Alumni Award

Mary Anne Denison Cummins
Class of 1949

For service to her Alma Mater of unique nature and dimension, we salute Mary Anne Cummins.

Expert author of the “Roll Call” section of the Ohio Wesleyan Magazine from 1984 through 1992, Mary Anne has kept the Ohio Wesleyan family informed about fellow alumni in a sensitive and meticulous way.

Through careful and caring chronicling of alumni comings and goings, through congratulating new parents with Ohio Wesleyan bibs and through comforting the bereaved with messages of condolence, she has strengthened alumni ties to each other and to the University.

Her recent eight-year magazine stint was a second go ‘round, since for a time after graduation, she had been the publication’s reporter of alumni club news.

In executing her writing responsibilities, Mary Anne utilized some impressive credentials. Herself a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Ohio Wesleyan, she is acquainted with the institution’s distant and recent past, its shibboleths and sacred cows, through some 50 alumni relatives extending over generations almost back to the University’s founding and through life-long residence in Delaware. Today’s recognition has historic precedence in that her parents Lonnis and Anne Mendenhall Denison, classes of 1915 and 1923 respectively, were similarly honored in 1970.

This Alumni Award expresses thanks and admiration to Mary Anne Cummins for her contribution of sustained enrichment of this primary University publication.

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