

2017 Student Staff Newsletter

Note from Dean of University Libraries



Constantia Constantinou
Dean of University Libraries

The University Libraries is proud of our student staff and I would like to acknowledge all our Students who work in the library for your dedication and hard work throughout the year. You are a valuable member of our team that is dedicated to serve the research, scholarship and educational needs of the academic community. You are the public face our library and most of the times, the first person that our users encounter and the first impressions they form about our library. While your work represents all of us who work in the library, you are also developing skills and expertise that will be helpful

throughout your life. My wish is that your position in the library will provide you with a learning environment that will enhance your college experience and help you in your future endeavors and career paths. I'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate Jeremy Reifer the 2017 Recipient of the University Libraries Distinguished Student Employee Award and to Jacky Zheng the recipient of the 2017 Thomas Jefferson Award. The awards were presented during the spring semester at the Annual Student Staff Appreciation Luncheon. The luncheon is designed to show our appreciation and to acknowledge your achievements.

Congratulations to Pule Wang for receiving the 2017 Dorothy

Award. Pule received the award at a reception a few days ago. I hope you enjoyed the end of year goody bags. The items were donated by the library faculty/staff as a way to say thank you for all your hard work throughout the year and our hope that in some small way it might help ease some of the tensions you may be experiencing with finals. I speak on behalf of all of us working in the library when I express my appreciation for all that you have done this past year for the University Libraries. Your success is our success and the reason University Libraries shines among all academic departments for excellent service, professionalism and dedication to the mission of our University. You have my deep appreciation and heartfelt gratitude.

University Libraries Distinguished Student Employee Award

This year's Award is being presented to Jeremy Reifer. Jeremy has been working in Access Services - Circulation since September 2014 and the Health Sciences Library since Sept 2016. Jeremy is a determined and responsible student employee who needs little supervision. He is always willing to pitch in and help. He is very thorough in handling details. He is a patient instructor when mentoring new

student staff and handles himself in a courteous and professional manner when helping library patrons. His attendance is excellent and he is very punctual. Jeremy is flexible in offering coverage for last minute shifts and adapts easily. He takes the initiative to pick up new assignments. He is productive and applies himself to any task. He has been involved in the EOP Summer Academy

and has TA'd pre - freshman in AIM 104, Literacy Analysis and Critical Reading. He is involved in his youth ministry food drive and the collection of school supplies for the community. He is an active member of American Marketing Association. Jeremy's major is in Technological Systems Management and he is pursuing a career in project management. Congratulations Jeremy!



2017 Award Recipient
Jeremy Reifer
Access Services—Circulation &
Health Science Library



**2017 Award Recipient
Jacky Zheng
Health Sciences Library**

Thomas Jefferson Award - (Spring Semester)

Jacky works in the Health Sciences Library since Sept. 2015. She is pursuing a degree in computer science. Jackie has been involved in Generation Tech, where students at the high school level can be introduced to the STEM Field and learn about entrepreneurship in computer science by working on projects and creating business plans and presentation. She was also a member of BETAgirls, and worked with a startup

CodeSpeakLabs where students of all ages were taught the basics of HTML, CSS and Python. Jacky was involved with the Animal Care Center a rescue organization for Cats and was part of Intermural Volleyball on campus. Jacky is currently a teaching assistant for Chinese this semester. She is diligent and carries out her work enthusiastically. She prioritizes her course load and her work and she is a student employee

her supervisors have learned to rely upon. She is dedicated to her work and can be trusted to open the library by herself and has done so on several occasions. Jacky performs her work with the highest of standards. Jacky was also nominated for the 2017 Student Employee of the Year Award. Congratulation Jacky!



Effective Fall 2017, The Thomas Jefferson Award Has a New Name. From this point forward the award will be known as The Dorothy Award.

Thank you to the anonymous donor. Without your continued support, the award would not be possible.

