Stony Brook University Libraries

2015 Student Staff Newsletter



Constantia Constantinou Dean of University Libraries

Note from Dean of University Libraries

I'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate Nathaly Sierra-Vargas the 2015 Recipient of the University Libraries Distinguished Student Employee Award and to Sarah Young Ha and DeeDee Ebalu, the Recipients of the Thomas lefferson Award. I would also like to thank all the Stony Brook University Libraries Student Staff who have worked so hard throughout the year. As student workers you are very valuable members of the University Libraries

team. My hope is that your position in the library will enhance your college experience and provide you with a learning environment that will help you in your future endeavors and career paths. I also hope that working in the library will not only assist you with tuition and other expenses, but that you take advantage of the opportunity to acquire the skills and expertise that will build your resume and launch your career. As part of the library team, you help us cultivate a comfortable climate

conducive to learning and to help us carry out the vision and mission of SBU Libraries. The University Libraries tries to show our appreciation to our student staff by hosting the Student Staff Annual Pizza Party and presenting the End of Year Goody Bags to students during finals week. This is a small way in which we try to ease some of the tensions you may be experiencing and a way to say "thank you" for your dedication to SBU Libraries.



2015 Award Recipient Nathaly Sierra-Vargas Mail Services

University Libraries Distinguished Student Employee Award

Nathaly Sierra-Vargas has been working in the Library Mail Room since September 2012. During the course of her employment, she has become a valued asset to her department. She is very reliable, conscientious and can be trusted to work without supervision. Nathaly enjoys her job in the library

and feels it has helped her learn about the services Marketing pursuing dents in their coursework and other areas. Working in the library has also photographelped Nathaly with time management and she feels that her experiences will benefit her in her career.

Nathaly is a business

major specializing in
Marketing, and is also
pursuing a minor in
Sustainability Studies. She
has a passion for
photography and is a member
of the multimedia club on
campus.

Congratulations Nathaly!



2015 Award Recipient Sarah Young Ha Interlibrary Loans

Thomas Jefferson Award - (Spring Semester)

Sarah Young Ha began working in the Inter-library Loan Department of the Library in January 2013. She adapted quickly to the work flow of the department, learning how to use specialized hardware and software. Sarah helped train new students when they were hired and also

interacted very well with all patrons that visited the library. Whether it was staff, students, professors or members of the community, Sarah was always helpful and patient in assisting with whatever their needs were. While at Stony Brook, Sarah was involved with the Korean Christian

Fellowship and Campus Crusade for Christ. She majored in English, and due to several personal experiences, she decided to pursue a career in Nursing. Sarah was accepted to a nursing program before graduating in May 2015. Congratulations Sarah!



Fall 2015 is the first time the Thomas Jefferson Award is being awarded in the Fall Semester as well as in the Spring. A special THANK YOU to the anonymous donor who has increased financial support to the Thomas Jefferson Award to make this a reality!!

Thomas Jefferson Award - (Fall Semester)



DeeDee Ebalu has worked in the Library Dean's Office since September 2013 and currently works in the Library Personnel/Student Employment Office. She is a junior who is a Health Science major on the Nursing track. Dee Dee is a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Golden Key

Honor Society and many other organizations as well. As a member of the Pre-Nursing Society, Dee Dee participated in such events as organizing blood drives and participating in the bone marrow transplant event on campus. She also volunteered at the Long Island State Veterans Home and is currently volunteering

at Stony Brook Medicine where she assists the nurses. Dee Dee's future goal is to become a Family Care Nurse Practitioner and to acquire a Doctoral Education for Advanced Nursing Practice.

Congratulations DeeDee!



Rachel Koenig Library Dean's Office

2015 - Student Employee of The Year Nominees

We would like to congratulate Rachel Koenig (*Library Dean's Office*) and Damien Lyons (*Access Services–Main Stacks*) who were nominated by their supervisors for the 2015 Student Employee of the Year Award for their outstanding contribution, dedication to their work and for dependability and exceptional job performance.



Damien Lyons Access Services—Main Stacks

2015 - 12th Annual Student Staff Appreciation Luncheon

The 12th Annual Student Staff Appreciation Pizza Party was hosted by the social events team was held on April 22, 2015 in the Frank Melville Jr. Memorial Library. Library Faculty/Staff contributed salads, baked goods, fruit and other goodies. We'd like to thank everyone who contributed to this year's festivities. This is our way of saying Thank You for your dedication and hard work throughout the year. During the luncheon the Thomas Jefferson Award and the University Libraries Distinguished Student Employee Award were presented to this year's award recipients.















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End of Year Student Staff Appreciation

At the end of each year the University Libraries assembles goody bags to our student staff. It's our way of wishing you luck on finals and to Thank You for all your hard work throughout the year. Here's a few of the staff working diligently to get everything ready for distribution.

(Thank you: Kristen Cinar, Dianne Cyrus, Pam Di Pasquale, Bee Farina, Peggy Handle, Celeste Hessler, Suzanne Natsch, Elba Orsland, Brenda Polis, Hanne Tracy, Jeanne Quagliata, Sharon Williams)





Special Thank You

Thomas Jefferson Award

To the Donor of the Thomas Jefferson Award. The University Libraries would like to take this time to thank you for all the years you have solely supported the Thomas Jefferson Award. Each Year you have touched the lives of students in a special way. You are a great example of "paying it forward" and we cannot Thank You enough!

<u>University Libraries Distinguished</u> <u>Student Employee Award</u>

Many thanks to the University Libraries Faculty / Staff who contribute to the University Libraries Distinguished Student Employee Award. Your support and continued contributions is the only way the award can continue.

Questions? Comments? Suggestions?

Do you have a library experience you'd like to share? Please send an email to one of the following links: jeanne.quagliata@stonybrook.edu pamela.dipasquale@stonybrook.edu

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