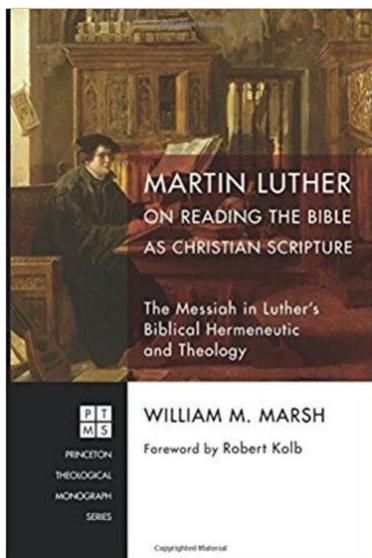


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## **Recognizing Faculty Scholarship**

William M. Marsh, *Associate Professor of Theology*

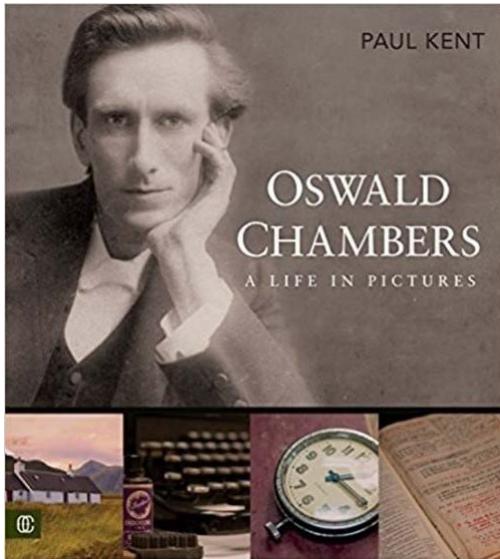
[Martin Luther on reading the Bible as Christian Scripture: the Messiah in Luther's hermeneutic and theology.](#) Eugene, Oregon: Pickwick Publications, 2017. 208 pages.



The author of this book “seeks to demonstrate that Luther believes Christ to be the ‘literal sense’ of Scripture on the basis of the Bible’s messianic promise.” Thus Luther’s approach to Scripture was a Christological interpretation of the Bible. The author revisits this assessment of Luther’s interpretation of the Bible by using a critical analysis of his “prefaces to the Bible” that he wrote for his German translation of the Scriptures. The author asserts that Luther’s exegesis of the Bible is responsible for the conviction of Luther that the Bible’s truth is connected to the living reality of Christ. The foreword to the book states that the author “concludes that Luther did

not find Christ to be the center of biblical revelation because of a dogmatic presupposition that compels the reader to place him there. Instead the Reformer’s experience in the texts with which he had wrestled in his search for peace with God and a way to deal with God’s just wrath drove him to an ever

more careful hearkening to and immersion in the text of the biblical writers. There the voice and message of the Lord himself, the savior of sinners, struck Luther as he read....”



### Highlighting Alumni Publishing

Paul Kent (*Paul K. Muckley, Class of 1988*)

Oswald Chambers: a life in pictures. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Discovery House, 2017. 167 pages.

Though Oswald Chambers died in 1917 at the age of only 43, his influence continues around the world today through his writings, most notably his book, *My Utmost for His Highest*. This new visual biography answers the questions about who exactly Oswald Chambers was. What kind of home life contributed to his spiritual development? How did his teaching and writing ministry begin? Why is he better known today than when he was alive? Why did Chambers pursue God with a rare passion? As the author says, “This volume offers insight into the influence of family and friends, the places he lived and schools he attended, the

organizations he served and experiences he had, all of which help to fashion a remarkable life and ministry. But the book also chronicles the other side of influence, that of his effect on individuals, churches, and organizations, which began early in his life and has only grown after his death. Oswald Chambers’s experience is presented here in text and photographs, in the hope that by knowing him more deeply, you will also draw closer to his Lord, Jesus Christ.”



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