Dorothy Award - (Fall Semester)

Pule has been working for University Libraries since June 2015 in the Central Reading Room and in the Health Sciences Library. Pule's supervisor states "She is the hardest working student I've known." "We entrust her with the library in our absence in the evenings and week-ends." Pule has excellent interpersonal skills with both her co-workers and library patrons. She provides

excellent customer service. She is highly knowledgeable of library resources and is capable of assisting with patrons finding journals, books, digital articles and e-resources independently. Pule is involved in Stony Brook Campus Emergency Response Team (SB-CERT), Getting Your Foot in the Door Organization, Inter-Varsity Fellowship, Environmental Club, etc.

Pule also makes every effort to attend many SBU Libraries events, including colloquiums and workshops. She is a TA for several classes, currently doing research in Breast Cancer. She is preparing to the MCAT exam. She has a passion for medicine and plans on working in the field of Oncology specializing in breast cancer. Congratulations Pule!



**2017 Award Recipient
Pule Wang
Health Sciences Library**



Bryan Jeanty
Library IT

2017 - Student Employee of The Year Nominees

We would like to congratulate Bryan Jeanty, Yousef Halaibeh and Jacky Zheng (*pictured on prior page*) for being nominated by their supervisors for the 2017 Student Employee of the Year Award for their outstanding contribution, dedication to their work, dependability and exceptional job performance. Stony Brook University in conjunction with the National Student Employment Week recognizes the achievement of student employees throughout campus. Each nominee was acknowledged at the Annual Student Employee Of The Year Award Ceremony. Congratulations Bryan, Yousef and Jacky for this prestigious recognition.



Yousef Halaibeh
North Reading Room

Star Recognition Awards

The following student staff made such a lasting impression on the committee members of the University Libraries Distinguished Student Employee Award and the Thomas Jefferson Award that the committee wanted a special presentation to occur during this year's Annual Student Staff Luncheon to acknowledge their outstanding work, dedication to the library and their involvement in the community on campus, the following student staff were presented with the Star Recognition Award.



Brian Guardado
Health Science Library

Jenifer Holden – is a Studio Arts Major. Jenifer has taken pictures for various Library events, set up the equipment before workshops and presentations. She volunteers by taking photos of the SBU women's rugby team and for the theater Department. Jenifer wants to pursue a career in photography.

Grace Im – is a Health Sciences Major. When she is not working in the library, Grace helps out at the University Career Center as a Career Counseling Intern. She is also involved in Competitive Dance Team on campus. She plans on going into the Health Care Field where she can make a difference.

Brian Guardado – is a Health Science Major. He's volunteered to coach little league soccer, and is currently volunteering at a physical therapy office one of the few offices on long island who cares for people learning to use prosthetics. His goal is to go onto graduate school for physical therapy.



Jenifer Holden
Library IT



Grace Im
Health Science Library

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14th Annual Student Staff Appreciation Luncheon

The 14th Annual Student Staff Appreciation Luncheon was hosted by the social events team and held on April 19 2017 in the Zodiac Gallery Wang Center. Thank You for your dedication and hard work throughout the year!! Library Faculty/Staff contributed salads, baked goods, fruit and other goodies. We'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed to this year's luncheon. The Thomas Jefferson Award and the University Libraries Distinguished Student Employee Award were presented at the luncheon to this year's recipients.



End of Year Student Staff Appreciation

At the end of each year the University Libraries assembles goody bags for 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. We'd like to Thank the Library Staff who donated items or gave funds. We had such a wonderful selection of items and without you this would not have been possible. *(Thank you: Pam Di Pasquale, Bee Farina, Peggy Handle, Arielle Hessler, Eileen Phoel, Mona Ramonetti, Jeanne Quagliata, and Adriana Rodriguez for assembling the goody bags)*



Special Thank You

University Libraries Distinguished Student Employee Award

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.

(If you'd like more information or are considering supporting the award, please stop by the University Libraries Personnel/ Student Employment Office room S-1430B).

Special Acknowledgement

Congratulations to Hanne Tracy (*Access Services*) for being nominated by Library Student Staff for the 2017 Student Supervisor of the Year!

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