

Society of Ohio Archivists Committee Reports

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| Date: | January 23, 2020 |
| Committee: | Awards Committee |
| Co-Chairs: | Devhra BennettJones and Stephanie Shreffler |
| Members: | William C. Barrow; Lily Birkimer; Helen Conger; Kevin Grace; Glenn V. Longacre; Pamela Winchell |
| Mission/Summary: | |
| <p>The Society of Ohio Archivists Awards Committee is responsible for publicizing the availability and the standards of the SOA Merit Awards, SOA New Professional Scholarship Awards, and the SOA Student Scholarship Awards. Committee members solicit and review applications for these awards, then identify and select awardees according to the criteria set by SOA. The Committee is also responsible for History Day involvement which includes judging for special SOA History Day Awards.</p> | |
| Goals for the Year: | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recruit Awards Committee Co-Chair; - Publicize the availability and standards of the Merit Award, New Professional Scholarship Awards, and Student Scholarship Awards; - Review award applications; - Identify and select awardees; - Order SOA Merit Award Plaques; - Present awards at the annual SOA Spring Meeting; - Gather a team to judge nominees for the Special SOA History Day Awards at the annual State History Day Contest. | |
| Ongoing Issues and Challenges: | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need to have a Co-Chair that can assist with History Day and the Annual Spring Meeting; - In the past few years the Committee's primary challenge has been to effectively publicize the awards in order to receive a greater number of applications, especially from students; - Enlist History Day Judges. | |
| Accomplished Goals: | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Confirmed Committee Membership; -Recruited Stephanie Shreffler to be Awards Committee Co-Chair; -Publicized the availability and standards of the Merit Award, New Professional Scholarship Awards, and Student Scholarship Awards; -Began recruiting judges for the Special SOA History Day Awards at the annual State History Day Contest; -Composed the SOA Awards Committee Co-Chair Responsibilities document for the SOA Manual. | |